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**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL BODY MEETING
dated 10th February, 2017**

The first meeting of the General Body (G.B.) of Indian Library Association (ILA) (2016-2019) was held on Friday, the 10th February 2017 at 5.00 P.M. at the venue of 62nd ILA Conference, AMD Block, Jnanashakti Campus, Karnataka State Women's University, Vijayapura, Karanataka.

Proceedings

At the very outset, Prof. Shabahat Husain, in his opening remarks extended a very warm welcome to the present members of the General Body followed by a two minutes silence observed for the Members who have passed away after the last G.B meeting was held. Some of the names of the deceased are:

Prof J.K Khanna, Sh. A.N Bhardwaj, Dr. R. M Vatnal, Sh. D.N Nagaraj Rao, Dr. Srinath, Sh. T.V Venket Ramia, and Sh. J.M Rama Murthy.

Prof. Shabahat Husain, President of the Association, then briefed the house regarding the initiative taken by the team since 1st April 2016 when the present team of office Bearers took charge. He informed the GB that, since the launching of interactive ILA portal on 19th September, 2016, many perennial problems of ILA have been streamlined. It includes 'Online Registration of new members', 'Journal of Indian Library Association' JILA online with free access to the life members through username and password, login at ILA Portal in lieu of print copy (As per the decision of General Body dated 20.7.2011 and 26.2.2013), Facility of self updating of Members' Profile through 'Edit Profile', Self searchable system of Minutes of Council, Executive and also General Body, Timely issue of Online ILA Newsletter, apart from many other Library Profession related information. President also informed the house that online membership has been well taken, as about 118 members have been registered in a matter of 4 months through PayUMoney, which received a total of Rs.1 lac, 66th 60 as collected registration fee so far, of which Rs. 1,60,813 were transferred online in ILA Account, after deducting their commission, whereas offline membership from 1st April 2016 till 18th September 2016 was only 19. President also updated the house regarding the receipt of 2 Crores 63 lacs IFLA money by ILA. The same was deposited as fixed account in the Bank.

The following business was transacted as per the agenda of the meeting:

Agenda Item No. 1: To consider and adopt the report on the activities of the Association for the year 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016

The printed report with its copy kept in each ILA kit, was presented by Dr. Pardeep Rai, General Secretary. The report was accepted and approved by the General Body with a small suggestion of improvement of its setup.

Agenda Item No. 2: To consider and adopt the audited Statement of Accounts of the Association for the period 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016.

The audited statement was presented before the AGM by the treasurer, Dr. Pravin Kumar Choudhary. The members approved the Statement of Accounts for the period from 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016. The house approved the same.

Agenda Item No. 3: To consider and adopt the interim report of the activities of the Association for the period from 1st April 2016 to 31st January 2017

General Secretary presented the report of activities of the Indian Library Association during period starting from 1st April 2016 to 31st January 2017. The interim Report of the activities of the Association were approved by the house.

Agenda Item No. 4: To consider and adopt any resolution received by the General Secretary from the Hon'ble member (s) of the Association:

No resolution was received.

What about the two offers of holding next ILA conferences. The comment of Asundi may come thereafter.

Any other item with the permission of the Chair:

Before taking up 'any other item', Prof. Shabhat Husain, President of the Association reported the house that ILA, probably for the first time, has received requests from two institutions for organizing the 63rd ILA Annual Conference, namely:

- i. DLIS, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, (Central University) Lucknow U.P.
and
- ii. N.I.T Kurukshetra. ILA

Dr. A. Y Asundi was of the opinion that ' if two conferences are organized in the same financial year, the members may not get the permission from their institutions for attending as well as payment of registration fee for two conferences, while a few senior members were in favour of holding two conferences.

After a great deal of deliberations, it was decided that the ILA Guidelines for holding conferences be sent at both the places. After receiving the response, EC will take a

decision regarding the institution (s) hosting the conference. The same will be circulated to all Council members and to all the members through ILA Newsletter and ILA web-site.

Other issues discussed with the permission of chair are as follows:

- I. Dr. Kognuramath raised the issue that ILA should apply for the membership of IFLA as it was discontinued sometimes ago due to some reasons.
President assured the house to take a positive action in the matter.
- II. Dr. A. Y Asundi raised the issue of vacancies in LIS profession throughout the country and that ILA should take a lead and send memorandum to Govt. of India for filling up the positions in Library Science, both teaching and Practicing Librarians in various grades..
- III. Prof. Bardol and many others appreciated the present ILA team in bringing about overdue changes in the functioning of ILA through new ILA Portal. requested the house that we should work together for the development of LIS by advocating the cause of Librarianship before MPs and MLAs and elsewhere in our respective areas. He also suggested to make use of the 80G certificate from Income-tax department so that the donors to ILA may receive rebate in filing their Income Tax returns. This may help generate funds for ILA.
- IV. Dr. Vasaappa Goweda thanked ILA for successfully organizing such a conference in such an interior location, but regretted the poor participation. The reasons given may be the high registration fee and also the extra charges of publication of conference volume. He also advocated for the complimentary copy to the contributors.
- V. Similar observations were made by Prof. B.D. Kumbar.

The meeting came to an end with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Dr. Pardeep Rai
General Secretary

Prof. Shabahat Husain
President