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Madam,

Kindly refer to your letter dated 3rd September, 2015 regarding Draft Minutes 21st Annual General Meeting of the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies.

I am directed by the Hon'ble Governor to say that he is pleased to approve the Draft Minutes as sent by you.

Yours faithfully,

(D. K. Gautam)

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Minutes of the 21st Annual General Meeting of the MAKAIAS, Society held on June 27, 2015 at Raj Bhavan, Kolkata at 11.30 a.m.

The 21st Annual General Meeting of the Society of the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS), Kolkata was held on Saturday, June 27, 2015 at 11. 30 a.m at the Council Chamber of Raj Bhavan, Kolkata.

Members present:

- His Excellency, the Governor of West Bengal & President of MAKAIAS Society, Shri. Keshari Nath Tripathi.
- Shri. Sitaram Sharma, Chairman, Executive Council, MAKAIAS & Vice- President of the MAKAIAS, Society
- 3. Ms. Sreya Guha, JS, MOC, GOI (nominated by Secretary, MOC, GOI)
- 4. Shri. Amit Sanyal (Special Secretary nominated by the Principal Secretary to the Govt. of West Bengal
- 5. Professor Ashis Kumar Roy
- 6. Professor Suranjan Das
- 7. Professor Abhirup Sarkar
- 8. Professor Md. Rafatullah
- 9. Professor O. P. Mishra
- 10. Professor Azarmi Dakht Safavi
- 11. Professor Syed Tanveer Nasreen
- 12. Professor Hossenur Rahman
- 13. Professor Ranjit Sen (Nominated by the Secretary, Asiatic Society, Kolkata)
- 14. Shri. Dayanidhi Rout
- 15. Professor Uma Dasgupta
- 16. Dr. Sreeradha Dutta, Director & Member Secretary, MAKAIAS

Leave of absence was granted to:

- 1. Shri. Raghav Chandra, AS & FA, MOC, GOI
- 2. Professor Gopa Sabharwal
- 3. Professor Pratap Bhanu Mehta

- 4. Shri. Azim Bari
- 5. Shri. Chandrasekhar Dasgupta
- 6. Dr. Chitra Mondal
- 7. Professor Mushirul Hasan
- 8. Shri, Siddartha Varadarajan
- 9. Dr. Imtiaz Ahmad
- 10. Professor H.P. Roy

Agenda Item No. 1: To confirm the Minutes of the 20th Annual General Meeting of the Institute held on June 25, 2014 at Azad Bhavan, Kolkata. (Annexure I)

Resolution: Resolved that the Minutes of the 20th Annual General Meeting held on June 25, 2014 of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS), Kolkata be confirmed and approved.

Agenda Item No. 2: To consider the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 20th Annual General Meeting. (Annexure II)

Resolution: The Action Taken Report on the resolutions of the 20th AGM held on June 25, 2014 of the MAKAIAS Society is noted and confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 3: To consider and approve the provisional Annual Report and Annual Audited Accounts of the Institute for the year 2014- 2015. (Annexure III)

The Chairman, requested Dr. Sreeradha Dutta, Director & member Secretary of MAKAIAS to report on the activities and achievements of MAKAIAS, Kolkata during the financial year 2014-15.

Dr. Sreeradha Dutta, Director, MAKAIAS briefly outlined the activities of MAKAIAS, highlighting the activities and functioning of the Maulana Azad Centre for North East Studies at the five North East Universities. Significant academic activities that are being pursued under the ageis of the MAKAIAS North East Centres were mentioned.

The Director, MAKAIAS emphasized the varied academic endeavors being undertaken by MAKAIAS. The Research Methodology Workshop on Asian Studies was one such event organized for the 2nd time in which 28 students participated from India and abroad. Apart the regular organization of Seminars and Conferences, presentations by Internal Fellows, there has been a substantial increase in publications including 11 volumes apart from Quarterly Newsletter- Asia Connect and Annual Journal, during this period.

This apart, there has been considerable progress and increase in the activities at the Maulana Azad Museum. School children and scholars are invited regularly to visit the Museum. MAKAIAS is collaborating with other Institutes to hold quiz and debates on National leaders of India including Maulana Azad. A proposal has been prepared and sent to the MOC, GOI for approval for the expansion of the Azad Museum.

The members perused and noted with satisfaction the progress and encouraged the Director, MAKAIAS in her endeavor to take MAKAIAS, to greater heights.

The Director, MAKAIAS placed the Annual Audited Accounts on the table. The members of the Society approved the Annual Audited Accounts of MAKAIAS, which had also been earlier approved in the Executive Council and Finance Committee.

Resolved that the Annual Report and Annual Audited Accounts of MAKAIAS, Kolkata for the year 2014- 15 is approved and may be forwarded to CAG for further necessary action.

Agenda Item No. 4: To consider appointment of Chartered Accountant, CAG empanelled as Statutory Auditor (also quarterly and tax audit) of the Institute for 2015- 2016-sealed Quotations are placed before Ilis Excellency. (Annexure IV)

Out of 8 sealed quotations received, as per L-1 M/s Gupta and Mitra was selected for appointment as Chartered Accountant, Cag empanelled Statutory Auditor (also quarterly and Tax Audit) of the Institute for the year 2015-16.

Agenda Item No. 5: Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

No matters were taken up for discussion.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

His Excellency, Governor of West Bengal, & President of MAKAIAS, Society, Shri. Keshari Nath Tripathi Dr. Sreeradha Dutta Director & Member Secretary MAKAIAS