**LINGUISTIC SOCIETY OF INDIA**
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**LSI/Sec./2024-26/25** **Dated: 10-11-2026**

## Minutes of the 9th EC Meeting

The **9th EC Meeting** (Executive Committee) of the LSI was held on **26-10-2026** at **03:00 PM** through **Virtual mode**.

**The following members were present:**

(1) Prof. M. J. Warsi (President, LSI), (2) Prof. Abhinav Kumar Mishra (Secretary, LSI), (3) Prof. Sunandan Kumar Sen (Joint Secretary, LSI), (4) Dr Chaithra Puttaswamy, (5) Dr. C S Swathi, (6) Dr Niranjan Uppoor, (7) Dr. Suman Preet Virk (8) Dr. Bipasha Padgiri and (9) Dr. Sakkan Thennarasu.

Before taking up the agenda items, Prof. Abhinav K. Mishra, Secretary, LSI, welcomed the members and requested the President-LSI, Prof. M. J. Warsi, to call the meeting in order. Initiating the meeting, the President-LSI welcomed the EC members, and thereafter, the following agenda items were taken up for consideration:

**Item No. 1: To finalize the names of LSI-Honorary Fellows for the year 2026-27.**

Taking up the agenda, as per the authorization given to the President-LSI in the 8th EC Meeting to finalize the names of LSI Honorary Fellows. President LSI finalized the following names of the eminent linguists on the basis of the recommendations received. They will be honoured as LSI Honorary Fellow for the year-2026-27 during ICOLSI-48 at Bharathiar University, Coimbatore on 18th November 2026:

1. Prof. U. N. Singh
2. Prof. G. K. Panikkar
3. Prof. B.N. Patnaik
4. Prof. Uma Maheshwar Rao
5. Prof. K.V. Subbarao

The EC unanimously approved the names of LSI honorary Fellows as proposed by the President-LSI.

**Item No. 2: To finalize the publication of Indian Linguistics (IL): Vol-87 (1-2) & Vol-87 (3-4)**

Since the Editor-Indian Linguistics could not join the EC Meeting, the President informed the house that hopefully **Indian Linguistics** (IL): Vol-87 (1-2) & Vol-87 (3-4) will be released during the ICOLSI-48. However, exact status will be shared by the editor, IL.

**Item No. 3: To appraise the house about the inclusion of Linguistics as an allied subject in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and elsewhere.**

President-LSI appraised the house about the efforts being taken by the LSI to include Linguistics as an allied subject in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and elsewhere. It is a matter of great satisfaction that:

1. UP Government included Linguistics as an allied subject along with English and Hindi.
2. Bihar Government included Linguistics as an allied subject along with English.
3. Linguistics will be offered in the affiliated colleges of BHU at UG-Level from the year 2027-28.
4. UGC included Linguistics in the list of 28 subjects in the Learning Outcomes-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) for undergraduate and postgraduate courses.
5. Linguistics as an independent subject at undergraduate level started at Veeranaari Chakali Ilamma Women's University, Hyderabad.

**Item No. 4: To discuss the preparation and other arrangements of ICOLSI-48.**

President-LSI briefed the house about the preparation of ICOLSI-48 as per the information received from Dr Sundarabalu, Convener ICOLSI-48 scheduled to be held at the Department of Linguistics, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

The EC expressed its satisfaction on the preparation of ICOLSI-48.

**Item No. 5: To discuss and finalize the procedure to conduct the LSI-election for the tenure 2027-29.**

The President invited Prof. Abhinav Kr. Mishra, Secretary-LSI to appraise the House (as he is looking after the election process) about the progress made so far to conduct the LSI election for the term 2027-29. The Secretary informed the house that the Election of the LSI for the Term 2027-29 will be conducted in digital mode for which the preparation has already been completed. Test emails to all the members have been sent and a list of bounced back emails has been uploaded on the LSI website for reply. Specialized software will be used by the technical team for voting through Email-IDs of the members and once a person cast their vote, it will be locked.

The House expressed its satisfaction on the preparation to conduct the LSI election in a very transparent manner.

**Item No. 6: To appoint the Election Officer to conduct the LSI-Election.**

The House authorized the President-LSI to appoint the Election Officer for conducting the LSI-Election 2027-29. The election officer will be appointed after the conclusion of ICOLSI-48.

**Item No. 7: To discuss and finalize the agenda for the next AGBM to be held during ICOLSI-48.**

The EC nominated the Secretary and the President-LSI to finalize the agenda for the next AGBM to be held during ICOLSI-48 (18-20 November 2026) at Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

**Item No. 8: To approve the visit of the LSI President and the Secretary to LSI headquarter, Pune to finalize everything before hand over the charge to the new team.**

The House approved the proposed visit of the LSI President and the Secretary to LSI headquarters, Pune to complete all formalities before hand over the charge to the new team.

**Item No. 9: Any other item with the permission of the Chair.**

The President informed the House that UPSC has assured to form a committee of experts to see the possibility to include Linguistics as part of its curriculum. LSI trying to reach as many states as possible and making sincere efforts to get **Linguistics** included in their state universities UG & PG courses.

At the end, the President of the LSI, proposed a vote of thanks to the members for their meaningful participation in the deliberations through virtual mode and declared the meeting closed.



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