No.F15-17/2004 - YS.II Government of India Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110001 Dated the 31st May, 2005

To

The Director
Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development,
Bheemanthangal,
Sriperumbudur – 602105

Tamil Nadu

Subject:

XVIII Executive Council Meeting of RGNIYD held on 15.4.2005

at New Delhi - minutes thereof.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter No.RG/F&A/358/2005 dated 20.4.2005 on the subject mentioned above. Since President, RGNIYD as expired, the draft minutes of above meeting, duly approved by Secretary YA&S as Vice President (Ex-officio) of RGNIYD, are forwarded herewith for further necessary action at your end.

Yours faithfully,

(P.K. AHUJA)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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Encl: As above.

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE XVIII EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING OF RGNIYD HELD ON 15TH APRIL 2005 AT 11.45 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, SHASTRI BHAWAN, NEW DELHI 110 001.

as amended by Secy, YAJS. (copy with Secyls amendoments in her handwriting but upbelow MEMBERS PRESENT

1. Shri Sunil Dutt

Hon'ble Minister for Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001.

2. Smt. Meenaxi Anand Chaudhry, Secretary to Government of India,

Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 110 001.

3. Shri C.R. Kesavan,

53, Bazullah Road, T.Nagar, Chennai 600 017.

4. Smt. Vandana K. Jena,

Joint Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001.

5. Shri R. Sellamuthu,

Director, RGNIYD.

6. Shri Harsh Mander,

Flat No.6233, C-6, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi 110 070

7. Dr. T.Karunakaran,

Vice Chancellor, Gandhigram Rural Institute, Deemed University, Gandhigram 624 302.

8. Shri Dulichand Jain,

President, Vivekananda Educational Trust and State Treasurer, Vidya Bharti Agugriha, No.70, TTK Road. Opp. To Naradagana Sabha, Alwarpet, Chennai 600 018.

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Members who sought leave of absence

- 1. Shri Mani Shankar Aiyar, Hon'ble Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas.
- 2. Shri. G.K.Vasan, M.P.
- 3. Smt. Jayanthi Natarajan.

Also present as Special invitees

- Amiya Chandra,
 P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for YA & S.
- Dr.Shakeel Ahmad Khan, Vice Chairman, Nehru Yuva Khendra Sangatham, New Delhi.
- 3. Shri P.K. Ahuja, Under Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, New Delhi.

The President-cum-Hon'ble Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports, chaired the meeting.

With the Director, RGNIYD extending a cordial welcome to the members, the meeting started off on a note of warm expressions of determined efforts to advance the cause of youth through RGNIYD.

After the introduction of the members, the Agenda items were discussed in depth and the decisions taken and the resolutions passed are given here under.



Item No. I Confirmation of the Minutes of the 17th Executive Council Meeting.

The Minutes of the 17th Executive Council Meeting were confirmed.

Item No. II Action taken on the Minutes of the 17th Executive Council

The Director explained the action taken on the Minutes of the earlier Executive Council Meeting and pointed out that during the last 8 months a number of significant developments had taken place, thus taking the Institute to a much higher position.

A) Creation of Additional Posts

The Director, RGNIYD briefly narrated the steps taken to get the additional posts sanctioned and informed that the Ministry has sanctioned 14 additional posts and requested that some more additional posts should be got approved by the Ministry in view of the large volume of work in the day to day administration and in the maintenance of the buildings and the campus.

B) Construction of Auditorium

The Institute has deposited Rupees Two Crores in two instalments with the CPWD which has commenced the construction of the Auditorium, to be completed within 8 to 10 months.



C) Construction of the Buildings entrusted to M/s.Saravana Constructions Pvt. Ltd., (Works still pending)

The E.C. noted the various steps taken in pursuance of the decisions taken by the Executive Council in its XVII Meeting held on 9th August 2004.

The E.C. was apprised by the Director that the seminar hall, Conference Room, Class Rooms and the 42 hostel rooms (left unfinished the previous contractor) would be completed soon and the requisite facilities provided and that these would be used to run the programs in the campus.

The Secretary cum Vice President (Ex-officio) emphasized that the construction works left incomplete by the M/s.Saravana Constructions Pvt. Ltd., should be completed through the CPWD as decided in the 17th Executive Council Meeting. It was agreed that expeditious action regarding the following items be taken by the Institute.

- To get the 42 rooms in the Hostel completed in all the aspects (without/with A.C.) and put into use as early as possible.
- 2) The dining hall and the indoor recreation hall should be properly completed and air-conditioning effected.



The Claims of the Institute against the Contractor must be properly taken into account and pressed before the arbitrator to get suitable awards.

Item No. III Sanction of Additional Posts

The Director explained in detail the various resolutions of the Executive Council to get the additional posts sanctioned and specifically indicated the concerted efforts of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports which recommended 38 additional posts.during June 2004.

Shri C.R.Kesavan, Vice President expressed the view that the present level of staff is far below the requirements of this National Institute, and he pleaded that all the posts recommended by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports should be got approved by the Finance Ministry.

The Secretary(YAS) cum Vice President (Ex-officio) gave a detailed account of the staff proposals approved by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and the sanction of 14 additional posts. Attention was also drawn to the decision of the Finance Ministry that mode of outsourcing may be used wherever required and feasible.

Honourable Minister, Secretary and other members expressed the view that the staff strength of RGNIYD should be augmented and the scope for outsourcing should also be duly



explored and resorted to, to achieve efficiency and broad base the functional reach of RGNIYD.

Keeping in view the long term perspectives of the institute, and to strengthen its foundations, it was agreed that the additional posts sanctioned for a period of one year, namely, up to 28.2.2006 should be got approved as permanent posts and that the pay scales of certain posts also be got revised as originally proposed by the Ministry.

Taking note of all the views expressed, it has been resolved that a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri C.R. Kesavan, Vice President (By nomination) should be constituted with J.S. Youth Affairs and Sports and Director, RGNIYD as Members and that the Committee should examine the staff requirements of the Institute and give its recommendations on,

- a) Strengthening the staff with suitable scales of pay to achieve efficiency in the matter of implementing the various programmes and undertaking the youth related services.
- b) The additional posts required, the tenure of the posts commensurate pay scales therefore etc.
- c) The scope and desirability of outsourcing certain items of work,
- d) And other relevant aspects.



Item No.IV Inclusion of one Vice President II additionally in the Executive

Council

The Circular resolution was confirmed.

Item No. V Introduction of Pension Scheme to the RGNIYD Employees

The matter was discussed in depth and it was deferred.

Item No.VI Construction Work Pending

(1) Notice given by M/s Suresh Goel, Architects for release of payment for architectural service (charges) rendered by them.

The Director, RGNIYD explained that the claim of Architect, namely, M/s Suresh Goel & Associates were highly exaggerated on many of the items and the claims would have to be scaled down substantially. The latest position is that the architect has been requested to give his views on reducing the claims which are not fully substantiated and making revised claims reasonably.

As the Director, indicated that the architect had given notice under clause 9 of the agreement to seek arbitration for settlement of claims through the council of architecture as per the agraement, there were comprehensive deliberations on its implications.

All the relevant aspects of the agreement with the architect were considered in detail and it was desired that the architect's claims should be examined and specific recommendations be made by the Director about them taking into account contract items, the services rendered and reasonableness of the claims.



(II) Appointment of an Arbitrator in the dispute between M/s.Saravana Constructions Pvt. Ltd., and RGNIYD.

The Executive Council was duly apprised in regard to the issue of the appointment of arbitrator to settle the dispute between the M/s.Saravana Constructions Pvt. Ltd., and RGNIYD after elaborate deliberations, action of filing writ petition against the order of the High Court on the advice of the Additional Solicitor General was endorsed and approved. It was decided that the writ petition filed should be pursued effectively.

Item No.VII Networking with the Universities and other organizations



Considering the benefits that could accrue through the process of networking it was resolved that RGNIYD should take action to have purposeful networking with the Universities and other organizations to enhance the utility of its programmes and youth related issues.

Item No.VIII Establishment of Video Conferencing System in RGNIYD

Shri C.R.Kesavan, Vice President explained the salient features of the establishment of Video Conferencing System in RGNIYD. He underlined the facts that this proposal would enable the Institute to reach out to the Youth in the far-flung areas and that the services of NIC & NICSI could be utilized for installation of Video Conferencing system. The Executive Council took note of the need for such system of vide coverage and resolved that the



Video Conferencing System should be established at a cost of Rs.45 lakhs on the basis of estimates given by MD, NICSI, a Govt. of India enterprise under the Ministry of Information Technology & Communication.

Conclusion:

The Hon'ble Minister observed that concerted efforts must be made to have the Institute fully provided with the infra structural and other facilities to promote youth development.

In the course of summing up, the Secretary underlined that the pending construction works should be pushed through and that the Institute should take full advantage of the sanctions accorded recently.

Having regard to the original objectives of the Institute, all the members expressed their keen desire that the institute should be nurtured to become an important hub of youth related services at the national level.

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

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