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Press Note

I am sorry to see baseless allegations by the media that I have resigned on the question of honorarium. ICHR never received any communication on this matter for me to resign on those grounds, which leaves us with no question of disagreement with the HRD ministry.

I have sent in my resignation on personal grounds to the Ministry of HRD while thanking Hon'ble Minister, Smt Smriti Z Irani for appointing me to this position of Chairman, ICHR during these eventful years of leadership of our beloved Narendra Modiji, the Prime Minister of the millennium.

I have completed half of my term and also have submitted a self-assessment report to the Government for information. During my term in office, I have done enough groundwork for streamlining the pending projects and formulating new proposals. The review meetings were conducted on the old projects running for decades and fixed time frame for each project for their early completion. The new projects are processed and the committees are appointed and they are ready to be launched by the end of December with the unstinted cooperation of our Council members.

During this period, I visited the length and breadth of our great country addressing the academic seminars and centers of research at various places. Unfortunately, this work and travel has been taxing on my health heavily, rewarding though it was in the opportunities presented to serve the Country and the cause of historical research.

I felt that this would affect my ability to do full justice to the role and hence I requested the Hon'ble Minister to permit me to relinquish. I apologized to her for causing inconvenience to the Government leaving midway of the term.

I served ICHR to the best of my abilities in given circumstances. Now I have the satisfaction that everything is in its place, and very well set to go. So,

whoever is appointed after me, as a chairperson, will find it easier to continue the work and take it forward.

I take this opportunity to thank all my well-wishers, friends, critics, Hon'ble Members of Council and the entire staff of ICHR including retired staff who have been so kind to me and of great help throughout. They loved me so immensely that I can never reciprocate them adequately.

My very sincere thanks are due to the Media - print and electronic - for showing interest in my views and ideas and also to the thousands of viewers of my blog posts and ICHR web site globally for showing their interest and support.

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Jai Hind

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