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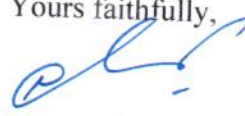
Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) held on 04.03.2020 under the Chairpersonship of Secretary (TA), Ministry of Tribal Affairs - reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the captioned subject and to forward herewith a copy of Minutes of the Meeting of the Research Advisory Committee held on 04.03.2020 in Conference Room of Ministry of Tribal Affairs for information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encls: As above


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Minutes of the meeting of Research Advisory Committee (RAC) held on 04.03.2020
under the Chairpersonship of Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs

A meeting of the Centre of Excellence was held on 04.03.2020 at 11.00 A.M. in the Conference Room of Ministry of Tribal Affairs in Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. List of participants are as under:-

Ministry of Tribal Affairs

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| 1. | Shri Deepak Khandekar, Secretary | - | In Chair |
| 2. | Dr. Naval Jit Kapoor, Joint Secretary | - | Member |
| 3. | Smt Shyla Titus, Director | - | Member |
| 4. | Shri Mukesh Kumar, Deputy Secretary | - | Member |
| 5. | Sh. Nadeem Ahmad, Under Secretary (TRI) | - | Member Secretary |

Representative of Institution(s)

Sl. No	Name	Organisations
1.	Prof. Devi Prasad	CGG, Hyderabad
2.	V.K. Ahuja	DU
3.	Abhay Mishra	IGNCA
4.	Dr. Rama	IGNCA

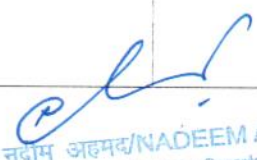
2. The Committee considered the proposals of the institutions and decided as under:

2.1 Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts

The representative of the Centre has appraise the committee that IGNCA was establish with an aim to serve as a major resource centre for the arts, especially written, oral and visual source materials, the objectives are also to undertake research and publication programmes of reference works, glossaries, dictionaries and encyclopaedia concerning the arts and the humanities, further he shared one of its objective is also to establish tribal and folk arts division with a core collection for conducting systematic scientific studies and for live presentations. The representative also shared that earlier also IGNCA has received finds under this scheme to carry out research activities. The proposed activity for consideration of the committee are detailed below:


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Proposed activities for 2019-20	Amount Sought (₹ in Lakh)	Decision/Discussion
Project: Documenting the socio-cultural life of the Bhil and Bhilala tribes: with special reference to Halma Tradition in Jhabua, Madhya Pradesh. Objectives: • To study and document the socio-culture practices of the Bhill tribe. • To study history, ecology, environment, and pattern of livelihood of the community • To study social institutions, belief systems, ritual practices, seasonal and agrarian calenders, fairs and festivals of the community, • To identify their skills, arts and Crafts, traditional dance and music, and traditional healing practice and to integrate those with other related institutions/ academy so that these skills can be exposed to others. • To document aesthetic expression ranging from myths, legends, tales, etc. • To study and document the Halma tradition and its significance in the social solidarity found in the community and role in inclusive and sustainable development, • To study the Halma tradition and the life world of the tribes as a model of tribal development through the indigenous practices of mutual social obligations and traditional knowledge system. • To explore and study other rituals and practices which promote social solidarity and community participation that can be helpful in sustainable and holistic development. • To identify and select the culture forms of HalmaTraditon for inventorization. Deliverables:	₹1,70,00,000/-	The Committee approved an amount of Rs. 25.00 lakh sanctioned for the halma tradition component of the project. The amount will be considered for release during 2020-21.


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• A well researched monograph on the Bhil and Bhilala tribes of the Madhya Pradesh with special focus on the Halma tradition and other socio-cultural practices associated with it. • A coffee table book on the socio-cultural life of the Bhil and Bhilala tribes with special focus on Halma tradition. • Audio-visual documentation and promotion of the two communities' socio-cultural life through festivals, exhibitions, fairs etc. Duration: One Year		
Total	₹1,70,00,000/-	

2.2 Faculty of law, University of Delhi

The representative of the institute presented before the committee and appraise that Faculty of Law is the time tested legal institution of par excellence. It is the national hub of legal studies. Since its inception in 1924, the department has been a leader producing many legal luminaries, Supreme Court and High Court judges, leading advocates, political leaders, policy makers and trend-setters in all walks of life. The department is endowed with elitist alumni even though it is an egalitarian institute providing practically free legal education at a negligible cost. With the unparalleled expertise of faculty members, multicultural environment and its seat at the heart of national capital, the department attracts brilliant students from all over the country and abroad. The department has more than 130 teachers and about 7000 students at present including LL.B., LL.M., and Ph.D. The representative has further shared that there is a need for legal research on "Traditional wisdom of Indigenous Communities" and also on Intellectual Property Rights of Tribals Groups for which the institute would like to submit a proposal for consideration of the committee:

Proposed activities for 2019-20	Amount Sought (₹ in Lakh)	Decision/Discussion
Project: Traditional wisdom and indigenous communities: A research study of Traditional Knowledge (IPR) of tribal group. • To document physical habitat, ecology, environment and pattern of livelihood, • To study belief systems, rituals practices, seasonal and agrarian calendars, fairs and festivals associated with the rich traditional knowledge.	₹31, 41,500/-	The Committee approved the project with a total cost of Rs. 31.41 Lakh. The committee however suggested the institute to also mention the name of the tribe on which they are going to focus the study.


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- To study their knowledge and wisdom traditions, skill, arts & crafts and traditional healing practices those are Unique to the tribal community. - To understand the effective strategies that are used by them to sustain cultural ecology, environment, biodiversity and traditional food and nutrition, - To evolve aware them about the IPR and other laws and privileges provided by Government which are associated with indigenous knowledge. Deliverables: - One monograph from each state (not less than 300 pages) - High resolution photographs. Study Area: - Uttarakhand (North India) - Maharashtra (Western India) - Kerala (South India) - Meghalaya (North East) Duration: 2 Years		The amount will be considered for release during 2020-21 The committee also suggested to review the work already done by TRI Maharashtra and Kerala on the same theme of the proposed project. Further, the committee suggested the organization to add one more objective to the proposed study i.e. To explore the legal aspects of IPR under section 3(1)k of Forest Rights Act-2006 and workout a guideline for registering IPR by individuals/ community under the said provision.
Total	₹31, 41,500/-	

2.3 Centre for good governance, Hyderabad

The representative of the institute presented before the committee and appraise that the Centre for Good Governance (CGG) was established in October, 2001 by the then Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP) in collaboration with the Department for International Development (DFID) and the World Bank to help it achieve the State's goal of Transforming Governance. CGG undertakes action research, provides professional advice, and conducts change management programmes for government departments and agencies to enable successful implementation of their reform agenda. CGG works closely with policy-makers like Ministers, senior officials, management experts, institutions and other stakeholders, especially citizens towards building people centric governance practices

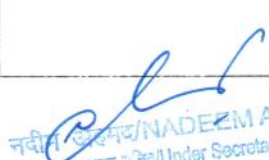
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Project: Vulnerability assessment with respect to the particularly vulnerable tribal groups (PVTGs) in India in a multi-dimensional approach covering both the social and economic vulnerability of these groups. • To develop an index of multi-dimensional vulnerability of these tribes in India. • Dimension-wise and community level aggregate - relative vulnerability of the community. • Measuring the Impact of potential interventions for improving their Livelihoods. • Bringing out case studies of Best-Practices and its relevance in scaling-up. Study Area: Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Maharashtra, MP, Chhattisgarh, Odisha. Duration: 2 Years		The Committee suggested the organisation to rework the project and also consult with the IIPA team who have recently submitted a pan India impact evaluation study on PVTGs. CoE-CSSE&IP at University of Mysore is also undertaking a study on developing a HDI while considering different vulnerability of the PVTGs. The committee suggested to also consult them and accordingly rework the proposal to avoid duplication of efforts.
Total	Not mentioned.	

2.4 Dhananjay Bhawalekar Motion Pictures (Maharashtra)

Proposed activities for 2019-20	Amount Sought (₹ in Lakh)	Decision/Discussion
• Preservation of Languages Through Audio-Visuals. • To help identify the marginalized communities • To preserve languages of tribal communities with the help of the most	₹2,73,60,000 /-	The Committee suggested the organisation to have a discussion with CoE-BHASHA who is exclusively working on preservation and


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effective medium of mass communication • To preserve cultural details of the tribal communities • To introduce the rich cultural heritage of India in the mainstream • To provide a platform for the voice of the tribal communities • To encourage the marginalized cultures to express their views and current conditions • To increase community tolerance and bridge the cultural gaps between mainstream and the marginalized		promotion of tribal language since few years and there are also similar ongoing projects funded by MoTA under the COE scheme to BHASHA. The organization may reframe the proposal after discussion with BHASHA, Gujarat to avoid any duplication of efforts.
Total	₹2,73,60,000 /-	

3. The meeting ended with the thanks to the Chair.


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