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Dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2014

Subject: - Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee of National Mission on Libraries (NML) held on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 at 3:00 P.M. at Conference Room of CSL Building, Ministry of Culture, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

The third meeting of Finance Committee of National Mission on Libraries was held on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 at 3:00 P.M. under the Chairmanship of Shri Raghav Chandra, AS&FA, Ministry of Culture. List of members present is placed at Annexure-1.

2. At the start of the meeting, the Chairman, Finance Committee welcomed all the Members and Representative of the States present in the meeting. Thereafter the agenda items of the meetings were taken up for discussion.

3. **Item No. 1: To confirm the Minutes of the Finance Committee of the National Mission on Libraries (NML) held on September 9, 2014.**

As no comments were received the minutes of the second meeting of the Finance Committee were confirmed.

4. **Item No. 2: To report action taken on the recommendations of the Second Meeting of the Finance Committee of the National Mission on Libraries (NML) held on September 9, 2014.**

The action taken on the agenda items was noted by the Finance Committee Members.

AS&FA advised that M/s IMRB, Chennai which has been awarded the work of Quantitative of Qualitative Survey of Libraries may be asked to submit a report/suggestion regarding best model for a Library. In this regard they may study the feasibility of establishing a Library as a society funded by Local Government/State Government/Corporate Sector/and Public. Central Government may be included for larger Libraries. Funding pattern may also include a fee structure depending upon the population of the concerned city, public may be invited to contribute towards funding of the Library as patron or donors. These Libraries may extend their activities towards formation of Literary Clubs and organisation of programmes like meet the authors, discussion on new books of various subjects e.t.c. Avenues may also be explored to set up small thematic libraries in the foyer of the malls and other suitable public places facilitating

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contemporary reading material to the public. For this purpose NML may sanction Rs 01 (one) lakh at the initial stage.

5. **Item No. 3: To consider the project estimate of the Central Government Libraries.**

The Finance Committee perused the proposal placed before it and accorded approval to the followings:-

- (A)(i) Variation in the purchase of 7 UPS at estimated cost of Rs. 17.25 lakhs to purchase of 6 UPS at a total cost of Rs. 18,29,741/- lakhs by Central Secretariat Library.
- (ii) Variation in renovation of children section from the estimated amount Rs. 15.00 lakhs to 15.20 lakhs by Delhi Public Library.
- (iii) Variation in renovation of reading room from the estimated amount of Rs. 15.00 lakhs to 24.05 lakhs by Delhi Public Library.
- (iv) The estimate for renovation of Delhi Public Library branch at Patel Nagar, New Delhi for an amount of Rs. 10,37,600/- received from Delhi Public Library.
- (v) Authorise the Mission Director, NML to approve such variation in the initial estimates and final estimates subject to the conditions that the items/details of work do not vary and overall amount approved by Finance Committee does not exceed.
- (B) To provide funds to extent of Rs. 426.84 lakhs to RRRLF, Kolkata for execution of the work in National Library, Kolkata as per the estimates of National Library approved by IFD.
- (C) To release funds to RRRLF, Kolkata project estimate of Central Secretariat Library for an additional amount of Rs. 245.00 lakhs. Since this estimate is within the ceiling limit of the scheme.

6. **Item No. 4: To consider the Proposals received from the State Governments.**

The representatives of State of Tamil Nadu and State of Assam made a power point presentation of project estimates for modernization of Libraries in their States. The project estimates of the States of Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Manipur as presented in the agenda note were perused by the Finance Committee. The proposal from the State of Madhya Pradesh was deferred for the time being in order to have a power point presentation from the representative of the State. The project proposals received from all other States were considered and approved by the Finance Committee as detail below:-

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(Rs. in lakhs)

Libraries	Proposed project estimates	NML Share	Amount of project estimate approved for.
District Library, Jorhat (Assam)	87.00	90%	40.00
District Library, Guwahati (Assam)	87.00	90%	70.00 Proposal of video conference system not approved
District Library, Vellore (Tamil Nadu)	105.09	75%	90.00
District Library, Tiruchirapalli (Tamil Nadu)	112.88	75%	70.00
State Regional Library, Guntur (Andhra Pradesh)	138.00	75%	50.00
Regional Library, Rajahmundry (Andhra Pradesh)	86.00	75%	30.00
State Central Library, Imphal (Manipur)	100.00	90%	40.00
District Library, Senapati (Manipur)	50.01	90%	20.00
<b>Total</b>	765.98		410.00

7. **Item No. 5: To consider a proposal for allocation of fund for Capacity Building.**

Adviser, NML informed the Finance Committee that proposal/bids received from TERI, INFLIBNET, IIPA and Punjabi University have been evaluated and the proposal of INFLIBNET is the lowest at a total cost of Rs. 4,50,59,700/- for conducting 30 trainings at INFLIBNET's own centre and 30 training centres outside its own centre. The payment of TA/DA for the training will be borne as per Government of India Rules from the available balance amount for Capacity Building. The committee approved the payment of 2AC railway fare to the Trainees other than North East States and Andaman. For the participants of North East and Andaman Air Fare for travelling by AIR INDIA only will be paid.

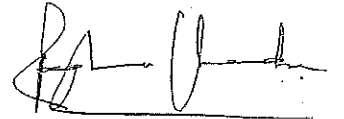
AS&FA desired that the proposal of capacity building may be submitted on file to IFD. It was also agreed to explore the feasibility if IIPA and TERI can also undertake these training programmes at the cost quoted by INFLIBNET, so that more training programmes can be conducted simultaneously, so as to save time and improve capacity building.

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8. **Item No. 6: Any other items.**

The proposal of NML for digitization work in Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu and Central Secretariat Library, New Delhi was deferred for the next meeting.

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



(Raghav Chandra)

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Ministry of Culture

List of Participants for 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of Finance Committee of National Mission on Libraries on 10.12.2014

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1.	Shri Raghav Chandra	AS & FA, Ministry of Culture (In-Chair)
2.	Shri V. Srinivas	Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture (Member)
3.	Ms. Mahalakshmi Ramakrishnan	Director (Finance), Ministry of Culture
4.	Ms. Monali P. Dhakate	Director (Libraries), Ministry of Culture
5.	Shri Soumen Sarkar	DG (I/C), RRRLF, Kolkata (Member)
6.	Shri S. D. Meena	Under Secretary (Finance), Ministry of Culture
7.	Shri S. C. Mondal	Under Secretary (Libraries), M/o Culture
8.	Shri K. K. Banerjee	Advisor, National Mission on Libraries
9.	Shri Uttam Sarmah	Director, Library Services of Assam
10.	Shri A. P. Siva Kumar	Distt. Library Officer, Tiruchirapalli, Tamil Nadu
11.	Shri K. Anandan	Distt. Library Officer, Vellore, Tamil Nadu
12.	Shri M. Ganesha	Distt. Library Officer, Connemara Public Library Chennai, Tamil Nadu

