

CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL EXCLUSION AND INCLUSIVE POLICY (CSSEIP)

Prof. Kancha Ilaiah
Director (CSSEIP)

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To:
The Vice-Chancellor
MANUU

Sir,

I am hereby sending the draft minutes of the Advisory Committee meeting held on 3rd November, 2011 for your approval.

Kindly look into the Minutes. Any changes/modification that you want to suggest would be incorporated as per your advise

Thanking you.

FM No: 995
Date: 25.11.2011

Yours Sincerely,

Kancha Ilaiah
Prof. Kancha Ilaiah

*OK Draft minutes should be circulated under the
signature of the Director/commr*

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MAULANA AZAD NATIONAL URDU UNIVERSITY

Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP)

MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (CSSEIP, MANUU)

HELD ON 3rd NOVEMBER, 2011

The third Advisory Committee meeting of the 'Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy' (CSSEIP) – MANUU was held on 3rd November, 2011 between 3.00 PM and 5.00 PM, at the Seminar Hall, University Guest House, Maulana Azad National Urdu University Campus, Hyderabad. This is the first meeting after the Advisory Committee of the CSSEIP was reconstituted in March 2011. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Mohammad Miyan has chaired the session. The following members attended the meeting:

A) **CHAIRMAN:** Prof. Mohammad Miyan – Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MANUU

B) **MEMBERS:**

- 1) Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat, Chairman, ICSSR, New Delhi.
- 2) Prof. Muzaffar H. Assadi, Department of Political Science, Mysore University, Mysore – Karnataka.
- 3) Prof. S. A. Wahab, Controller of Examinations, MANUU, Hyderabad.
- 4) Dr. P.H. Mohammad, Associate Professor, CSSEIP, MANUU, Hyderabad.
- 5) Mr. K.M. Ziyauddin, Assistant Professor, CSSEIP, MANUU, Hyderabad.

C) **CONVENOR:** Prof. Kancha Ilaiah, Director, CSSEIP, MANUU, Hyderabad.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee and the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, MANUU, thanked the external members for giving their consent to be the members of Advisory Committee-CSSEIP. The Chairman initiated the discussions of the Meeting and placed the Agenda before the Committee for discussions and approval.

Agenda

Part-I:

1. Approval of the previous meeting of the Advisory Committee Minutes held on 15th September, 2010.
2. Activities undertaken by CSSEIP, MANUU, since its inception in May, 2007 to till date
 - *Introduction of research programs of M.Phil and PhD by the Centre*
 - *Organising orientation and sensitization programs*
 - *Organising conferences/seminars*
 - *Starting the Working Paper Series and other publications*
 - *Research proposals on central theme of the Centre*
 - *To start a Journal and to finalise editorial board and Advisory Board for the Journal of Social Exclusion*

Part-II:

1. Future Plans of the Centre for approval of the Advisory Committee (major research programs and activities)
2. Stabilising the Centre and consideration for absorption of all Faculty and Staff members

Before going into the discussions on the Agenda of the Meeting, Prof.Kancha Ilaiah, the Director of the Centre, made a presentation on the Centre's progress and activities since its inception in May 2007. He explained about the key objectives of the Centre on issues of conceptualization, contextualizing and problematizing the exclusion and inclusion existed on the lines of religion and caste/ethnicity in the society; also informed the Core area of study to specially focus on exclusion issues of Muslims in Indian context; introduction of Academic Programs (M.Phil and Ph.D. programs); Seminars / Workshops / Symposium, Orientation-cum-Networking, Monthly Lecture Series / Distinguished Lecture Series conducted; and on the Research Projects carried out by the Faculty (both Major and Minor Research Projects); Translation & Publications, Books and articles published by Faculty; Status and facilities of CSSEIP Library; and Academic Outreach in the form of networking with other Universities, research institutes, NGOs, etc.

The Director-CSSEIP particularly highlighted the thrust study area of the Centre is:

- **To study Religious Minorities with specific focus upon the Muslims as a Socially Excluded Group and Exclusion of Urdu Speaking Population**

In addition to the above thrust area, the Centre also focuses in the area of:

- **Development Deficit of Muslims in Andhra Pradesh: A Comprehensive Study**
- **Islam, Muslims and Inclusive India: An Empirical and Theoretical Study**
- **Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad and Ambedkar: Ideas and Actions to establish an Inclusive Democratic System in India**
- **Establishment of National Resource Centre on Muslim Minorities**

The Committee felt that the Centre should lay more thrust on studying the Development deficit among the Muslims. It also felt that the other projects that are being taken up are equally important.

After the presentation by the Director-CSSEIP, the Chairman moved on to discussing the Agenda with the members. All the items mentioned in the Agenda were discussed at length and formal approval was accorded to all the items of the Agenda with the appropriate suggestions / amendments.

PART-I

1.1 Approval of the previous meeting of the Advisory Committee Minutes held on 15th September, 2010.

The Committee approved the items of the previous Advisory Committee minutes and activities done by the Centre during the tenure (2007-2011) till date as the basic objectives were fulfilled. The Members formally approved the Minutes of the previous Advisory Committee on the following items.

- Introduction of research programs of M.Phil and PhD by the Centre
- Organising orientation and sensitization programs the Muslims' issues
- Organising conferences/seminars on social exclusion
- Starting the Working Paper Series
- Research proposals on central theme of the Centre – focussing on Muslims
- To start a Journal and to finalise editorial board and Advisory Board for the Journal of Social Exclusion

In view of the fact that a journal (Journal of Social Exclusion Studies) with the former Director of the Centre, Prof. Abdul Matin as Editor and the Centre's staff on the editorial board, has been started, the Centre proposes to enter into an MoU with the Dept of Sociology, AMU for collaboration.

1.2 Activities undertaken by the CSSEIP, since its inception in May, 2007 to till date

The Members are satisfied with the progress undertaken in the area of conducting research, publishing research outputs, conducting seminars/lectures/symposia by the Centre in the last four and half years and formally approved the activities. Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat and Prof. Muzaffar Assadi expressed that the Centre has done commendable work.

PART-II

2.1: Future Plans of the Centre: Major research programs and activities

About collaborating with funding agencies for major research projects, Prof. Thorat suggested to approach organisations like Aga Khan Foundation, Azim Premji Foundation, UGC, ICSSR, Department of social justice, women and child welfare, etc. for financial support of the Centre's research projects. About the publication of the Centre, Prof. Thorat suggested to contact the national and international publishers for publications of research work done by the Centre. The Committee also said that the research papers, working papers could be published in the form of a book.

As the available funding sources with the Centre are not adequate, the chairman of the Committee opined that the University may also support for research and seminars, if required.

While discussing about the generating empirical data on Muslim community about discrimination, historical backwardness and its genesis, it was suggested by the Members that a databank of Muslims and Human Development Indicators particularly of Muslims can be generated by the Centre. The members also made a proposal to the Centre to work on the issues of influencing the policy formulation processes by generating data on marginalization of Indian Muslims in education, health and employment (both public and private), and their disproportionate representation in political participations, etc.

The members suggested that the Centre may organise a workshop inviting the research scholars working on Muslims to deliberate the issues of Muslim backwardness, disempowerment and exclusion.

2.2: Stabilising the Centre and consideration for absorption of all Faculty and Staff members

The members expressed their fears about the permanency of the staff who have been working for 5 years. In response to this, the Chairman/Vice Chancellor stated that he would take up the matter with the UGC. However the Chairman has assured that the efforts will be made to put the Centre on priority list for its continuity. He advised the Director-CSSEIP to discuss the matter at later date so that those issues could be looked into.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has also assured that he would look into the problem of extending the benefits, given to regular faculty and also other staff of the CSSEIP.

Other Resolutions/Recommendations of the Advisory Committee:

1. **About Awarding the M.Phil and PhD degrees:** Prof. S.A. Wahab, Controller of Examinations raised the issue of mentioning the Subject on the certificates awarded to M.Phil and PhD scholars of the CSSEIP. Prof. Thorat advised that the University may discuss the matter with the UGC and take a decision.

At the end of the meeting, Prof. Kancha Ilaiah, Director-CSSEIP, extended a formal vote of thanks to the Advisory Committee members on behalf of the University.

Prof. Mohammad Miyan
Chairman – Advisory Committee &
Vice-Chancellor-MANUU