

MINUTES OF THE 214TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE HELD ON MONDAY, 25TH MAY 2020, AT 11.00 A.M. ONLINE THROUGH ZOOM APPLICATION.

PRESENT :

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| 1. Ar. Habeeb Khan | : | Chairman, in Chair |
| 2. Ar. Sapna | : | Vice-Chairperson |
| 3. Ar. N. K. Negi | : | Member |
| 4. Ar. Kapil Setia | : | Member |
| 5. Ar. Ramesh Kumar | : | Member |
| 6. Ar. Sadiq Ali D.A. | : | Member |

Ar. Bansan Singh Thangkhiew, could not attend the meeting due to his prior commitment and was granted leave of absence.

In attendance:

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| 1. Shri R. K. Oberoi | : | Registrar – Secretary |
| 2. Shri Deepak Kumar | : | Administrative Officer |

The Chairman thanked the Vice-Chairperson, Members and Officers of the Council for having the Fourth online meeting of the Executive Committee in view of nationwide lockdown announced by the Government of India for containment of pandemic Corona Virus. Thereafter, the regular agenda of the meeting was taken up.

ITEM NO.01	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 213TH MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 28TH APRIL, 2020 ONLINE.
	<p>The Chairman informed the members that the Minutes of the 213th Meeting of the Executive Committee were circulated to the Hon'ble Members on 1st May, 2020. No comments have been received so far on the recording of the Minutes.</p> <p>The Committee perused the Minutes and decided that in last para of the Item 10 (i) after the words "if required" words with "prior approval of Executive Committee" be added.</p> <p>With the above modification, the Minutes were approved by the Executive Committee.</p>
ITEM NO.02	ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE MINUTES OF THE 213TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
	<p>The Executive Committee perused the action taken report and noted the actions taken on the decisions taken by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The Committee decided that the feedback received from Architects on the information sought by the Sub-Committee on Women Architects be provided to Ar. Madhavi Desai for further course of action on the same.</p>

	<p>The Executive Committee also perused the draft Public Advisory on Quacks working as Architects and also the draft complaint form for uploading on the Council's website. The Executive Committee suggested some modifications and approved the same for hosting on Council's website.</p>
<p>ITEM NO.03</p>	<p>TO CONSIDER THE BUDGET ESTIMATES OF THE COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020-2021.</p>
	<p>The Executive Committee perused the Budget Estimates of the Council for the financial year 2020-2021.</p> <p>The Executive Committee after detailed deliberations and seeking clarifications on the respective heads of income and expenditure, wherever required, approved the Budget Estimates of the Council for Financial Year 2020-2021 and passed the following Resolution :</p> <p>Resolution No.261</p> <p>Resolved that :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The Budget Estimates of the Council for the Financial year 2020-2021, Recurring Expenditure Rs.17,89,85,000/- and Non-Recurring Rs.16,30,00,000/- as against the income receivable to be tune of Rs. 34,21,29,000/- is approved. ii) The President, COA and Registrar, COA are authorised to defray the expenses as approved. iii) The Budget Estimates for the financial year 2020-2021 be placed before Full Council for its information. <p>A copy of the approved Budget Estimates for the financial year 2020-2021 is enclosed herewith as <u>Appendix-A</u>.</p> <p>The Executive Committee further decided as under :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The Dearness Allowances for the Officers and Employees of the Council shall be released strictly as per Orders of the Central Government from time to time. ii) As far as possible the Fixed Deposits of the Council be invested in the State Bank of India in view of NPAs for various privates Banks; iii) The participation fees for online training programme be charged @ Rs.200/- per session i.e. Rs. 1,000/- for a 5 days programme; and iv) There should some specific training programme on Disaster Mitigation and Conservation and eminent international experts be invited so that all can benefit from their knowledge and technological advancements.
<p>ITEM NO.04</p>	<p>CONDUCT OF NATA 2020 EXAMINATION.</p>

	<p>The Chairman informed the members that in terms of the recommendations of the Sub- Committee on NATA 2020, the Council has notified the students that the First NATA 2020 Test will be held on Saturday, 1stAugust, 2020 and Second NATA 2020 Test will be held on Saturday, 29th August, 2020.</p> <p>The Executive Committee after deliberations in the matter suggested that last date for receipt of applications for NATA Test be further extended so that in case any of students could not apply till now may apply for the same.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also deliberated that in view of implementation of Social Distancing norms due to Covid-19 and also to avoid long/ outstation travel and/ or stay by the students, the number of Test Centres have to be increased and the matter be taken up with NATA Service provider to make suitable arrangements in advance.</p> <p>Further, the Executive Committee agreed that the Council would compensate the service provider, if required, on furnishing proper justification after having mutual discussions.</p>
ITEM NO.05	TO CONSIDER THE COUNCIL'S PROPOSAL FOR COMPREHENSIVE AMENDMENTS TO THE ARCHITECTS ACT, 1972.
	<p>The Chairman informed the members that in terms of the decision of the Executive Committee, recommendations of the Committee constituted by the Full Council under the Convenorship of Ar. Amogh Kumar Gupta, Member, COA, have been incorporated in the Council's proposal for Comprehensive Amendments in the Architects Act, 1972.</p> <p>The proposal was uploaded on the Council's website and circulated to all Architects for their views/ suggestions on the same. A webinar was also conducted by the Council on 18thMay, 2020 for discussing the various proposed amendments in the Act. The Webinar was attended by more than 1500 architects from all over India.</p> <p>He further informed that the views/ suggestions on the proposal are still being received and the last date for submission of views/ suggestions has been extended upto 31st May, 2020.</p>
ITEM NO.06	TO CONSIDER CONTINUATION OF SERVICES SHRI J. P. DHAUNDIYAL AS CONSULTANT (PR) IN THE COUNCIL.
	<p>The Executive Committee noted that the Council has appointed Shri J. P. Dhaundiyaal as Consultant (PR) on a consolidated salary of Rs.30,000/-, initially for a period of six months and his appointment was further extended with same terms. His appointment was last extended on 26.11.2019 for period of six months.</p>

	In view of engagement of the Council in several PR activities including in Newspaper and electronic media and since Shri Dhaundiyal has been effectively handling all these matters, the Committee decided to further extend the contractual appointment of Shri J. P. Dhaundiyal for a further period of six months w.e.f. 26.05.2020 on the earlier terms and conditions.
ITEM NO.07	TO CONSIDER THE LETTER DATED 08.05.2020 RECEIVED FROM HR-11, GANGA INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTURE & TOWN PLANNING, JHAJJAR, HARYANA W.R.T. SHOW CAUSE NOTICE ISSUED BY THE COUNCIL.
	The Executive Committee decided to defer the consideration of this item to the next meeting.
ITEM NO.08	ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.
	No other item was discussed.
The meeting ended at 2.10 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.	
