

MINUTES OF FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT 02.00 P.M. ON TUESDAY, THE 2ND MARCH, 2021 AT ICPR OFFICE, NEW DELHI - 110 062 THROUGH ONLINE AND OFFLINE MODE

The Finance Committee meeting of the Council held at 02.00 P.M. on Tuesday, the March 03, 2021 at the ICPR office, New Delhi - 110 062 through online and offline mode.

The following members were present in the above meeting through online and offline mode:

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| 1. Professor Kumar Ratnam, Member-Secretary, ICPR - | Chairman |
| 2. Dr. Sanjay Paswan - | Member |
| 3. Deputy Secretary (ICR)- | Representative of the MHRD |
| 4. Lt. Cdr. Pawan Deep, Director (A&F), ICPR - | Member-Secretary |

In this meeting, Lt. Cdr. Pawan Deep, Director (A&F) and Professor Sanjay Paswan attended the meeting through offline at Mini Committee Room, 1st Floor, ICPR, Darshan Bhawan, New Delhi and other members attended through online mode.

Dr. Pooja Vyas, Director (Academic), ICPR, Lucknow centre attended the above meeting through online mode for agenda points regarding academic concern.

The Member-Secretary, Finance Committee informed the members that comments on the agenda were received from U.3 Section and IFD Section of Ministry of Education and the same have been circulated among the members for their consideration in the meeting.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee welcomed the members to the Finance Committee and advised the Member-Secretary to take up the agenda items for consideration.

Item No.1: To confirm the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of the Council held on October 19, 2020.

Discussion/Decision in Finance Committee - The members of the Committee considered and approved the agenda item.

Item No.2: To report on the action taken on the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting of the Council held on October 19, 2020.

Discussion/Decision in Finance Committee - The members of the Committee considered and approved the agenda item.

Item No.3: To Report status of R.T.I, on C.I.C Portal, M.I.S Portal and Grievances on CPGRAMS Portal till 18.02 2021.

The members of the Committee considered and approved the same.



Item No.4: To report the status of the position of old audit inspection Reports/Paras outstanding as on 26th February, 2020.

Discussion/Decision in Finance Committee – Director (A&F) briefed that efforts are being made to prepare the necessary reply with relevant documents and audit paras shall be closed in the next audit of ICPR.

Item No.5: To Consider and approve the B.E-2021-22 and expenditure status as on 24.02.2021.

Discussion/Decision in Finance Committee – Deputy Secretary (ICR) Division, MoE briefed that a meeting shall be held with respect to allotment for Budget Estimate (BE) 2022 on or before 15th March, 2021, thereafter BE allotment shall be made for next financial year. The Members of the Committee considered and approved.

Item No. 6: To Consider the Separate Audit Report (SAR) for the year of 2019-20.

Discussion/Decision in Finance Committee – Deputy Secretary (ICR) Division, MoE pointed out the observation regarding opening balance of Rs.4.24 crores during financial year 2020-21. Director (A&F) briefed that the BE allocations are being done after adjusting the closing balance of previous financial year and opening balance of current financial year. Everything is done to PFMS. Efforts shall be made to ensure that allocated fund for current financial year are utilized fully. Member-Secretary, ICPR commented that unspent balance from previous financial year was primary due to limitations in view of COVID19. The Members of the Committee considered and approved.

Item No.7: To Consider and approve the printed Annual Report & Accounts of the Council for the year 2019-20.

Director (A&F) briefed that English version of Annual Report & Accounts has already been submitted to the Administrative Ministry. The Hindi version will also be submitted soon as it is under the process of translation and edit. The Members of the Committee considered and approved.

Item No. 8: To Consider Outsourcing of services for maintenance of Fire Detector Panel, Wireless Detectors and Re-filling of cylinder at Academic Center, Lucknow.

Director (Academic) briefed agenda point to Members and explain difficulties faced by office. Deputy Secretary (ICR) suggested that agenda may be considered after following due procedures and within the applicable Government rules of GFR. The Members of the Committee considered and approved.

Item No.9: To report of E-Auction for Vehicle Ambassador Car (DL-3C-BM-0989).

Member-Secretary, ICPR congratulated Director (A&F) for ensuring almost three times realization of monetary value against Government assessed value. Members of the Committee noted and approved.

Item No.10: To consider assessment in irregularities in the Adhoc promotion of Shri Pankaj, LDC.

The Committee discussed and decided that matters should be taken up in Governing Body or Council meeting for consideration since it is an administrative matter and may be decided as per rules.

Item No.11: To Consider and approve Boundary wall Repair and maintenance of peripheral Areas adjoining wall.

Members of the Committee considered and approved for further necessary action as per Government rules.

Item No.12: To Consider and approved General maintenances white wash and Repair of ICPR Delhi office Building and Lucknow office.

Director (A&F) briefed that no general repair and maintenance work has been carried out since 2011 and letter has been sent to CPWD for physical inspection and submission of a budgetary proposal. Director (Academic) briefed out difficulties being faced for getting repair and maintenance work through Lucknow Development Authority (LDA). She also submitted that no general repair and maintenance has been carried out after 2009. Member-Secretary, ICPR suggested that one more reminder should be sent to LDA and thereafter matter may be placed before Governing Body for consideration through competitive bidding as per Government rule, if no response received from LDA/CPWD. Members of the Committee recommended the same for further necessary action.

Item No.13: To Consider inclusion of Gratuity for Council employees under New Pension Scheme (NPS) offer implementation of 7th CPC.

Director (A&F) briefed that the payment of Gratuity Act (Amendment) 2018 has provided for gratuity to even private sector employees. Further, the Press Note placed at annexure also stated that the amendment will extend the benefits for employees of Autonomous Bodies and Private Sector. Deputy Secretary (ICR) Division submitted that the Government order for payment of gratuity to NPS employees of Autonomous Bodies has not been received after 7th Pay Commission. The Members suggested that matter may be taken up with Administrative Ministry and Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievance and Pension, Department of Personnel & Training for further consideration.



Item No.14: To report on the status of Enquiry Committee report and new financial anomalies found against Sh. Sreekumaran S.

Deputy Secretary (ICR) Division suggested that matter may be placed before Governing Body/Council for further consideration and necessary action as per Government rules. The Members of the Committee noted and approved, accordingly.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



**(LT. CDR. PAWAN DEEP)
MEMBER-SECRETARY, FINANCE COMMITTEE**



**(PROF. KUMAR RATNAM)
CHAIRMAN, FINANCE COMMITTEE**