Indian Council of Historical Research

Minutes of the 145th Research Project Committee meeting held on 13.08.2016 at 11.00 a.m. in Committee Room of ICHR, New Delhi

Members Present:-

1. Professor Y. Sudershan Rao Chairman
2. Professor Michel Danino Member
3. Professor Purabi Roy Member
4. Dr. Parabrahma Sastry, Hyderabad, National Fellow of the ICHR.

Professor Nanditha Krishna and Professor Narayan Rao conveyed their inability to attend the meeting.

Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Deputy Director (Research) and Dr. Noopur Singh, Consultant (Research) also attended the meeting.

The Committee deeply condoled the passing away of Dr. P.V. Parabrahma Sastry, Hyderabad, National Fellow of the ICHR.

I. REPORTING OF MINUTES

Item 1: To report minutes of various Sub-Committee meetings held between 28.06.2016 and 25.07.2016.

(i) To report the minutes of the Advisory/ Monitoring Committee meeting of the project entitled ‘Translation of Foreign Sources on India’ held on 28.06.2016 at ICHR, New Delhi.

Noted and Approved.

(ii) To report the minutes of the Sub-Committee Research Projects meeting held on 30.06.2016 at ICHR, New Delhi.

Noted and Approved.

(iii) To report the minutes of the Monograph Series & Publication Committee meeting held on 30.06.2016 at ICHR, New Delhi.

Noted and Approved.
(iv) To report the minutes of the Advisory/Monitoring Committee meeting of the project entitled ‘Environmental History of India’ held on 05.07.2016 at ICHR, New Delhi.

Noted and Approved.

(v) To report minutes of the Experts' Committee meeting of the project entitled ‘History of Science and Technology’ held on 22.07.2016 at ICHR, New Delhi.

Noted and approved. However, as per the comments received from the Experts' of the Committee, the proposal No. 3 entitled ‘History of Science and Technology in Ancient India (from Ancient Period to 1000 A.D.)’ by Dr. Ravi Prakash Arya, under Item 1 of the minutes was not considered by the RPC.

(vi) To report the minutes of the Editorial Board meeting of ITIHAS (Shodh Patrika) held on 25.07.2016 at ICHR, New Delhi.

Noted and Approved.

Item 2: To report the Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) Examination, 2016 and announcement of the result (80 seats).

The RPC appreciated and commended the Junior Research Fellowship Committee (JRFC) and the ICHR team for successfully completing the examination process for the award of ICHR’s JRF. The RPC accepted the report of the JRFC.

Resolution: Earlier the ICHR had the rule that the M.A. (Pass), M. Phil. enrolled and Ph.D. enrolled students can appear in the ICHR’s JRF, therefore, the students were given one year time to join their fellowship. But as per the RFR amended up to 22 September 2015 Chapter II, Fellowships, Clause 5, Sub-Clause (a) “Candidates who are registered in recognized Universities in PhD programme in History or allied subjects are eligible to apply for the Fellowship”.

In view of the existing positions in Sub Clause (a) of Clause 5 of the Chapter II of the RFRs that the “Candidates who are registered in recognized Universities in PhD programme in History or allied subjects are eligible to apply for the Fellowship” the RPC decided that the JRF awardees should be asked to join their fellowships within two months from the date of issuance of the award letter, failing which the fellowship will be awarded to the next eligible candidate in order of merit.
II. SPECIAL RESEARCH PROJECTS

Item 1: To consider guidelines/notes ‘Proposal for the Survey of lost Towns/Heritage of India’ received from Professor Rahman Ali, Member of the ICHR.

The Committee decided that the proposal needs to be discussed in detail hence, the Chairman was authorized to constitute an Advisory/Monitoring Committee. Since, the nature of the project entitled, ‘Historical Encyclopedia of Towns & Villages in India’ is broad, therefore, the Committee suggested to have the experts in Committee from the different parts of the Country. However, initially the Committee approved a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs.

Item 2: To consider a note to conduct a Seminar in December 2016 (tentative dates 7th & 8th December 2016) on ‘Indian National Army’s (INA) Contribution to India’s Independence’ suggested by Professor Purabi Roy, Member of the ICHR.

Professor Purabi Roy, Member of the Council explained the need of the seminar to be conducted by the ICHR. She mentioned that sources on Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and Indian National Army (INA) which are recently declassified by the Government of West Bengal at Police Museum, Kolkata and other sources available at West Bengal State Archives, Kolkata needs an interpretation.

In view of the discussion, the Committee requested Professor Purabi Roy that she should survey the sources on Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and INA. Dr. Sonakshi Goyle, Consultant (Research), ICHR will consult/collect sources on Netaji & INA from the National Archives of India (NAI), New Delhi in the guidance of Professor Purabi Roy.

Item 3: To consider suggestion note on ‘Indian Martial Arts: Its Cultural, Political and Ethical Frontiers’ to include in the thrust areas of ICHR from Professor C.I. Issac.

The Committee approved the project with suggestions to revise the theme so as to emphasize the social and historical aspects of Indian Martial Arts. Further, the Committee authorized the Chairman to constitute an Advisory/Monitoring Committee to discuss the proposal in detail. However, initially the Committee approved a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs.
Item 4: To consider note of guidelines on ‘Princely States in Modern India: Specialised Project West Bengal Chapter: Study of Cooch Behar’ from Professor Nikhilesh Guha, Member ICHR.

The Committee approved the project with suggestions that the proposal needs to be discussed in detail hence, the Chairman was authorized to constitute an Advisory/Monitoring Committee. However, initially the Committee approved a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs.

III. CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (CEP)

Item 1: To report the activities conducted under ICHR’s Culture Exchange Programme (CEP)

1. Indo-China

The Consulate General of India, Shanghai, has extended an invitation to the ICHR to nominate a suitable subject expert for participating in the 8th Shanghai International Library Forum from 6-8 July 2016 at the Shanghai Library on the theme “Libraries: Enabling Progress”. In this Forum experts from around the world gathered together to conduct extensive and in depth academic exchanges and communications on advanced technology and the latest advances with the theme of the forum. Dr. Jyotsna Arora, Deputy Director (Library) was nominated by the Chairman, ICHR, to attend the forum at the Shanghai Library, Shanghai, China. Dr. Arora has visited Shanghai and attended the Forum. The Shanghai Library has provided her accommodation and local transportation at Shanghai. On recommendation of the Chairman, ICHR, the ICHR has borne the cost of the international travel, visa fee and per diem.

A five member delegation from Shanghai Library is planning to visit ICHR during their visit to India from 20th October to 20th November, 2016 to discuss the matters of academic interests.

2. EqUIP

Dr. Tomaž Boh, State Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science and Sport Ljubljana, Slovenia, on behalf of EU- India Platform on Social Sciences & Humanities (EqUIP) as it's partner in Slovenia, has invited the Chairman ICHR for their Final symposium on 25th and 26th of October 2016 and the Steering Committee meeting on 27th October to be held in Slovenia.

The International travel and accommodation will be borne by the EqUIP.
IV. FOREIGN TRAVEL GRANT (FTG)

Ten Items which were placed in the last FTG committee meeting held on 21.6.2016 and were deferred for the next committee meeting were placed before the Committee along with a fresh item (total 11). The decisions taken by the Committee is as follows:

Item 1: Request for FTG from Mr. Veerasamy Selvakumar, Assistant Professor in Archaeology, Department of Epigraphy & Archaeology, Tamil University, Thanjavur 613010, to visit Japan to attend an International Conference on ‘World Archaeological Congress Meeting’ Kyoto, Japan, 28th August -2nd September 2016, for presenting a paper on ‘Historical Sites and Monuments and Community Development: Practical Issues and Ground Realities’.

The FTG Committee approved return excursion/economy airfare by Air India, and maintenance for 05 days only, as per ICHR rules.

Item 2: Request for FTG from Dr. Bajpai Shivakant, Residential Quarters, Archaeological, Survey of India, Bibi-Ka-Makabara, Aurangabad Circle, Distt: Aurangabad, Maharashtra-431004, to visit U.K. to attend “The 23rd Conference of the European Association for South Asian Archaeological Art”, Welsh School of Architecture, Cardiff University, UK, 04th -08th July 2016, for presenting a paper on ‘Missing History of Chhattisgarh (South Kosala) revealed in Damroo Excavation’.

The FTG Committee approved maintenance for 07 days only, as per ICHR rules.

Item 3: Request for FTG from Prof. Ravindra Nath Singh, Department of AIHC & Archaeology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, UP – 221005, to visit Singapore to attend the ‘18th International Conference on Archaeological Science’, World Academy of Science, Engineering and Technology, Singapore, 08th – 09th Sept. 2016, for presenting a paper on ‘A Note on Metallurgy at Khanak, an Indus Site in Tosham Mining Area, Haryana, India’.

The FTG Committee approved return excursion/economy airfare by Air India, and maintenance for 04 days only, as per ICHR rules.
Item 4: Request for FTG from Mr. Manas Dutta, H. No. 24 D Road, 2\textsuperscript{nd} Lane, Anandapuri, P.O.- Nonachandanpukur, Barrackpore, Kolkata, West Bengal-700122, to visit U.K., for collection of source material on his research proposal entitled 'A Study of the Social Composition and Organization of the Madras Army, 1807-1885'.

The FTG Committee approved return excursion/economy airfare by Air India only, as per ICHR rules.

Item 5: Request for FTG from Ms. Ekta Singh, H. No. 618/2, Lane No. 9, Vijay Park Extension, Dehradoon, Uttrakhand-248001, to visit U.K. to attend an International Conference on "First International Conference on Spiti: Recovering the Past & Exploring the Present", Wolfson College, Oxford University, London, UK, 06\textsuperscript{th} to 07\textsuperscript{th} May 2016, for presenting a paper on 'Contesting Antiquity and Development: An Interdisciplinary Insight into the Rock Art Preservation in Spiti Valley, Himachal Pradesh'.

The FTG Committee approved maintenance for 04 days only, as per ICHR rules.

Item 6: Request for FTG from Prof. Pushp Lata Singh, Deptt. of Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi-221005 (U.P.), to visit U.K. to attend an International Conference on '23\textsuperscript{rd} Conference of the European Association for South Asian Archaeology and Art (EASAA)', Cardiff University, United Kingdom, 04\textsuperscript{th} to 8\textsuperscript{th} July 2016, for presenting a paper on 'Recent Explored Ancient Settlements in District Sravasti, Uttar Pradesh (India)'.

The FTG Committee approved return excursion/economy airfare by Air India, and maintenance for 07 days only, as per ICHR rules.

Item 7: Request for FTG from Prof. Nuzhat Fatima Kazmi, H.No. D7, Jasola Pocket 9A, New Delhi - 110025, to visit Spain to attend the 'IV International Conference of the Spanish Association of Indian Interdisciplinary Studies, (AEEII): Yoga: Corporeal and Spiritual Bodies,’ the Faculty of Philosophy and Letters, University of Oviedo, Spain, 30\textsuperscript{th} November to 2\textsuperscript{nd} December 2016, for presenting a paper on 'In Art: the Body and its Realistic Realizations in Mughal India'.

The proposal was not found suitable for a grant.
Item 8: Request for FTG from Dr. Naiyer Azam, H.No., C-100/3A, Vijay Vihar, Phase-II, Sector 1- Rohini, Delhi 85, to visit Japan to attend an International conference on ‘World Archaeology Congress Meeting’, Kyoto, Japan, 28th August to 2nd September 2016, for presenting a paper on ‘Development of Mosque Architecture in South Asia: A Case Study of Babur’s Mosques’.

The proposal was not found suitable for a grant.

Item 9: Request for FTG from Dr. Vinod Kumar Singh, Centre of Advanced Study, Department of History, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh-202002, U.P., to visit Japan to attend the ‘World Archaeological Congress 8’, Kyoto, Japan, 28th August – 2nd September 2016, for presenting a paper on ‘Water Works at Jaigarh Fort: A Study of Hydraulic Technology’.

The FTG Committee approved return excursion/economy airfare by Air India only, as per ICHR rules.

Item 10: Request for FTG from Mr. Rohit Dutta Roy, H.No., P-28 A South end Garden, Garia, Kolkata, West Bengal - 700084, to visit New York to attend an International Conference on ‘Histories of Capitalism, v2.0’, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, 29th September to 1st October 2016, for presenting a paper on ‘Capitalism and the Question of Caste: India, Economic Liberalization and the Trajectory of Widening Social Inequalities’.

The proposal was not found suitable for a grant.

Item 11: Request for FTG from Dr. Adak Naba Kumar, H.No. 29, Street: Mitra Colony, Behala, Kolkata, West Bengal-700034, to attend ‘International Journal of Arts & Sciences(IJAS)-International Conference for Social Sciences and Humanities’ at University of London Union, Malet Street, London, WC1E 7HY, UK, 8th – 11th Nov. 2016, for presenting a paper on ‘Caste System of India: A Unique Wisdom to Resolve Problems like Barter, Distribution and Unemployment and A Folty of Binding Society with Harmful Customs, Cannons and Caste-Rituals’.

The proposal was not found suitable for a grant.

V. RESEARCH PROJECTS

Item 1: Request for financial support for a Research Project on Representation of Ao–Naga Women in Folk Tradition: A Historical Analysis from Dr. J. Limainla Ao, House No. 73, Viola Colony, Dimapur – 797112, Nagaland.

The Committee decided to wait for the second expert’s comments and authorised the Chairman to take a decision.
Item 2: Request for financial support for a Research Project on पौराणिक चंद्रवंशावली का ऐतिहासिक आधार एवं समसामयिक महत्व from Dr. Prashant Gaurav, #1015, Sector-41B, Chandigarh-160036.

The research proposal was not found adequate in terms of the criteria set for evaluating Research Projects. (Not approved)

Item 3: Request for financial support for a Research Project on भारत में जल - संसाधनों का प्रबंधन (600 - 1200 ई) from Dr. Manoj Kumar Singh, Village Baruka, P.O. Jansa District Varanasi-221405, Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lac only) for a period of two years.

Item 4: Request for financial support for a Research Project on Multiculturalism: A Source of National Identity from Dr. Tahseen Bilgrami, G-1, Asaf Jahi Towers, Banjara Hills, Road No. 10, Hyderabad-500034, Telangana.

The research proposal was not found adequate in terms of the criteria set for evaluating Research Projects. (Not approved)


The research proposal was not found adequate in terms of the criteria set for evaluating Research Projects. (Not approved)

Item 6: Request for financial support for a Research Project on Survey of Unreported / Uncataloged Traditional Mysore Paintings from Ms. S. Padhmapriya, D1/156, CPWD Qurters, Sathyamarg, Chankyapuri, New Delhi-110021.

The research proposal was not found adequate in terms of the criteria set for evaluating Research Projects. (Not approved)

Item 7: Request for financial support for a Research Project on The Contributions of Telugu Rulers to Tamil Country with Special Reference to Madurai Nayakdom (1529-1736 AD) – A Study from Dr. C. Chellappandan, Assistant Professor Department of History, Devanga Arts College, Aruppukottai-628101, Virudhunagar District, Tamil Nadu.

The research proposal was not found adequate in terms of the criteria set for evaluating Research Projects. (Not approved)
Item 8: Request for financial support for a Research Project on संस्कृत विद्या के लिए शेखर सैन्य का इतिहास from Dr. Birendra Chand, Rath Mahavidyalaya Paithani, Post Paithani, District Pauri Garhwal-246123, Uttarakhand.

The research proposal was not found adequate in terms of the criteria set for evaluating Research Projects. (Not approved)

Item 9: Request for financial support for a Research Project on The Study of Environmental and Ecological Consciousness as Reflected in Early Buddhist Literature in the Light of Contemporary Issues and Challenges from Dr. Anand Shanker Singh, 112B/1, Ashok Nagar, Allahabad-211001. Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs.3,50,000/- (Rupees Three Lac Fifty Thousand only) for a period of two years.

Item 10: Request for financial support for a Research Project on from Professor Sugam Anand, Department of History and Culture, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra, Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lac only) for a period of two years.

Item 11: Request for financial support for a Research Project on Socio-Cultural Aspects of Tribal Healing Practices in Kerala during the Twentieth Century: A Historical Study from Dr. Valsamma Sebastian, Theranthanam House, Gandhinagar, Kottayam, Kerala-686008.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs.4,50,000/- (Rupees Four Lac Fifty Thousand only) for a period of two years.

VI. PUBLICATION SUBSIDY

Item 1: Request for financial assistance for the publication of a Manuscript ‘Nature and Identity (Contestation over Indignity and Environment of the Adivasis in Purulia, 1793-1947)’ from Dr. Nirmal Kumar Mahato, Q.No. 45, Andrewspalli, Santiniketan-731235, West Bengal.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand only) or 50% of the cost of production whichever is less.
Item 2: Request for financial assistance for the publication of a Manuscript ‘Bharat Mein Jal Prabandhan (Prarmbh Se 600 Esvi Tak Sahityik Evam Puratatvik Sakshyon ke Sandarbh Mein)’ [भारत में जल प्रबंधन (प्रारम्भ से 600 ई. तक साहित्यिक एवं पुरातात्त्विक साक्ष्यों में)] from Dr. Manoj Kumar Singh, Village-Beruka, Post Office Jansa, Varanasi-221405, Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand only) or 50% of the cost of production whichever is less.

Item 3: Request for financial assistance for the publication of Journal ‘History Today (Journal of History and Historical Archaeology) No. 16, 2015’ from Professor K.N. Dikshit, Indian History and Culture Society, B-17, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi-110016.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lac only).

Item 4: Request for financial assistance for the publication of a Thesis ‘Unneesvi Shatabdi Mei Mahila Sashaktikaran (1801-1900) [19वीं शताब्दी में महिला सशक्तिकरण (1801ई. – 1900ई.)] from Dr. Satyendra Nath Dwivedi, C/o M.D. Mishra, Road No. 07, Sanjay Gandhi Nagar, Post Office-Lohiya Nagar, Patna-800020, Bihar.

The thesis was not found adequate considering the standards desired in publication subsidy. (Not approved)

Item 5: Request for financial assistance for the publication of a Journal ‘KALA: The Journal of Indian Art History Congress’ (English) XXI (2015-2016) from Dr. R.D. Chaudhary, Joint Secretary, Indian Art History Congress, G.N.B.Road, Guwahati, Assam-781001.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 60,000/- (Rupees Sixty Thousand only).

VII. ANNUAL CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS/SYMPOSIA

Item 1: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day conference Annual Joint Conference of the Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies (ISPQS), from Professor Tamo Mibang, Vice-Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University, Central University, Rono Hills, Dolmukh-791112, Arunachal Pradesh.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lac only).

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lac only).

Item 3: Request for Financial Assistance for 77th Annual Session of Indian History Congress, from Prof. Ishrat Alam, Secretary, Indian History Congress (IHC), Department of History, Room No. 33, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh-202002, Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lac only).

Item 4: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day national seminar on 40th Indian Folklore Congress, from Professor Jawaharlal Handoo, President IFC, 1103 C-D Block, Udaya Ravi Road, Kuvempu Nagar, Mysore-570023, Karnataka.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs.1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lac Fifty Thousand only).

Item 5: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day annual conference on Evolution of Religious Syncretism through the Ages, from Professor Shamita Sarkar, Head & Associate Professor, Department of History, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore-721102, West Bengal.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

Item 6: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day 5th National Seminar on Indian Ancient Science & Technology, from Dr. D. P. Mishra, Professor, Department of Aerospace Engineering, IIT-Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh-208016.

The Committee decided to ask the Organizer to submit the theme for consideration of the application. After receiving, the Chairman is authorized to take a decision.

Item 7: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day seminar on Epic Poetry in Urdu & Persian: A Saga of War and Peace, from Professor Khwaja Md Ekramuddin, Centre of Indian Languages, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)
Item 8: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day international seminar on **Sanskrit and Persian as shared Heritage and Cross Cultural & Historical connection between India and Iran**, from Dr. Rekibuddin Ahmed, Professor, Department of Persian, Gauhati University, Guwahati-14, Assam.

The Committee **approved a sum of Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lac only)**.

Item 9: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day symposium on **Nation and Its Monuments**, from Professor Ishrat Alam, Indian History Congress (IHC), Department of History, Room No. 33 A.M.U., Aligarh-202002, Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. **(Not approved)**

Item 10: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day seminar on **Renaissance and Reminiscence of India’s Past Glory**, from Dr. S. Saravanakumar, Head of the Department of Political Science, Gobi Arts Science College, Gobichettipalayam, Erode, DT. Tamilnadu-638452.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. **(Not approved)**

Item 11: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day national seminar on **Promoting Heritage Tourism in Madurai**, from Dr. S. Nehru, Principal, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Pasumalai, Madurai-625004, Tamil Nadu.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. **(Not approved)**

Item 12: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day national symposium on **Evolving Kongu Society and Economy from Pre-Modern to Modern State**, from Dr. S. Ravichandran, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Periyar University, Salem-636011.

The Committee **approved a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lac only)**.

Item 13: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day national seminar on **Autobiography in India: Exploring Self and Socio-Cultural History**, from Dr. J. Bheemaiah, Assistant Professor, Centre for Comparative Literature, School of Humanities, University of Hyderabad, Gachibowli, Hyderabad-500046.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. **(Not approved)**
Item 14: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day national seminar on India and its Parts: Past and Present, from Professor Irfan Habib, President, Aligarh Historians Society, Zahra Cottage, 4/8—J Kabir Colony, Anupshahar Road, Aligarh-202002, Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

Item 15: Request for Financial Assistance for ten-day exhibition State Archival Exhibition in Nagaland, from Prof. Vevo Sapuh, Director Nagaland State Archives, Department of Art and Culture, Lower Bayavti, Kohima Nagaland-797001.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

Item 16: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day national Workshop on Historical Methods, from Dr. T. Asokan, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli-620024.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lac only).

Item 17: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day international seminar Symbolism in Indian Art, Archaeology and Literature, from Professor Vasant Shinde, Vice-Chancellor & Convener, Astra-2016, Deccan College, Post Graduate and Research Institute, Pune,411 006.

The Committee decided to ask the Organizer to submit the list of confirmed participants. At least with 12 senior historians' / scholars' confirmation to attend the seminar. After receiving, the Chairman is authorized to take a decision.

Item 18: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day national seminar on The Bhagavata Purana: History, Philosophy and Culture, from Dr. Godavarisha Mishra, Professor & Head Department of Philosophy, University of Madras Chepauk, Chennai-600005, Tamil Nadu.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lac only).
Item 19: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day international conference on **Hagiography, Humanism and Caste Hierarchy in Bhakti Movement**, from Dr. Harish Khanna, Convener, Department of Hindi, Shyam Lal College (E), University of Delhi, Delhi.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lac only).

Item 20: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day national seminar on **Vettathunadu History National Seminar Thunjathu Ezhuthachan**, from Dr. Tirur Dinesh, Director, Oral History Research, Foundation, Reg. No. 903/2012, P.O.Trikkandiyur, Tirur-676104, Malappuram (Dt), Kerala.

The Committee decided to ask the Organizer to submit the theme for consideration of the application. After receiving, the Chairman is authorized to take a decision.


The Committee approved a sum of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lac only).

Item 22: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day seminar on **Women Pioneers in Health Care: Pre Colonial and Colonial India**, from Radhika Hegde, History of Medicine Department, St John’s Medical College, St John’s Academy of Health Sciences, Sarjapur Road, Bangalore-560034.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

Item 23: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day international seminar on **Today’s India: Culture, Society, State and Economy**, from Dr. G.N. Trivedi, Associate Professor, Motilal Nehru College (Evening), University of Delhi, Delhi-110021.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

The Committee **approved a sum of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lac only).**

Item 25: Request for Financial Assistance for three-day national seminar on **Issues & Challenges in Economic Status of India-Post & After Independence in Bangalore of Karnataka State**, from Manjula KGV, Shree Kumari Geetha Memorial, Charitable and Education Trust, 276,10th Main Road, Narasipur Layout, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bangalore-560 097, Karnataka.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (**Not approved**)  

Item 26: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day national conference on **Economic History of India**, from Dr. C.P. Paramasivan, Chairman (Environmental Advisory for Sustainable Trust) No.47, 2nd Street, Rajendranagar, Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli-637002, Tamil Nadu.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (**Not approved**)  

Item 27: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day national seminar on **Great Women Leaders Participation and Valuable Efforts Towards Nation’s Freedom**, from Professor Dharmendra Singh, Manager, Dharm Lok Lalyan Samiti, District-Firozabad-283203, Uttar Pradesh.  

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (**Not approved**)  

Item 28: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day national seminar on **Great Women Leaders Participation and Valuable Efforts Towards Nation’s Freedom**, from Professor Geeta Sharma, President, Nari Jagran Sewa Sansthan, District-Firozabad-283203, Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (**Not approved**)
Item 29: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day national seminar on **Regional Instabilities in Indian Ocean Rim States-Legacy of Maritime Conquests and Colonisation**, from Professor K.S. Venugopal, Principal, Faculty of Basic Sciences & Humanities, Indian Naval Academy, P.O. Ezhimala, Kannur-District, Kerala.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

Item 30: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day national seminar on **Mahatma Gandhi – A Messiah of Non-Violence & Truth**, from Dr. P.N. Bhuyan, Secretary, Anchalika Yuva Kalyan Parishad, Convent Area, W.No.12, Baripada, Mayurbhanj, Orissa.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

Item 31: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day seminar on **Seminar cum 100 years Birth Anniversary Celebration of Shri Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya**, from Mr. C.P. Narayana, Shri Mokshagundam Vishweshwaraiah Cultural Society, B. Settypalli Village & post, Chilamathur Mandal, Hindupur Taluk Anantapur District, Andhra Pradesh-515241.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

Item 32: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day conference on **Women Social Reformers in Colonial India**, from Dr. S. Alphonsa, Assistant Professor of History, Department of Economics, St. Xavier’s College (Autonomous), Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli -627002.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)

Item 33: Request for Financial Assistance for one-day national seminar on **Great Role of Women In India’s Struggle for Freedom (Freedom)**, from Professor Shamshad Ahmed, Muslim Sewa Samiti, District-Firozabad-283203, Uttar Pradesh.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. (Not approved)
Item 34: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day national workshop on **Foundation in Research Methodology for History Students**, from Dr. Punnen Kurian, Principal, St. Mary’s College, Manarcad, Maalam, P.O. Kottayam-31, Kerala.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. **(Not approved)**

Item 35: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day seminar on **Historical Antecedents of Rayalaseema: Concerns and Considerations**, from Dr. M. Nagaraju, Convener, Society for Rural and Eco Development, H.N0.8-/98-2, 1st Floor, Abbas Nagar, Krishna Nagar, Main Road, Kurnool-518002.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. **(Not approved)**

Item 36: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day national seminar on **The Origin and Evolution of Bengal Temple Terracotta’s Through the Ages**, from Professor Giridhari Lal Sarkar, Secretary, 2 No. Bhabani Thakur Lane, Burdwan-713104, West Bengal.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. **(Not approved)**

Item 37: Request for Financial Assistance for two-day national seminar on **Sister Nivedita and her Contribution to India: A Historical Perspective** from Dr. Manas Moulic, Assistant Professor, Ramakrishna Mission, Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda Centenary College, P.O. Rahara, Kolkata-700118.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria for financial assistance. **(Not approved)**

**VIII. STUDY-CUM-TRAVEL GRANT**

Item 1: Request for a Study Grant to work on the proposal ‘**Land Reforms and Peasant Resistance in Bihar: A Study of Muzaffarpur District, 1947-72**’ from Mr. Jitendra Kumar, Room No. 037, Sabarmati Hostel, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi-110067.

The Committee **approved a sum of Rs. 40,000/- (Rupees Forty Thousand only).**
Item 2: Request for a Study Grant to work on the proposal ‘Muslims of Uthamapalayam Taluk’ from Mr. Mohamed Asraf M., W-24, 176/19, Vengateshwara Theater, Opposite K.K. Kulam, Chinnamanur-625515, Theni D.T., Tamil Nadu.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 40,000/- (Rupees Forty Thousand only).

Item 3: Request for a Study Grant to work on the proposal ‘A Study on British-Nyishi Relation up to 1947’ from Mr. Tade Sangdo, Assistant Professor, Department of History, Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills, P.O. Doimukh, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh-791112.

The Committee approved a sum of Rs. 45,000/- (Rupees Forty Five Thousand only).

Item 4: Request for a Study Grant to work on the proposal ‘Socio-Economic Conditions of Primitive Tribal People of Malabar Region in Kerala’ from Mr. Niju P., P.V. House, Onthupacha, Dally (PO) Kulathupuzha, Kollam, Kerala-691310.

The Committee did not find the proposal adequate in terms of the criteria set for evaluating for financial assistance. (Not approved)

IX. NATIONAL FELLOWSHIPS

Item 1: The Council offers National Fellowships to the eminent scholars in history who have made outstanding contribution to the research in their respective fields, to enable them to continue their academic work and research.

RESOLUTION: The Committee decided to award the National Fellowships for the year 2016-2017 for a period of two years to the following scholars:

1. Professor S.S. Ramachandra Murthy, Tirupati
2. Dr. K.V. Raman, Chennai
3. Professor K.S. Gupta, Udaipur

The meeting came to an end with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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