

**National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities
(NIEPMD)**

(Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India)

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**Minutes of TENTH (10th) Meeting of the Executive Council of NIEPMD held on
21st OCTOBER 2010 at Conference Hall, NIEPMD, Chennai.**

MEMBERS PRESENT :-

Dr. Arbind Prasad, Jt. Secy (DD), MSJ&E	- Chairperson
Shri A N Jha, Financial Advisor & Jt. Secy, MSJ&E	- Member
Shri Jagdish Kumar, Dy. Secy (NIs & DD.I), MSJ&E	- Member
Dr. D Nagaraja, Ex. Director, NIMHANS, Bangalore	- Member
Shri C Arun Kumar, Chennai	- Member
Dr. (Mrs) Neeradha Chandramohan, Director, NIEPMD	- Member Secretary

The following agenda were taken up in the meeting:

10.1 : Confirmation of the 9th EC meeting held on 28th July 2010 :-

The Minutes of the 9th meeting of the EC which was held at New Delhi on 28th July 2010 was confirmed by the Council.

10.2: Submission of draft Annual Report of NIEPMD for the year 2009-10 with Audited Annual Accounts for the financial year ending 31st March 2010 :-

The Member Secretary explained in brief the main contents of the Annual Report of the Institute for the year 2009-10. It was also explained to the Council that the suggestions given by the General Council while approving the previous AR have been attended to.

The Executive Council approved the Draft of Annual Report 2009-10, for its further submission before the General Council for its final approval, however, the following observations/corrections were suggested by the Council to be attended to before the Draft of AR 2009-10 is submitted before the GC:-

- The pie diagram at Page No.16 of the Draft AR should properly reflect the data and accordingly be modified.
- Under Chapter 4 : Services & Programs, the Council suggested to give numbers for the different services provided viz., Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, early intervention, rehab psychology etc in tabular form also.
- The Council requested the Director to take the consent of clients/parents whose details are being published in the Annual Report.



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- d) Under Chapter 6 on Research & Development, the Council suggested to include the name of the Author/Faculty/Official who had published the research paper alongwith the other particulars given in the draft of AR.
- e) The Council also suggested to tap resources from different sources to develop the Research Projects. It shall generate a additional quality to the research project as well the financial support to develop additional resources and infra structure/other facilities to the Institute also. The Council also suggested to approach the PREM Division (Planning, Research, Evaluation & Monitoring (Statistics, Research and Evaluation) of the Ministry for this purpose.
- f) On Chapter 10 on Audit Reports & Annual Accounts, the Council suggested for approaching the Ministry for grant of funds under non-plan head to meet out the recurring expenditure especially the pay and allowances part, since the Institute has completed five years since its inception.
- g) The Council suggested to have a Chartered Accountant also apart from the Internal auditor for maintaining the accounts of the Institute (two separate professionals/firms shall be engaged for the purpose).

10.3: Submission of Draft Annual Plan : RE/BE for the next financial year 2011-12 :-

The Council suggested that Annual Action Plan and Budget Estimate should be separately prepared. The Budget Estimate should have both budgeted income and expenditure item-wise. For comparison, corresponding figures for last two years budget also be included. *EC authorised the*

(Chairperson EC to approve the same after voting by JS(FA).)

10.4: Conduct of National Conference on Deafblindness in collaboration with M/s Sense International, Ahmedabad.

The Council approved the proposal of the Institute to co-sponsor the conduct of National level workshop on Deafblindness with M/s Sense International, Ahmedabad and accordingly approved to expend/allot an amount upto Rs.3.00 lakhs for the purpose to be met out from the existing funds of the Institute under Main Head HRD (Services & Programs).

The Institute shall submit the complete details of the expenditure supported by the documents with the action taken report during the next meeting of the EC.

10.5 : Grant of Dynamic Assured Career Progression (DACP) for Medical Doctors at NIEPMD:-

different It was pointed out that the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has issued instructions for teaching and non-teaching doctors. Since the doctors in the Institute are teaching doctors, instructions relating to teaching doctors are relevant. Accordingly, the proposal should be modified clearly indicating the criteria for eligibility for DACP and should be brought to the EC. Copy of the instructions should also be brought as part of the agenda.

1 *JS&FA* has observed that receipts are Rs. 1300 lakh and the expenditure is Rs. 1200 lakh. After excluding ADIP component of Rs. 60 lakh, there will be a residual balance of Rs. 40 lakh from income from interest, etc. Therefore, NIEPMD may perhaps include some activities out of these funds also.

10.6 : **Deposit of Endowment Fund and Affiliation fee for B.Ed., (Special Education – Multiple Disabilities) Course with Tamil Nadu Education University, Chennai - seeking ratification – reg.**

The Council noted that the Institute had deposited an affiliation fee of Rs.5.00 lakhs to the Tamil Nadu Education University (TNTEU) and had created an endowment fund of Rs.10.00 lakhs in the joint names of NIEPMD and TNTEU and had started the B. Ed., in Special education – Multiple Disabilities course from this academic year 2010-11 onwards.

Accordingly, the Council ratified the above action taken by the Institute.

10.7 : **Opening of separate savings bank account for maintaining accounts of IGNOU Study Centre at NIEPMD – reg.**

The Council noted that the Institute is a study centre for Pondicherry and Tamil Nadu of IGNOU for running various PG, Degree, Diploma and Certificate level courses in the field of rehabilitation run by the University under distance mode. The Council also noted that IGNOU had asked the Institute to open a separate savings bank account in a nationalized bank to operate the accounts of the study centre to be operated by the Co-ordinator of the course (i.e. single signatory).

Accordingly, the Council approved the proposal of the Institute to open a separate savings bank account in a nationalized bank for the purpose but it should have two signatories to operate the transactions under this account, as per the practice for other accounts of the Institute.

10.8: **HRD activities: Starting of Graduate Level Course: B.Sc., in Audiology Speech Language & Pathology (04 yrs. course) at NIEPMD – reg.**

The Council noted that under its HRD activities, the Institute has proposed to start a new Graduate level course, B.Sc., in Audiology, Speech Language & Pathology which is affiliated to Tamil Nadu Dr MGR Medical University, Chennai (Under Govt. of Tamil Nadu and recognized by UGC) with the recognition of RCI from the next academic year 2011-12 onwards.

10.9: **Mobile Services to reach the un-reached persons with disabilities at rural areas & practical trainings to trainees – requirement of a mini van/auto rickshaw for the Institute – reg.**

Instead of purchase of a new vehicle, it can be hired.

10.10 : **Nomination of members for General Council and the Executive Council of NIEPMD – reg.**

Withdrawn.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

