MINUTES OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE (NIC) FOR COMMEMORATION OF 150TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF MAHAMANA MADAN MOHAN MALAVIYA HELD ON 9TH MAY, 2012 AT 5.30 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF NEHRU MEMORIAL MUSEUM & LIBRARY, NEW DELHI.

The Third Meeting of the NIC was held on 9th May 2012 at 5.30 P.M. in the Conference Room of the Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Karan Singh, Member of Parliament and Chairman, NIC. Other Members present were Kumari Selja, Hon'ble Minister of Culture and Minister of HUPA, Justice Giridhar Malaviya, Former Justice, Allahabad High Court, Shri P.L. Jaiswal, Founder Patron, Mahamana Malaviya Mission, Prof. Kamal Sheel as the representative of Vice Chancellor, Banaras Hindu University, Ms. Sangita Gairola, Secretary (Culture), Ms. Vibha Puri Das, Secretary (Higher Education), Ministry of HRD and Shri Ravindra Singh, Additional Secretary (Culture), Member Secretary of the NIC. Shri Sanjiv Mittal, Joint Secretary, Shri K S Lather, Director, and Shri K K Singh, Project Consultant, Ministry of Culture were also present.

The Chairman welcomed the NIC Members, the new Secretary, Culture, Smt. Sangita Gairola and the new Member Secretary, Shri Ravindra Singh. The Chairman stated that as Mahamana belonged to Uttar Pradesh the Government of Uttar Pradesh should be requested to nominate a representative as a member of the NIC. Chairman, would write a letter to the Chief Minister of U.P. for this purpose.

Shri P.L. Jaiswal informed the Chairman that despite an earlier decision on the issue of manpower, a Special Cell had not been created by Ministry of Culture for the work pertaining to the commemoration of 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahamana Madan Mohan Malaviya. Shri Jaiswal also inquired about the present status of fund availability for the commemoration. Member Secretary informed that during the FY 2012-13 out of total allocation of Rs. 2.00 crore under the centenaries and anniversaries head of account of the Ministry of Culture, an amount of Rs. one crore has been earmarked for the Malaviya Commemoration. Hon'ble Minister of Culture stated that funds would not be a constraint and the Ministry of Culture would request Ministry of Finance for additional funds for the Malaviya commemoration as per requirement. It was also decided that some support staff may be recruited to suitably augment the existing Cell set up in the Ministry for Commemorations & Anniversary Celebrations.

Thereafter Chairman, requested the Member Secretary to take up the Agenda Items for discussion.

1. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2nd MEETING OF THE NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE (NIC) HELD ON 6.01.2012

The minutes were confirmed.

2. ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS OF THE 2ND NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6.01.2012

The progress and Action Taken Report was noted.

3. Discussion on the Commemoration activities:

A detailed discussion on various activities to be taken up under the Commemoration and the decisions taken are as follows:

3.1 Release of popular books on Malaviya ji in English, Hindi & other important Indian languages.

Ministry of Culture has written to Publications Division of Ministry of Information & Broadcasting for reprinting Malaviyaji's authentic biography. Follow up action may be taken on this. Justice Giridhar Malaviya mentioned that he had written a book on Malaviya ji in Hindi. The same could be published by Ministry of Culture. A copy of this book would be submitted by Shr. P L Jaiswal to the Ministry.

3.2 Madan Mohan Malaviya National Award for Excellence in Higher Education.

Secretary (Higher Education), Ministry of HRD informed that the issue would be discussed during a meeting of the UGC on 22.5.2012.

3.3 National Lecture Series.

Member, Secretary informed that an advertisement for consideration of such proposals under the Cultural Functions Grant Scheme of the Ministry of Culture is being issued in newspapers including regional newspapers. Such information would also be uploaded on the website of the Ministry of Culture.

3.4 An upgraded website for the Malaviya Commemoration (BHU and MMM Mission).

Prof. Kamal Sheel, representative of VC, BHU mentioned that Banaras Hindu University has constituted a committee for designing an upgraded website. A proposal for funding of this website had been sent by Banaras Hindu University to Ministry of Culture. It was informed that the proposal was sketchy and BHU would have to send a detailed proposal with proper justification for the estimated expenditure. Mahamana Malaviya Mission may also send a similar detailed proposal for its website's upgradation to Ministry of Culture. Funding for the purpose would be provided by Ministry of Culture.

3.5 Postage Stamp on the 150th Birth Anniversary.

A commemorative postage stamp on Malaviya ji had been released during the inaugural function in New Delhi on 27.12.2011. As per standard practice, Deptt. of Posts Prints prints a fixed quantity of all commemorative stamps that are released. The stamps are then sold by the post offices all over the country. It was decided that the Deptt. of Posts can be requested to provide a larger quantity of the commemorative postal stamp to post offices located in Varanasi and Allahabad.

3.6 | Newspaper/magazine special issues.

Ministries of Information & Broadcasting and Civil Aviation can be requested to bring out articles and special issues on Malaviya ji in their various magazines. Chairman also mentioned that ICCR would be asked to bring out a special issue of their Hindi magazine Gagananchal on Madan Mohan Malaviya.

3.7 National roving exhibition on the contributions of Mahamana.

Chairman had earlier written to the Railway Minister for organizing a roving exhibition on a train. It was decided that Chairman would write a letter to the Railway Minister to expedite progress on the same as similar special exhibition trains have been run in the past.

3.8 Compilation, preparation of archives and digitization of all publications related to Malaviya ji.

The proposal that had been sent by BHU to Ministry of Culture was incomplete and did not have requisite details. Chairman advised that instead of taking up the compilation and

digitization of publications on all facets of Malaviya ji's life, BHU can undertake the project in thematic phases e.g. beginning with all of Malaviya Ji's speeches as President of the Indian National Congress.

Prof. Kamal Sheel informed that a Committee had been constituted by BHU for this purpose.

Chairman advised that BHU may firm up its detailed proposal and send it to Ministry of Culture.

3.9 Preparation of short documentaries, video films, etc., highlighting Malaviya ji's life.

Ministry of Culture may follow up with Ministry of Information and Broadcasting about the scripts of the two docu-dramas that had been sent to Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. Regarding screening of the 14 minute documentary that had been sent to Doordarshan, Justice Malaviya suggested that an essay writing competition could be organized based on the screening of this documentary, with a prize money of Rs. One Lakh as the First prize.

Shri Jaiswal mentioned that a DVD on the life and work of Malaviya ji, which was based on the Mahamana Malaviya Mission's light and sound show, was available. Chairman mentioned that this DVD can be replicated and distributed to various universities.

- 3.10 Development of Malaviya Bhawan.
- 3.11 Malaviya Chair in Banaras Hindu University.
- 3.12 Establishment of Centre for revival of Ethics & Value.

Prof. Kamal Sheel, representative of VC, BHU mentioned that one composite proposal for Rs. 28.00 crores had been sent to Ministry of HRD. Chairman mentioned that there should be two separate proposals from BHU - one for a Centre for Ethics & Values and the other for an Institute of South East Asian Studies. Chairman stated that integrated action may be taken on these three issues since such institutions would be a lasting legacy for future generations. A representative of BHU would discuss the proposal with Ministry of HRD. It was also decided that Secretary, MHRD may convene a meeting of BHU / UGC and Ministry of Culture to discuss this matter.

3.13 Inclusion of Malaviyaji's vision and thoughts in the curriculum at higher as well as at secondary level.

Secretary (Higher Education), Ministry of HRD informed that further action on this subject has to be taken by UGC and NCERT. Chairman advised that NCERT may be asked to ensure that an appropriate mention of Malaviya ji's achievements is included in the school syllabus.

3.14 Concerted efforts to promote doctoral and other similar research in Central Universities on Malaviya ji's life and work.

Secretary (Higher Education), Ministry of HRD informed that the universities decide the research topics conducted by them. Hence, it need not be pursued by NIC.

3.15 To conduct a national poster or essay contest.

Representative of BHU informed that they have been working on it and it is proposed to be organized in August / September, 2012.

3.16 Malaviya Memorial Museum-cum-Library "Malaviya Smriti" at Mahamana's birth place at Allahabad.

Member Secretary informed that a report on the ancestral house of Mahamana Madan Mohan Malaviya has been received from the ASI. The report was read out. Justice Giridhar Malaviya informed that the team from ASI had visited the building in his absence and certain portions of the report were incorrect. There is no dispute over the ownership of the building. Justice Malaviya explained about the layout of the building with the help of the map included in the report and suggested that the building could be renovated and preserved on the pattern of Anand Bhawan in Allahabad. Chairman suggested that since regular upkeep and maintenance of the building after its renovation was a must, the same could be entrusted to BHU. It was decided that representatives of Ministry of Culture and BHU should visit Malaviya ji's ancestral house in Justice Malaviya presence for a site inspection, and report back.

3.17 Construction of Malaviya Smriti Mandir in Banaras Hindu University (erstwhile Malaviya Heritage Complex).

It was decided that the proposal was redundant since a proposal was being taken up for the development of a Malaviya

Bhawan as part of the Commemoration and hence, not to be considered further.

3.18 Construction of World Class Convention Centre cum Guest House in Banaras Hindu University.

The proposal can be taken up by BHU as part of its centenary celebrations in the year 2016. Instead of constructing a new building, the existing 'Swatantrata Bhavan' in BHU could perhaps be renovated and upgraded. Accordingly BHU may prepare a proposal in this regard.

3.19 Construction of Malaviya Ghat on the bank of Ganga near Banaras Hindu University.

Chairman, NIC mentioned that he had written a letter to the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh for construction of a Ghat on the bank of the river Ganga, close to BHU. Follow up action may be taken on the same.

3.20 Naming of buildings/parks after Malaviya ji and installation of a statue in all State capitals.

Chairman informed that letters to the Chief Ministers of the States and Administrators of Union Territories have been sent but no response has been received so far. Reminders to the Chief Secretaries can be issued by the Member Secretary.

3.21 Establishment of Malaviya Memorial Library at Malaviya Smriti Bhawan (National Memorial of Malaviya ji – one floor) or at a suitable location in New Delhi.

Shri P.L. Jaiswal, informed that the matter had been taken up with the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) and Lt. Governor of Delhi for permission to construct one more floor in the building of Mahamana Malaviya Mission for creation of the library. In case permission is not given for such construction, the plot of land adjoining the building could be acquired for construction of the library. It was clarified that Ministry of Culture would be able to sanction only a one time non-recurring grant since it would not be possible to provide any funding after the commemoration period. Shri Jaiswal requested that Ministry of Culture could write to L & DO for the requisite permission.

3.22 Special Celebrations in the countries where Malaviya ji travelled.

3.23 Special celebrations in countries where persons of Indian origin are in large numbers.

Chairman, NIC mentioned that he would write to the Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs for requesting Indian Associations abroad to organize celebrations in countries where large populations of people of Indian origin are present, such as UK, Fiji, Guyana, Surinam and Mauritius. BHU alumni associations abroad can be assisted in organizing commemorative activities that could be attended by dignitaries from India.

3.24 Rs.150/- and Rs.5/- Coins with inscription of Malaviya ji.

It was noted that the commemorative coins are ready and would be released during the closing ceremony of the commemoration on 25.12.2012.

3.25 A Railway train emerging from Varanasi/ Allahabad in his name.

3.26 Renaming of Railway Stations at Varanasi & Allahabad.

Chairman had written to the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh and to the Railway Minister in this regard. Follow up action may be taken on the same.

3.27 Establishment of educational institution, auditorium, library in his name at select places in the country connected with Malaviya ji.

Ministry of HRD would inform about the progress in this regard in the next meeting.

3.28 Statue of Madan Mohan Malaviya at Haridwar.

Chairman had written to the Chief Minister of Uttarakhand in this regard. Follow up action may be taken.

3.29 Closing Ceremony on 25.12.2012.

It was decided that the closing ceremony may be jointly organized by Ministry of Culture, BHU and Malaviya Mission at BHU, Varanasi on 25 December 2012. BHU would start planning for this Ceremony to suitably organize the programme in a befitting manner.

3.30 Malaviya as a Parliamentarian.

The Lok Sabha Secretariat can be requested to bring out a special issue based on journals already available in the

	Parliament library. Chairman would write to the Speaker of the
	Lok Sabha for this purpose.
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3.31	Seminar in Allahabad High Court.
	Chairman informed that he had written to the Law Minister on
	this issue. Justice Giridhar Malaviya suggested that the
	Mahamana Society will send a proposal to organize it, which
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	can be forwarded to the Chief Justice of Allahabad High Court.
3.32	Inter University Conference on Malaviya's works.
	It was decided that a seminar may be organized jointly at
	Aligarh by Banaras Hindu University and Aligarh Muslim
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	University.
3.33	Awareness about the commemoration.
	Ministry of Culture would take up the issue of adequate
	publicity for the commemoration with the Ministry of Information
	& Broadcasting.
3.34	Proposals received in the Ministry directly.
	It was clarified that funding of proposals approved by the NIC
	during the commemoration period would continue in the FY
	2013-14. It was decided that Member Secretary would keep
	Chairman apprised about the progress on various proposals on
	a regular basis.

4. Any other matter

The following decisions were taken:

- **4.1** A representative from Ministry of I & B would also be made a Member/Special Invitee of NIC, as numerous issues were to be addressed by that Ministry.
- **4.2** All the proposals pertaining to action in the Ministry of HRD would be discussed by Secretary (HE), MHRD in a meeting with VC, BHU and representatives of UGC and Ministry of Culture.
- 5. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
