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93RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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PANJAB UNIVERSITY

Chandigarh-160014, India



Group photograph taken after the successful completion of the Executive Committee Meeting of the IEA, under the chairmanship of Professor Sukhdeo Thorat, President, IEA on September 11th, 2010 at A.N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna

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Dear Colleagues

I am sure that this News letter will find you in gaiety and elation of spirit. With great cheers and immense confidence in you, I feel honoured to extend my invitation to you for attending the 93rd Annual Conference of the Indian Economic Association (IEA) which is going to be held on **27-29 December, 2010 at Panjab University, Chandigarh - 160014, India.** The change in the venue was necessitated on the farsighted initiative taken by the IEA president on the basis of reports from some prominent personalities that in the

wake of political turmoil due to Telengana movement may occur in the state. Inconvenience is regretted.

I take this opportunity to express my love and gratitude to all the members of the IEA for electing me once again as the Secretary and Treasurer of the Indian Economic Association at its 92nd Annual Conference held at Bhubaneshwar for a period of three years. I feel greatly humbled and overwhelmed. I accept the great responsibility to serve the IEA and its members. I look forward to your support and co-operation in carrying out the academic and research activities of the IEA in the coming years with greater dedication, zeal and enthusiasm. We have to move together to serve and fulfill the cherished ideals of the association, to disseminate knowledge through regional and national seminars, research and publications and raise its stature to international standards. The IEA will accelerate its endeavours to create more academic and research opportunities for the benefit of college teachers working in rural areas of the country.

To-day before the IEA and all of us remains the great unfinished task of setting up of the office of the Association at New Delhi. I remain duty bound to take forward this project and get our dreams come true in near future. Our efforts are going on in the right direction and it is hoped that very soon we will get success in this regard. I seek the support of all the members for the realisation of this great noble objective. A Constitution Amendment Committee has been constituted to decide over the election of a three year Association President and Several other clauses.

EC decided for the election of a three years Association President, one year Conference President to deliver the Presidential Address and to set up four Regional Offices under the charge of 4 joint secretaries at Kolkata for Eastern Region (Bihar, W.B., Orissa, North East States and Jharkhand), Anand for Western Region (Maharashtra, Gujarat, M.P. and Chhattisgarh), Chennai for Southern Region (T.N., A.P., Kerala and Karnataka) and Delhi for Northern Regions (U.P., Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, H.P., Uttarakhand and J&K.). It will help in better coordination and stream lining of IEA activities.

I request the members to debate on this issue and tender valuable suggestions.

Friends, we have miles to go and I strongly believe in the Upanishadic message

"Uttishthitah, jagratah, Prapya varanibodhayat"

[Arise and move till the goal is achieved. With this spirit in heart and conviction I will tread on the path carved out by the IEA].

Once again, I offer you good wishes and look forward to your sustained co-operation
With warm regards,

sincerely yours
(Anil Kumar Thakur)

93RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

VENUE : DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
PANJAB UNIVERSITY, CHANDIGARH-160014, INDIA

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DATES : 27-29 DECEMBER, 2010

For Details of the Conference arrangements (venue, registration, reception, accomodation, boarding, excursion, etc.) members are advised to contact the Local Organising Secretary on the address as noted above.

THEMES FOR THE 93RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE IEA

Theme I:	Climate Change, Environment and Economic Development
Theme II:	Role of Non-Farm Sector in Rural Development
Theme III:	Regionalism and Multilateralism in International Trade
Theme IV:	Economics of Amartya Sen

MEMORIAL LECTURES

Distinguished experts in the field of Economics will be invited to deliver the memorial lectures. The IEA has decided that four memorial lectures will be delivered at the time of 93rd Annual Conference. One in the memory of Professor Vera Ansety, Second in the memory of Professor P.R. Brahmananda, third in the memory of Professor Ruddar Datt and the fourth in the memory of Professor Raja J. Chellaiah.

SPECIAL LECTURES

Two special lecturers will also be delivered by eminent experts. The first, special lecture will be delivered by Shenggen Fan, Director General, International Food Policy Research Institute, 2033 K. Street, NW, Washington DC-20007-1002 USA and the second by Professor William Darity, Duke University, USA

PRE-CONFERENCE

This year, President decided to organise a Pre-conference on the theme of **“Development Problems of Regions affected by Discontent and Extremism,”** on December 5th-7th, 2010 at Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, Teen Murti, New Delhi.

GLOBAL CONFERENCE

An International Global Conference on **“Leveraging Agriculture for Improving Nutrition and Health,”** to be jointly organised by International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington DC, USA, various stakeholders, and Indian Economic Association from February 10th-13th, 2011 at New Delhi. Hon’ble Prime Minister consented to inaugurate the conference on February 10th, 2011.

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AND FORTHCOMING PROGRAMMES DURING THE YEAR 2010-11

National level seminars had been organised in collaboration with the IEA and Regional Economic Associations and Institutions to develop the intellectual frontiers of the members located at far-flung rural and semi-urban-places. During year 2010-11. It is proposed to organise **“DALIT EMPOWERMENT IN INDIA, POST REFORMS ERA,”** at Patna in joint collaboration of The Indian Economic Association with Economic Association of Bihar, on January 22nd-23rd, 2011.

IEA decided to organise a National Seminar on **“FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT QUALITY & ACCREDITATIONAL ISSUES OF EDUCATION IN INDIA,”** on November 20th-21st, 2010 at B.Y.K. College of Commerce, Nasik, Maharashtra.

IEA also decided to organise a two day national seminar on **“TRIBAL HIGHER EDUCATION AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT”** from November 16th, 2010 at S.K.M. University, Dumka, Jharkhand.

IEA and Awadh University, Faizabad (U.P.) jointly will organise a National Seminar on the theme **“ECONOMIC REFORM POLICY AND INDIAN AGRICULTURE”** on November 24th to 25th, 2010 at University Campus, Faizabad (U.P.)

PROFESSOR T.S. PAPOLA MERIT AWARD FOR THE BEST CONFERENCE RESEARCH PAPER BY YOUNG ECONOMIST

Prof. T.S. Papola Merit Award for the Best Conference Research Paper by Young Economist

A Merit Award has been instituted in the name of the outstanding economist Prof. T.S. Papola to encourage the participation of male economist below the age of 40 years as on the 31st March every year in the Annual Conferences of the Indian Economic Association. This award will ordinarily be given every year at the time of the Annual Conference of the IEA on the following terms and conditions effective from April 2010:

1. A cash award of the value of 5,000/- along with a certificate of appreciation will be given to the outstanding male paper writer who has contributed a full paper published in the conference volume and which has been adjudged to be the best paper of the concerned IEA conference by a collegiums constituted by the President of the Association comprising of at least three experts who had acted as the chairpersons of Technical Sessions besides the President and Secretary & Treasurer of the IEA.
2. Preference will be given to young male author coming from small town/ village of an under-developed state.
3. Only the first author of a joint paper shall be eligible for the award. However, the certificate of appreciation shall be given to all the authors.
4. The Secretary will ensure that the awardee is informed well in advance to enable him to present the paper in the conference of the IEA.
5. The selected awardee shall have to produce SS Exam certificate as proof of date of birth.

AGENDA FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

**To be Held On 11th September, 2010
At IEA Office, Secretariat Colony, Road No. 3
House No. B-6, Kankarbagh, Patna-800 020**

1. To Confirm the minutes of the Last Executive Committee Meeting held at KIIT University Bhubaneswar (Orissa) on 28th December, 2009.
2. To Consider and approve the audited statement of Accounts for the year, 2009-10.
3. To approve budget for the 93rd Annual Conference at **Acharya Nagarjuna University, Nagarjuna Nagar, Guntur (A.P.)**
4. To Approve and finalize arrangement and programme for the 93rd Annual Conference.
 - (i) Publication of Conference Volume and updating of profile and related matters.
 - (ii) Conference Programme.
 - (iii) Felicitation of the past President.
5. Renewal and approval of appointment of the auditor B. C. Chowdhary and Co., Laxmi Nagar and Printer S. P. Printech, Laxmi Nagar, New Delhi.
6. To consider the proposal to enhance Patron & Donor Membership Fee.
7. To consider the activities of the committee to fix a meeting with the Prime Minister regarding Land and office at New Delhi.
8. To consider the report of the sub-committee for resolving the pending issue of membership during the tenure of the previous Secretary.
9. To consider the report of the Constitution Amendment Sub-Committee.
10. To consider the activities of the IEA Trust for R & D, New Delhi and IEA Trust Chennai.
11. To establish regional institutes and resource centres of research for promoting academic research activities in the rural areas of our country.
12. To consider the conference volume as a special number of Indian Economic Journal every year.
13. To arrange one or two workshops/Research Methodology Course for Research and paper writing for the young teachers and scholars.
14. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

(Anil Kumar Thakur)
Secretary and Treasurer,
Indian Economic Association

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at A.N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies,
Patna on 11.9.2010

1. The minutes of the last Executive Committee meeting held at KITT university Bhubneswar on 28 December, 2009 was confirmed.
2. The audited statement of accounts for the year 2009-10 was considered and approved.
3. The next annual conference will be held at the Punjab University, Chandigarh with Dr. Gurmail Singh, HOD, Economics as Local Organising Secretary of the 93rd IEA conference.
4. The conference volume was decided to be published as a special issue of the IEJ. The president mentioned briefly the conference programme where there is a high probability of Prime Minister inaugurating the conference. The Local Organising Secretary was requested to see that the IEA members should not face any difficulty due to security reasons as it happened at the Bhubneswar Conference. It was further decided that Prof. M. Madaiah will be felicitated this year.
5. The appointment of the auditor B.C. Choudhary & Co. and Printer S. P. Printech was recommended and approved.
6. The proposal to enhance Donor & Patron membership fees was accepted.
7. Efforts to procure land in favour of IEA at Delhi on the basis of a meeting with Prime Minister were reported.
8. The report of the sub-committee for resolving the pending issues of membership during the tenure of the previous Secretary was placed and approved. The matter was finally closed.



Professor Sukhdeo Thorat, President, IEA approving the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting on September 11th, 2010 at A.N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna.

9. The report of the Constitution Amendment Committee was placed. It was decided that (a) There will be a three year Association President (b) There will be a one year Conference President to deliver the Presidential address. (c) There will be 4 Joint Secretaries once in three years to assist the secretary (d) There will be 5 peers to be selected as invited members for three years of the E.C. (e) The nomination process of election will be completed by the evening of the 2nd day. A nomination form may be prepared.
10. The reports of the Trust are not available. The Delhi Trust will be requested to fill up their vacancies before the next meeting.
11. Deferred.
12. Decided in item 4.
13. Workshops to arrange research methodology course was approved.
14. President suggested the organization of pre conference seminar in Delhi in the 1st week of December in collaboration with the International Seminar.
15. At the end of the meeting members of the Executive Committee expressed their thanks and gratitude to the president Professor Sukhdeo Thorat for his dedicated services to the IEA to Make IEA an academically leading organization in the world. They also recorded their thanks to the President for his initiative to recognize the IEA conference volume as a special issue of the Indian Economic Journal and for providing a grant of Rs. 15 lakh to the Association. They look forward to the devotion and guidance of an academic personality of his eminence in future.

(Anil Kumar Thakur)
Secretary and Treasurer,
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SPECIAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

During the annual conference at Chandigarh, a special General Body Meeting will be held at 10 AM on December 28, 2010 to approve the recommendations of the EC held on September 11, 2010 at AN Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna. On the basis of the report submitted by the Constituent Amendment Committee, EC recommendations on Constitution Amendment are as under:

1. Three year Association President
2. One year Conference President to deliver the presidential address
3. Posts of 4 Joint Secretaries once in three years to assist the Secretary.
4. Selection of 5 peers as invited members for three years of EC.
5. Nomination process of election to be completed by the evening of the 20 day and preparation of a nomination form.

Members are requested to attend the General Body Meeting and tender their valuable suggestions.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO PAPER-WRITERS

Acceptance letters to all paper-writers will be issued by IEA secretariate, Patna from **5th Oct, 2010**. For any relevant information regarding paper, the secretary IEA may be contacted.



Professor Sukhdeo Thorat, Chairman, UGC, Delhi and President IEA delivering Inaugural Address on the eve of 13th Annual Conference of the Economic Association of Bihar on September 11th, 2010 at A.N. Sinha Institute of Social Studies, Patna.



Professor Sukhdeo Thorat, Chairma, UGC, Delhi and President IEA, delivering his speech on the occasion of Executive Committee Meeting of the IEA on September 11th, 2010 at ANSISS, Patna.



Professor L.S. Singh, President EAB, speaking on Panel Discussion on the theme "Problems and Prospects of Higher Education in Bihar and Jharkhand" on the eve of 13th Annual Conference of the EAB on September 12th, 2010 at ANSISS, Patna and the vice-Chancellors from all different parts of India sitting on the desk.



Dr. Anil K. Thakur, Founder Secretary, EAB proposed Vote of Thanks on the eve of 13th Annual Conference of the EAB on September 13th, 2010 at ANSISS, Patna. Prof. TK Schandilya, Pro V.C. VKS University, ARA, Prof. B.M. Diwakkar, ANSISS, Patna, Prof. Sudama Singh, Conference President EAB, Prof. Tirupati Rao, V.C Usmani University, Hyderabad and Prof. R.P. Sharma, V.C. Jayati University, Chapra, Sitting on the desk.



Dignitaries including Dr. Mohan Patel, Principal and Local Organizing Secretary on the eve of National Seminar on Impact of Globalisation and Recession on September 20th, 2010 at NS Patel Arts College, Anand, Gujarat.



Dr. Anil Kumar Thakur, Secretary and Treasurer of the Indian Economic Association welcoming dignitaries and participants on the eve of National Seminar on Impact of Globalisation and Recession on September 20th, 2010 at NS Patel Arts College, Anand, Gujarat.



Dr. Mohan Patel gave Vote of Thanks on the eve of National Seminar on Impact of Globalisation and Recession on September 20th, 2010 at NS Patel Arts College, Anand, Gujarat.



Dr. Anil Kumar Thakur, Secretary and Treasurer, IEA addresses participants on the eve of Annual Conference of Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar University, Agra Economic Association on August 29th, 2010 at Narain College, Shikohabad (U.P.).