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Konkani Language and Cultural Foundation is thankful to Shri Ronald Colaco and Family for their contribution towards the infrastructure and facilities at World Institute of Konkani Language.

Shri Colaco is one among the Trustees of the Foundation and a generous philanthropist.



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After completion of construction of World Konkani Centre, now the Konkani Language and Cultural Foundation has embarked on various projects envisaged in my VISION Document. And at the outset Research and Studies under Vishwa Konkani Bhasha Samsthan (World Institute of Konkani Language (research and studies)) has commenced.

We have pleasure to inform that an Advisory Board has been formed with eminent Konkani Scholar and academician Dr. Tanaji Halarnkar as Director and Eminent Konkani Scholars Dr. Rocky V. Miranda, Mysore, Dr. Suneetha Bai, Kochi and Dr. Prakash Vazrikar, Goa as Members.

I would like to thank eminent philanthropist Shri Ronald Colaco for his generous contribution for setting up the infrastructural facilities for this institute. The Institute is rightly named after his beloved parents.

I also thank Shri Eknath K. Thakur, Chairman, Saraswath Bank and the Board of Directors of the bank for contributing a initial corpus fund of Rs. 20 Lakhs for research and studies. Annually two Saraswath Bank Fellowships will be awarded to the deserving scholars from the proceeds of this fund.

The Advisory Board has thoughtfully conceived the various aspects of the Programme which is given in this booklet.

I have every hope that Konkani People in academic and research fields will come forward to utilise the research facilities offered under the programme and enrich the Konkani academic world.

Dev Bare Koro

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Basti Vaman Shenoy
President

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Konkani Language and Cultural Foundation (Konkani Bhas ani Samskriti Prathistan) has established World Institute of Konkani Language at World Konkani Centre to Promote Research and Studies among Konkani Academicians and Scholars in a big way.

An advisory Board has also been formed under Dr. Tanaji Halarnkar an able scholar and with learned Konkanis as Members to formulate programmes and necessary rules and regulations. The Research and Study Center will, I hope, open wide scope to learned Konkani people to come forward and commence research work on many a Konkani matters which are very relevant and most necessary in the present circumstances.

Dr. P. Dayanand Pai

Chairman,

Konkani Language and Cultural Foundation

Vishwa Konkani Bhasha Samsthan

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Introduction

The Vishwa Konkani Bhasha Samsthan, established by Konkani Language and Cultural Foundation in the year 2010, strives to promote research in the areas of Konkani Language, Culture, Social Studies, Literature, History etc.

It also organizes seminars, conferences, workshops, discussions and coordinate with other academic institutions, both national and international, facilitating a scholarly environment at World Konkani Centre.

In it's first phase the Institute will focus on research and documentation activities apart from hosting national and international seminars and workshops and will evolve in to a full fledged academic center in the second phase, introducing academic and linguistic programs.

It aims and strives to become a centre of excellence for Konkani Language and Studies in its fully evolved form.

Objectives

Following are the objectives of the Institute:

- To undertake studies and research pertaining to Konkani Language, Culture, Social Studies, Literature, History etc. with special reference to the socially and economically backward Communities.
- To conduct seminars, workshops and conferences concerning Linguistics, Literature, History, Social Studies and Culture pertaining to Konkani Language and people.
- To foster inter-regional interaction among Konkani scholars including students.
- To promote inter-disciplinary research, and disseminate information

relating to the above activities.

- To foster inter-language studies to promote national integration.
- To establish a network of all Konkani Institutes to leverage resources.

Activities

The Major activity focus will be on Research in Linguistics, Social Studies and Culture. Fellowships, Research Groups and Discussion Forums will be nurtured and developed in a sustainable manner.

Initially the Institute will focus on research and documentation and as it evolves the Language Programs will be introduced to facilitate higher learning in Konkani Language.

In the first phase which is of three to five years time frame, the activities of the institute will be as follows.

1. Research and Fellowships
2. Seminars and Conferences
3. Workshops
4. Digitization of Manuscripts
5. Resource Centre

Research and Fellowships

The institute will strive to promote research in the following areas of Konkani Language and Culture.

- History of Konkani Language and Literature
- Konkani Linguistic Studies
- Socio – Linguistic Studies of Konkani Language
- Konkani Language Documentation including speech and text corpora
- Konkani Education (KG to PG)
- Konkani Oral Traditions (Folk literature, rituals etc.)
- Translation and Transliteration Studies
- Konkani Handicrafts and Art
- Studies in Konkani Literature
- Konkani Folk Performances
- Konkani Cuisine
- Konkani Theatre
- Konkani Tribes and Communities

- Konkani Traditional Knowledge
- Influence of other Languages on Konkani
- Influence of one dialect of Konkani on other dialect
- Konkani Journalism
- Occupational Vocabulary of Konkani people
- Technical Terminology in Konkani
- History of Migration of Konkani People and their settlements.
- Konkani traditional dresses and ornaments.
- History of Konkani Speaking People

Fellowship Programme

The Institute intends to provide financial assistance for scholars initiating in the above areas of research and documentation. Broad categories of funding are given below for developing a foolproof funding system enabling quality research in Konkani Sphere.

The following categories of Fellowships may be awarded for undertaking research in Konkani Sphere within India:

- Junior Research Fellowship
- General Fellowship
- Senior Fellowship
- National Fellowship
- Fellowship for Foreign Nationals

a. Junior Research Fellowship: The Fellowship shall carry an amount of Rupees Six Thousand (Rs. 6000) per month with a contingency grant of Rupees twelve thousand (Rs. 12,000) per annum for a period of two years extendable by one year in exceptional case.

Eligibility:

a. M.A. in Konkani and having proved adequate knowledge of the subject of research.

Or

b. M.A. in any subject and proved adequate knowledge of the subject of research. However for linguistic research projects M.A. in some language is essential.

b. General Fellowship: The Fellowship shall carry an amount or Rupees six thousand (Rs. 6,000) per month with a contingency grant of Rupees Eight thousand (Rs. 8,000) per Project. The duration of the Projects will be between 3 Months to 9 Months.

Eligibility:

- a. This Fellowship encourages scholars to complete and submit the projects on which they are working currently and independently.
- b. Graduation in any subject with proved adequate knowledge of Research Subject. However for linguistic studies qualification in Languages is essential.

c. Senior Fellowship:

- a) The Fellowship may be awarded to a senior scholar who has established his reputation by his published research work.
- b) The amount of Fellowship shall be Rupees eight thousand (Rs. 8000) per month with a contingency grant or Rupees thirty six thousand (Rs. 36,000) per annum.
- c) The duration of the Fellowship shall be two years, which may be extended by one year in exceptional cases.

Eligibility:

- a. M.A. Ph.D in Konkani
- b. M.A. Ph.D in any subject. However for linguistic research projects specialisation in some language is essential.

d. National Fellowship:

- a) The Fellowship shall be awarded to an Indian scholar of distinction, who has established his reputation for the researches he has already published, and who wishes to undertake research of a fundamental or innovative character under the Fellowship.
- b) The Fellowship shall be awarded by the WIKL by Invitation upon the recommendation of the Advisory Body for a period

of two years extendable by one year. Extension for the third year may be given in exceptional cases after evaluating the research work done during the first two years. Direct applications from scholars shall not be entertained.

- c) It shall carry a sum of Rupees twenty five thousand (Rs. 25,000) per month with a contingency grant of Rupees fifty thousand (Rs. 50,000) per annum. This amount may vary according to the qualification, experience and contribution of the scholar to the Konkani Research.
- d) The National Fellow may not be required to associate himself with an institution of affiliation, and, at his volition, the Fellowship grants may be released to him directly.

e. Fellowship for Foreign Nationals:

In case the applicant is a foreign national, the terms of the Fellowship shall be laid down for each case by the Advisory Body, but the duration of the Fellowship shall not ordinarily exceed one year, and the work specified in the award shall be undertaken in India.

Procedure for Applying:

Candidates can apply for the Fellowships by submitting their research proposal in the proforma as per the annexure I which can be downloaded from our website www.vishwakonkani.org to the following address:

Asst. Director
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Proposals may be sent any time during the year. However, the proposals will be evaluated by the Advisory Board once in a year in the month of April.

Procedure for Approval:

The applicants will be invited to make presentations before the Expert Committee constituted by the WIKL. Proposals will not be

considered absentia. Final decision will be taken by the Director in consultation with President keeping in view of the recommendation made by the expert committee and the availability of funds for the programme.

All the Fellowship projects except that of National Fellowship will be conducted under a guide nominated by the WIKL.

Monitoring and Evaluation:

Quarterly progress Report of work done must be submitted as per Annexure – II with a summary to the WIKL within 10 days after the every quarter.

In case of National Fellowship the quarterly report shall be sent directly by the Fellow.

WIKL shall organise midterm group review meetings of all the projects which have completed one year of the duration wherein Fellows would be invited to make a presentation of work being done by them before the Advisory Board of WIKL.

Procedure for Release of Fellowship Grants:

The monthly fellowship amounts will be released every quarter after the submission of quarterly progress report by the fellow.

Publication of the Project Work:

Prior approval of the WIKL will be necessary for publishing the results of the study on the project supported by the WIKL. In all such cases, however, the Fellow should acknowledge the support received from the WIKL by duly inscribing on the Title Page of the Publication.

The WIKL may consider the publication of the final reports of research work at the availability of the Funds for such publications.

