



Minutes of the 158th Executive Council Meeting of Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan), Mumbai held virtually on 27.08.2026 at 10.30 am

The 158th Executive Council Meeting of Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities (Divyangjan), Mumbai was conducted under the Chairpersonship of Shri Rajeev Sharma, Joint Secretary, DEPWD, MSJE and Chairman, Executive Council. The following other member attended the meeting:

1. Dr Avinash Vachasundar-Member
2. Dr Mahendra Natwarlal Sanghpal-Member
3. Shri Hem Chandra Jha, US (Representative of ASFA)-Member
4. Shri Kumar Raju, Director, ISLRTC, New Delhi -Member
5. Dr Lalit Narayan, Director, NILD, Kolkata- Special Invitee
6. Dr Suman Kumar, Director – Member Secretary

Dr. Suman Kumar, Director, welcomed the Chairperson and the esteemed members of the Executive Council. As this was the first meeting of the Executive Council under the chairpersonship of the newly appointed Chairperson, the Chairperson requested the members to introduce themselves. Following the introductions, the Chairperson apprised the Council of the purpose for convening the meeting at short notice. The meeting was primarily convened to consider proposals relating to the procurement of furniture, fixtures, office equipment, and technical equipment in connection with the proposed inauguration of the CRC Building on 17th September 2026 by the Hon'ble Cabinet Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment. With the permission of the Chairperson, the meeting thereafter commenced, and the agenda items were taken up for discussion and consideration in the order listed below:

Agenda Item No. 158.01: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 157th EC held on 9th July 2026 at AYJNISHD(D), Mumbai.

Decision: The minutes of the 157th Executive Council meeting held on 9.7.2026 was confirmed as no comments were received from the members.

Agenda Item No. 158.02: Action taken report of 157th EC meeting held on 09/07/2026.

Decision: Action Taken Report of the 157th meeting of the Executive Council was duly noted. With reference to Agenda Item No. 157.14, pertaining to the installation of Aluminium Composite Panel (ACP) sheet chajjas over the external windows of the Institute's Main Building at AYJNISHD(D), Mumbai, CPWD, vide email dated 21.08.2026, informed that the balance work predominantly involves ACP/aluminium components. It was further stated that the prevailing market rates of aluminium and ACP sections have increased substantially over the applicable DSR rates (11%), resulting in the premium quoted in the tender. In the second call of the tender, the L1 bidder has quoted an amount of Rs. 40,56,899.36 against the sanctioned Administrative Approval & Expenditure Sanction (AA&ES) of Rs. 42,32,299/-. CPWD further clarified that the sanctioned amount of Rs. 42,32,299/- includes contingencies @ 5% and reimbursement of ESIC & EPF @ 11%, which are payable over and above the tendered value. Accordingly, the margin available between the tendered amount and the sanctioned AA&ES is insufficient to meet the statutory reimbursements towards ESIC and EPF, contingencies, and any deviation in quantities arising

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during execution. In such an eventuality, CPWD has stated that a revised Preliminary Estimate, along with the corresponding revised Administrative Approval & Expenditure Sanction (AA&ES), would be submitted to the Institute for approval, and the additional funds would be required to be released accordingly. Accordingly, CPWD has sought the in-principle approval of the Institute to proceed with acceptance of the L-1 tender and award of the work, with the understanding that a revised Preliminary Estimate shall be submitted in due course, if the final expenditure exceeds the presently sanctioned AA&ES on account of the aforesaid statutory reimbursements and related cost implications.

Agenda Item No. 158.03: Review of Services provided by AYJNISHD(D) and CRCs- Ahmedabad, Nagpur, Chhatarpur & Goa

Decision: The Executive Council perused and took note of the services provided by AYJNISHD(D), Mumbai, and its Composite Regional Centres.

Agenda Item No. 158.04: Approval for Procurement of Furniture & Fixture under Capital Head at CRC, Chhatarpur permanent Building.

Decision: The Executive Council considered the matter and approved the procurement of furniture and fixtures, excluding furniture and fixtures for classrooms, under the Capital Head, for an amount not exceeding Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakh only). It was further decided that the visitor chairs provided in the rooms of faculty and clinical staff shall be of non-revolving type. If any additional requirement arises, approval of the Executive Council may be sought through a Supplementary Agenda in the next meeting of the Executive Council.

Agenda Item No. 158.05: Procurement of Rehabilitation, Therapeutic and Educational Equipment at CRC, Chhatarpur

Decision: The Executive Committee approved the proposal for procurement of technical equipment and other items required for clinical services, as per the following unit-wise details:

1. Special Education Unit: Rs. 44,350/-
2. Physiotherapy Unit: Rs. 13,58,602/-
3. Developmental Therapy Unit: Rs. 97,000/-
4. Speech & Hearing Unit: Rs. 16,64,005/-

The procurement shall be undertaken through the GeM or in accordance with the applicable provisions of the General Financial Rules.

Agenda Item No. 158.06: Approval for Procurement of Computer Systems, Laptops and Printers under Capital Head at CRC, Chhatarpur

Decision: Executive Council approved procurement of one desktop computer system with webcam, one laptop and three printers cum scanner. EC further directed to ensure that computer price should be 60 thousand and laptop should be within 70 thousand.

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Agenda Item No. 158.07: Proposal for Inauguration of Newly Constructed Permanent Building of Composite Regional Centre, Chhatarpur

Decision: The Executive Council approved the proposed expenditure @ Rs. 7,00,000/- (Rupees seven lakhs only) related to organizing the inauguration programme of the newly constructed permanent building of Composite Regional Centre, Chhatarpur.

Agenda Item No. 158.08 Proposal for Establishment of a two-room Sound-Treated Audiometry Setup in the Speech and Hearing unit of CRC, Chhatarpur

Decision: The Executive Committee approved the proposal for establishment of a Two-Room Sound-Treated Audiometry Setup at an estimated cost of ₹14,00,000/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakh only) through GeM.

Agenda Item No. 158.09 Proposal for Providing Services for Disaster Management along with Fire Safety Audit at AYJNISHD(D), Mumbai

Decision: Considering the statutory requirements and the importance of the work from the perspective of fire safety and emergency preparedness, the Executive Council accorded approval for execution of the work during the Financial Year 2026–27 at an estimated cost of ₹5,84,980/- (Rupees Five Lakh Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty only) through CPWD.

Agenda Item No. 158.10: Signing of Memoranda of Understanding with The Stephen High School for the Deaf and Aphasic, Mumbai and Paraspeak

Decision: The Executive Council perused and considered the proposed collaborations and accorded approval for signing the respective Memoranda of Understanding without any financial implication to AYJNISHD(D), Mumbai.

Agenda Item No. 158.11: Proposal for Approval of Extension of Existing Memoranda of Understanding with Partner Organizations of CRC, Ahmedabad

Decision: The Executive Council perused and accorded approval for extension of Memoranda of Understanding without any financial implication to CRC, Ahmedabad.

Supplementary Agenda Item No.- 158.01: Approval of the Revised Preliminary Estimate amounting to ₹4,638.83 lakh for Construction of the CRC Building at Nagpur

Decision: After detailed deliberation, the Executive Council accorded in-principal approval to the Revised Preliminary Estimate of ₹4,638.83 lakh for construction of the CRC Building at Nagpur. The Chairperson further directed that the Detailed Project Report be presented by CPWD before the Secretary, DEPwD, MSJE, GoI, in the presence of the Chairperson, Executive Council; Director, AYJNISHD(D), Mumbai; and the Director, CRC, Nagpur.

Meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

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