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FROM CHAIRMAN'S DESK

It gives me great pleasure to say a few words presenting the Annual Report of Indian Council of Philosophical Research for the year 2013-14.

The Annual Report gives an account of programmes carried out by the Council during the year concerned in pursuit of its mandated goals and objectives. This year we were able, as in previous years, to organize our regular academic activities in different parts of the country: academic activities such as seminars, conferences, workshops, lectures by eminent philosophers both from within our country and abroad and training programmes for young researchers. We also awarded Fellowships of different categories to deserving scholars. Two particular features of this year's activities that are worth a special mention are (i) a programme organized regionally for college teachers of Philosophy specially designed to initiate them into active and focused conversation with distinguished Philosophers of the country; and (ii) very energetic and diverse academic life of our Academic Centre at Lucknow.

A necessary part of the Annual Report is the audited statement of accounts of the Council for the year. This, therefore, is also included in this report.

Mrinal Miri, Chairman



FOREWORD

It is really a matter of great honour and pride for me to work for Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR) in the capacity of its Member-Secretary. The Member-Secretary happens to be the Chief Executive Officer of the Councils. He is supposed to implement all the decisions and resolutions passed by the competent bodies of the Council under the able guidance and supervision of Hon'ble Chairman and with the help of our staff in the Council. Two words came to my mind when I joined ICPR, viz., 'The mandate' of the Council and 'The locus standi' of the individual associated with ICPR. Meaning thereby- what is the expectation of global philosophical community from the Council? What Council expects from its members, Officers and employees? These are questions which every one of us has to introspect and thereafter we should contribute our best to the Council.

The academic calendar along with other activities and programmes of the Council are well planned within the budget. Seminars, Meet the Authors, Workshops. Reading with a Group for which proposals are invited at least nine months before the proposed date. Activities and Plans are monitored on month to month basis. We encourage the talent of youth through our fellowship programmes. Our work speaks through our publications. ICPR publications are displayed at the site of every seminar sponsored by us. Also we exhibit our publication in World Book Fair and National Book Fair at New Delhi and other places. Co-operation of all concerned is needed. This year our annual budget is Rs.14.33cr. We propose to get it doubled on the basis of our programmes and performances in the next couple of years.

(Dr. M.P. Singh) Member-Secretary, ICPR



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