

Annual General Meeting of the Centre for Knowledge Ideas and Development Studies (KnIDS) held on 24 September, 2019, at KnIDS office for the year April 2018-March 2019.

Agenda

1. To consider and approve the Secretary's Report about the activities of the Centre for the year 2018-19.
2. To consider and approve the Statement of Accounts for the year 2018-19.
3. To consider and approve the future plan of the Centre.
4. Constitution of the new executive committee.
5. Miscellaneous (if any).

Proceedings

Mr Pradosh Nath, President took the chair.

With the permission of the chair, the Secretary submitted the activities undertaken by the Centre during the year 2018-19 before the members. The submission has been as follows:

1. As reported earlier, KnIDS has been chosen as one of the organisations to conduct the evaluation study for the DST-FIST for East and North Eastern states. The fund for the same has been received in the month of November, 2019 and work started immediately. As per the approval three Research Assistants were engaged for the project work. Till March 2019 Jharkhand and partially West Bengal were covered. The work is progressing smoothly. A presentation in this regard has been made in the first review meeting held in SGPGI, Lucknow on 5 September, 2019.

2. KnIDS has organised an international conference on 'Evaluation of Tradition: Interrogating Transformation in Traditional Folk Performing Arts'. The conference has been supported by ICSSR -ERC, Kolkata and was held on 10-11 January 2019. IEST, Shibpur, Howrah was the collaborating institution. The two day conference was held in the conference room of the Ramakrishna Mission Cultural Centre, Gol Park, Kolkata.

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Total 33 presentations by international and national scholars were made on different issues related to folk performing arts. International participants were from Boston University, USA, New York Central University, USA, University of East Colorado, USA, University of California, USA, Sao Paulo University Brazil, Laval University, Canada, Chitagong University, Bangladesh, French Museum, Paris.

A volume based on the presentations is under active consideration for publication by Springer, India.

3. KnIDS has been entrusted for evaluation of ODF (under Swachh Bharat programme) in two blocks of the district of Birbhum, West Bengal. The task has been completed successfully.

4. The committee has taken note and appreciated the initiatives taken by Shri Pradosh Nath as the Director and President of KnIDS. It was proposed to extend Shri Nath's tenure by another year (March 2020) as Director. The proposal was accepted.

5. The secretary requested the members to actively look for opportunities with new project ideas and sources of funding.

6. The Secretary submitted the Balance Sheet, Income & Expenditure A/C and Receipts & Payments A/C of KnIDS for the year 2018-19 duly audited and certified by the Chartered Accountants Firm Tirthankar & Associates. After a detailed discussion the same has been approved in the meeting.


7. The AGM approved the appointment of the Chartered Accountant firm M/S Thirkankar and Associates for audit of the KnIDS accounts also for the financial year 2019 – 20.

8. The members has unanimously approved the continuation of the same Executive Committee. The list of the Executive Committee members is appended.

As there was no other agenda to transact the meeting ended with a vote of thanks from and to the chair.


(President)




(Secretary)

