

Minutes of the 57th Meeting of Finance Committee of Executive Council , RMSS held on 16th February, 2023 through Video Conferencing under the Chairpersonship of Ms. Ranjana Chopra, Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of Culture, Gol.

The 57th Meeting of Finance Committee of Executive Council, RMSS was held under the Chairpersonship of Ms. Ranjana Chopra, Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India on 16th February, 2023 through Video Conferencing. Following were present:

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| 1. Ms. Ranjana Chopra,
Addl. Secretary & Financial Adviser,
Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India,
New Delhi | Chairperson
(Ex-officio) |
| 2. Director General,
Archeological Survey of India
<i>Rep. Col. Arunendra Kumar
Joint DG (Finance & Accounts)
ASI, New Delhi</i> | Member
Ex-officio) |
| 3. Joint Secretary (A&A),
Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India,
Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi
<i>Representative: Shri Arun Kumar
Deputy Secretary (A&A),
MoC, New Delhi</i> | Member
(Ex-officio) |
| 4. Director, Anthropological Survey of India,
Kolkata
<i>Representative: Shri Harashawardhana
Superintending Anthropologist (Physical),
AnSI, North West Regional Centre, Dehradun</i> | Member
(Ex-officio) |
| 5. Dr. Praveen Kumar Mishra,
Director IGRMS, Bhopal | Member
(Ex-officio) |

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the last 56th Meeting of the Finance Committee of EC, RMSS held on 08.06.2022 through VC.

The Finance Committee unanimously resolved to confirm the minutes of the last (56th) Meeting of the Finance Committee of EC, RMS Samiti held on 08.06.2022 through VC.

Item No. 2: Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the last (56th) Meeting of the FC of EC, RMS Samiti held on 08.06.2022.

While taking note of the Action Taken Report of the Minutes of the previous meeting, the following observations were made:

2.1. Refund of Advance given to CPWD, Bhopal:

Director IGRMS apprised the Finance Committee that in response to IGRMS correspondence, CPWD has refunded an amount of Rs.13,23,466/- after adjusting it against all the completed works of IGRMS and for the remaining amount IGRMS is in contact with CPWD. The F.C. noted director's submission.

2.2. Settlement of Advances:

Director IGRMS informed the F.C. that all the advances given to the officials have been settled. Out of few institutional advances lying with various Institutions few are adjusted and few are yet to be adjusted. Director, IGRMS apprised the Finance Committee that the said government bodies are being requested for providing detailed bills/utilization certificates so that the advance payment can be adjusted. The F.C. noted director's submission.

Item No.3: Enhancement of Delegation of Powers to the Director, IGRMS

The Director IGRMS appraised the F.C. in detail that the powers vested with the Director were of the year 1994. Since, thereafter the requirements are increased manifold, hence for executing the activities at present day is a great hindrance. He further appraised that recently the power of the Regional Director, ASI for WORKS was enhanced upto Rs.1 crore. Hence, the financial powers of the Director may be enhanced at par to the Regional Director, ASI. The Finance Committee approved the proposal. The Chairperson instructed to submit it through Administrative Ministry for further processing.

Item No.4: Empowering the Director, IGRMS for Revision/creation of Activity sheets under MOU as per the fund allocation by the Ministry of Culture

The Director informed the F.C. that the IGRMS execute its activities as per MoU signed in the beginning of the respective financial year with MoC and accordingly execution of works is done. On allotment of additional funds, allocation of received fund in the existing activity sheets needs to be revised with the approval of MoC. Since, this amount is received almost in the last quarter of the financial year; it became difficult to incur the allotted budget as it needs MoC approval. The Chairperson agreed with the Director's submission and instructed that since MoU is an agreement between IGRMS and MoC. The revision requires consent of both. Thus this item may be kept in abeyance at present.

Item No.5: Introduction of Vehicle Entry Fee to increase Internal Revenue Generation (IRG)

The Finance Committee disagreed with the proposal and hence dropped.

Item No.6: Implementation of Leave Encashment scheme through LIC of India

The Chairperson desired IGRMS shall submit the proposal in detail through its Administrative Ministry for further consideration.

Item No.7: Replacement of vehicles older than 15 years as per Govt. of India Notification

The Finance Committee approved purchase of one Staff Car as per agenda item in lieu of old condemned staff car through GeM portal costing Rs.9.25 lacs (approx) excluding RTO, etc. charges from the current year Grant in Aid and other two old vehicles shall be replaced in the next financial year.

Item No.8: Renovation of Indoor Museum Building (Veethi Sankul) through deposit work (100% advance to them) from CPWD, Bhopal

The Director, IGRMS brief the F.C. regarding the severe bad state of the Indoor Museum Building (Veethi Sankul). Continuous seepage is spoiling the overall aesthetic appeals of the galleries/exhibits. The Finance Committee noted Director's submission and approved the proposal to commence the renovation work of Indoor Museum Building (Veethi Sankul) through CPWD, Bhopal and assured for further grant in the next Financial Year for this work as per the estimate of CPWD.

Item No.9: Any other item with the permission to the Chair

Item No.9.1: Enhancement of the Rates of Honorarium of Guest Faculty and TA and Sitting Fee payable to Official and Non-Official Members/Experts for attending Board of Studies Meeting.

The Finance Committee approved the complete proposal with the instructions that for the Non- official Members, travel by Air should be limited to Economy Class and in case of Train Journey it should be limited to Second AC in Rajdhani etc. and Chair Car in Shatabdi etc. respectively.

Item No.9.2: Creation of Pension Fund

The Chairperson desired IGRMS shall submit the proposal in detail through its Administrative Ministry for further consideration.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to Chair.

Sd/-
(Dr. Praveen Kumar Mishra)
Member, FC of EC, RMSS &
Director, IGRMS

Sd/-
(Ranjana Chopra)
Chairman, Finance Committee, EC
RMSS and AS&FA
Ministry of Culture, GOI