

**Minutes of the 84<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council of  
Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, MAKAIAS, IB-166, Sector-III,  
Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 106, held at 11.00 a.m. on 28.08.2019 in the Chamber of  
the Hon'ble Chairman, MAKAIAS, Azad Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata**

**Members Present**

1. **Prof. Sujit K. Ghosh**  
Hon'ble Chairman  
Maulana Abul Kalam Azad  
Institute of Asian Studies
2. **Prof. K.C. Baral**  
Vice Chairman of the Executive Council,  
Maulana Abul Kalam Azad  
Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata, &  
Professor of Indian Studies &  
Former Pro-Vice Chancellor  
English & Foreign Languages University  
University of Hyderabad
3. **Shri Arun Goel, IAS**  
Secretary to the Government of India,  
Ministry of Culture
4. **Dr. Jayanta Sengupta**  
Secretary & Curator  
Victoria Memorial Hall, Kolkata  
(Nominee of the Secretary Ministry of Culture,  
Govt. of India)
5. **Dr. Dharmendra Singh Gangwar, IAS**  
Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser  
Ministry of Culture, Government of India
6. **Dr. Rajendra S. Shukla, IAS**  
Additional Chief Secretary  
Department of Higher Education  
Government of West Bengal
7. **Dr. I.S. Chauhan**  
Former Vice Chancellor &  
Ambassador (Fiji)

*Sujit K. Ghosh*  
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*K.C. Baral*  
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*I.S. Chauhan*  
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8. **Dr. K.S. Chakraborty**  
Regional Director  
Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU)  
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9. **Prof. Smritikumar Sarkar**  
Former Vice-Chancellor  
Burdwan University  
57/2, B.C. Chatterjee Street  
Kolkata- 700056

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10. **Dr. Krishnakali Basu (Ghosh)**  
Associate Professor  
Department of English  
Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College  
Kolkata

--Absent

11. **Dr. M. Sasikumar**  
Director, MAKAIAS  
Member Secretary

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At the outset the Chairman welcomed all the members to the meeting and extended a warm welcome to Prof. Smritikumar Sarkar, the newly nominated member of the Executive Council (EC). He has been introduced to all other members.

**Agenda Item No.84.1**      **To consider confirmation of the Minutes of the 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council**

The minutes of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on 06.04.2019 were circulated to the members of the committee. No comments have been received from the members. The minutes, as enclosed at **Annexure-I**, may be discussed and confirmed.

**Resolution**      The EC confirmed and approved the minutes of 83<sup>rd</sup> Executive Council meeting.

**Agenda Item No.84.2**      **To consider follow up action on the minutes of the 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council**

<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>
84.1	Minutes of the 82 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on 28.01.2019 were confirmed.	Noted

**Resolution**      The EC approved the action taken report.  
**Agenda Item**      **To discuss and approve of the Minutes of Selection Committee Meeting for selection of Maulana Azad Fellow, held at MAKAIAS,**

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No.84.3 Kolkata, on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

Annexure -II

**Resolution** The EC approved the minutes of the selection of Maulana Azad Fellow but directed to withhold the offer of appointment till sufficient fund is allotted by the Ministry to meet the expenses.

Agenda  
Item  
No.84.4 To discuss and approve the Minutes of the Selection Committee Meeting for selection of Consultant (Museum) and Research Project Coordinator, held at MAKAIAS, Kolkata, on 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

Annexure-III

**Resolution** The EC approved the recommendation of the selection committee for the selection of one post each of Consultant (Museum) and Research Project Coordinator purely on contract basis for a period of six months each. The committee also recommended remuneration of Rs. 40,000/- per month for the Research Project Coordinator.

Agenda  
Item  
No.84.5 To Discuss the matter relating to extension of Research Project Assistant and consultants (Accounts and Finance and Editing and Publication) in MAKAIAS as their tenure completed

Annexure-IV

**Resolution** The EC approved the extension of Research Project Assistant and Consultant (A&F) for a further period of six months. The EC further advised to keep the Consultant (Editing & Publication) post in abeyance.

Agenda  
Item  
No.84.6 To discuss & approve Annual Accounts for the year 2018-19

Annexure-V

**Resolution** The EC not approved the annual accounts for the year 2018-19 but advised to thoroughly recheck and update the accounts and submit in the next EC meeting.

Agenda  
Item  
No.84.7 To approve the proposal to conduct an International Seminar on the occasion of the Centenary Celebration of Rabindra Nath Tagore visit in Bangladesh on the Topic "Rabindra Nath Tagore & South Asia" to be held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019 at M C College Sylhet, Govt. of Bangladesh submitted by MC College. The proposal approved in principle by the Seminar Committee on its meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2019

Annexure-VI

**Resolution** The EC directed to write a detailed letter to the Ministry of Culture seeking additional financial support of Rs. 19,00,000/- to meet the this expenditure as

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it is a commitment by the institute to the Bangladesh High Commission. It is also very important to meet the international objectives of the institute.

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**Item**

**No.84.8**

**To discuss the procedure/Method to be adopted for screening and selection of advertised posts of AFO, Asst. Librarian and Junior Library Assistant and to Constitute the Selection Committee and Finalisation of the date of interview.**

**Annexure-VII**

**Resolution** The EC formed a screening committee and a selection committee for the screening and selection of AFO. The screening committee consists of following members:

1. Dr. Mahua Das, Principal, Women's College, Kolkata
2. Shri Gouranga Dutta, Joint Finance Officer, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan
3. Director, MAKAIAS (Convenor)

The Composition of the selection committee will be the same as constituted for the selection of Director, MAKAIAS. But the experts will be Dr. Prashant Meshram, Joint Registrar, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan and Prof. Kumar Ratnam, Member Secretary, ICHR, New Delhi. It is tentatively decided to hold the interview on 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2019.

**Agenda**

**Item**

**No.84.9**

**To discuss the engagement of a legal adviser/advocate to defend the case filed against the Institute by Shri Deepak Dutta former, AFO.**

**Annexure-VIII**

**Resolution** The EC approved the engagement of Advocate Mr. Alok Banerjee, Senior Council and his associates Mr. S.M. Obaidullah and Mr. Nikhil Kumar Roy as legal advisors to defend the case on behalf of MAKAIAS

**Agenda**

**Item**

**No.84.10**

**Engagement of a New Agency for providing outsourced manpower in the rate fixed by the administrative sub-committee (7<sup>th</sup> May, 2019) constituted by EC.**

**Annexure-IX**

**Resolution** The EC approved the engagement of new agency to provide outsourced manpower @ fixed by the administrative sub-committee *w.e.f.* 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2019. The EC also granted two months extension to the existing agency to complete the formalities in between.

**Agenda**

**Item**

**No. 84.11**

**To discuss and approve the enhancement of remuneration of JRFs & RAs as already approved by the Research Advisory Committee vide its meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.**

**Annexure-X**

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**Resolution** The EC advised the Director to obtain the Ministry's approval as it involves additional financial requirements.

**Agenda**

**Item**

**No. 84.12** To discuss & approve the Expenditure for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2019

**Resolution** The EC directed the Account Section to submit a revised expenditure statement for its approval.

**Reporting items**

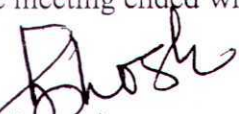
i) A meeting of the Finance Committee was scheduled to hold on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 and 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2019. But the meeting was postponed due to the inconvenience of the Chairman, FC


ii) To discuss the Retirement of Shri Ashish Bhowmik and revised Allocation of Work.


**Resolution** The EC advised the Director to initiate recruitment process early. The EC also approved the revised allocation of work as submitted by the Director. The EC also has taken the following decisions.


1. To transfer the institutes account from SBI Baliganj Branch to Vikas Bhawan, GOC.
2. The EC considered the recommendation of the Seminar Committee held on 27/08/2019 and a sub committee is constituted with Chairman, MAKAIAS, Prof. Smritikumar Sarkar, Member, Executive Council and Director, MAKAIAS as members to review, approve and allocate funds for the Seminar.
3. The EC have taken a serious view of the "premature leakage" of the official information to the outsiders. All the concerned are advised to be vigilant about this.

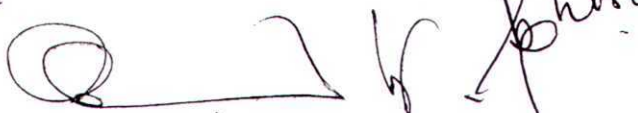
The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.


  
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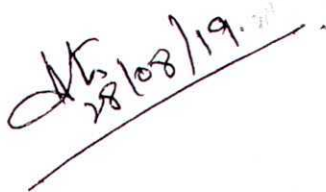


  
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