

Chapter VII

SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS/ CONFERENCES OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF HISTORIANS

1. (a) The Research Projects Committee may award grants for seminars, workshops or academic conferences concerned with specific themes of History to individual scholars as coordinators who apply in accordance with the proforma contained in Annexure XII, the amount of grant in each case not to exceed Rupees Five lakh (Rs.5,00,000/-) and to be paid through the host institution deemed to be the institution of affiliation.

(b) An application received under sub-clause (a) may be directly placed before the Research Projects Committee; or it may first be referred to an Expert, in case the Member Secretary so decides, and then placed before the Research Projects Committee along with the recommendations of the Expert.
2. Notwithstanding anything contained in Clause 1, the Research Projects Committee may assign the organization of a seminar or workshop, held at its own instance or under a scheme approved by it or by the Council, to a scholar as coordinator and an institution (deemed to be the institution of affiliation) under terms (including the amount of funding which may exceed Rupees Fifty thousand) to be determined for each seminar or workshop, or under general guidelines approved by the Research Projects Committee for seminars or workshops under particular schemes.
Name, Designation, and bio-data of the Coordinator must be provided.
3. The Research Projects Committee may award grants preferably to registered academic and professional organization of historians (including organizations which, if not exclusively concerned with teaching and research in History, include the teaching or research in History as a significant part of their objectives) at national, regional, state and local levels, to enable them to organize their annual or periodic conferences, symposia, etc., the payment of the grant being made directly to the duly authorized office bearers of the organizations.

Provided that—

- (a) With exception to Indian History Congress the grant for the annual conference of any organization shall not exceed Rupees Two lakh (Rs.2,00,000/-).
- (b) An organization set up on predominantly religious, communal, caste or tribal lines shall not be eligible for grant; but this shall not preclude the history of religious communities, castes or tribes being adopted as subjects of research or discussion by organizations receiving grants under this clause.
- (c) The organization concerned should apply in accordance with the proforma contained in Annexure IX.
- (d) The Coordinators of Seminar/Workshop should provide the names of the prospective resource persons along with the provisional titles of their paper/talks proposed to be presented at the Seminar/Workshop at the time of the submission of the application for grant.
- (e) The Coordinators of the Seminar/ Workshops will be instructed not to spend any amount from the grants for the purchase and distribution of bags etc. Emphasis should be given to the enrichment of the academic content of the seminar/workshop.

- (f) The Coordinator/institution is expected to submit the required documents after holding the seminar. In case accounts are not settled and submission of utilization certificate (UC) and required papers are delayed by more than two years, such coordinator/institution shall be debarred from applying for the grants in future.
- 4 An amount not exceeding 80% of the sanctioned grant shall be released in advance after compliance by the coordinator with the relevant requirements indicated in the sanction letter.
- 5 (a) Twenty percent of the grant due to be released to the coordinator of a seminar, workshop, or academic conference under Clause 1 or 2, or to an organization for its conference under Clause 3 shall be withheld until the full statement of expenditure together with a detailed report of the said meeting, from the coordinator of organization, as the case may be, is received, the report to contain full particulars of names of participants, papers presented, lectures delivered and discussions held, together with copies of the papers presented and the reading material distributed.
- (b) In all such cases where the Seminar/Conference/Workshop has already taken place prior to the meeting of the RPC, the respective coordinator(s) should be requested to submit a detailed report of the meeting alongwith (a) the Utilization Certificate (b) Statement of Accounts duly attested by the Finance Authority of the concerned Institution dealing with finance and (c) list of the participants alongwith copies of their papers presented. The full sanctioned grant should be released only after compliance of the above.