

**MINUTES FOR THE HUNDRED AND EIGHT EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR POPULATION SCIENCES, MUMBAI**

The 108<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council of International Institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai was held on 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 at 3.00 PM through physical and virtual mode at MoHFW, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Health & Family Welfare (DoHFW) and Chairperson, Executive Council, IIPS. The list of participants is given at **Annexure - I**.

On the introductory remark, the Chairperson suggested to hold regular meetings of EC at shorter intervals to ensure adequate time for discussion on all important points. After introduction and welcome, the item-wise Agenda were discussed. The agenda of the meeting is provided at **Annexure - II**. The decision taken on the item-wise agenda are as follows:

**Item no.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 107<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Executive Council held on 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2020**

The Minutes of the 107<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Executive Council held on 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2020 was confirmed.

**Item no. 2: Action taken on the decision of the 107<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Executive Council held on 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2020**

Action taken on the Decisions of the 107<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on 03-01-2020 were discussed in detail and noted. (i) On the Cadre Review and modification of RR, the Chairperson instructed that a senior member of faculty needs to coordinate with the Consultant appointed for the purpose to finalize the report in a timely manner. (ii) On the appointment of an Internal Auditor on contractual basis, it was suggested that IIPS may widely circulate the requirement to the retired employees of C&AG or Audit Cadre of State Government to get a suitable candidate.

**Item no. 3: Reporting of progress on Infrastructural Development Project of IIPS.**

Progress on Infrastructural Development Project of IIPS was noted and Chairperson instructed that Institute may call a meeting of CPWD along with Contractor and MoHFW representative, if necessary, to get a commitment on the timeline and a revision of timeline, in case needed, given the delay in the start of the work due to COVID 19.

**Item no. 4: Approval of Audit Report and Audited Accounts for the year 2019 – 2020**

As recommended in 86<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SFC held on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020, the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of IIPS for the year 2019-20 were recommended by EC to be placed before the General Council(GC).

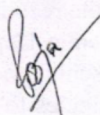
**Item no. 5: Approval of Audit Report and Audited Annual Accounts of the sponsored projects funded by the outside agencies for the year 2019-20**

As recommended in the 86<sup>th</sup> meeting of SFC held on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020, the Annual Accounts and Audit Report of projects of IIPS for the year 2019-20 were recommended by EC to be placed before the GC.

**Item no. 6: Approval of Revised Estimates for the year 2020-21.**

As recommended in 86<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the SFC held on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020, the Revised Estimates for the year 2020-2021 for Rs. 60.09 crore was approved, the details of which are as given below:

Grant-in-aid General	Rs. 2088.50 (Lakh)
Grant-in-aid for Creation of Capital Assets	Rs. 2544.00 (Lakh)
Grant-in-aid Salaries	Rs. 1376.66 (Lakh)
	<b><u>Rs. 6009.16 (Lakh)</u></b>





**Item no. 7: Approval of Budget Estimates for the year 2021-22.**

As recommended in 86<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SFC held on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020, the Budget Estimates for the year 2021-2022 for Rs. 80 crore was approved, the details of which are as given below:

Grant-in-aid General	Rs.2005.00 (Lakh)
Grant-in-aid for creation of Capital Assets	Rs.4695.00 (Lakh)
Grant-in-aid Salaries	Rs. 1300.00 (Lakh)
	<b><u>Rs. 8000.00 (Lakh)</u></b>

**Item no. 8: Recommendation for adoption of the Annual Report for the year 2019 – 2020**

EC has recommended the Annual Report for the year 2019-20 to place before the General Council for approval. While discussion on the Annual Report, Chairperson emphasised the importance of ensuring timeliness and quality of studies/ projects undertaken. He further emphasised that NFHS-5, Phase II need to be prioritized to be completed in time, given the delay occurred due to COVID 19. The Chairperson also added that outcome of research findings must be utilized and widely disseminated. Prof. Shalini Bharat pointed that as per UGC norms, it is mandatory to nominate one Nodal Officer as a Media staff exclusively for dissemination of Institute related information on social media. Prof. Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay mentioned that the Institute may use social media like twitter. Chairperson suggested that a designated staff may be assigned the task to prepare and handle social media and IIPS was instructed to set up their social media platforms at the earliest.

**Item no. 9: Approval for running the Department of Extra Mural Studies and Distance Education on year basis and sanction of Revised Budget Estimate for the year 2020-21.**

EC approved the running of the Department of Extra Mural Studies and Distance Education on yearly basis and sanctioned budget of Rs. 27.54 lakhs as mentioned in the agenda. Chairperson suggested that as foreign students are also enrolled for the course, scope of financial assistance and training of officials of other countries may be explored from the Ministry of External Affairs.

**Item no. 10: Approval of Increase of Sitting Fee to Official/Non-Official Members/Experts**

EC approved the increase in Sitting Fee to Official/Non-Official Members/ experts to Rs. 3,000/- per day for a meeting subject to maximum of Rs.5,000/- per day irrespective of number of meetings in a day as per the office memorandum (vide OM No 21-1/2015(FD-I/B dated 08.01.2018) of UGC.

**Item no. 11: Approval for extending House Rent Allowance to 5 Post Doctoral Fellows of the Institute.**

EC approved 24% of HRA for 5 postdoctoral students which amounts to Rs. 12,000/- per month per student.

**Item no. 12: Approval for new members to the Academic Council**

EC approved four new members to the Academic council as per the Bye-Laws of the IIPS for the year 2021 and 2022.

- (1) Prof. Surinder Jaiswal, TISS, Mumbai
- (2) Prof. Sanghmitra S. Acharya, JNU, New Delhi
- (3) Prof. S. Chandra Sekhar, IGIDR, Mumbai
- (4) Prof. Anjali Radkar, Gokhale Institute of Politics & Economics, Pune.

**Item no. 13: Approval of Restructuring Committee Report:**

Director, IIPS presented the recommendations of the report submitted by the Committee set up by the EC to "Restructure the Academic Departments and Suggest Improvement in Research/ Teaching/ Training Quality" at IIPS. The presentation also included the impact of New Education Policy (NEP) on IIPS and the need to bring out strategies to address NEP. Chairperson requested the EC members to give opinion





and suggestions on the Report and the need to look into the implications of NEP. After a detailed deliberation with the members, the following two decisions were taken by the Chairperson:

(1) EC accepts the Restructuring Committee Report subject to the condition that if members want to send their suggestions, they may send it within 15 days.

(2) In view of NEP, the same Restructuring Committee with additional members may be requested to study and submit a report within four to six months on the short, medium and long term implications of NEP on IIPS.

**Item no. 14: Dr. Sarang Pedgonkar, Assistant Professor, IIPS representation to consider UGC Career Advancement Scheme, and Ph.D Advance Increments.**

EC has discussed the representation from Dr. Sarang Pedgonkar, Assistant Professor, IIPS to consider MD degree equivalent to Ph.D. and extend UGC Career Advancement Scheme and Advance Increments to him. The Chairperson suggested that the issue may be put up on a file to the Ministry with examples from AIIMS, NIMHANS and other similar Institutions in the country.

**Item no. 15: Approval for use of Corpus Fund**

EC has discussed the proposal of 30% interest of Corpus Fund for utilising for research, capacity building for students and faculty as there is vast expansion of activities. It was suggested that a proper guideline may be prepared on the "Institute Development Fund" and its utilisation. AS & FA mentioned that approval of department of expenditure is required for the guidelines for the use of Corpus fund. Prof. Shalini Bharat mentioned that generally corpus fund is not allowed for incurring expenditure. But it was clarified that the request is to use only the interest portion of the Corpus Fund. EC asked IIPS to prepare a complete proposal with detailed guidelines on the use of IDF.

**Item no. 16: Approval of the extension of Ph.D fellowship by six months to the fifth year**

EC has approved the extension of Ph.D. Fellowship by six months to the fifth year for the following six(6) students.

Sl. NO.	Name of the GoI Fellow
1	Mr. Prakash Kumar
2	Ms. Sayantani Chatterjee
3	Mr. Piyush Kanti Khan
4	Mr. Samar ul Islam
5	Mr. Rahul S Bawankule
6	Ms. Ruchita B. Sakpal

**Item no. 17: Reporting of the Matters to the Executive Council**

(i) EC noted the matters related to promotions, appointments and retirements.

(ii) EC has discussed on reporting of matters related to acquiring lease land of Mumbai Port Trust adjacent to IIPS. AS & MD suggested that the High Level Committee constituted for negotiating with the Mumbai Port Trust may be expanded with officials from Ministry of Shipping and Mumbai Port Trust. AS & FA mentioned that for negotiation with MBPT, an in-principle approval from the department of expenditure is required. Director, IIPS must prepare a detailed concept note with requirements of institute for placing before the Department of Expenditure. In addition, Ministry also may explore the demand for land from other Departments.



**Additional Agenda Item No1: Approval for increase of number of seats in Ph.D. programme alongwith the fellowship**

As recommended in the 86<sup>th</sup> meeting of the SFC held on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020, EC has approved to increase of 10 (Ten) additional Ph.D seats with fellowship in lieu of the M.Phil fellowship offered for 55 students. The M.Phil programme would be discontinued from the academic year 2021-22 in line with the New Education Policy as approved by the Academic Council.

**Item no. 19 : Any other matter with the permission of Chair.**

Ms. Poonam Muttreja suggested that the Institute may expand the collaborations with other institutes like Ashoka University. AS & MD mentioned that their research should focus more on implementation and policy research.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.





**Members of Executive Council**

[1]	Shri Rajesh Bhushan	Chairperson
[2]	Smt. Vandana Gurnani	Member
[3]	Dr. Dharmendra Singh Gangwar	Member
[4]	Smt. Ratna Anjan Jena	Member
[5]	Ms. Nivedita Gupta	Member
[6]	Prof. K.S. James	Member
[7]	Prof. Shalini Bharat	Member
[8]	Prof. Shashikala Wanjari	Member
[9]	Mrs. Poonam Muttreja	Member
[10]	Prof. Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay	Member
[11]	Dr. Shireen J. Jejeebhoy	Member
[12]	Dr. Chander Shekhar	Member
[13]	Dr. Dhananjay W Bansod	Member
[14]	Dr. M.K. Kulkarni	Non-Member Secretary



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**DATE : 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2021**

**TIME : 3:00 p.m. MODE : VIRTUAL**

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