

The Proceedings of 23rd Annual General Meeting of the Society, MAKAIAS, Kolkata:

Agenda Item 23.1:

To confirm the minutes of 22nd Annual General Meeting of the Institute held on 23.12.2019 at Raj Bhavan, Kolkata.

Resolution Taken:

The minutes of the 22nd Annual General Meeting of the Institute held on 23.12.2019 at Raj Bhavan, Kolkata were confirmed without any modification.

Agenda Item 23.2:

To consider the Action –Taken Report on the minutes of the 22nd Annual General Meeting of the Society of MAKAIAS held on 23rd December, 2019.

Resolution Taken:

The Director placed the Action–Taken Report on the minutes of the 22nd Annual General Meeting of the Society of MAKAIAS held on 23rd December, 2019. The kind suggestions given by Hon'ble members highlighted below were duly noted for necessary action.

- a. Internal committees which are in existence in MAKAIAS such as the Seminar & Workshop Committee, Academic Committee, Purchase & Tender Committee, Recruitment Committee, Administrative Committee, Research & Advisory Committee, Foreign Travel Grants Committee, Evaluation Committee, Publication Committee, Maintenance and Technical Committee, Museum Committee, Library and Documentation Committee, Committee for North-East and other internal committees functioning in MAKAIAS should include two members of the Society in each of these Committees whose names will be communicated to the Director through Vice-President within fourteen days from the date of the Annual General Meeting of the Society.
- b. The Members referred to the clauses 12, 15 and 16 of the Memorandum of Association and Rules and Regulations of the Society and requested the President to ensure that meetings of the Society be held more frequently.
- c. The Members felt that high end research in MAKAIAS should be taken due care of and the participation and expertise of the Society Members in this regard should be leveraged. In this regard, reference was made that academic linkages with various Asian Studies Institutes/Organizations in India and abroad for Academic collaboration which was mentioned in the minutes of the 22nd Annual General Meeting of the MAKAIAS held on 23-12-2019, still has a long way to go. The Hon'ble Governor directed that MAKAIAS authorities should keep close communication with the Members of the Society to execute these directives.
- d. Hard copy of the research papers and the manuscripts submitted by the Research Fellows should be sent to international standard evaluators to judge the standard of research going on in MAKAIAS. They also suggested that the expertise of the Society members should be fully utilized for finalizing the research and academic activities.
- e. The Hon'ble members suggested that there should be adequate representation of female scholars amongst the research scholars appointed by MAKAIAS.
- f. The Hon'ble members wanted the collaborative programme with ICHR, ICSSR and Central Universities to be increased.
- g. The Hon'ble members suggested that a Fund Raising Committee has to be formed to address the fund constraints of MAKAIAS.

h. The Hon'ble Governor advised that MAKAIAS should involve the distinguished members of the Society in the affairs of the institute in a more intensive manner.

i. The Hon'ble Governor advised the Director to keep him and the Vice President of the Society apprised on the implementation of the suggestions and advice given in the meeting of the Society every two months.

j. Hard copies of Annual Report for the year 2018-19 and the Agenda and Annexures of 23rd Annual General Meeting of the Society have to be sent to all the Members.

Agenda item 23.3:

To approve the Annual Report and Annual audited accounts for the year 2019-20.

Resolution taken:

The members approved the Annual Report and Annual Accounts for the financial year 2019-20 & 2020-21 for the purpose of its audit by C&AG.

Agenda item 23.4:

To approve Memorandum of Understanding of MAKAIAS with the Ministry of Culture, Government of India for financial year 2021 - 22.

Resolution taken:

The members directed that the internal audit of MAKAIAS for the financial year 2021-22 should be completed within 30th June, 2022 so that the auditing of MAKAIAS accounts remains updated.

Reporting Item:

Agenda item: 23.5:

To report the process of shifting the office of the institute from Raj Bhavan, Kolkata to Azad Bhavan, Kolkata.

Resolution taken:

The members accepted & approved the shifting of Registered office of the Society from Raj Bhavan, Kolkata to Azad Bhavan, Kolkata. It was decided that this process should be completed at the earliest.

Agenda item 23.6:

To report on recruitments done on the vacant post as per the Rules & Regulation of MAKAIAS, Kolkata.

Resolution taken:

The Director reported that out of four vacant posts, three have been filled up by new recruitments and one post is under litigation. The three posts where recruitments have been done are Assistant Librarian (Group-B), Junior Library Assistant (Group-C) and Lower division Clerk/Typist (Group-C) and the post under litigation is Administrative cum Finance Officer (Group-A).

The Hon'ble members pointed out the case of Mr. Dipak Dutta, the then Administrative cum Finance Officer who has been terminated from May, 2017. This litigation is going on till date and the post of Administrative cum Finance Officer is vacant since May, 2017. Under these circumstances the members suggested that in future if any such action like dismissal of an official/ staff in MAKAIAS takes place the appointing authority should keep

the Society duly informed before taking such extreme decision so that the Society can give it's advice for the best interest of MAKAIAS.

Agenda item 23.7:

To report on the letters received from the Ministry of Culture, Government of India on merger of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata with Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan.

Resolution taken:

The Hon'ble Governor suggested that hard copies, if any, regarding the merger of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata with Visva – Bharati, Santiniketan should be shared with all the Hon'ble members of the Society. He further requested the Society members to give their opinion on this point within a forthright so that Society could arrive at a considered decision soon thereafter.

Agenda Item 23.8:

To report on Webinar/Workshops and other Academic Activities of MAKAIAS held from 1st January, 2020 to 31st July, 2021.

Resolution taken:

The placed report was duly noted.

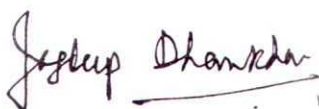
Agenda item 23.9:

To report on Project "Mausam" of Government of India, undertaken by MAKAIAS, Kolkata.

Resolution taken:

The Director placed the report which was duly noted.

The meeting ended with thanks to and from the Chair.



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And the President of Society,
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