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The Meeting of Directors/Heads of State/UT Archives and members of Grants Committee was held on 26 April, 2018 at 11.30 A.M. in National Archives of India, New Delhi under the Chairpersonship of Sh. Pritam Singh, Director General, National Archives of India, Ministry of Culture.

The following members of the Grants Committee were present:

Sh. Pritam Singh,
 Director General
 National Archives of India
 New Delhi

Chairperson

 Ms. Deepika Pokharna, Director, A& A, Ministry of Culture, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

Member

Dr.M.A. Haque
 Deputy Director of Archives,
 National Archives of India

Member Secretary

The following Directors/Heads of State/UT Archives or representatives were present:

- Sh. A.Rajappa
   Assistant Commissioner,
   Tamil Nadu State Archives and Research Institute
   Egmore-6,
   Chennai
- Dr. D.Sonowal,
   Director,
   Assam State Archives,
   Guwahati
   New Delhi-110001
- Ms. Yashoda Bhandari,
   Secretary,
   Cultural Affairs & Heritage Department,
   Sikkim.
- 4. Ms. Pratima Srivastava,
  Additional Director,
  Tourism/Culture Archives,
  Punjab

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- Ms. Roshni Puri,
   Manager Projects,
   Punjab Heritage & Tourism Promotion Board,
   Punjab
- Sh. Sanjay Garg,
   Archivist,
   Delhi State Archives,
   Delhi
- 7. Sh. Lalta Prasad
  Director,
  Uttrakhand State Archives
  Uttrakhand.
- 8. Dr. Rajwanti Mann,
  Deputy Director,
  Haryana State Archives
  Panchkula, Haryana
- 9. Dr. Mahendra Khadgawat ,
  Director,
  Rajasthan State Archives,
  Bikaner,
  Rajasthan.
- 10. Dr. Gavisiddaiah,Archivist,Karnataka State Archives,Bangalore.

The meeting was also attended by Dr. (Smt.) Ritu Rajeev, Assistant Director of Archives (Grants), National Archives of India.

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As suggested by Grants Committee in its Second Meeting, held on 28 February 2018, to conduct a meeting in April 2018 with all Heads of State/UT Archives and members of Grants Committee to have interactive session with them and also desired to ask Commissioner, Tamil Nadu State Archives, Chennai to give presentation on their record holdings and the work done from the grant amount released by NAI, a meeting was convened on 26 April 2018 in NAI with Heads/officials of State /UT Archives and members of Grants Committee. Various issues including pending utilization certificates were discussed in the meeting.

Thiru A.Rajappa, Assistant Commissioner, Tamil Nadu State Archives, Chennai, gave a presentation about the record holdings of Tamil Nadu State Archives and work accomplished from the grant provided by NAI.

Archivist, Delhi State Archives suggested to extend the time limit for receiving the proposals in NAI from 60 days to 90 days for other Scheme operated by NAI, i.e. Scheme of Financial Assistance for Preservation and Conservation of manuscripts, rare Books, Old and Rare Documents, Records of History, so that State Level Screening Committee(SLSC) should have at least 30 days time to inspect the concerned voluntary registered organization and individuals before forwarding their proposals to NAI with their recommendation.

Archivist, Karnataka State Archives, requested to accept utilization certificate certified by Head of the Institution as they face lot of difficulties in getting Audit Certificate from Audit Department of the concerned State after the utilization of the Grant and this suggestion was supported by other representatives of the States/UT.

Director, Uttrakhand State Archives, Dehradhun, suggested that foundation day of NAI, i.e. 11 March, may be declared as 'Abhilekh Divas' by Govt. of India.

(Dr. M.A Haque)—

**Deputy Director** 

National Archives of India

and Member Secretary, Grants Committee

Place: New Delhi

Date: ~ 7/MAY 7018

(Pritam Singh)

Director General,

National Archives of India

and Chairperson, Grants Committee