

Minutes of the general body meeting of the 19th International Association for Ladakh Studies (IALS) 2019, Choglamsar, Leh, Ladakh.

Membership Fee

Discussion was held regarding the increase of membership fee and it was unanimously decided that membership fee will be increased after the conference INR 400 to INR 800 for students and INR 800 to INR 1600 for non-students for 2 years (South Asian) and INR 1600 for Students and INR 3200 for non-students or equivalent in Dollar/Pound/Euro and any other currencies for Non-South Asian.

Life Membership

Life membership was also discussed and it was decided that membership can be given for 2 years, 6 years and 10 years. Those who wish to get membership for more than 2 years will get a discount of 10 % from the normal membership fee.

Institution Membership

Discussion was also held about the institutional membership and decided that library membership can be given to institutions, however, they will not have voting rights. The facilities they will get are the subscription of Ladakh Studies Journal apart from the general email notifications and updates for the IALS members. If they want to be individual members they have to obtain the individual membership through registration.

IALS Logo

The members were not happy with the current submissions of logos, therefore it was suggested that a notice for new submissions with a deadline (maximum one month) be sent. After receiving the submission the executive and advisory committee can decide and choose one as the official IALS logo.

Co-authors

During this conference it was experienced that some of the papers have several co-authors and the issue was discussed in the meeting. After listening to everyone it was decided that IALS will accept co-authors but certificate will be given to the presenter/the main author in future conferences.

Next Conference

Members suggested approaching interested Centres at Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) in New Delhi for the next conference . At the same time Marcus Nuesser from the South Asian Institute, Heidelberg, Germany offered to hold the conference at Heidelberg, if it doesn't happen in JNU. He requested the executive members to inform them in advance, so that they have enough time to look for funding.

-end-