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MINUTES OF THE 24^{TH} MEETING OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE OF MDNIY HELD ON FRIDAY THE 26^{TH} AUGUST, 2011 AT 2.30 PM.

The 24th meeting of the Standing Finance Committee of MDNIY scheduled to be held on Thursday the 18th August, 2011 was postponed and convened on Friday the 26th August, 2011 at 02.30 PM in the Committee Room, Department of AYUSH, Indian Red Cross Building, New Delhi. The following were present:

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Shri Vikram Singh Gaur,
Joint Secretary (AYUSH)
Ministry of Health & F.W.
Red Cross Building,
New Delhi.

Chairperson

2. Shri J.Majumdar,
Under Secretary (Fin.)
(Representative of Joint Secretary (F.A.)
Ministry of Health & F.W.
Red Cross Building,
New Delhi.

Member

3. Shri Arvind Kumar, Yoga Expert, E-331, Greater Kailash-II New Delhi-110048

Member

Shri P.K. Jha,
 Director,
 Department of AYUSH
 Red Cross Building,
 New Delhi.

Special Invitee

5. Shri S.D.Sharma,
Under Secretary (NI)
Department of AYUSH
Red Cross Building,
New Delhi.

Special Invitee

Dr. Ishwar V.Basavaraddi,
Director,
Morarji Pasai National Institute of Yoga,
68, Ashok Road, New Delhi.

Member-Secretary

Member who could not attend the meeting:

- Dr. Ashok Jhingan,
 Chairman,
 Delhi-Diabetes Research Center,
 F-166/1, SBI Flats, Rajouri Garden,
 New Delhi.
- Dr.(Mrs.) A. Vasuki Devi,
 Special Grade Asstt. Lecturer,
 NOI NAADAL, P.G. Department,
 Govt.Siddha Medical College,
 Palayamkottai, Triunelveli- 627002, Triunelveli District, Tamil Nadu.

Director, MDNIY welcomed the Chairperson and the members present in the meeting. Thereafter, the agenda items were taken up for discussions/deliberations, as under:

AGENDA ITEM NO.1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 23rd MEETING OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE OF MDNIY HELD ON 16th SEPTEMBER, 2010.

The minutes of the 23rd meeting of the SFC held on 16.09.2010 were confirmed.

AGENDA ITEM NO.2: ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS TAKEN IN THE 22ND MEETING OF THE SFC HELD ON 11TH AUGUST, 2010

While considering the action taken on the minutes of the 22nd meeting of SFC held on 11.08.2010 the action taken on the following items were discussed and accordingly decisions were taken as under:

Item No.5:

Regarding installation of R.O. plant in MDNIY, which could not be materialized, it was decided that a committee should survey the market to ascertain which type of RO plant will be suitable for fulfilling the requirement of campus and if necessary, a consultant may also be engaged by following codal formalities.

Item No.6: This is in regard to the engagement of Consultant (Admn.) and enhancement of consultation fee. It was decided that the consultation fee for the Consultant (Admn.) may be enhanced upto Rs. 40,000/- depending upon the competency and experience of the incumbent, which should be of minimum Dy. Secretary level.

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- Item No.7: Regarding grant of Grade Pay of Rs. 4600/- to the posts existed in the scale of pay of Rs. 6500-10500 as on 01.01.2006, it was informed that the proposal is being considered in the Department. The matter was discussed and will be expedited at the earliest.
- Item No.11: Regarding Monthly Weekend Yoga Workshop for Executives. It was approved to continue the programme along with Month-end Workshop on Yogic Management of Lifestyle Related Disorders.
- Item No.12: Regarding appointment of Visiting Professors, SFC was of the opinion that Visiting professors may be appointed for the year 2011-12 as approved and for subsequent years, may be placed before the SFC again.
- Item No.15: Director, MDNIY requested SFC to extend the tenure of Media Consultant beyond a year and also to enhance the consultation fees. It was decided that a separate proposal may be moved in the next SFC.

The action taken on the remaining items was noted and recommended by the SFC for approval. However, the Chairperson directed that in future if decision is not implemented due to some reason or the other, then it should be brought out in the next meeting of SFC for information/ consideration.

AGENDA ITEM NO.3: ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS TAKEN IN THE 23rd MEETING OF THE SFC HELD ON 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2010

The Action taken on the minutes of the 23rd meeting of SFC held on 16th September, 2010 were noted and recommended for approval.

AGENDA ITEM NO.4: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE UNAUDITED ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 2010-11

It was informed that as per Bye-laws 47, Director shall approve the unaudited accounts statements of the Institute and furnish to the Auditors for conduct of Audit. After audit is conducted, he shall place the audited accounts with audit certificate before the SFC/GC.

AGENDA ITEM NO.5:

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE EX-POST FACTO APPROVAL FOR ENGAGEMENT OF SHRI R.M.BAGAI, ADVOCATE AND PAYMENT OF LEGAL FEE TO HIM AND HIS JUNIOR TO DEFEND THE CASE FILED BY THE STUDENTS OF DYSC (2010-11) IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI.

SFC recommended for approval. Further, SFC recommended that in future for the court cases, the Institute may invite applications from the empanelled Standing Counsels and prepare two separate panels of Advocates to the cases on behalf of the Institute, one in Supreme Court & High Court and the other in lower Courts. It was further informed that the guidelines being followed-by-CCRUM in this regard may be perused/referred and also taken into consideration.

AGENDA ITEM NO.6:

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PROFESSIONAL FEE ETC. IN RESPECT OF SHRI JAGAT ARORA, ADVOCATE FOR FILING THE PETITION IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI REGARDING COURT CASE OF SW.HARI BHAKTA CHAITANYA VS. UOI (VISHWAYATAN YOGASHRAM)

SFC recommended for one-time approval. However, Director, MDNIY informed the SFC that the Advocate has now said that it is too late to file the Affidavit before the High Court and it may or may not condone the delay at this stage. SFC noted the same.

AGENDA ITEM NO.7: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-12 (PLAN & NON-PLAN) IN RESPECT OF MDNIY

The matter was discussed at length. It was informed the Budget Estimates already stand approved by the Department/Ministry of Finance and the SFC recommended that Director, MDNIY may incur expenditure in exercise of the powers available to him as Head of Department under the MDNIY's Bye-Laws and MOA. Each and every item including projections be prepared in detail/with purposes only, requesting approval of SFC, be put up to it by observing codal formalities and economy instructions. Accordingly, the realistic R.E. for the year 2011-12 may be placed before the next meeting of the SFC.

AGENDA ITEM NO.8: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE ENGAGEMENT OF ONE ADDITIONAL SECURITY SUPERVISOR FOR SECURITY ARRANGEMENT OF MDNIY

SFC recommended for approval. It was however, decided that the Director, MDNIY should ensure that the firm of Security Services is an appropriate statutory licensee one and that the EPF and ESI contributions of the Supervisors and Security Guards are being paid regularly by the firm in their respective accounts. Delhi Government's order for minimum wages may also be referred to.

AGENDA ITEM NO.9:

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE FOR ENGAGEMENT OF TWO DATA ENTRY OPERATORS ON CONTRACT BASIS FOR DEPARTMENT OF AYUSH FOR

A PERIOD OF 3-6 MONTHS

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SFC recommended to approve.

AGENDA ITEM NO.10:

TO APPROVE CONDEMNATION OF OLD COMPUTERS AND PURCHASE OF NEW COMPUTERS WITH PRINTERS IN MDNIY

SFC recommended for approval. It was further desired that the amount already approved under the head may be spent and for additional funds, proposal may be made at RE stage (2011-12).

AGENDA ITEM NO.11:

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ENGAGEMENT OF YOGA INSTRUCTORS (INTERNEES) FROM AMONGST THE IMMEDIATELY PASSED OUT STUDENTS OF DIPLOMA IN YOGA SCIENCE FOR GRADUATES, FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR AT MDNIY.

The matter was discussed at length and deferred. SFC, however, observed that the matter requires comprehensive proposal explaining requirement, strength in position, and desired manpower with justification. Hence, a work study may be conducted in the Institute and their report be placed in the next meeting of the SFC. The Indian Institute of Applied Manpower Research for studying technical manpower can be consulted.

AGENDA ITEM NO.12: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ENHANCEMENT OF HIRING CHARGES OF ACCOMMODATION FOR STUDENTS AND HIRING OF VEHICLE FOR TRANSPORTATION.

The matter was discussed at length. SFC observed that it is not convinced with the proposal. It was desired to examine as to with whose approval this practice of providing hostel/transport subsidy to out station students pursuing Diploma Course in MDNIY was adopted. It was also suggested to explore whether any other arrangements could be made to lower expenditure in this regard. The Director, MDNIY may move a consolidated detailed proposal in this regard for approval of the continuation of these facilities on enhanced rates to the department for consideration of the same in consultation with IFD.

AGENDA ITEM NO.13: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE STARTING OF DIFFERENT FOUNDATION COURSES ON VARIOUS YOGIC PRACTICES.

SFC recommended for approval to the proposal of starting the Foundation Courses on various Yogid practices with the following modifications:-

(i) The proposed fee may be enhanced from Rs.500/- to Rs.1000/- per month which also includes Werkshop and Certification fee;

- (ii) Adequate publicity by way of advertisement, etc., shall be given before starting these programmes; and
- (iii) Initially, the courses may be conducted for 3-6 months on pilot basis. Thereafter, the same may be reviewed and placed before the SFC for continuation.
- (iv) No new course shall be started until budget provision is available for the same;
- (v) Number of students may be increased;
- (vi) Calendar of the course should be given well in advance;
- (vii) If students are found less-than 10 in a batch, the same may be closed;
 - (viii) For conducting these courses, expenditure should be met out of the internally generated resources first and then it should be met from the expenditure head of Grant-in-aid general.

AGENDA ITEM NO.14: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE REVISED RATES
OF FEE BEING CHARGES BY THE MDNIY FOR
DIFFERENT YOGA THERAPY & TRAINING
PROGRAMMES.

Recommended to approve the proposal, with the observation made under Agenda Item No.13 including enhanced fee as Rs.1000/- which also includes Workshop & Certificate fee.

AGENDA ITEM NO.15: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE REVISED REMUNEATION PATTERN OF STAFF WORKING UNDER YOGA THERAPY CENTRES AND ADVANCED CENTRES FOR YOGA

SFC recommended for approval to the proposal for revised remuneration of different categories of posts under the schemes of Yoga Therapy Centers and Advanced Centers for Yoga to be effective from 1st July, 2011. SFC further approved the additional expenditure of Rs.21.06 lakhs for making revised pattern of remuneration for the current financial year (2011-12) subject to availability of fund.

AGENDA ITEM NO.16: TO CONSIDER THE CONTINUATION OF THE PHILOSOPHICO - LITERARY RESEARCH PROJECT - PHILOSOPHY AND PRACTICES OF HATHA YOGA TRADITIONS (AN ANTHOLOGICAL PRESENTATION OF BASIC HATHA YOGA TREATISES) FOR ONE YEAR.

SFC observed that Director, CCRYN may be nominated on the of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) of MDNIY, its meeting be convened and all research projects of MDNIY should be got approved by the SAC of MDNIY. SFC directed the Director, MDNIY to place the said proposal before the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Institute for its consideration. Thereafter, the financial implications thereon shall be placed before the SFC for its consideration.

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AGENDA ITEM NO.17:

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APPROVE TO HOST JOINTLY THE 8TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF MENTAL HEALTH ON THE THEME "YOGA AND MENTAL HEALTH" AT MDNIY.

SFC did not recommend for approval in view of the economy instructions of the Department of Expenditure.

AGENDA ITEM NO.18:

TO APPROVE THE COLLABORATION WITH THE ACADEMY OF YOGA AND ORIENTAL STUDIES, BHUBANESWAR BY WAY OF PROVIDING TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR ORGANIZING ALL INDIA YOGA-AYURVEDA SEMINAR.

The consideration of the item was deferred.

AGENDA ITEM NO.19:

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE MAKING PAYMENT OF MONITORING FEES TO THE NODAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE SWAMI VIVEKANANDA DISTRICT YOGA WELLNESS CENTRES (SVDYWC) IN ADVANCE.

SFC recommended for approval.

AGENDA ITEM NO.20:

TO RATIFY THE ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON ARRANGEMENT OF SECURITY & MAINTENANCE OF PLANET HEALTH MUSEUM.

SFC recommended for approval. However, the expenditure may be asked to be reimbursed by the IEC Section of Department of AYUSH.

AGENDA ITEM NO.21:

TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE ON DISMANTLING OF THE TEMPORARY STRUCTURE OF PLANET HEALTH MUSEUM AND SHIFTING OF DISMANTLED MATERIAL AT MDNIY.

The Committee recommended that at first decision for shifting be taken and then bring the matter to SFC. It was also observed that the expenditure may be asked to be reimbursed by the IC Section of Department of AYUSH.

SUPPL. ITEM NO.1: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE TOWARDS SETTING UP OF "PLANET HEALTH MUSEUM" AT MDNIY.

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SFC was of the view that let the CAG conduct audit of the same and then the matter may be examined by IC Division of the Department.

SUPPL. ITEM NO.2:

TO APPROVE PUBLICATION OF PATANJALA YOGA SUTRA-PARICHAYA WRITTEN BY PADMASHUSHAN-YOGACHARYA DR. B.K.S. IYENGAR.

SFC recommended for approval.

SUPPL. ITEM NO.3:

TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF YOGA PROPS FOR YOGA TRAINING AND THERAPY.

SFC recommended for approveal.

SUPPL. ITEM NO.4:

APPROVAL FOR CONDUCTING 6-DAYS ORIENTATION TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR THE YOGA INSTRUCTORS WORKING IN SWAMI VIVEKANANDA DISTRICT YOGA WELLNESS CENTERS (SVDYWC).

The consideration of the item was deferred to be placed before the next meeting of the SFC.

In addition to above, the committee suggested following general action points:-

- (i) Director, MDNIY while incurring approved expenditure, should adhere to all instructions of economy in expenditure, codal formalities, CVC guidelines and provisions of GFRs/DFPRs;
- (ii) A proposal may be moved to include Director, CCRYN in the SFC of MDNIY;
- (iii)For expenditure on Yoga Research, approval of Scientific Committee may be obtained before coming to SFC;
- (iv) Yoga Research methodology should be at par with Research Council;
- (v) Each and every proposed item of expenditure should have detailed realistic estimates with follow up of codal formalities and financial rules. If any problem is faced by the institute to spend the approved fund, the same should be brought before the SFC;

(vi)All the schemes being implemented by the MDNIY should be sent to department for perusal;

(vii) As regards District Wellness Centre, details of the scheme/course stating budget provision as approved initially and existing also, liability upto March, 2012, actual school-wise requirement may be informed to department. It may be complied that no second installment is released until UC for the first installment is received.

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

MEMBER SECRETARYS.

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