

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PRESS ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY VIDE G.O.MS.No.3, DATED 28.02.2014 HELD IN THE CHAMBER OF THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY ON 26TH NOVEMBER, 2015.

A meeting of the Press Accreditation Committee constituted by the Government of Puducherry vides G.O.Ms.No.3, dated 28.02.2014 was held in the Chamber of the Director of Information and Publicity on 26th November, 2015. The following members of the Committee were present.

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| 1. N. Udayakumar, Director of Information and Publicity | - Convener-cum-Member |
| 2. K. Venkataraman, Chief Reporter, Dinamalar | - Member |
| 3. Bosco Dominique, Special Correspondent, Time of India | - Member |
| 4. V. Ravindran, Editor, The Hindu (Tamil) | - Member |
| 5. P.A.Benny, Senior Correspondent, UNI | - Member |

2. At the outset, the Director who is Convenor of the Press Accreditation Committee welcomed the members and requested their co-operation in Department's endeavours to serve the media with a good rapport.

3. It was detailed to the committee that the remarks noted in the previous meeting held on 20th May, 2015. Accordingly, the action taken by this Directorate also informed to the committee. Further, it was ascertained by the Committee that 30 applications were received for press accreditation including 13 old applications which were placed before the Committee in the previous meeting held on 20th May, 2015 and kept pending for want of additional particulars viz. Proof of residence and experience certificate issued by the employers, etc.

I. Old applications placed in the previous committee

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1. K. Ramasubbu, Editor-cum-Reporter, Dinamalar, Puducherry
2. P.N.S.Pandian, Reporter, Malai Murasu, Puducherry
3. M. Dinesh Verma, Correspondent, The Hindu (English), Puducherry
4. R. Sivaraman, Correspondent, The Hindu (English), Puducherry
5. Palani Swamny Rajagopal, Correspondent, The South India Times, Puducherry
6. Selvamuthukumarasamy, Correspondent, Dinamani, Karaikal
7. R. Rajasekara Pandian, Reporter, Daily Thanthi, Puducherry
8. M. Jeyakumar, Photographer, Daily Thanthi, Puducherry
9. Abdul Kader Jailany, Reporter, Captain TV, Puducherry
10. V. Thillaiyappan, Reporter, Namathu Murasu, Puducherry
11. K. Perumal, Photographer, Namathu Murasu, Puducherry
12. K. Raja, Chief Reporter, Dinakaran, Puducherry
13. T. Alwyn, Reporter, Tamil Murasu, Puducherry

II. New Applications:

14. K. Charles, Reporter, Win TV, Puducherry
15. K. Palaniraja, Reporter, NamThinamathi, Puducherry
16. R. Murugavel, Photographer, Dinakaran, Puducherry
17. R. Manikandan, Photographer, Anal-Tamil Weekly, Puducherry

B. Benny

18. U.V. Sainath Prabhu, Special Correspondent, Thina Tharani, Chennai
19. E. Chandrasekar, Photographer, Thina Tharani, Chennai
20. R. Murugan, Reporter, Theekathir, Puducherry
21. K. Maharaja Pandian, Reporter Sun TV, Puducherry
22. A. Ramanathan, Photographer, Sathanai Ulagam, Fortnightly, Chennai
23. V. Sathish Kumar, Correspondent, Kalaingar TV, Puducherry
24. D. Sivakumar, Reporter, Maalai Boomi, Puducherry
25. A. Shanmugam, Cameraman, Maalai Boomi, Puducherry
26. S. Abdul Munaf, Reporter, Imayam TV, Karaikal
27. V. Palani, Reporter, Dinamalar, Puducherry
28. D. Purushothaman, Photographer, Dinamalar, Puducherry
29. B. Sujith Kumar, Correspondent, Dinamani, Puducherry
30. K. Ramesh @ Jayaraman, Photographer, Puducherry

4. First, the Committee has decided to consider the 13 old applications which was kept pending for want of additional references/documents/proofs. Out of 13 old applicants, one Thiru K. Ramasubbu, Editor-cum-Reporter of Dinamalar, Puducherry has not submitted his application afresh as suggested by the committee in the previous meeting and hence the committee decided not to consider his application. Similarly, Thiru R. Sivaraman, and Thiru Selvamuthukumarasamy have not submitted proof for their residence and Experience certificates. Accordingly, the committee has not considered the applications of Thiru R. Sivaraman and Thiru Selva Muthukumarasamy. The application of Thiru Rajagopal Palanisamy has not also been considered, since submission of two copies under Rules and Regulations vide G.O.Ms.No.2, dated 15th May 2013 of General Administration (Information and Publicity) Department, Puducherry is irregular.

5. Further, the Committee has not considered the recommendations of (1). Anal-Weekly, Puducherry, (2). Thina Tharani –Tamil Daily, Chennai and (3) Sathanai Ulagam, Fortnightly, Chennai, since they have not submitted even a single issue of their daily/periodicals to the Department under Rules and Regulations vide G.O.Ms.No.2, dated 15th May 2013 of General Administration (Information and Publicity) Department, Puducherry. Hence, the applications of the following 4 applicants have not been considered by the committee.

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1. R. Manikandan, Photographer, Anal-Tamil Weekly, Puducherry
2. U.V. Sainath Prabhu, Special Correspondent, Thina Tharani, Chennai
3. E. Chandrasekar, Photographer, Thina Tharani, Chennai
4. A. Ramanathan, Photographer, Sathanai Ulagam, Fortnightly, Chennai

6. Malai Murasu and Theekathir are not submitting two copies regularly. However, since the release of publications is well known, the request of Thiru P.N.S.Pandian and Thiru R. Murugan may be considered, but the copies should be submitted to the Directorate of Information and Publicity regularly henceforth.




7. Hence, the following 22 Media persons have been recommended for Press Accreditation, having taken into consideration of the fulfillment of various conditions/criteria contemplated in the Press Accreditation Rules.

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1. P.N.S.Pandian, Reporter, Malai Murasu, Puducherry
2. M. Dinesh Verma, Correspondent, The Hindu (English), Puducherry
3. R. Rajasekara Pandian, Reporter, Daily Thanthi, Puducherry
4. M. Jeyakumar, Photographer, Daily Thanthi, Puducherry
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18. S. Abdul Munaf, Reporter, Imayam TV, Karaikal
19. V. Palani, Reporter, Dinamalar, Puducherry
20. B. Sujith Kumar, Correspondent, Dinamani, Puducherry
21. K. Ramesh @ Jayaraman, ^{Dinamani} Photographer, Puducherry
22. D. Purushothaman, Photographer, Dinamalar, Puducherry (Renewal)


8. With these, the meeting of the Press Accreditation Committee came to an end.


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Member


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