

## Indian Council of Historical Research

**Minutes of the 84<sup>th</sup> General meeting of the Council held  
on 03.02.2017 at 11:00 A.M. in the Conference Room of ICHR,  
35, Ferozeshah Road, New Delhi**

### **Members Present:**

1.	Professor Y. Sudershan Rao	Chairman ( <i>In-chair</i> )
2.	Professor Michel Danino	Member
3.	Professor Sachidananda Sahai	Member
4.	Professor C.I. Isaac	Member
5.	Professor Purabi Roy	Member
6.	Professor Narayan Rao	Member
7.	Dr. Meenakshi Jain	Member
8.	Dr. Saradindu Mukherji	Member
9.	Professor P.T. Haridas	Member
10.	Professor Baidyanath Labh	Member
11.	Professor R.S. Agrawal	Member
12.	Professor Nikhilesh Guha	Member
13.	Professor Ishwar Sharan Vishwakarma	Member
14.	Professor Rahman Ali	Member
15.	Professor K. Ratnam	Member
16.	Dr. Harish Sharma	Member ( <b>UGC Nominee</b> )
17.	Dr. R.S. Fonia	Joint Director-General ( <i>Representative of DG, ASI</i> )
18.	Dr. Sanjay Garg	Deputy Director ( <i>Representative of DG, NAI</i> )
19.	Shri Arun Kumar	Under Secretary (IFD) ( <i>Representative of JS &amp; FA, Ministry of HRD</i> )
20.	Dr. S.K. Aruni	Member Secretary (Officiating)

### **The following Council Members could not attend the meeting:-**

1. Professor Dilip K. Chakrabarti
2. Dr. Nanditha Krishna
3. The Secretary, Department of Higher Education, MHRD
4. The Secretary, Ministry of Culture

The Chairman welcomed the Hon'ble members of the Council to the 84<sup>th</sup> General meeting of the Council.

Professor Michel Danino, Member of the Council, has been conferred the *Padma Shri* Award by the Government of India. The Council congratulated Professor Michel Danino and Chairman facilitated Professor Danino on behalf of the Council.

**Item 1: To confirm minutes of 83<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting of the Council held on  
29<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.**

Noted and Confirmed.



**Item 2: To report action taken on the Minutes of the 83<sup>rd</sup> General Meeting of the Council held on 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2016.**

Noted and approved.

**Item 3: To Report Major Activities of the Council from 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 till date.**

Noted and approved.

The Council has expressed its gratitude to the authorities of the Deccan College, Pune for providing the 'heritage' buildings for Western Regional Centre. A formal letter of thanking to be sent to the authorities of the Deccan College, Pune.

While approving the major activities, the Council recommended that the financial implications on different schemes sanctioned by the competent Committees should be indicated against the approved proposals.

**Item 4: To Approve the ICHR draft Annual Report 2015-2016 along with the separate Audit Report of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India on the Accounts of the ICHR for 2015 - 2016.**

The Council approved the draft of Annual Report 2015-2016 and also noted the Audit Report of the Comptroller & Auditor General of India on the accounts of the ICHR for the year of 2015-2016. The Council recommended to make necessary arrangements to print and submit to the Government of India.

**Item 5: To receive and approve minutes of various committees of the Council held from June 2016 to till date.**

The Council noted and approved minutes of the various Sub-Committee/Committees of the Council as indicated below:

1. Minutes of the Sub- Committee Meeting of Editorial Board of ITIHAS (Shodh Patrika) held on 07.09.2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the Mini Committee Room of ICHR, New Delhi.
2. Minutes of the Foreign Travel Grant Committee Meeting, held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016 at 11:00 p.m. in the Committee Room of the ICHR.
3. Minutes of the Sub- Committee Meeting for Study- cum- Travel Grant held on 21.10.2016 at 02.30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the ICHR, New Delhi.
4. Minutes of the Sub- Committee meeting for the award of Annual Conference/ Seminars/Workshops Grant held on 22.10.2016 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the ICHR, New Delhi.



5. Minutes of the Sub-Committee Meeting of Monograph Series & Publication 22.10.2016 at 02.30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the ICHR, New Delhi.
6. Minutes of the Sub-Committee Meeting of Research Project held on 22.10.2016 at 04.00 p.m. in the Committee Room of the ICHR, New Delhi.
7. Minutes of the Sub- Committee Meeting of Library-cum-Documentation Committee held on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference Room, ICHR, New Delhi.
8. Minutes of the 146<sup>th</sup> Research Project Committee Meeting held on 27.10.2016 at 02.30 p.m. in Conference Room of ICHR, New Delhi.
9. Minutes of the Editorial Board of *Itihas- Shodh Patrika*, held on 11.11.2016, at 11.00 a.m. in the Committee Room of ICHR, New Delhi.
10. Minutes of the Sub- Committee of Editorial Board of *Itihas (Shodh Partika)* held on 20.11.2016 at 11.00 a.m. in the Committee Room of ICHR, New Delhi.
11. Minutes of the Meeting of the Experts' Committee of the Special Project entitled " History of Science and Technology in India" held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 11.00 a.m. at ICHR, Southern Regional Centre, Bangalore.
12. Discussion on Progress of ICHR Project " Dictionary of Social, Economic and Administrative Terms in Indian/ South Indian Inscriptions" held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 10.00 a.m. at ICHR, Southern Regional Centre, Bangalore.
13. Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Advisory/Monitoring Committee of the Special Project entitled "Translation of the Foreign Sources on India" held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 11.30 a.m. at ICHR, Southern Regional Centre, Bangalore.
14. Minutes of for the Meeting of the Sub-Committee for the Publication of the "Inscriptions of the Vijayanagara Rulers Vol. VI [Sanskrit Inscriptions]" edited by Professor Shrinivas Ritti held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 3.30 p.m. at ICHR, Southern Regional Centre, Bangalore.
15. Report on Steering Committee Meeting with DFG (*Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft*, German Research Foundation) December 12, 2016.



16. Minutes of the Meeting of Sub-Committee for Foreign Collaborations held on 12 December 2016.

17. Minutes of the First Meeting of the Advisory/ Monitoring Committee of the ICHR's Western Regional Centre (WRC) held on 11.01.2017 at 11.00 a.m. in the premises of ICHR's WRC, Deccan College Campus, Pune.

18. Minutes of the 147<sup>th</sup> Research Project Committee meeting held on 12.01.2017 at 11.00a.m. at ICHR's Western Regional Center, Deccan College PG & Research Institute Campus, Pune, Maharashtra.

- Regarding the First meeting of the Advisory/Monitoring Committee of the ICHR's Western Regional Centre (WRC) held on 11.01.2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the premises of ICHR's WRC, Deccan College Campus, Pune. In **Item No. 5**, the Council approved the proposal of workshop on Epigraphy and Manuscriptology of Western India (with special reference to Devanagari and Modi scripts) submitted by the Department of Archaeology and Sanskrit, Deccan College, Pune. The Council recommended that the programme should be conducted in collaboration with the ICHR's Western Regional Centre and Deccan College, Pune and an amount of **Rs. 5 Lakh** is approved for the workshop.
- While approving the minutes of the 147<sup>th</sup> RPC meeting held on 12.01.2017 the Council expressed its gratitude to the Ministry of HRD for the approval of a new fellowship i.e. 'ICHR's Gurukul Fellowship. The Council discussed in detail on the issue of the amount of the fellowship of the Guru and recommended & approved that the fellowship amount for Guru should be equal to the National Fellow of ICHR i.e. Rs. 55000/- per month (pre-revised) and contingency amount Rs. 60000/- per annum for the period of two years. The Council further suggested that the fellowship amount may be termed as 'honorarium' for the Guru.

**SUPPLEMENTARY ITEM:**

**Item 6: To approve Revision of rate of Fellowships.**

The Government of India, Ministry of HRD, Department of Higher Education letter No.7-2/2007/U.5 dated 25.05.2012, "the Council shall revise the rates of fellowships and contingency, subject to the approval of the Governing body/Council automatically by 10% on increase of Dearness Allowance (DA) in respect of Central Government Employees by 50% rather than seeking approval of Government for revising rate of fellowships. For this purpose, the base year should be taken as the date of effectiveness of the proposed

revised rates of fellowship, i.e. 01.06.2012". As per Para (xiv) of the same letter, this could be done after a span of five years. Since the Dearness Allowance (DA) has increased from 65% on 01.06.2012 to 132% on 01.06.2016 which has exceeded hike of 50%.

The Council noted the Government order and decided to enhance by 10% w.e.f. 01.06.2017 as per details given below:

SI. No.	Name of Fellowships	Current rates of fellowships with contingency	Revised rates of fellowships with Contingency
1.	Junior Fellowship	Fellowship - 16,000/-pm Contingency-15,000/-pa	Fellowship - 17,600/-pm Contingency-16,500/-pa
2.	General/ Post Doctoral Fellowship	Fellowship-28,000/- pm Contingency-20,000/-pa	Fellowship-30,800/- pm Contingency-22,000/-pa
3.	Senior Fellowship	Fellowship-40,000/- pm Contingency-40,000/-pa	Fellowship-44,000/- pm Contingency-44,000/-pa
4.	National Fellowship	Fellowship-55,000/- pm Contingency-60,000/-pa	Fellowship-60,500/- pm Contingency-66,000/-pa

**Item 7: Any other item with permission of the Chair.**

- (a) The Chairman informed the Council that the Ministry of HRD has conveyed its approval of the selection of Dr. Anand Shanker Singh, Principal, Iswar Saran Degree College, University of Allahabad, Allahabad (U.P.) has appointed as Member Secretary of the ICHR [vide its letter F.No.3-15/2013-U.3 dated 30.01.2017]. Appointment Order has been issued to Dr. Anand Shanker Singh.

The Council welcomed the decision.

- (b) Dr. Sanjay Garg suggested that there should be joint collaboration between the ICHR and National Archives of India for digitization, holding seminars, collection of sources etc.

The Council welcomed the suggestion.

- (c) Professor Gangmumei Kamei, Member of the Council has passed away on 05.01.2017. The Council expressed its deep sorrow for the loss of a great academician and eminent historians and condoled for the sad demise observing 2 minutes of silence.

**The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.**



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