

**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
INDRAPRASTHA ESTATE, RING ROAD, NEW DELHI**

**Minutes of the 326th meeting of the Executive Council
held on 29th March, 2025 at 2:00 PM**

PRESENT

1. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister and Chairman IIPA E.C.
2. Shri Shekhar Dutt, Former Governor of Chhattisgarh
3. Shri S.S. Kshatriya, IAS (R), Former Chief Secretary of Maharashtra
4. Shri Sriram Taranikanti, IAS, Director LBSNAA, Mussoorie
5. Shri Vijay S, Dy. Secretary (Training), Representing Secretary, DoPT
6. Shri Abhimanyu Sahoo, Dy. Secretary, Representing Secretary (Exp.)
7. Shri Dipak Kumar Sarma, IAS (R), Chairman, Assam Regional Branch
8. Shri S.K. Misra, IAS (R), Chairman, Chhattisgarh Regional Branch
9. Dr. Rajvir Sharma, Chairman, Delhi Regional Branch
10. Dr. R.R. Dhanapall, Chairman, Puducherry Regional Branch
11. Dr. Satish K. Batra, Chairman, Rajasthan Regional Branch
12. Prof. Neetu Jain, Faculty Representative
13. Shri Surendra Nath Tripathi, IAS (R), Director General & Member-Secretary

Shri Amitabh Ranjan, Registrar assisted in the meeting. Shri Pankaj Dixit, IAS, P.S. to the Hon'ble Union Minister, Shri Mithun Barua, Dy. Registrar (AS) and Shri O.P. Chawla, Dy. Registrar (F & A) were also present.

Item No.326.1 Grant of leave of absence to Members.

Shri B.V.R. Subrahmanyam, IAS (Retd), C.E.O., NITI Aayog and Prof. Renu Vig, Vice Chancellor, Panjab University could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence.

Item No.326.2 (a) Confirmation of the Minutes of the 325th meeting of the Executive Council held on 7th October, 2024.

The Minutes were confirmed.

(b) Action taken on the minutes referred to above.

Confirmed.

Item No.326.3 (i) Topics for the Annual Essay Prize Competition 2025 and Theme of the Members' Annual Conference 2025.

After discussion, the EC approved the following topics/theme as under:

Annual Essay Prize Competition 2025

1. Era of Artificial Intelligence
2. Social Media: Challenges and Opportunities
3. Ease of Living



Members' Annual Conference 2025

Emerging Trends in Public Policy and Public Administration
(Lok Niti evam Lok Prashashan me Ubharte Aayam)

(ii) Appointment of Judges for the Annual Essay Competition, 2025.

Confirmed.

Item No.326.4 Date for the Annual Meeting of the General Body and Members' Annual Conference.

The E.C. proposed that the AGM may be held on 31st October 2025 at 04:00 PM or on a suitable date convenient to the Hon'ble Vice President of India and President IIPA. Members' Annual Conference may be held on 30th October, 2025 at 09:30 AM.

Item No.326.5 Agenda for the Annual Meeting of the General Body.

Confirmed.

Item No.326.6 Appointment of Auditors for the year 2025-26.

The E.C. approved that M/s Arora & Bansal be appointed as auditors for IIPA, New Delhi for the year 2025-26 with audit fee of Rs.1,50,000/- (plus 18% GST). The matter will be put up to General Body for approval in its meeting in October, 2025.

Item No.326.7 Admission of new Life Members.

The E.C. approved the admission of new Life members as recommended by the membership screening committee in its meetings held on 3.1.2025 and also the applications of six Senior IAS Officers sent by the Branches.

Item No.326.8 (i) Revival of IIPA Goa Regional Branch.

(ii) Revival of IIPA Uttarakhand Regional Branch.

The Executive Council approved the revival of Goa and Uttarakhand Regional Branches and appreciate the Director General and Registrar for their efforts to activate the branches.

Shri S.S. Kshatriya mentioned that Local branches may be re-activated as many of the Local Branches are defunct/non-functional and we may take the help of the Collector/Divisional Commissioner of the area to revive these branches. This is also endorsed by the Shri Sriram Taranikanti, IAS, Director LBSNAA, Mussoorie.

Item No.326.9 A brief report on the important activities of the Institute during October, 2024 to March, 2025 relating to (a) Training Programmes and (b) Status of Research Projects.

Noted.

Item No.326.10 Office replies on the suggestions/observations made by the Members in the AGM held on 4th November, 2024.

Confirmed.

Item No.326.11 Office replies on the suggestions/observations made by the Office Bearers of the Branches in the meeting held on 4th November, 2024.

Confirmed

Item No.326.12 Items to Report : Confirmed

- (i) Extension /Re-employment of Director General and Faculty
- (ii) Foreign Visit of Director General /Faculty/ Senior Officers
- (iii) Completion of probation
- (iv) Retirement of Staff

Item No.326.13 Any other business with permission of the Chairman.

(i) Infrastructure Development at IIPA.

The Director General expressed his gratitude and thanked to the Hon'ble Minister for his guidance and unstined support to IIPA. He informed that IIPA has signed MoU with CDRI (Coalition for Disaster Resilience Infrastructure). IIPA has rented out two floors to CDRI in new IIPA Bhawan. DG also briefed that discussions are on with NDMA for providing them the rest two floors on rent and it should materialize shortly.

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Union Minister and Chairman IIPA E.C said that IIPA is doing well and it has reached District and Local Government level but there is need to have more visibility which will be possible if private sector is also included. The outreach of IIPA needs to be expanded to the private sector. Shri Sriram Taranikanti, IAS, Director LBSNAA, Mussoorie said that many private organizations and institutions are conducting training sessions for the government officials. There are various topics such as Human Values and Ethics where there is need for more training and capacity building. IIPA may explore these areas.

Director General IIPA informed that IIPA is trying to get participants of the private sector and IIPA already conducted training for the Tata Group, Maruti Udyog officials and there is an Advanced Leadership Programme (ALP) which is meant for the senior executives of the PSUs and IIPA can try to attract participants from private sector in this ALP programme. Registrar, IIPA informed that IIPA has collaborated with Amazon for conducting training programmes/workshops on consumer issues.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



(SURENDRA NATH TRIPATHI)
DIRECTOR GENERAL
AND
MEMBER SECRETARY

