

MINUTES OF THE 19th MEETING OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE (SFC) OF MORARJI DESAI NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF YOGA (MDNIY) HELD ON 1st OCTOBER, 2008

The 19th meeting of the Standing Finance Committee (SFC) of Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga (MDNIY) was held on 1st October, 2008 at 3.00 PM in the Chamber of Joint Secretary (VS), Department of AYUSH, Red Cross Building, New Delhi. The following were present:-

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| 1. | Shri Verghese Samuel,
Joint Secretary,
Department of AYUSH | Chairperson |
| 2. | Dr. D.D.Sharma
Director,
Deptt. Of AYUSH. | Special Invitee |
| 3. | Shri. J.S. Majumdar,
Under Secretary (Fin.)
(Representative of AS & FA)
Ministry of Health & F.W.
New Delhi-110002 | Member |
| 4. | Shri Anshuman Sharma,
Under Secretary (Y&N)
Deptt. of AYUSH. | Special Invitee |
| 5. | Dr. I.V. Basavaraddi
Director,
MDNIY, New Delhi | Member Secretary |

At the outset Director, MDNIY welcomed the Chairperson and all the members present in the meeting to the 19th meeting of SFC of MDNIY. Thereafter, with the permission of the Chairperson, agenda items were placed before the Committee for perusal as under:

Agenda Item No.	Subject	Decision
1.	To confirm minutes of the 18 th meeting of SFC held on 14.02.2008	The minutes of the 18 th meeting of the SFC held on 14.02.2008 were confirmed.

2.	To consider action taken on the minutes of the 18 th meeting of S.F.C. held on 14.02.2008.	<p>While considering the action taken on the minutes of the 18th meeting of the SFC held on 14.02.2008, Director, MDNIY informed the SFC that separate Agenda Items have been put up for this meeting relating to Agenda Item Nos.2,5,10,13,15,17 and Suppl. Agenda Item No.3.</p> <p>As regards, action taken under Agenda Item No.11, it was decided to engage one Accounts Consultant and a Data Entry Operator on contract basis for a period of one year or till an Accountant on regular basis is appointed, whichever is earlier, as proposed by the Director, MDNIY. The action taken on other items was noted.</p>
3.	To ratify the approval accorded by the Chair-person of SFC to sign the cheques as second signatory in respect of Office Superintendent.	Ratified.
4.	To ratify the approval accorded by the Chairperson of S.F.C. to participate in "Herbal International Summit-cum-Exhibition on Medical and Aromatic Products, Spices and Finished Produces during 4-6 April, 2008 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.	Ratified.
5.	To ratify the approval accorded by the competent authority on the proposal of starting Preventive Health Care Unit of Yoga in CGHS Dispensaries.	Ratified.
6.	To ratify the approval accorded by the competent authority on the proposal of establishing Yoga Education and Therapy Centre at AYUSH Hospital, Port Blair, A&N Islands.	Ratified.
7.	To ratify the approval accorded by the competent authority on the proposal of establishing Advanced Centre for Yoga Research and Training at DIPAS.	Ratified. However, Director, MDNIY said that a similar staffing pattern should be adopted in of all the Advanced Centers of Yoga established by MDNIY. Therefore, the SFC approved one more post of S.R.F. under the project and approved the increase in financial implications accordingly.

8.	To ratify the approval accorded by the competent authority on the proposal of change of nomenclature of existing Diploma Course and increase in the total number of seats for the year 2008-09.	Ratified.												
9.	To ratify the approval accorded by the Chairperson of SFC on the proposal of conducting C.Y.Sc. Course of 3½ months duration for the Border Security Force (BSF) Personnel.	Ratified.												
10.	To ratify the approval accorded by the Chairperson of SFC to give Yoga Training to Supreme Court Judges.	Ratified. It was however, decided that the project work continue upto 11 th December, 2008 only and that this should be informed to the concerned officials by the Director. MDNIY.												
11.	To approve the un-audited annual accounts of MDNIY for the year 2007-08.	Noted and approved.												
12.	To approve Revised Estimates 2008-09 and Budget Estimates 2009-10 of MDNIY.	<p>The typographic error in column 5 of the table of agenda was ratified from "R.E. 2009-10" to "R.E. 2008-09". The SFC approved the R.E. 2008-09 and B.E. 2009-10 under Non-plan and Plan as under:</p> <table> <tr> <th><u>Head</u></th><th><u>R.E. 2008-09</u></th><th><u>B.E. 2009-10</u></th></tr> <tr> <td></td><td colspan="2">(Rupees in lakhs)</td></tr> <tr> <td>Non-Plan</td><td>295.00</td><td>380.00</td></tr> <tr> <td>Plan</td><td>343.00</td><td>412.00</td></tr> </table>	<u>Head</u>	<u>R.E. 2008-09</u>	<u>B.E. 2009-10</u>		(Rupees in lakhs)		Non-Plan	295.00	380.00	Plan	343.00	412.00
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13.	To consider and approve the implementation of Sixth Central Pay Commission recommendations in respect of employees of MDNIY.	It was informed that Govt. of India vide O.M. dated 30 th Sept., 2008 has extended the orders relating to implementation of VI Central Pay Commission recommendations to Autonomous Organizations. The SFC decided that orders of the AS&FA in this regard would be followed.												
14.	To consider and approve Cleanliness/ Sanitation work in the MDNIY by outsourcing.	Noted and approved.												
15.	To consider and approve implementation of New Pension Scheme in respect of officials appointed in the MDNIY on or after 01.01.2004.	SFC approved the implementation of new Pension Scheme in respect of officials appointed in the MDNIY on or after 01.01.2004.												

16.	To consider and approve the provision of AC/ Column AC in the Administrative Block and in the rooms of senior officers of MDNIY and erection of partitions etc.	SFC was apprised of the situation that inspite of repeated requests to HSCC for taking up the said assignment, they have not responded and the work has not been done so far. Director, MDNIY explained the circumstances and SFC was of the view that tenders from other reputed concerns may be invited and the job may be got done at the earliest. Engagement of a Technical Expert by outsourcing and payment of consultancy fee to them was also approved.
17.	To consider the proposal of establishing Advanced Centre for Yoga Education and Research in Respiratory Diseases and Geriatric Care at Gujarat Ayurveda University, Jamnagar.	Approved.
18.	To consider sale of priced publications of MDNIY on discount in specific cases.	Approved.
19.	To consider the proposal of establishing Learning Resource Centre for Yoga at MDNIY.	<p>Director, MDNIY informed the SFC that WHO has approved the proposal for establishing Learning Resource Centre for Yoga at MDNIY and had sanctioned Rs.9.71 lakhs for this. The work of translation of booklets would be undertaken by WHO for which Rs.3.24 lakhs was proposed.</p> <p>It was also noted that there was no technical expert in MDNIY to set up the necessary IT infrastructure. In the circumstances, it would be extremely difficult for MDNIY to give the work on contract. SFC was therefore of the view that it would be better to approach NIC to take up the work of setting up of IT infrastructure for Learning Resource Centre for Yoga at MDNIY.</p> <p>SFC appreciated the efforts of MDNIY in establishing the Learning Resource Centre for Yoga and the outlay of Rs.35 lakhs in addition to service tax and NICSI charges were approved.</p>
20.	To consider the proposal of distribution of laminated Yoga Charts among the Govt. Organizations and Universities as a propagating activity.	Approved.
21.	To consider for ratification of approval of the competent authority on the proposal of establishing a Yoga Therapy and Training Centre at District Hospital, Nellore (AP).	Ratified.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

1.	To ratify the approval accorded by the competent authority on the proposal of conducting Yoga Classes at Lok Sabha Secretariat, Parliament of India.	Ratified. Director, MDNIY said that the Institute had received a communication from Lok Sabha Secretariat to impart Yoga Training to the Hon'ble Members of Parliament in the Parliament Premises during the month of November, 2008. Action is being taken accordingly.
2.	To approve the action taken by MDNIY on the accreditation of Yoga Institutions and Standardization of Yoga Courses and Programmes and sanction of Corpus Funds.	<p>SFC welcomed the efforts made by MDNIY in creating the self-regulatory body Indian Yoga Association (IYA) and approved the provision of space and administrative support by MDNIY to the IYA.</p> <p>A separate proposal would be submitted to the Ministry for the budgetary support to run the activities of the proposed IYA during the financial year 2008-09.</p> <p>SFC was also of the opinion that a separate "Corpus Fund" for IYA as desired may be created after obtaining approval of the competent authority, a proposal for which should be sent to the Ministry.</p> <p>Since the name 'Indian' is in the nomenclature of the Association, a letter shall be issued by the Department of AYUSH to facilitate the registration of the Association.</p> <p>The decision taken by the IYA will be acceptable to the Department of AYUSH.</p> <p>SFC ratified the expenses of Rs.30,000/- as approved by the Chairperson of SFC for vetting and other legal services for the Memorandum of Association and Rules & Regulations of IYA.</p>
3.	To consider the proposal of granting honorarium to the experts for their contribution in the preparation of the project "Learning Resource Centre for Yoga" at MDNIY.	SFC desired that a proposal to this effect may be sent to the Ministry for consideration and approval.
4.	To consider the proposal of revised protocol for the II phase of Philosophico-Literary Research Project - Philosophy and Practices of Hatha Yoga Traditions (an Anthological Presentation of Basic Hatha Yoga Treatises).	Approved.

5.	To consider and approve the engagement of Legal Consultant for legal advice in the Institute.	SFC approved the proposal to engage Shri R.M.Bagai as a Legal Consultant initially for a period of one year on a fixed remuneration of Rs.15,000/- per month.
6.	To consider the provision for integration of Audio-Visual System in the class rooms.	Approved.
7.	To consider the proposal of re-designing the Website of the Institute by N.I.C.	Approved. SFC also noted that the Institute has to pay the service charges and NICSI charges as applicable over and above the expenditure.
8.	To consider the proposal of preparation of Computer Software for the Patient Registration by N.I.C.	Approved. SFC also noted that the Institute has to pay the service charges and NICSI charges as applicable over and above the expenditure.
9.	To consider proposal of organizing Bi-monthly Eminent Experts Lecture Series instead of Monthly Guest Lectures in the Institute.	Approved.
10.	To consider the progress report of the Yoga Therapy and Research Centres of the Institute at Govt./Tertiary Hospitals.	SFC noted with appreciation the work being done in the Yoga Therapy and Research Centres of the Institute at Govt./Tertiary hospitals.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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(MEMBER SECRETARY)

S. S. S. S. S.
(CHAIRMAN)