

All India Federation of Retired University and College Teachers Organisations (AIFRUCTO)

Proceedings of National Executive Committee Meeting at Hyderabad

Venue ---- Indian Institute of Management & Commerce, Hyderabad

Date ---- December 22, 2024, 10 am to 5 pm

The National Executive Committee meeting started at 10 am with the welcome address of Prof. S Rajeswar Rao, Zonal Secretary of AIFRUCTO. In his welcome speech, he warmly welcomed the patrons, office bearers, and all members of the NEC and apprised the members of the glorious history of Hyderabad. He also paid tribute to Prof. Sridhar Reddy, a distinguished teacher leader from Telangana, Vice President of AIFRUCTO and former National Secretary. Who passed away on July 15, 2024.

After prayer, office bearers present on the dias lit the lamp and paid floral tribute to the late Prof. Sridhar Reddy by garlanding his photograph. Thereafter, office bearers of the Telangana Retired College Teachers Association felicitated the national leaders Prof. Sudhakar S Mankar, the President, Dr J N Shukla, General Secretary, Prof. S Bhattacharjya, Treasurer, Prof. B Parthasarathy, Patron and Prof. Ghanshyam Singh, Patron by presenting the shawl and bouquet.

The business session started with the presidential address of Prof. Sudhakar S Mankar who welcomed the august gathering and entrusted the job of conducting the proceedings to the General Secretary. GS expressed deep condolences on the demise of Prof. Sridhar Reddy and spoke about his contributions to the teacher's movement, which has spanned over four decades, as well as his contribution to AIFRUCTO. As a token of respect, GS declared that the present NEC meeting is dedicated to the departed leader. Two minutes of silence was observed by the house.

The General Secretary presented his report before the house. Since he circulated the report beforehand, he did not read the report completely. He only highlighted the important points. The General Secretary also conveyed other decisions taken in the National Secretariat meeting held one day before the NEC to the house for approval.

A document to create a medical fund was approved by the secretariat and presented in the house by the treasurer for further discussion. The final document will be presented at the next Academic Conference in Haridwar. The secretariat also decided that all executive committee members should donate a minimum of Rs. 5000/ to the Fund. Prof. Mankar, the President promised to donate Rs.100,000/ to the fund on behalf of his association. Prof. R Halesh, the Editor of News Magazine already promised to pay Rs. 100,000/ to the fund. In addition to this Prof. S K Mathpati, our Zonal Secretary promised to pay Rs. 25000/, some other secretariat members also promised to pay Rs 10,000/ to the fund. It was also decided that rupees of five lakhs from the AIFRUCTO account be transferred to the medical fund. Donations are invited from all members of the Federation throughout the country to make this program a success.

The Secretariat also decided to honour the Life Time Achievement Award to Prof. B. Vijay Kumar, the Patron, and Prof. Asok Barman, the Patron. Award for lifetime contribution to Prof. S S Chauhan and Prof. A. Pullaiah National Secretaries in the forthcoming Haridwar Conference.

Prof. Sadanand Bhattacharjya, the Treasurer presented his report audited up to March 2024. He also presented the draft proposal for the operation of the Medical Fund for discussion and as a convener and he invited suggestions from members to prepare a foolproof document. The modalities of the fund would be worked out and finalised at the Haridwar Conference.

Prof. A. Pullaiah, General Secretary TRCTA and National Secretary who is also an organiser of the NEC addressed the meeting. He mentioned his efforts in solving the problems of retired teachers in Telangana. He deeply condoled the passing away of Prof. Sridhar Reddy as he was his very intimate friend. While discussing the state problems he demanded the removal of para 6.3.6 of the Telangana Govt. G O dated 20-02 2010 to promote retired teachers.

Prof. Parthasarathy, the Patron while addressing the NEC paid tribute to Late Prof. Sridhar Reddy and reminded his services to the teachers' fraternity. He supported the need for old pension scheme for all and pension to the aided college teachers of Punjab, Meghalaya and in Northeastern states.

While concluding the session **President Prof. Sudhakar S Mankar** spoke about the litigation pending in the courts of Maharashtra regarding Commutation, Gratuity and promotion in professor scale. Regarding NEP2020 he expressed his concern about the increase in teachers' workload and the possibility of teachers' retrenchment.

At the end of the first session, TRCTA felicitated and honoured some eminent teachers and distinguished leaders of the state.

Business Session II

The General Secretary started the session by requesting the speakers to cover the G S report, the Medical Care Fund, and the contribution of the late Prof. Sridhar Reddy in their speech. In addition to this, speakers should also express their views regarding state reports, state conferences, Zonal meetings and their participation in AIFRUCTO programs.

Prof. Mahadev Desai, Vice President of AIFRUCTO, presented the report on Gujarat. 7th CPC is implemented in the state along with the central government DR and gratuity. Pensioners Samaj is also pursuing every pension case regularly and trying to solve them.

Prof. Ramchandrappa, General Secretary FUCRTAK and National Secretary presented the activities and issues of retired teachers of Karnataka like contributions, leave encashment, D A orders along with details of 7th Pay Commission recommendations of the state. He also mentioned that the Karnataka Govt. has issued orders to stop the recovery of arrears of different categories of employees and orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka regarding the recovery of commutation in accordance with law.

Prof. S A Bojgar, National Secretary AIFRUCTO and General Secretary Kolhapur unit presented the report Maharashtra and spoke about various issues pending in the courts.

Prof. R Halesh, Executive Editor of the News Magazine asked the state units to send their reports regularly and cooperate in the publication of the magazine.

Prof. Parvati Gopalan, Vice President of AIFRUCTO presented the report of TANRECTA and extended thanks to the NEC members.

Prof. S S Chauhan, National Secretary of AIFRUCTO and President, of the University College Retired Teachers Welfare Association UP spoke about the need for medical facilities for pensioners. He

informed the house about the success of the association in the Hon'ble High Court in the issues of commutation and payment of gratuity to the retired aided college teachers of UP.

Prof. Pratip Mukherjee, National Secretary, AIFRUCTO presented the report of West Bengal. He mentioned the pathetic scenario of higher education in general and retired teachers in particular. DA in the state is only 14% and authorities are not giving appointments to the unions, most of the universities are without Vice Chancellors.

Prof S Krishna, General Secretary, GCRTA, Andhra Pradesh informed the house that pensioners who retired prior to the 6th pay commission were denied promotion and demanded professorship to them. AQP is also denied to the UGC pensioners which was given to them prior to the 7th pay revision. Recovery of the commutation has been stopped for the pensioners who have completed 135 months by the court till the final judgement.

Dr Mohmed Kunju P, General Secretary, AKGCRT (Association of Kerala Govt. College Retired Teachers) presented the state report and informed the house that this association was started 9 years ago. They have had a joint action committee with aided college teachers in the state since 2022. Kerala State Govt. Sanctioned Rs. 1000/ as a special care allowance only to the state service pensioners who crossed 80 years of age and not to UGC pensioners.

Prof. Solaimalaichami, Zonal Secretary, AIFRUCTO and President of the Puducherry Retired Government Teachers' Association presented an exhaustive report of the activities of his association in various fields and submitted some important suggestions for consideration. These suggestions will be discussed possibly in future secretariat meetings. He also apprised the house about the problem of the notional increment and promotion in the professor scale.

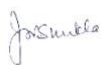
Prof. Asok Solunke, President of RUCTAS Solapur, Maharashtra informed the house that his association was established in 2019 and declared to donate Rs 25000/ for the Medical Fund.

The General Secretary concluded the day's proceedings. NEC unanimously approved the report of the General Secretary and the Treasurer. Prof. Sampath, Joint Secretary TRCTA proposed the vote of thanks. The meeting ended with the National Anthem.

Long Live AIFRUCTO!

Long Live Teachers Unity!

Fraternally Yours,



Prof. J N Shukla

Date – December31, 2024

General Secretary