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A meeting of the Executive Committee (EC) of the LSI (2024-26) was held on **10.02.2025** at 03:00 pm through virtual mode.

The following members were present:

(1) Prof. M. J. Warsi (President, LSI), (2) Dr. Abhinav Kumar Mishra (Secretary, LSI), (3) Dr. Khushboo Parghi (Joint Secretary, LSI), (4) Prof. Gautam Sengupta (Trustee, LSI), EC Working Members: (5) Dr. C S Swathi, (6) Dr. Niranjan Uppoor, (7) Dr. Chaithra Puttaswamy, (8) Dr. Suman Preet Virk, (9) Dr. Sundarabalu S. (10) Dr. Kakoli Dey (11) Dr. Mendem Bapuji (12) Dr. Thennarasu Sakkan, (13) Prof. Aejaz Mohd Sheikh (Editor, IL).

Before taking up the agenda items, Dr. Abhinav K. Mishra, Secretary, LSI, informed the house about the appointment of Prof. M.J. Warsi, the President, LSI as the Dean, Academic Affairs (Equivalent to Pro-Vice Chancellor) at BGSB University, Jammu and the whole house congratulated Prof. Warsi for his appointment and wished him all the best for the new assignment. After that the Secretary requested the President-LSI, Prof. M. J. Warsi, to call the meeting in order.

On initiating the meeting, the President LSI welcomed the EC members, and thereafter, the following agenda items were taken up for consideration:

Item No. I: Confirmation of the minutes of the last EC-meeting held on 01.09.2025.

The minutes of the last LSI-EC meeting held on 01.09.2024 were confirmed.

Item No. II: Confirmation of the minutes of the 69th LSI-AGM (Annual General Meeting) on 04-10-2024.

The minutes of the 69th LSI-AGM (Annual General Meeting) on 04-10-2024 were confirmed.

Item No. III: To consider the Letters of Intent to host ICOLSI-47.

The President LSI requested the Secretary LSI to brief the house about the *Letters of Intent* received to host the ICOLSI-47 on or before the deadline i.e. 31.12.2024. The following Universities submitted their *Letter of Intent* to host the ICOLSI-47:

- (i) School of Languages & Linguistics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata (WB) by Prof. Indranil Dutta, HoD, Linguistics.
- (ii) Centre of Applied Linguistics and Translation Studies (CALTS), HCU, Hyderabad, (Telangana) by Dr. Y Viswanatha Naidu, Asstt. Professor at CALTS.
- (iii) Osmania University, Hyderabad (Telangana) by Dr. C.S.Swathi, HoD. Department of Linguistics.

After a thorough discussion on all the proposals, the Executive Committee unanimously decided to authorize the responsibility to host ICOLSI-47 to School of Languages & Linguistics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata (WB) and the Secretary, LSI was designated to communicate the decision of EC to Prof. Indranil Dutta regarding the organization of ICOLSI-47 without any financial liability on part of the LSI.

Item No. IV. To consider the publication of LSI Journal –Indian Linguistics.:

The President, LSI appraised the house about the difficulties in getting financial assistance like publication and maintenance grants from the funding agency i.e. ICSSR. The rising cost of postage of the journal has become difficult to send the the IL through postal mail. It was suggested that there is an urgent need of making the journal available online for wider reach and easy accessibility.

The matter was discussed at length amongst the EC members and the house unanimously approved the views of Prof. Gautam Sengupta (Trustee, LSI) and other members with the following remarks:

- (i) Efforts should be made to have *Indian Linguistics* available online in pdf format on the LSI website for free access.
- (ii) The LSI life members will get the pdf version of *Indian Linguistics* on their registered email ID available with LSI.
- (iii) The decision of the EC will not affect the current issue of the *Indian Linguistics* which is under publication process and the same will be sent to life members as usual.

Any other item:

- 1. The President, LSI stressed upon the urgent need of revival and updating of LSI website to make it user friendly for its members and global viewers.
- 2. The Secretary, LSI has been given the responsibility to discuss the issue with the present technical team and take a final decision in this regard. Secretary LSI may also look for other option such as identifying an agency which would be more professional, proficient and economical for the technical job.
- 3. Dr. Kakoli Dey (EC Member) was requested to verify the LSI-Members credentials like email ID, contact no., LSI-membership no. etc. Dr Kakoli has very kindly accepted this responsibility.

In the end, the President LSI, Prof. M. J. Warsi, proposed a vote of thanks to the members for their meaningful participation in the deliberations through virtual mode and declared the meeting closed.



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