Minutes of the 58<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Finance Committee of Executive Council, RMSS held on 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 under the Chairpersonship of Ms. Ranjana Chopra, Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of Culture, Gol.

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1. Ms. Raniana Chopra.

Addl. Secretary & Financial Adviser. Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India,

New Delhi

2. Smt. Sanjukta Mudgal,

Director, Anthropological Survey of India,

Kolkata

3. Director General,

Archeological Survey of India Rep. Col. Arunendra Kumar Joint DG (Finance & Accounts) ASI, New Delhi

4. Joint Secretary (A&A), Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India,

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi

Representative: Shri Prem Pal Singh

Under Secretary (A&A),

MoC, New Delhi

5. Dr. Bhuvan Vikrama, Director IGRMS, Bhopal Chairperson (Ex-officio)

Member

(Ex-officio)

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Ex-officio)

Member (Ex-officio)

Member (Ex-officio)

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the last 57<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee of EC, RMSS held on 16.02.2023 through VC.

The Finance Committee unanimously resolved to confirm the minutes of the last (57<sup>th</sup>) Meeting of the Finance Committee of EC, RMS Samiti held on 16.02.2023 through VC.

### Item No. 2: Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the last (57<sup>th</sup>) Meeting of the FC of EC, RMS Samiti held on 16.02.2023.

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

#### 2.2. Settlement of Advances:

Director IGRMS informed the F.C. about the current status of settlement of institutional advances lying with various Institutions. With due efforts, out of total 11 advance adjustment, 02 advances were adjusted and rests are at final stage of adjustment. He further appraised the F.C. that the said government bodies are continuously in contact for providing detailed bills/utilization certificates etc. so that the advance payment can be adjusted. The F.C. noted director's submission and instructed to get these adjustments done at the earliest.

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

The FC agreed with Director's submission and Chairperson expressed that a considered view shall be taken on a comprehensive proposal comprising comparative statement of powers delegated to the Head of other Autonomous Bodies of Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India is submitted by the IGRMS, Bhopal.

### Item No.3: Approval of Annual Accounts for the Year 2022-23.

The Finance Committee unanimously approved the Annual Accounts for the year 2022-23 and recommended the same for ratification by the Executive Council of RMS Samiti.

## Item 04: Internal Audit Report of the Chartered Accountant on the Accounts of IGRMS for the year 2022-23.

The Finance Committee approved the Internal Audit Report of the Chartered Accountant for the year 2022-23.

# Item No.5: Approval of payment of wages to daily wages labourers engaged in IGRMS during the year 2022-23-.

The Finance Committee approved the expenditure towards the payment of wages of Rs. 4,26,92,304/-(Rs.37782666/-+ inclusive of an arrear of EPF Rs.49,09,638) for the year 2022-23. These laborers are engaged for different nature of works such as watch ward, cleaning works, maintenance of Open air & Indoor exhibitions etc.

## Item No.: 6 Replacement of vehicles older than 15 years as per Govt. of India Notification

The Finance Committee approved the complete proposal for purchase of Tractor (01 No.) and Mini Truck (01 No.) costing approximately around Rs.20.00 lacs. The vehicles are to be procured through GeM portal from the current year Grant in Aid

### Item No. 7: Survey off of the obsolete/unserviceable items –enhancing the powers of the Director, IGRMS

The Chairperson instructed to submit this agenda along-with detailed proposal for enhancement of delegation of financial powers to the Director in excess of those enjoyed by the Head of the Department of Government of India Schedule through its Administrative Ministry for further consideration.

### Item No.8: Approval of additional funds for urgent civil works

The Finance Committee approved the proposal in principle. However, the Chairperson stressed that additional Funds cannot be provided in the current financial year.

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

#### 9.1: Payment of Honorarium for holding additional charge of Director, IGRMS:

The F.C. rejected this proposal saying that there is no such provision exist nor can be initiated. The amount so given in past need to be recovered.

#### 9.2: Additional Fund for Tagore Fellowship/Scholarship and Consultant:

On this Agenda item, the Chairperson FC took serious view that the appointment of Consultant cannot be done without prior concurrence of the IFD, Ministry of Culture. Since, MoC has its own funds for hiring professionals/consultant, the consultants should not be hired through any Autonomous Bodies for Ministry works as Autonomous Bodies are having limited budget and fully depend on Govt. of India Grants in Aids. She further instructed that IGRMS, in future, before appointing any Tagore Fellow/Scholar, shall consider its funds position to meet the requirements under GIA.

Seeing the current requirement of additional funds for Tagore Scholar and Consultant, Chairperson instructed to submit the requirement of additional funds with complete proposal for further consideration and approval of the FC.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to Chair.

Sd/-(Dr. Bhuvan Vikrama) Member, FC of EC, RMSS & Director, IGRMS Sd/-(Ranjana Chopra) Chairman, Finance Committee, EC RMSS and AS&FA Ministry of Culture, GOI