Minutes of the 35th Finance Committee meeting of Indian Council of Philosophical Research to be held on June 27, 2024 at 12.00 hrs at IIC, New Delhi

The 35th Finance Committee meeting of the Council was held at 12.00 noon, on June 27, 2024. The following members were present:

1. Profesor Sachichidanand Mishra

Member-Secretary, ICPR (

Chairman of the Finance Committee

2. Professor N.N. Chakraborty

Member

3. Shri Vivek Kumar

Under Secretary (IFD), MoE

Representative of the MoE

4. Dr. Pooja Vyas

Director (A&F) - I/c, ICPR

Member-Secretary of the Finance

Committee

The representative of Secretary, MoE could not attend the meeting due to some urgent work in the Ministry and they informed telephonically to circulate their comments on the agenda items sent by email to the members of Finance Committee for discussion in the meeting.

Item No.1: To confirm the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on January 03, 2024

Comments of ICR Division:

Item No.4 of 34th Finance Committee Meeting: As per the decision mentioned in the Minutes, the action taken on this agenda will be reported in the next meeting. However, the present agenda does not include such report. The same may be reported before the Committee for its consideration.

Comments of IFD Division:

Subject to strict compliance of the relevant Statutory provisions and also strict compliance of the related Government of India instructions and guidelines including those issued by the Central Vigilance Commission, the minutes may be confirmed.

Decision:

Regarding Item No.4, the Member-Secretary, Finance Committee informed the members that the meeting related to ICPR Publications lying with distributors was held on January 15, 2024 and the Committee suggested to execute the Legal





opinion from an empanelled lawyer and also take financial opinion from Chartered accountant and the matter is under process. The Finance Committee recommended to expedite the matter.

The Finance Committee approved the minutes of the Finance Committee held on January 03, 2024.

Item No.2: To report about the Action Taken on the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on January 03, 3024

Comments of IFD Division:

Subject to strict compliance of the relevant Statutory provisions and also strict compliance of the related Government of India instructions and guidelines including those issued by the Central Vigilance Commission, the action taken report may be noted.

Regarding Item No.3, regarding submission of Annual Report, the Finance Committee recommended to submit Annual Report on timely basis.

The Finance Committee discussed the other part of Action Taken Report of the Finance Committee held on January 03, 2024 and noted the action taken by the Council.

Item No.3: To report about the Budget Allocation and expenditure incurred upto June 25, 2024 for the year 2024-25

Comments of ICR Division:

An Annual Action Plan of Activities along with their corresponding financial outlays for the Financial Year 2024-25 may be prepared and placed before the Committee for consideration.

Comments of IFD Division:

May be noted after detailed discussion in the meeting as per GFRs, 2017 and other relevant GoI instructions.

Decision:

The Finance Committee on the basis of the comments of the ICR division recommended that Memorandum of Understanding with Ministry and Annual Action Plan for the Financial Year 2024-25 be placed in the next Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee noted the Budget Allocation and expenditure incurred up to June 25, 2024 for the year 2024-25.

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Item No.4 To report about the of repair ICPR Building, Darshan Bhawan, New Delhi

Comments of ICR Division:

The relevant provisions/rules of the GFR, 2017 and the Manual of procurement of Works, 2019 may be adhered strictly.

Comments of IFD Division:

May be noted.

Decision:

The Finance Committee noted the action taken by office regarding repair of ICPR Building, Darshan Bhawa, New Delhi by CPWD.

Item No.5 To consider additional/alternation and up-gradation work of toilet and replacement/installation of LED Luminaries at ICPR Building, New Delhi

Comments of ICR Division:

The relevant provisions/rules of the GFR, 2017 and the Manual of procurement of Works, 2019 may be adhered strictly.

Comments of IFD Division:

Approval of competent authority may be obtained for addition/alternation of work.

Decision:

The Finance Committee approved an estimate of Rs.14,66,870/= for additional/alteration and up-gradation work of toilet and replacement/installation of LED luminaries at ICPR Building, New Delhi and recommended that the same may be reported in the next Governing Body.

Item No.6To report about the extension of AMC contract of CPWD Electrical Services of ICPR Building, New Delhi

Comments of ICR Division:

It has been mentioned in the agenda that only CPWD is given the AMC contract from beginning. It may be clarified whether selection of CPWD as service provider is made through Call or Tender. Total expenditure on the previous AMC Contract may be placed before the Committee.

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- 3. Subject to the condition that the preparation and presentation of Annual Accounts for the year 2023-24 are strictly as per the Revised Formats of Accounts for CEIs and instructions/guidelines for which were issued vide MoE's letter No.F.29-4/2012-IFD dated 17.04.2015; the Annual Accounts for 2019-20 may be recommended for approval.
- 4. Interest earned on the Government grant may be deposited to Government account at the earliest.

Decision:

The Finance Committee members went through the Annual Accounts of the council for the year 2023-24 placed on table of the meeting and also discussed the comments received from IFD. After getting necessary clarification from the Council on IFD Comments, the Finance Committee approved the Annual Accounts of the Council for the year 2023-24.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Pooja Vyas)

(Sachichidanand Mishra)

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