

Meetings

EC, Council and GB Meetings

Executive Committee Meeting – Mhow

Executive Committee of IAEA met on August 20, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in Shanti Niketan, Village Umariya, Mhow which was attended by 15 members. The meeting was chaired by Shri K. C. Choudhary, President, IAEA. The Committee apart from confirming the minutes of the previous meeting held on December 4, 2016 at Lucknow, approved the report of programmes and activities conducted during the period December 2016 to July 2017, considered and approved budget for the year 2017-18, approved the Audited Statement of Accounts for the year 2016-17, applications for Life and Institutional Membership, amendments/additions and alterations in Rules and Regulations [Clause 6.0.(d), 7.2.(a) and 7.2.(c)]. The members observed silence in memory of Life Members who have expired during the period of reporting.



Council Meeting, Mhow

Council meeting of IAEA held at Shanti Niketan, Village Umariya, Mhow on August 20, 2017 at 11:30 a.m. which was attended by 48 members. Shri K.C.Choudhary, President presided over the meeting. The Council confirmed the minutes of the last meeting held on December 6, 2016 at Lucknow and approved the plan of action for the year 2017-18.



General Body Meeting, Mhow

General Body of IAEA met at Shanti Niketan, Village Umariya, Mhow on August 20, 2017 at 12:00 noon which was attended by 89 members. Shri K.C.Choudhary presided over the meeting. The General Body confirmed the minutes of the last meeting held at Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh on December 5, 2016, adopted the Audited Statement of Accounts for the year 2016-17, approved the action plan for the year 2017-18 and activities conducted during the period December 2016 to July 2017. The members of the General Body observed silence in memory of Life Members who have expired during the period of reporting.

Special General Body Meeting, Mhow

Special General Body meeting held at Shanti Niketan, Village Umariya, Mhow on August 20, 2017 at 12:30 p.m. which was attended by 87 members. Shri K.C.Choudhary presided over the meeting. The Special General Body considered and approved the amendments/additions and alterations in the Rules and Regulations of IAEA [Clause 6.0.(d), 7.2.(a) and 7.2.(c)]. The General Body also decided to meet again on September 19, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

The second Special General Body meeting held at Asha Kala Kendra, Mhow on September 19, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. which was presided over by Shri K. C. Choudhary, President and attended by 55 members. Shri S.C. Khandelwal, Joint Secretary, IAEA (in the absence of Dr. Madan Singh, General Secretary) briefed the members regarding the importance of meeting and need for approval again by the General Body for the amendments/additions made in Clause 6.0(d) and 7.2(a) in the Rules and Regulations of the Association. The members discussed and unanimously adopted the amendments/additions.

Executive Committee Meeting –Tirupati

Executive Committee of IAEA met on December 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in Reddy Bhavanam, Tirupati. Shri K.C.Choudhary, President chaired the meeting. Other members present were Dr. V. Reghu, Dr. P.Adinarayana Reddy, Shri SC Khandelwal, Shri A.H. Khan, Prof. L. Raja, Shri Mrinal Pant, Dr. D. Uma Devi, Shri Harish Kumar S., Prof. Asoke Bhattacharya and Shri V. Balasubramanian. The Committee apart from confirming the minutes of the previous meeting held on August 20, 2017, noted action taken report on the decisions of the previous meeting, approved the report of programmes and activities organized from August to November 2017, 14 applications received for Life Membership of IAEA and Budget Estimate for the year 2018-19. It also condoled the death of a few Life Members of IAEA and active adult educationists.

Meeting on “Adult Education”

In view of adult education programmes under Saakshar Bharat came to an end by March 31, 2018 and no new programme was officially launched for implementation at the field level (though different sources say the next adult education programme is ***Padna Likhna Abhiyan***), IAEA organized a meeting on April 10, 2018 to have brainstorming with the Delhi based Life Members of IAEA.

The aim of this meeting was to analyze the status of adult education programme in the country and future programme of action. Following is the gist of the discussion:



- The achievements made by NLM should not go waste and hence, proper follow-up needs to be in place to enable the neo-literates continue to have in touch with the literacy skills leading to self-learning.
- Digital literacy should be encouraged for wider implementation.
- Adult education should be an integral part of the framework of education with equal importance to like that of other streams of education. Adult education also should get adequate financial allocation, good infrastructure, trained manpower, standardized curriculum, proper examination system and certification by competent authority with equivalency.
- Skill training and literacy should be a combined one so that persons undergoing vocational skill training are complete in respect of education and skill.
- So far the achievement made in adult education programmes are projected in the number of persons made literate (Basic Literacy Skill). Unless the learners reach the level of self-learning, we cannot make a learning society. Hence, continuing education/lifelong learning is equally important like basic literacy.
- Student youths should be encouraged to choose MA Adult Education/ Lifelong Learning as a subject of study and also for inter-disciplinary research.
- Given the large number of illiterates in the country, adult education programme cannot achieve the desired results as a government driven programme. Hence, it may be appropriate that NGOs which have proven record of success in the field of education, community development, social service are also involved so that the coverage is more.