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Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on 20.7.2024 at 11 am in the mini conference hall of Delhi High Court at New Delhi.

The office bearers, advisors, chairpersons of state chapters and the special invitees who were present in the meeting appended their signatures on a separate sheet which forms part of the minutes.

The quorum of the meeting was complete.

The President Justice K.L. Sharma, presided over the meeting. At the outset the President welcomed all the office bearers, advisors, the chairpersons and the special invitees, who attended the meeting. The President introduced himself and also requested all the office bearers, regular invitees and special invitees to introduce themselves.

After completion of the introduction of all present, the President requested to Secretary General to take up the agenda item wise and present his notes.

The Secretary General presented notes on each and every item of the agenda in the meeting.

Agenda Item No.1 :- Confirmation of minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on 6,4,2024 at 3.00 pm in the mini conference hall of the Delhi High Court.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee dated 6.4.2024 be and are hereby confirmed.

Agenda Item No.2:- Information about the new members of the Association.

The Secretary General informed that after the last meeting of the Executive Committee held on 6.4.2024, seven new members joined our Association. Their names were read out by the Secretary General. Their names are as under:-

- 1. Justice Anil Kumar IX, Allahabad High Court
- 2. Justice Deepak Kumar Agarwal, M.P. High Court
- 3. Justice Anurag Srivastava, M.P. High Court
- 4. Justice M.K.Maheshwari, Rajasthan High Court
- 5. Justice Goverdhan Bardhar, Rajasthan High Court
- 6. Justice Ganga Ram Moolchandani, Rajasthan High Court
- 7. Justice H.B.P.Sastry, Karnataka High Court

Agenda Item No. 3:- Filling of the Vacancies of one Secretary and four Executive Members of the Executive Committee: -

The Vice-President and In-Charge State Chapters, Justice J. K. Ranka, Secretary In-charge of the State Chapter and affiliated Chapters upon consideration of regional representation in the executive committee of the Association, has proposed that for the vacancy of one Secretary Justice N. K. Sudhindra Rao of Bangalore is the right person and his consent has also been obtained.

For the vacancies of four Executive members of the Executive Committee, he has proposed the names of Justice Vijay Kumar Vyas of Jaipur, Justice Alok Verma from Bhopal, Justice Prahladrai G. Agarwal from Guwahati and Justice B. S. Verma of Nainital. Except Justice Alok Verma, be nominated as Executive members.

Resolved unanimously that Justice N. K. Sudhindra Rao of Karnataka High Court at Bangalore, be nominated as Secretary and Justice Prahladrai G Agarwal of Guwahati, Justice Vijay Kumar Vyas of Rajasthan High Court at Jaipur, Justice Alok Verma of MP High Court at Bhopal and Justice B. S. Varma of Uttarakhand High Court at Nainital, be nominated as Executive members of the Executive Committee.

Agenda Item No. 4:- Consideration of the report of Justice D. K. Trivedi, Vice President, on Judicial reforms: -

Justice D. K. Trivedi, Vice President informed the house that judicial reforms are one of the important objects of the association and as such it is very essential that for reformation of the judiciary at the District level as well as at the State level, some work be done and every member of the association must take the responsibility to do so. Justice Trivedi further informed that he is trying to get in touch with the institutes imparting legal education to teach the law students as to what they should bear in mind after joining the legal profession or the judicial service and what significantly the should take to reform the judicial system in such a way that more and more people of the significant triple country are benefitted.

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Agenda Item No. 5:- Consideration of the report of Vice President Justice O. P. Srivastava, In Charge of Publication: -

Justice O. P. Srivastava could not attend the meeting in person but the report sent by him was read over by Justice Anurag Kumar, Associate Member Executive.

As per the report of Justice O. P. Srivastava, the President constituted a committee under the chairmanship of Justice O. P. Srivastava with Justice Anurag Kumar and Justice Raghvendra Kumar as its members. The committee proposed that before a final decision is taken regarding publication of Directory, approval be obtained from the executive committee as regards to its contents. It has been proposed that apart from names, addresses, date of birth, date of appointment as Judge of the High Court/Supreme Court, contact numbers and email addresses, details of the formation of the association with first executive committee, Registration Certificate, brief history of the association, future plans, Rules, Byelaws and important judgments on retired judges including Notifications, be also published in the directory.

The majority of the members after discussions, were of the view that there is no need to publish judgments on retired judges as it may result into a very voluminous directory which would be difficult to carry. At the most important citation of judgments may be referred which will need only one or two more pages. This was unanimously approved by the executive committee.

As regards collection of donations from outsiders to meet the expenses of printing etc., most of the members are of the view that the members of the association should themselves contribute or donate but donations from outsiders be not collected.

Resolved that instead of judgements on retired judges, citation of important judgments be published in the directory and no donation be accepted from any outside agency or Institution, Rest of the suggestions made by Justice O. P. Srivastava, are approved.

Agenda Item No. 6:- Consideration of the report of the Vice President Justice Rajesh Tandon on **Legal Awareness Programs**

Justice Rajesh Tandon, Vice President and In Charge Legal Awareness Programs, informed the house that in order to spread awareness amongst the law students and public at large, he has contacted several Law Colleges, Universities and other similar educational institutions to start programs of legal awareness amongst the teachers and the students. He also apprised the house that in the evening of 19th July, 2024, he had organized a meeting of several senior advocates, Professors of various Institutes and other judicial experts which was attended by President Justice K. L. Sharma, Secretary General Justice Mahendra Dayal, Justice Bhanwar Singh, Chairperson Delhi State Chapter and Justice Shambhoo Nath Srivastava apart from other legal luminaries.

In this meeting all the participants expressed their views and ideas and also suggested ways spread the legal awareness amongst all. It was suggested that Law Colleges of other States be Registration reached to start such programs in their colleges so that the people may become aware about

their legal rights and duties redressal of their grievances. It was suggested by Justice Tandon that such meetings be convened in future for this purpose.

Agenda Item No. 7:- Consideration of the report of Justice J. K. Ranka, Vice President and In Charge State and affiliated Chapters

Justice J. K. Ranka, Vice President and In Charge State and affiliated Chapters, apprised the committee that he approached the High Courts through their Registrar Generals to have a list of retired Judges settled at the seat of the High Court. He informed that in response to his letters, some of the High Courts provided him the list of retired Judges but still most of the High Courts have not responded. The President requested him to send reminders to all such High Courts. The members and special invitees were also requested to make efforts in this regard and provide help and support to Justice Ranka.

Agenda Item No. 8:- Consideration of the report of Secretary Justice Subhash Samvatsar, In Charge Litigation Committee

Justice Subhash Samvatsar, In Charge Litigation Committee, could not attend the meeting because of his preoccupation but Justice I. S. Srivastava apprised the committee on behalf of Justice Samvatsar that both The Writ Petitions filed by the Association were listed for hearing before the Supreme Court on 18th July but due to shortage of time hearing could not commence and now it will come up for hearing in the next week.

Justice N. K. Mody, Senior Advocate and Team leader of the litigation committee requested the President to engage another Senior Counsel to argue the petitions as he showed his inability to argue the said petitions. Justice Rajesh Tandon, Senior Advocate and Vice President, Justice, Subhash Samvatsar, Senior Advocate and Senior Secretary of the Association and Justice Sudhir Kumar Saxena, Senior Advocate and Executive Member have agreed to prepare the petitions and be ready to argue the petitions before the Supreme Court as and when the two petitions are taken up for hearing. However, some of the member suggested that Sri Gourab Banerjee, Senior Advocate Supreme Court who argued the petitions filed by the All India Judges Association may also be requested to argue the two petitions of the Association. The President was authorized to request Shri Gourab Banerjee, Senior Advocate for arguing the petitions and a Cheque of Rs. One Lakh as a token fee be also sent to him.

Agenda Item No.9:- Consideration of date, time and venue of the next meeting of the Executive Committee

Justice Prahladrai G Agarwal, Chairperson of Guwahati State Chapter proposed that the next meeting of the Executive Committee be held in the month of October at Guwahati where he would be able to make necessary arrangement in the Judicial Academy at Guwahati and he would soon confirm the arrangements, Justice I.S. Srivastava, Secretary, suggested that the next meeting of the Executive Committee be held at Indore. Justice Anurag Kumar, Executive member Judges Spagested that possibility of holding the meeting of the Executive Committee in the month of Registra October be also considered at Nainital.

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After discussion about the different aspects and difficulties, it was decided that the next meeting of the Executive Committee be held on 19th October 2024 at Guwahati Judicial Academy and in case of any difficulty, the venue of the meeting may be alternatively fixed at Indore or elsewhere.

Agenda Item No. 10:- Any other matter with the permission of President

The Secretary General Justice Mahendra Dayal pointed out that since the new Executive Committee has been formed, a need has arisen to authorize three persons to operate the account of the Association for intimation to the Bank, under the signature of the President. He proposed that the Secretary General Justice Mahendra Dayal, Treasurer Justice Harsh Kumar and Executive member Justice Anurag Kumar, be authorized to operate the account subject to the condition of specified limits.

After discussion about the financial limits for the issue of cheques it was resolved that the Secretary General Justice Mahendra Dayal will be competent to issue cheques for the amount of not exceeding Rs. Twenty Five Thousand only and the cheques for the amount exceeding Rs. Twenty Five Thousand only will be issued by any two of the three authorized office bearers namely Justice Mahendra Dayal, Secretary General and Justice Harsh Kumar Treasurer and Justice Anurag Kumar, Executive Member of the Association whose specimen signatures duly attested by the President will be sent to the Central Bank along with the copy of this resolution and copy of the attendance sheet of the office bearers attending the meeting of the Executive Committee, with the request to grant permission to these authorized persons to operate the account of the Association as per the specified limits of cheques. The Secretary General was further authorized to continue the imprest account for the amount of Rs. Ten Thousand only in order to meet the day to day expenditure on petty items etc.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

These minutes are being issued with the approval of the President.

Encl: Attendance Sheet

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Secretary General

The minutes of the meeting be uploaded on the website of the Association and be also posted on the WhatsApp group of the Association and be also sent to the members through email.



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