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To  
The Director i/c  
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Sir,

- Sub** : South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur – Combined Meeting of the Executive Board & Governing Body for the year 2020-2021 & 2021-2022 held on 01.08.2022 at ITC Grand Chola Hotel Hall, Chennai – Approved Minutes of the Meeting – Communicated - Reg.
- Ref** : From the Director (i/c), South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur letter F.No.SZCC/I/2/EBGB Meetings/ 2020-2021/RAR dated: 20.10.2022.

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I am to enclose herewith the Minutes of the Combined Meeting of the Executive Board & Governing Body for the year 2020-2021 & 2021-2022 which was held at 11.00 A.M on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022 at ITC Grand Chola Hotel Hall, Chennai approved by the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu and Chairman, SZCC in original for taking necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

  
Deputy Secretary to Governor & Comptroller

  
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**MINUTES OF THE COMBINED MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD AND GOVERNING BODY OF THE SOUTH ZONE CULTURAL CENTRE, THANJAVUR FOR THE YEAR 2020-2021 AND 2021-2022 HELD ON THE 01<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2022 AT ITC GRAND CHOLA HOTEL HALL, CHENNAI**

The combined meeting of the Executive Board and Governing Body of South Zone Cultural Centre for the year 2020-21 & 2021-22 was held at 11.00 A.M. on Monday, the 01<sup>st</sup> August 2022 at ITC Grand Chola Hotel Hall, Chennai in online & offline mode. The Honourable Governor of Tamil Nadu and Chairman, South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur Shri. R.N. Ravi presided over the meeting. The following members were present :-

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Names of the Members</b>
01.	Ms. Amita Prasad Sarbhai, IRAS Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India, New Delhi
02.	Shri. Hareesh Director (Culture) Government of India <b>Representing</b> Shri. Chetan Prakash Jain Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor Ministry of Culture, Government of India, New Delhi
03.	Dr. B. Chandra Mohan I.A.S Principal Secretary to Government Tourism, Culture & Religious Endowments Department, Government of Tamil Nadu
04.	Shri. Nedunchezhiyan IAS Secretary to Government Department of Art & Culture, Government of Puducherry,
05.	Smt. N. Manjula I.A,S Secretary Kannada & Culture Department, Government of Karnataka
06.	Shri. Muhammed Riyaz Director, Directorate of Culture <b>On behalf of</b> Principal Secretary, Cultural Affairs Department, Government of Kerala & Chairperson, Finance Committee, SZCC
07.	Shri. Prateek Raj Yadav Director (Art & Culture) A & N Administration <b>On behalf of</b> Secretary Department of Art and Culture Andaman & Nicobar Administration

08.	Shri. Sovan Kumar On behalf of Chairman, Lalith Kala Akademi, New Delhi.
09.	Shri. Mahendra. D Chairman Karnataka Lalith Kala Academy J.C. Road, Bangalore, Karnataka
10.	Shri. P. Joseph Dhairiya Raj Deputy Secretary On behalf of Chairman, Sangeeth Natak Akademy, New Delhi
11.	Shri. Vagai Chandra Sekar, Chairman, Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nataka Mandram, Chennai
12.	Smt. Vijaya Thayanban, Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nadaka Mandram, Chennai
13.	Kalaimamani Shri. V.K. Munisamy, Puducherry
14.	Dr. P.K. Gopan Kerala
15.	Shri. C.J. Kuttappan Kala Bhavan, Kerala
16.	Prof. Aliyar Kerala
17.	Kalaimamani Thiru N. Thangaraj Puducherry
18.	Kalaimamani Thiru V. Srinivasan Puducherry
19.	Dr. L. Annapoorna Puducherry
20.	Sri. Pramod Payyannur Kerala
21.	Kalaimamani Thiruvarur Bakthavatchalam Tamil Nadu
22.	Kalaimamani Zakir Hussain Tamil Nadu
23.	Shri. K.G. Mohammed Lakshadweep
24.	Dr. Deepak S. Khirwadkar Director–Member–Secretary South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur

The Member Secretary welcomed the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC, Thanajvur as well as other Members of the EB/GB. He also briefed the House about the few achievements of the Centre in last two years and then after seeking the permission of the Hon'ble Chairman, agenda items were taken up for discussion one by one. The following agenda items were discussed during the meeting.

#### **AGENDA – I**

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE COMBINED MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD & GOVERNING BODY OF SZCC HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019 AT OVAL OFFICE, RAJ BHAVAN, CHENNAI**

**Decision :** After detailed deliberations and discussions, the minutes of the combined meeting of the Executive Board & Governing Body held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019 were approved by the House.

#### **AGENDA – II**

**ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE COMBINED MEETINGS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD & GOVERNING BODY OF SOUTH ZONE CULTURAL CENTRE HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> SEPT. 2019 AT THE OVAL OFFICE, RAJ BHAVAN, CHENNAI.**

**Decision :** The action taken report on the combined meeting of Executive Board & Governing Body of South Zone Cultural Centre held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019 was approved by the House.

#### **AGENDA – III**

**PRESENTATION, CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2019-20 & 2020-21.**

##### **A. Programmes conducted during 2019-20 and 2020-2021 :**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body adopted Presentation, Consideration and Adoption of Annual Activity Report for the year 2019-20 and 2020-21.

##### **B. Statutory Audit conducted for the financial year 2019-20 and 2020-21.**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body ratified the Statutory Audit conducted for the year 2019-20 and also approved the Statutory Audit conducted for the year 2020-21.

#### **AGENDA IV**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAMMES AND BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2020 -21 & 2021-22.**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the proposed programmes and budget for the year 2020-21 & 2021-2022.

## **AGENDA V**

### **PROPOSED BUDGET ALLOCATION WITH PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL TARGET FOR THE YEAR 2020-21 and 2021-22 AS PER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the proposed budget allocation with physical and financial target for the year 2020-21 and 2021-22 as per Memorandum of Understanding.

## **AGENDA VI**

### **STATEWISE EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 2019-20 AND STATEWISE BUDGET PROPOSED FOR THE YEAR 2020-21.**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the state wise expenditure for the year 2019-20 and state wise budget proposed for the Year 2020-21.

## **AGENDA- VII**

### **THE DETAILS OF THE UNSPENT BALANCE AS ON DATE 31.03.2020**

**Decision :** The Governing Body has given direction to utilize this amount under Vedic chanting Scheme and also directed that the matter may be taken to the Ministry. The House noted the Agenda.

## **AGENDA- VIII**

### **CORPUS FUND AND FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CENTRE FOR THE YEAR 2019-20**

#### **A) Statement showing the status of Corpus Fund :-**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the Statement showing the status of Corpus Fund.

#### **B) Details of investment of Corpus and General Reserve Fund as on 31.03.2020 :-**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the details of investment of Corpus and General Reserve Fund as on 31.03.2020.

#### **C) Actual expenditure for the year of 2019-20 and Budget estimate for the year 2020-21 :**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the actual expenditure for the year of 2019-20 and budget estimate for the year 2020-21.

#### **(D) Summary of Grants received from Government of India & Expenditure there from for the year 2019-20 :-**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the summary of grants received from Government of India & expenditure there from for the year 2019-20.

## FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE CENTRE for the year 2020-2021

### (A) Statement showing the status of Corpus Fund:-

Decision : The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the statement showing the status of Corpus Fund.

### (B) Details of investment of Corpus and General Reserve Fund :-

Decision : The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the details of investment of Corpus and General Reserve Fund.

### (C) Details of Income from the investment and others for the year of 2020-21 & Expected Income from the investment and others for the year 2021-22 :

Decision : The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the details of investment of Corpus & General Reserve Fund, details of income from the investment and others for the year 2020-21 and also income from the investment and others for the year 2021-22.

### (D) Summary of Grants received from Government of India & Expenditure for the year 2020-21:-

Decision : The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the summary of grants received from Government of India & expenditure there from for the year 2020-21.

## AGENDA – IX

### ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURE INCURRED DURING THE YEAR 2019-20, PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 2020-21 & ACTUAL EXPENDITURE INCURRED FROM 01.04.2020 TO 07.12.2020.

Decision : The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the administrative expenditure incurred during the Year 2019-20, proposed administrative budget expenditure for the year 2020-21 & actual expenditure incurred from 01.04.2020 To 07.12.2020.

## AGENDA- X

### ADOPTION OF NEW MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION IN SOUTH ZONE CULTURAL CENTRE

Decision : After detailed discussion, the Executive Board & Governing Body approved and adopted the New Memorandum of Association for South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur. Further, the Hon'ble Chairman informed that if at all any amendments are required in future after adopting the new MoA, the matter may be taken up as agenda in ensuing Governing Body if necessary.

After in-depth discussion, the Hon'ble Chairman reiterated that the Executive Board & Governing Body has approved and adopted the New Memorandum of Association in South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur.

#### **AGENDA- XI**

#### **IMPLEMENTATION OF SERVICE RULES 2015**

**Decision :** Since the new MoA has now been adopted and implemented for SZCC, Thanjavur, the Recruitment & Service Rules 2015 has been approved by the house for implementation in SZCC, Thanjavur.

#### **AGENDA- XII**

#### **PENDING ADVANCES**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the agenda.

#### **AGENDA- XIII**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF STATUTORY AUDITORS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020-21**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the appointment of statutory auditors for the financial year 2020-21.

#### **AGENDA- XIV**

#### **PROPOSAL FOR EXTENSION OF TENURE FOR THE EXISTING INTERNAL AUDITORS M/S CHANDRASEKAR LLP, CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the proposal for extension of tenure of the existing internal auditors M/S Chandrasekar LLP, Chartered Accountants for the Financial Year 2019-20.

#### **AGENDA- XV**

#### **PROPOSAL FOR ENGAGING INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020-21**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the proposal of appointment and selection of new 'CAG Empanelled Internal Auditor' for SZCC for the Financial Year 2020-21.

#### **AGENDA – XVI**

#### **GRATUITY PROPOSALS and RATIFICATION PROPOSAL**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the gratuity proposals and also approved the gratuity ratification the proposal as per the agenda.

#### **AGENDA – XVII**

#### **PROPOSAL FOR ENGAGING CENTRE'S AUDITOR FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2021-22 AND PROPOSAL FOR ENGAGING INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2021-22**

**Decision :** The Executive Board & Governing Body approved the proposal for engaging Shri. R. Saminathan, M/s. Rajarathnam & Associates, Chartered Accounts, Thanjavur & Chennai as Centre's Auditor for the Financial year 2021-22 and also the proposal for engaging internal auditor for the Financial year 2021-22.

**AGENDA – XVIII**

**MACP PROPOSAL**

**Decision :** Since the new MoA has now been adopted and implemented, the Executive Board & Governing Body approved the MACP proposal for the SZCC staff.

**AGENDA – XIX**

**PROPOSAL FOR RATIFICATION OF COMPASSIONATE APPOINTMENT OF SHRI. S. RAJA,  
JUNIOR ASSISTANT, SZCC & SHRI S. SENTHIL, JUNIOR ASSISTANT, SZCC**

**Decision :** Since the compassion appointments were made by the then Director against existing vacancies and by following prescribed procedure as per service rules, the Executive Board & Governing Body approved the ratification of compassionate appointments of Shri. S. Raja, Junior Assistant, SZCC & Shri S. Senthil, Junior Assistant, SZCC. However, as directed by the Hon'ble Chairman, Executive Board & Governing Body, a communication to this effect is to be sent to the Ministry of Culture, Government of India as proposed by the Director, ZCC, MoC.

**AGENDA – XX**

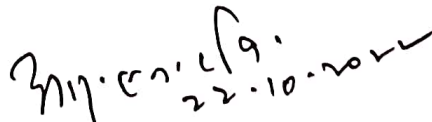
**ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN**

The suggestions made by the members are enclosed.

The Director in-charge & the Member-Secretary, SZCC, Thanjavur thanked all the officials from Raj Bhavan, Chennai for seamless conduct of the Meeting of the Executive Board & Governing Body. The meeting was then concluded with the permission of the Chair.



**Dr. Deepak S. Khirwadkar**  
Director In-charge  
Member Secretary  
South Zone Cultural Centre,  
Thanjavur



**Shri. R.N. Ravi**  
Honourable Governor of Tamil Nadu  
and Chairman,  
South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur



**Suggestions made during the combined meeting of Executive Board and Governing Body held on 01<sup>st</sup> August 2022.**


1. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC urged the member states Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Andaman and Lakshadweep Islands to contribute the balance of corpus fund of Rs.4.25 Crores due to SZCC in view of the smooth functioning of the Centre.
2. Ms. Amita Prasad Sarbhai, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India had suggested that the construction of the Tagore Cultural Complex (to establish through capital expenditure) may be taken under AKAM scheme or commemoration of Nethaji Subhas Chandra Bose as it was done previously by NEZCC. South Zone Cultural Centre can also seek capital fund likewise.
3. Shri. Joseph Dhairia Raj, Deputy Secretary, SNA, New Delhi suggested the MoC for release of Annual Grant. The Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India intervened and told that in the absence of Corpus Fund contributions from Member States, it is difficult to conduct programmes in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Andaman and Lakshadweep UTs. Further, Joint Secretary told that we may conduct programmes in the states who have contributed Corpus Fund as it is being done in other ZCCs. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC informed that the letters will be issued to the respective State Chief Ministers and draft letters to be submitted by SZCC, Thanjavur.
4. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC also insisted that a letter in this respect should go to the Member States Ex-Officio (Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Lakshadweep) those who have not participated in today's EB / GB Meeting.
5. Shri. Hareesh, Director, ZCC opined that the unspent amount under Vedic Chanting Scheme should be refunded to the Ministry as per GFR Rules, as the unspent amount should not be utilized for any other purpose. However, the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India suggested to utilize and adjust this unspent balance fund in respect of Vedic Chanting events under AKAM and Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign.
6. Shri. Mahendra. D. Chairman, Karnataka Lalith Kala Academy, Bangalore requested to conduct 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Arbindoji in Karnataka. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC directed that SZCC should organise programmes and celebrate 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Arbindoji. On the suggestions of the Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC to celebrate the commemoration of Arbindoji in Member States, the Secretary, Bharath Bhavan, Kerala assured that they will send the proposal within two days to SZCC.

7. Shri. Joseph Dhairia Raj from Sangeet Natak Akademi, New Delhi, made suggestions with regard to the construction of Tagore Cultural Auditorium and opined that SZCC may create some craft stalls like in Puducherry and get revenue as it is done in Puducherry. This revenue will help to enhance the salary of the contractual staff.
8. The Chariman, Lalit Kala Akademi, Karnataka, expressed that the SZCC has huge collections of paintings. The Lalit Kala Akademy is going to organize Kala Mela for craft persons at their premises and they are ready to provide a platform to the artistes to exhibit the paintings of SZCC and for sale. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC accepted the proposal and directed SZCC to do accordingly.
9. Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC further opined that the Paintings and Sculptures / other artistic items lying unutilized for long at SZCC, Thanjavur Store may be properly sold / auction in a best transparent manner by following prescribed procedure such as formation of Committee etc. and also to arrange some artistic melas in all the Member States for the creation of new paintings / sculptures / other artististic items and create revenue out of it for SZCC on regular basis.
10. Shri. Pramod Payanur, Secretary, Bharath Bhavan, Kerala requested to conduct 5 day National Tribal Festival at Attapadi, Kerala. Hon'ble Chairman, SZCC directed to submit a proposal. Shri. Pramod Payanur, Bharath Bhavan, Kerala also requested to conduct Onam festival (Cultural Exchange Programme) with large procession in Kerala in the month of September 2022. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC directed to conduct the Onam Festival by inviting artistes from different parts of the country and SZCC will take part in it with reasonable & feasible budget. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC further directed to send proposals for the Kerala art forms for organizing Onam festivals in Chennai.
11. The Chairman, Lalit Kala Akademi requested to conduct workshop on contemporary art, camp in South India under AKAM. Lot of Contemporary Artists who are National Awardee can be invited from all over India and two to three camps may be conducted at SZCC premises.
12. Shri Joseph Dhairia Raj, Member from SNA requested SZCC to organize Salangai Naatham – Annual Festival, Octave, Tribal Festival in the premises of SZCC, and for getting revenue, a token amount for entry tickets may be collected to meet out the Departmental Expenditure. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC welcomed and accepted the proposal.
13. Padmashri Shri. Munisamy, Member suggested to keep Museum in every state and district for displaying the folk dance, folk arts and paintings and raise the fund for SZCC. Such museum will convey our rich culture to next generation.

14. Shri. Vagai Chandrasekar, Chairman, Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nataka Mandram requested to document the 10 dying folk art forms of Tamil Nadu every year and about 50 art forms can be documented likewise in association with South Zone Cultural Centre. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC accepted this proposal.
15. Shri, Thangaraj, Member, Puducherry requested the Chairman to conduct Sankaradoss Swamigal Nataka Vizha in coming year.
16. Padmashri Munisamy, Member from Puducherry requested for appointment of a regular Director for SZCC for which Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC conveyed that the same is in process.
17. The Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India requested all the members to follow the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) and Har Ghar Tringa (HGT) Campaign.
18. The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC expressed that Tamil Nadu is conducting the cultural activities in the State in large scale. Universities, Colleges and schools have already started / taken up conducting activities from 1<sup>st</sup> August to 15<sup>th</sup> August 2022 under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM) and Har Ghar Tringa (HGT) Campaign.

The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu & Chairman, SZCC expressed in his concluding remarks that the SZCC is conducting major festivals and doing the activities in a satisfactory manner. He expressed that the regional festivals may also be conducted in the respective member states and in other states, may be in coordination with local Governments. For Example Onam Festival of Kerala should be organized in other Member States under cultural exchange programme.

All the suggestions as above were noted for needful by the Executive Board and Governing Body in its meeting on 01<sup>st</sup> August 2022.

  
.. 20/10/22  
Director (P/C)  
SZCC, Thanjavur