Minutes of the 52nd meeting of the Finance Committee of the Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi held on April 10, 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in the Chamber of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the Institute at Sarnath.

The following members attended the meeting:-

1. Prof. Geshe N. Samten Vice-Chancellor, CIHTS

Chairman

Shri P.L.Sahu, IAS
 Jt. Secretary (Culture)
 Govt. of India
 MoC. New Delhi

Member

 Ms. Deepika Pokharna Director (IFD) MoC., New Delhi

Member

4. Dr. S.P. Mathur Registrar, IIT, BHU, Varanasi

Member

5. Dr. R.K. Upadhyay Registrar, CIHTS Sarnath.

Member Secretary

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members of the Finance Committee-particularly to Shri P.L. Sahu, Jt. Secretary (Culture), Govt. of India, New Delhi and Ms. Deepika Pokharna, Director (IFD), Govt. of India, MoC, New Delhi for sparing time, coming all the way and attending the F.C. meeting in spite of other pressing activities of the Ministry. He also thanked Dr. S.P. Mathur for attending the meeting despite other demanding works at IIT, BHU., Varanasi. He further hoped that on account of expertise contributions of the members, the financial implications of the Institute will be tuned in a better way.

Thereafter, the agenda items were discussed point-wise and decided as under: -

Agenda item No. 52.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the last (51st) meeting of the Finance Committee held on September 1, 2018

Minutes of the last (51) meeting of the Finance Committee held on September 1, 2018 were discussed and confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 52.2

Action taken/present position on the decision of the Finance Committee taken at its last (51st) meeting held on September 1st, 2018.

The committee discussed the matter relating implementation of 7th CPC recommendation. It was clarified by the Institute that the Institute has already implemented the recommendation of 7th CPC with regard to regular employees, following the approval of the Administrative Ministry (MoC). Apprehension was expressed by the Director (IFD) whether exemption has been granted for meeting out the 30% expenses on salary from Institute s own resources. It was reported by the Institute that no such information is available with the Institute. However, the matter will be inquired from the Administrative Ministry. It was also stated by the Registrar that on the basis of implementation of 7th CPC in CIBS, the CIHTS has implemented the 7th CPC following the Ministry's letter F. No. 3-14/2017-BTI dated 17th December, 2018 addressed to Registrar, CIHTS stating therein that "this Ministry's letter of even number dated 26th June, 2018 may be referred to wherein it was clearly stipulated that as the sanction was only in case of pay scale and not in case of pension, the additional fund for the purpose of Pension may not be allowed while implementing the revised pay scales". It was argued by the Institute that the above approval clearly speaks about the implementation of 7th CPC for regular employees. Further it reveals that with regard to pensioners additional funds may not be allowed". Following this, the Institute has implemented recommendations of the 7th CPC in case of pay scale and for Pensioners, in the light of the letter of even number dated 20th July, 2018, detailed proposal has been sent to the Administrative Ministry seeking approval for consideration of additional funds for implementation of 7th CPC in respect of pensioners.

Taking all above facts in view, it was decided that the Institute' will approach to the Administrative Ministry(Moc) to inquire in the matter of approval relating pensioners.

With above observations, the action taken report was endorsed.

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Agenda Item No. 52.3

Audited Annual Statement of Accounts for the year 2017-18 along with Audit observation and reply of the Institute on the comments of the Audit.

The F.C. approved the Audited Annual Statement of Accounts for the year 2017-18 with the observation that the deficiencies pointed out by the Audit should be rectified and observations made should be taken care of so that the same are not represented during further Audit.

Agenda Item No. 52.4

Revised Budget for the year 2018-19 and Budget Estimate for the year 2019-20.

	Approved B.E. 2018-19	<u>RE</u> 2018-19	Approved <u>R.E.</u> 2018-19	<u>B.E.</u> 2019-20
Grant in Aid general (3.5.36)	2042.98	2989.39	1717.30	3162-54
Grant in Aid General (3.5.31)	560-00	995.95	979.00 (inc. previous Year excess Exp. Rs. 419/	
Grant for creation of				
Capital Asset (3.5.35)	400-00	930.00	1634-00 (incl Sowa-Rigpa 1000/- Lakh + Previous Year excess exp.	1170.00 (Excluding Sowa Rigpa)
(96-31)	1.00	1.00	Rs. 234/- Lakh) 0 .75	2.00
(90-31)	1,00	1.00	0.73	2.00
Total	3003.98	<u>4916-34</u>	4331.05	5413.45
Further Addl: demand Grant in Aid General 31		497.87		
Further Addl: demand Capital 35		373.14		
Grand total	3003.98	5787.35	4331.05	5413.45

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The Committee discussed the matter in respect of B.E. for the financial year 2019-20. It was reported by the Director (IFD) that B.E. in respect of CIHTS has already been finalized and it is almost the same as has been for the last year (2018-19). The Institute expressed its apprehension that it would not be possible to meet out the proposed activities for the year 2019-20, if the B.E. approved remains the same as it was during the last year (2018-19). It was also stated by the Institute that in the last financial year the Institute has already incurred excess expenditure in order to meet out the proposed activities in all heads ie. (i) under head 31 Rs. 2.21 crore, (ii) under head 35 Rs. 2.00 crore and (iii) under head 36 Rs. 9.71 cror is required to meet out the payment of arrears as well as retirement benefits etc. This excess expenditures under head 31 and 35 incurred with hope that the Administrative Ministry (MoC) would consider it at R.E stage for the year 2018-19.

The committee discussed the matter further and hope was expressed for increase in budget at R.E. stage subject to availability of funds and priorities of Institute's activities.

Agenda Item No. 52.5

Considering re-entrustment of Audit of the Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi to C & AG for further five years from F.Y. 2019-20

The F.C. Considered the matter and approved for entrustment of Audit for further five years to C & AG.

Hiring of services of Chartered Accountant for the next three years starting from 2019-20.

The Committee discussed the matter and approved for engagement of M/s. Bisen and Associates for further three years starting from 2019-20 on the earlier terms and conditions in view on its satisfactory performance in the last three years otherwise tendering process may be adopted for hiring the services of the C.A.

52.7 Considering for enhancement of the Rates of Honorarium of Guest faculty.

The matter was discussed and it was deferred for the time being.

52.8 Revised Plan Proposal for the development of the Institute-particularly Sowa-Rigpa (Tibetan Medical System).

The Committee discussed the matter and approved it on the line of the decision taken by Planning and Monitoring Board in its meeting held on 5th April, 2019.

Considering Extension of fellowship in favour of Ven. Beri Jigme Wangyal for further period of two years starting from 20-07-2019 to 19-07-2021 as well as enhancement in honorarium for Fellowship on the basis of the enhancement of honorarium of Guest Faculty for academic work.

The committee discussed the matter and approved the extension for further two years on the same terms and conditions. No increase in honorarium was considered for the time being, as has been decided in case of Guest Faculty.

Agenda Item Any other item with the permission of the Chair. 52.10

(i) Considering to provide Fire Extinguishers in the Institute premises and Staff Quarters.

Observing the budgetary position, the F.C. approved the re-filling of the existing Fire-Extinguishers. As regards, installation of new Fire-Extinguishers, it was decided that the Institute would explore from the market relating quoted estimates and also inquire about the utility of CF 3000, which cost Rs. 30 Lakhs.

(ii) Considering proposal for Tin Shed roofing on the terrace of the entire staff quarters and Girls Hostel.

The Committee discussed and approved the proposal in the light of decision of the Planning and Monitoring Board taken in its meeting held on 5th April, 2019.

(iii) Considering to provide Woodenshelves, Chairs and Tables in the Library for readers.

The Committee discussed the matter and approved the proposal. The expenditure shall be meet out from the approved budget.

There being no items for further discussions, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. kl.k. Upádhyay)

Registrar

(Prof. N. Samten) Vice-Chancellor