



**Centre for Cultural Resources and Training,
Ministry of Culture, Government of India
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The following Members were present in the Meeting:

Dr. Vinod Narayan Indurkar ... in the Chair
Chairman, CCRT

Ms. Uma Nanduri, ... Member
Joint Secretary, MoC

Ms. Ranjana Chopra (IAS) ... Member (attended the meeting through video conferencing)
AS&FA, MoC

Shri Rajeev Kumar, ... Member Secretary
Director, CCRT

Dr. Rahul Kumar, Deputy Director, Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Deputy Director, Shri Dibakar Das, Deputy Director and Shri K. Sankar Lingam Ganesh, Deputy Director (Admin.) were also present.

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At the outset, Director, CCRT, Shri Rajeev Kumar greeted Hon'ble Chairman, CCRT, Dr. Vinod Narayan Indurkar and all the other members of the Committee and welcomed all of them on behalf of CCRT.

Further, with the permission of Hon'ble Chairman, CCRT, the Director, CCRT being the Member Secretary, started to take up the Agenda of the Meeting.

Item No. 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 63rd Meeting of the Executive Committee, CCRT held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023.

The Executive Committee confirmed the Minutes of the 63rd Meeting of the Executive Committee, CCRT held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023.

Item No. 2: Action taken on the Minutes of the 63rd Meeting of the Executive Committee, CCRT held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023.

Director, CCRT briefed the Members about the Action Taken by CCRT with special reference to Implementation of the Retention Schedule.

The Executive Committee noted the Action Taken.

Item No. 3 Approval of the Annual Report of CCRT for the year 2023-2024.

The copy of Annual Report of CCRT for the year 2023-24 was placed before the Executive Committee, CCRT. The Director, CCRT briefed all the Members about the various programmes & activities undertaken by CCRT during 2023-24.

After perusal of the same, the members of the Committee appreciated the activities and approved the Annual Report of CCRT for the year 2023-24.

Item No. 4: Approval of Annual Action Plan of CCRT for the year 2024-2025.

The Director, CCRT briefed all the Members about the various programmes & activities going to be undertaken by CCRT during in the present financial year 2024-25.

The Committee took note of the Annual Action Plan for the year 2024-25, prepared by CCRT, for conducting various programmes & activities at its headquarter including all four Regional Centres and other venues.

Thereafter, the Executive Committee approved the Annual Action Plan of CCRT for the year 2024-2025.

Item No. 5: Approval on Annual Accounts of the CCRT for the year 2023-24 and Audit Report 2022-2023.

a. Annual Accounts of the CCRT for the year 2023-24

The Committee approved the Annual Accounts of CCRT for the year 2023-24 and desired that the same may be sent to Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) for getting the Separate Audit Report (SAR) for the year 2023-24.

b. Audit Report 2022-2023.

The Committee also was informed about the Audit Report of CCRT for the financial year 2022-23.

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Item No. 6: Approval of establishment of UNESCO India Chapter of Information for all Programme (IFAP) at CCRT Regional Centre, Hyderabad.

The Executive Committee has approved the establishment of UNESCO India Chapter of Information for all Programme (IFAP) at CCRT Regional Centre, Hyderabad.

The Executive Committee has appreciated the efforts of CCRT for undertaking such initiative and innovative ventures.

Item No. 7: Status of Construction of Kala Gurukul and Kalagram at CCRT Complex under AKAM Project.

The Executive Committee was informed about the status of Construction of Kala Gurukul and Kalagram at CCRT Complex under AKAM Project. Further the Committee was informed that an administrative approval was taken from the Competent Authority and accordingly Rs. 1,41,04,012/- was released to CPWD.

In this regard, CPWD has submitted the 3D Model and walkthrough presentation of the project to CCRT and also going to start the construction work soon. Now, CPWD has requested to release the remaining amount of fund for the project.

The Executive Committee has noted and approved the above. Further, the members suggested to expedite the work and to get the foundation stone laid down at the earliest. Ms. Ranjana Chopra, AS & FA has suggested that CCRT may submit the request to Ministry of Culture for release of funds during this financial year.

Item No. 8: Approval of Payment to CPWD for Construction of CCRT Regional Centre Building at Udaipur.

The Executive Committee, CCRT noted the progress of construction work at CCRT Regional Centre Building at Udaipur, Rajasthan.

Further, the Committee was informed that Regional Centre, CCRT has shifted to the new building and already started organizing its training programmes and other activities under its various schemes. However, due to the additional construction work, the full possession of the building has not been taken over by CCRT. CCRT has constituted a Project Implementation Committee for monitoring the construction work.

The Committee also approved the additional payment of Rs.75,05,484/- to CPWD, Jodhpur by CCRT for construction of RCC retaining wall, concertina coil fencing on existing RR boundary walls as proposed by CPWD.

However, the Members of Executive Committee also desired to make a field visit for reviewing the progress of work of CCRT Regional Centre Building, Udaipur. Thus, CCRT should get the preliminary work ready for visit of Executive Committee Members for reviewing the work position.

Item No. 9: Approval of MoU to be signed between the CCRT and ZCCs.

The Committee was apprised about MoU to be signed between CCRT and ZCCs which was approved by the Akademi Division, Ministry of Culture and further it was sent to JS (Performing Art & ZCC-I/C).

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The Committee Members have approved the MoU to be signed between the CCRT and ZCCs and suggested to organise the activities in collaboration with ZCC at their Centres for maximising its outreach. The Members have suggested that as mentioned and proposed in the MoU, CCRT may plan to open an outreach office (with the support staff at the level of MTS and LDC) in consultation with South Central Zone Cultural Centre in Nagpur on pilot basis for one year and then the progress and outcome will be reviewed by CCRT after one year.

Item No. 10: Ratification of appointments of Dy. Director (General) & Dy. Director (Production).

The Committee has ratified the appointments of the promotions of Shri S. B. Verma, Dy. Director (Production) and Shri Ashutosh, Dy. Director (General).

Item No. 11: Ratification of confirmation of Probation of CCRT officials.

The Committee has approved the confirmation of probation of the CCRT officials i.e. Dr. Rahul Kumar, Deputy Director, Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Dy. Director, Shri Dibakar Das, Dy. Director, Sh. Sunil Bhandari, Sr. Accountant and Shri Chandan Goswami, Sr. Accountant.

Item No. 12: Ratification of extension of service on re-employment basis.

The Committee ratified the entire service of Shri Rajesh Bhatnagar, Dy. Director (Finance) rendered in CCRT either in the extension mode or re-employment basis after the retirement (i.e. 31.07.2020 to 31.07.2024).

Item No. 13: Ratification of Promotions of CCRT officials/employees DPC held during 2024-25 and extension of Deputy Director (Admin.) on Deputation basis.

The Committee has ratified the promotions of CCRT officials/employees for vacant posts of Group 'B' and 'C' level posts during the year 2024-25.

Further, Executive Committee has ratified the extension of deputation in respect of Shri K. Sankar Lingam Ganesh, Dy. Director (Admin.) from 31.03.2024 to 30.03.2025. In view of the mission mode recruitments which are required to be carried out, Director, CCRT proposed the extension of his services for another year i.e. up to March 2026, which has been approved by the Executive Committee subject to the consent of his parent department. In this regard, CCRT will send a request to his parent department.

Item No. 14: Ratification of appointments of 09 Nos. of Field Officer during 2024-25 on DR basis.

Director, CCRT has briefed about the achievement of appointments of 09 Nos. of Field Officer which was a long pending vacancy. It was also mentioned that entire process of recruitment was carried out in a successful manner.

The Committee has appreciated the efforts of CCRT in filling the vacancy and ratified the appointment of 09 No. of Field Officer during 2024-25 on Direct Recruitment basis.

Item No. 15: Approval of Age Relaxation of Outsourced/ Contractual Employees of CCRT & Ministry of Culture applied against the advertisement for Recruitment of 22 Nos. of vacant posts in CCRT during 2024-25 on DR basis (Mission Mode).

The Executive Committee, CCRT has approved the above proposal of Approval of Age Relaxation of Outsourced/ Contractual Employees who have applied against the advertisement for Recruitment of 22 Nos. of vacant posts in CCRT during 2024-25 on DR basis (Mission Mode). However, the committee has suggested that the above age relaxation may be given to those applicants who is possessing relevant experience in the field of Culture and Education.

Thus, the Executive Committee has approved the above proposal.

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Item No. 16: Medical Facilities for CCRT Employees.

Director, CCRT has briefed that the employees of CCRT are not having any medical facilities. Further, CCRT has moved a case for enrolment under CGHS through Akademi Division, Ministry of Culture vide letter number CCRT/12011/15/2023/3550 dated 29-04-2024. Akademi Division, Ministry of Culture vide its letter No. AKd-15/10/2019-Akad/466 Dated 11/11/2024 has intimated that Ministry of health and family welfare has informed that the benefits of CGHS are no longer being extended to any new group of persons or organizations.

The Executive Committee have noted the same and suggested CCRT to pursue the case for enrolment under CGHS through Akademi Division, Ministry of Culture once again.

Item No. 17: Approval for construction of Sangeet Natak Akademi, Regional Office at the premises of CCRT Regional Centre, Hyderabad.

The members were apprised about the construction work of the Indoor Auditorium by SNA through CPWD at CCRT RC Hyderabad. The Executive Committee, CCRT has suggested to constitute a Committee of Director (Akad.), MoC, Director, CCRT, Secretary, SNA and one local representative of each of SNA & CCRT to monitor the progress of work.

Item No. 18: Approval of policy for payments to Artists engaged for different festivals / programmes.

Director, CCRT has briefed about an Office Memorandum received from the Akademi Division, Ministry of Culture (GoI), vide No. Akd-18/64/2023-Akad./79, dated February 22, 2024 and also vide No.: Akd-1 8/6412023-Akad dated the 18th December 2024 regarding the adoption of a policy for payments to artists engaged in festivals and programs organized by Autonomous Bodies under the Ministry of Culture. It was mentioned that CCRT has adopted the above policy for payment to artists for its various festivals like Virasat Kamaladevi cultural Festival, Production of Theatre Play "Krishna Bhakt Meera", CCRT Foundation Day, Theatre production "Kushal Veerangana Rani Durgavati and Har Ghar Tiranga outreach campaign from August 13 to 14, 2024 at CCRT campus, New Delhi" etc.

The Executive Committee, CCRT has approved the policy for payments to Artists engaged for different festivals / programmes.

Item No. 19: Approval of Development of Training Modules for CCRT Training Programmes.

Director, CCRT has briefed about the Development of Training Modules for CCRT Training Programmes. The Members have suggested the CCRT should first plan a meeting with NCERT for exploring the possibilities of inclusion of the cultural components in the syllabus of school curriculum in different stages i.e. Primary, Higher and Secondary and then a meeting with senior officials of Ministry of Education may be planned to be undertaken with JS (Akad) to explore the future modalities of collaboration between the CCRT and NCERT to arrive at a policy framework in which Ministry of Culture will identify and prioritise the cultural markers to be included in school curriculum at each levels.

The committee has approved the above and suggested to take up this on top priority.

Item No. 20: Approval for Launching of Certificate and Diploma Courses

The Executive Committee deferred this agenda and suggested CCRT to strengthen its core area of Training & Scholarship by organising various Training Programmes, Cultural Festival and Summer Camps etc.

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Item No. 21: Approval of the entitlements of perk and facilities to the Chairman

The Executive Committee, CCRT has approved the entitlements of perk and facilities to the Chairman, CCRT as per the guidelines received vide letter No. Akd.-18/6/2024-Akad/267 dated 19th July, 2024 from Akademi Division, Govt. of India.

Item No. 22: Approval of various projects under AKAM

The Executive Committee, CCRT has appreciated the outstanding contribution being made by CCRT and approved the various projects and work being organized by CCRT under AKAM. The Committee desired to expedite the work of DDR project for preparation of documentary films and publication of booklets which will serve as a good resource for teachers in future training programmes. Further, Director, CCRT has proposed to organise a big festival under DDR project in which freedom fighter's families will be invited and contributors of stories will be felicitated vis-a- vis exhibition and performances will be organised as a part of Mega Event dedicated to Unsung Heroes.

The Executive Committee has noted and approved.

Item No. 23: Ratification of Civil & Electrical Works carried out through CPWD.

The Executive Committee, CCRT has approved all the maintenance Civil and Electrical works which have been carried out by CPWD in the office of CCRT.

Item No. 24: Execution of a fresh lease deed for Canara Bank and ATM Premises at CCRT.

The Executive Committee, CCRT has approved the execution of fresh lease deed of five years for Canara Bank and ATM Premises at CCRT.

Item No. 25: Status of filling up the vacancy of Director, CCRT.

Director, CCRT has briefed the Committee Members about all the facts and action which has been taken by CCRT to fill up the post of Director, CCRT.

The Committee noted and suggested to expedite the process of filling up the post of Director, CCRT.

Item No. 26: Special Audit Report & Parliamentary Assurance.

Director, CCRT has briefed the committee members about the Special Internal Audit of CCRT which was carried out by the Audit party deputed by O/O Pr. CCA (HRD) from 05.04.2017 to 13.04.2017 and 01.05.2017 and 03.05.2017 for the period of April 2011 to March 2016. In this regard, Number of observations had been submitted by the audit team. CCRT has submitted the detailed reply to the observations of special audit to Ministry of Culture from time to time whenever asked by the Ministry. However, the observation of audit team with respect to the Shri G.C. Joshi, the then Director, CCRT is not accepted by CCRT that (a) all approvals given by Sh. G. C. Joshi since 2012 as Director shall be made null and void. The area of approvals covers recruitment and appointment, procurement, dismissal or suspension of employees. (b) Sh. G.C. Joshi's conduct is unbecoming of a Government servant and against the CCS (Conduct) Rules. (c) Sh. G.C. Joshi, either be placed on immediate suspension or sent on leave, till detailed inquiry is conducted in the affairs of CCRT.

The Executive Committee, CCRT has approved the stand of CCRT with respect to above and submitted that the consolidated reply in this regard should be submitted to Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India.

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Item No. 27: Approval of initiation of Disciplinary proceedings against Shri Koushik Sinha Roy, Assistant Puppeteer (under suspension) and Shri Anil Kohli, Ex- Deputy Director (Finance).

The Executive Committee, CCRT has approved the initiation of Disciplinary proceedings against Shri Koushik Sinha Roy, Assistant Puppeteer (under suspension) and Shri Anil Kohli, Ex- Deputy Director (Finance).

Item No. 28: Approval of filing of Defamation case by CCRT against Shri Vinod Kumar Kataria, Dismissed employee of CCRT.

Director, CCRT has briefed the Committee Members about the status of all court cases filed by Shri Vinod Kumar Kataria, who is a dismissed employee of CCRT. Further, it was also mentioned that he has been writing to the various authorities by submitting false, malicious and frivolous complaints maligning the image of CCRT officials and also the institution. The facts of the same have also been informed in the Hon'ble Court and final hearing of the writ petition 4585/2022 is soon going to take place.

The Executive Committee has noted that Shri Vinod Kumar Kataria who was dismissed on corruption charges and dereliction of duties, has been found indulging in false and malicious complaints and the Committee has taken a serious note and advised CCRT to put the case strongly in front of Hon'ble Court and also take appropriate legal course of action as per rules.

Item No. 29: Engagement of Legal Counsels.

The Executive Committee, CCRT has approved the engagement of Legal Counsels.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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