**PART 2: THE REQUEST FORMAT**

**FORM ICH-09**

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<th>Request by a Non-Governmental Organization to be Accredited to Provide Advisory Services to the Committee</th>
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<td><strong>4. Date of its founding or approximate duration of its existence:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>5. Objectives of the organization:</strong></td>
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<td>National Folklore Support Centre (NFSC) is a non-governmental, non-profit organisation, registered in Chennai, dedicated to the promotion of Indian folklore research, education, training, networking, and publications. The aim of the Centre is to integrate scholarship with activism, aesthetic appreciation with community development, comparative folklore studies with cultural diversities and identities, dissemination of information with multi-disciplinary dialogues, folklore fieldwork with developmental issues and folklore advocacy with public programming events. Folklore is a tradition based on any expressive behaviour that brings a group together, creates a convention and commits it to cultural memory. NFSC aims to achieve its goals through cooperative and experimental activities at various levels. NFSC is supported by grants from the Ford Foundation and Tata Education Trust.</td>
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6. The organization's activities in the field of safeguarding intangible cultural heritage

### 6.a. Domain(s) in which the organization is active:
- [X] oral traditions and expressions
- [X] performing arts
- [X] social practices, rituals and festive events
- [X] knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe
- [X] traditional craftsmanship
- [ ] other domains - please specify:

### 6.b. Primary safeguarding activities in which the organization is involved:
- [X] identification, documentation, research (including inventory-making)
- [X] preservation, protection
- [X] promotion, enhancement
- [X] transmission, formal or non-formal education
- [X] revitalization
- [ ] other safeguarding measures - please specify:

Digital Archiving
6.c. Description of the organization’s activities:

*Not to exceed 750 words*

National Folklore Support Centre (NFSC) is a premier academic and a public folklore organization in India. The main objectives of the organization are Archiving / Establishment of Digital Community Archives / Documentation / Publication / Research and Library Development.

NFSC has so far conducted eighteen ethnographic research and documentation projects all over India in collaboration with folk artists and tribal artists, along with scholars and resource persons working in a network. All these research projects have been documented and archived in a very systematic manner and are being maintained as resource materials.

All documentation is systematically archived in NFSC in an easily retrievable system and maintained as a public utility. NFSC’s archive is readily available for students, scholars and general public alike for free usage. The entire collection that is housed in the archives so far can be considered a rich Asian Folklore Information Centre, since it is cross-referenced and interlinked, making it a wealthy knowledge base.

The organization’s digital archive consists of 1550 CDs and DVDs documenting folk forms through context interviews, folk music, academic lectures, epic-length oral narratives, documentaries, short films, fieldwork reports, notes and other collected material.

The library at NFSC houses more than 5000 scholarly books and 24 indexed journals.

NFSC has established six digital community archives at the following places:

1) Villupuram in Tamil Nadu (Narikurava community)
2) Arangottukara in Kerala (Pulluvar community)
3) H.D.Kote in Karnataka (Jenu Kuruba community)
4) Sinapali in Orissa (Ghond community)
5) Seraikela Chhau in Jharkhand
6) Piparia in Madhya Pradesh

NFSC has initiated a research and documentation project in the above six places by entering into a contract with the local University, Government Institution or communities themselves. In each of these places, the local University has provided field assistants, translation services and also logistics support. NFSC periodically sends two field officers to train local field assistants and community members to document their traditions. An office location for the archive, identified by the community, will be maintained by NFSC for three years.

NFSC has provided the following equipment to establish a digital community archive:

1) One high end computer
2) One digital video camera
3) One iPod
4) One still camera

Accessories required have also been supplied. All the community digital archives are linked to NFSC’s website, www.indianfolklore.org. The archives also facilitate constant dialogue between the communities and their traditions.
7. Its experiences cooperating with communities, groups and intangible cultural heritage practitioners:

*Not to exceed 350 words*

NFSC has done several projects with tribal groups, communities and heritage practitioners categorizing them into the following divisions:

1] Understanding discrimination in India
2] Inquiry into tribal India
3] Folklore genres and performances in rural India
4] Folklore of the marginalized in the city [Chennai]

By collecting and documenting folklore surrounding the crafts of folklore artists, placing them in their own ethnographic context and returning the documentation to them, some of these research projects have attempted to aid the creativity of artists, enable them to market it and work on a remunerative process. Madhubani painting workshops, Ghond painting workshops, Kalamkari painting workshops, puppetry workshops etc. have helped artists showcase their art/talent and also to teach, conduct workshops, exhibit and sell their paintings.

NFSC has organized several workshops with artists for city colleges and the general public in Chennai.

Some projects have successfully documented unknown artists and art. Some of them are:

1. Sufi Music-Rajasthan
2. 'Gana' Music-Chennai
3. Muslim women's songs-West Bengal

Folklore of the Transgendered community in Tamilnadu--

Collaborating with two transgendered persons, NFSC facilitated documentation of the transgender community in Tamilnadu in such a way that the documentation was an unmediated representation of themselves, their heritage, arts and traditions.

Documenting inter-tribal communities--

NFSC awards two fellowships in north-east India to document inter-tribal relationships expressed in folklore. This is a long-term project. Every year, two scholars are identified to work on inter-tribal relations. Besides documentation, audio-visual materials and bibliographies of related texts are also submitted by scholars. The elders of the tribes work along with the fellowship awardees on these projects.

8. Documentation of the operational capacities of the organization:

*Please substantiate the operational capacities of the organization with appropriate documentation, as described in paragraph 94 of the Operational Directives.*
8.a. Membership and personnel

Please submit supporting documents.

8.b. Recognized legal personality

Please submit supporting documents.

8.c. Duration of existence and activities

Please submit supporting documents.

9. Contact person for correspondence:

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All the Honorable Members of the Board of National Folklore Support Centre reside in India.
THIS DECLARATION OF TRUST AND DEED OF CONFIRMATION made this day October 21, 1997 BETWEEN Mr. Naveen Kishore (son of Mr. Kanwal Kishore) aged forty four years, residing at 23, Circus Row, Calcutta - 700 017 hereinafter called "THE SETTLOR" and Mr. M.D. Muthukumaraswamy (son of Mr. M. Deivakumar) aged thirty three years, residing at B1/T2 Paris Apartments, City Link Road, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032 and Mr. P. Subramaniam (son of Mr. R. Panchapakesan) aged about sixty years, residing at No. 2, Sreenivas Apartments, No. 6, Prakasam Road, T. Nagar, Chennai - 600 017 hereinafter jointly and severally called "THE FOUNDER TRUSTEES".

WHEREAS:

A. In this instrument "THE SETTLOR" and "THE TRUSTEES" shall mean their respective successors-in-interest and/or office and/or legal representatives.

B. "THE SETTLOR" is desirous of establishing a professionally managed support centre for Indian folklore devoted single mindedly to educational and charitable purposes, and public welfare in the field of art and culture generically known under the name folklore.

C. "THE SETTLOR" further desires to settle a sum of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) hereinafter called "The Trust Fund" (which expression whenever used, unless contrary or repugnant to the context, means that the sum of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) and all other funds, properties, donations, endowments, grants, property rights, effects, contributions or fees received by "THE TRUSTEES" and all accretions thereto and thereof including any

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Mr. Naveen Kishore

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Professor

Department of Veterinary Surgery
accumulated income and investments including immovable property and securities from time to time representing the assets for the time being of the Trust for the aims, intentions, and the purposes, hereinafter mentioned, under the name and style of “NATIONAL FOLKLORE SUPPORT CENTRE”.

D. With the aforesaid objects in view “THE SETTLOR” has handed over the “The Trust Fund” to “THE FOUNDER TRUSTEES” and “THE FOUNDER TRUSTEES” are seized and possessed thereof and have acknowledged the same.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH AND IT IS HEREBY DECLARED BY THE PARTIES HERETO:

1. “THE SETTLOR” declares that he has no right, title, and/or interest in “The Trust Fund” or any part thereof and shall have no right, title and/or interest therein.

2. “THE FOUNDER TRUSTEES” declare that they are seized and possessed of The Trust Fund and are holding the same for the Trust and for the purposes mentioned hereunder.

3. The Trust Fund, including the accumulation of the income and other additions and accretions, shall be held and applied by “THE FOUNDER TRUSTEES” for charitable purposes and public welfare in the field of art and culture generally known as folklore subject to the provisions and rules mentioned hereunder.
4. The Trust shall be known as the NATIONAL FOLKLORE SUPPORT CENTRE (hereinafter referred to as NFSC).

5. The head office of the trust shall be at 65, Fifth Cross Street, Rajalakshmi Nagar, Velachery, Chennai - 600 042. The branch offices of the trust may be opened in other places as may be decided by the trustees.

6. One of the FOUNDER TRUSTEES namely Mr. M. D. Muthukumaraswamy, (son of Mr. M. Deivakumar) aged thirty three years, now residing at Bl/T2 Paris Apartments, City Link Road, Guindy, Chennai shall be the PAID EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE and he shall function as the CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER of the trust.

7. Mr. M. D. Muthukumaraswamy shall hold the office of the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE of the Trust for five years with options for re-elections for several three year terms subject to retirement at the age of seventy five years or until he resigns.

8. The FOUNDER TRUSTEES are hereby empowered to form a BOARD OF TRUSTEES and the maximum number of trustees including the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE shall not be more than nineteen.

9. THE AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE TRUST ARE AS FOLLOWS:

9.1 To help strengthen the field of folklore in India through charity and philanthropy.
9.2 To strengthen education, training, creativity, research, documentation, dissemination, criticism, distribution and collaborations across disciplines and regions in the field of folklore and folk crafts.

9.3 To raise the intellectual, economic and social conditions of the people of India, including the general improvement of cultural activities and public recreation such as folk arts festival, travelling exhibitions and media initiatives.

9.4 To act as a bridge between folk arts groups and the donor community, bringing sources of funding to the attention of one, and funding opportunities to the attention of the other.

9.5 To assist innovative, catalytic or pioneering individual and institutional initiatives and add to the existing pool of resources, funding, and expertise available to support folklore, folk crafts and culture of people.

9.6 To serve as a source of information and idea generation to assist other arts donors to use funds effectively and help donors, corporate and government bodies, educational and other institutions to develop folklore support policies and initiatives.

9.7 To use its funds and reach leverage other funds and develop collaborations with other funding agencies in India and, with the approval of Reserve Bank of India, abroad, towards the common goal of filling the perceived gaps in the field of folklore charity and philanthropy.
9.5 To retain or employ skilled professionals and other staff necessary to implement the objects of the Trust and pay such fees and remuneration as may be necessary and considered expedient.

9.9 To receive donations and contributions including foreign contributions, gifts, subscriptions, endowments and raise funds through folklore related activities, publications, media programs and otherwise howsoever as may be considered to be incidental and conducive to the attainment of the objects and meeting the expenses of the Trust.

9.10 To establish, to promote and carry on any business, provided always that income profits and gains derived from such business are only applied to the attainment of the objects and meeting the expenses of the Trust.

9.11 To establish Universities, colleges, schools and other institutions such as associations of folklorists and folk artists.

9.12 To engage in development communication work and to conduct training and communication programmes in folklore including production and dissemination of media materials.

9.13 To publish technical and research documents, books and journals pertaining to Indian folklore studies.

9.14 To enter into international collaborations and exchange programmes to promote folklore as an academic discipline.

9.15 To act as a supporting, facilitating and networking agency for folklore institutions in India.

9.16 To conduct courses, workshops, symposia and other training programmes in folklore and related disciplines.

9.17 To grant fellowships, stipends, prizes and other aid or remuneration to folk artists and scholars with a view to advancement of national culture or knowledge.

9.18 To extend consultancy service to groups and organizations in the field of folklore and related disciplines.

9.19 To establish, maintain and run a national folklore, folk crafts and folk life resources centre.

9.20 To help, contribute, promote, take over or amalgamate wholly or partially with any other society, trust, body or institution whether registered, incorporated or not, having objects wholly or in part similar to those of this Trust.

9.21 To do such other lawful acts as may be necessary or incidental and conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any one of them.
9.22 To accept donations, gifts, presents, aid grants in cash or in kind and movable or immovable properties from the Public/State/Central Governments/corporate/individuals either as corpus or in cash according to the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Trust.

9.23 To take on lease or otherwise acquire any land or building which may be required for the purpose of being conveniently used in connection with any of the objects of the Trust.

9.24 To invest and deal with the money or moneys of the Trust, not immediately required, in such securities and/or in any manner that may be from time to time determined by the "TRUSTEES".

9.25 To borrow and raise and give securities for the issue of or upon bonds, debentures, bills of exchange, promissory notes or other obligation or security of the Trust Fund or by mortgage or charge upon or any part of the Trust Fund.

9.26 To do all such lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects not involving the carrying on of any political or religious activity whatsoever.

9.27 The objects of the Trust are independent of each other and the TRUSTEES may from time to time, apply the funds of the Trust in carrying out any or one of the objects of the Trust.

9.28 In this Trust Deed wherever there is a reference to a male person it shall be equally applicable to a female.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

10. The TRUSTEES for the time being shall together be called the BOARD or the BOARD OF TRUSTEES or THE TRUSTEES.

10.1 The FOUNDER TRUSTEES named in this Deed and their CO-TRUSTEES shall remain TRUSTEES initially for five years with options for re-elections for several three year terms subject to retirement at the age of seventy five years or until they resign.

10.2 Other than the FOUNDER TRUSTEES and their CO-TRUSTEES, a Trustee shall hold office for an initial term of three years with an option for re-election for another term of three years.

10.3 Special provisions may be made to retain the interest and utilize the special talents of a past Trustee by inviting him to serve in some special, voluntary, honorary or advisory capacity.

10.4 Definite terms of appointment shall be made for all Trustees other than the FOUNDER TRUSTEES and their CO-TRUSTEES specifying the duration of their term as Trustee.

10.5 A Trustee may hold office as a representative of his parent institution or in his individual capacity.
10.6 The power of appointing a new Trustee shall be vested in the existing Board of Trustees PROVIDED HOWEVER that no officer or employee of the Trust other than the Chief Executive Officer, however designated, in this case EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE, shall be appointed a Trustee.

10.7 Any casual vacancy in the Trustees caused by death, resignation, retirement or otherwise may be filled in by new appointments.

10.8 A Trustee may resign on giving one month's notice in writing addressed to the Chairman or the other Trustees if there be no Chairman.

10.9 A Trustee shall retire on attaining seventy-five years of age.

10.10 The office of a Trustee including the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE shall be vacated if the Trustee leaves India permanently or by reason of his illness or infirmity, or in the opinion of majority of other Trustees he becomes incompetent or incapable of acting.

10.11 The Board of Trustees shall not be less than seven at any given time. The FOUNDER TRUSTEES shall be responsible for inviting CO-TRUSTEES as expeditiously as possible to make the Board functional. The FOUNDER TRUSTEES and a maximum of six CO-TRUSTEES shall be THE FIRST TRUSTEES.

10.12 The Board shall not be regarded as incomplete nor shall any action taken or any power exercised by the Board be regarded as invalid on account of there being any vacancies on the Board PROVIDED HOWEVER that if the number of Trustees falls below five the Board shall not function except for the purpose of filling the vacancies of the Board.

10.13 The Trustees shall meet at least twice in a period of one year. One third of existing number of Trustees present in person shall form the quorum for any meeting of the Board. The Trustees shall elect among themselves a Chairman and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees shall preside at all the meetings of the Board.

10.14 If at any meeting the Chairman is not present, the Trustees present shall choose one of themselves to be the Chairman of such meeting.

10.15 All questions arising at the meeting of the Trustees shall be decided by a majority of votes of the Trustees present and voting and in case of equality of votes the Chairman shall have a casting or second vote.

10.16 A resolution in writing circulated amongst all the Trustees present in India and passed by a majority of three-fourths of such Trustees shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Trustees duly called and convened.

10.17 Notices of the meeting of the Trustees and all communications may be sent to the Trustees at the addresses registered for the time being in the records of the Trust.

10.18 All meetings of the Trustees will be held at such place as the Trustees may from time to time decide.

[Signature]

[Namita Tripathi]

[Nagendra Tripathi]
10.19 The minutes of the proceedings of every meeting of the Board will be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose and signed by the Chairman of such meeting or the following meeting when they are read over and shall so when entered and signed be conclusive evidence of the business transacted at such meeting.

10.20 The Trustees shall frame their own rules and procedures for the conduct of meetings and business of the Trust, including appointment of Trustees, provided that they are not in contravention of any specific provisions of the Trust Deed.

10.21 On a new Trustee being appointed and on his signing the Minute Book the effect of his having taken charge, all the movable properties shall vest in him along with other Trustees and he will carry out all the duties and functions of a Trustee and it shall not be necessary to make or execute any formal transfer of assets in his favour. The properties shall be deemed automatically to have been transferred in favour of the incoming Trustees, the intention being that movable properties and assets of the Trust shall vest and remain vested in the Trustees for the time being of the Trust without the necessity of a formal transfer in favour of any new Trustees who may be appointed. In case the Trust acquires immovable properties out of the Trust fund or its accumulations or otherwise, such property shall be transferred by the continuing Trustees to the continuing Trustees and the incoming Trustee(s) by a Deed of Transfer.

10.22 The existing Board of Trustees shall elect the successive Board.

11. POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

11.1 The Trustees shall have the necessary power and the authority as may be required, to determine the Trust's mission and set policies for and oversee its operations, ensuring that the provisions of the Trust's Charter and the law are being followed. In matters relating to the raising and investment of the funds of the Trust, the Trustees shall have the absolute discretion, provided that the exercise of such discretion, shall not jeopardize the status of the Trust as a charitable organization under law including the Income Tax Act

PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT

11.1.1 the Trustees shall not enter into any conditions contrary to the objects of the Trust and that

11.1.2 in case of large donations that specific directions of the donor shall be obtained that such portions of donation should form the corpus of the Fund and that

11.1.3 in all events, no donations shall be accepted that are contrary to any provision of the Income Tax Act

11.2 Subject to any condition attaching to any gift or donation, the Trustees shall have absolute discretion to spend the income and corpus of the Trust properties for the objects of the Trust

11.3 As the Chief Executive Officer of the Board the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE shall have the power and authority for and on behalf of the board

11.3.1 to carry out the resolutions of the Board
11.3.2 to sign papers, documents and receipts
11.3.3 to pay moneys payable by the Trust and demand and get receipts therefor
11.3.4 to demand and receive moneys due to the Trust and issue receipts for the moneys so received
11.3.5 to open current and deposit accounts in the name of the Trust with such bank or banks as the board may from time to time authorize in this behalf to deposit the funds of the Trust in such accounts on behalf of the Trust
11.3.6 to make, draw, endorse, accept, sign, negotiate or transfer cheques, promissory notes, hundies, bills of exchange, bills of lading, railway receipts, warrants and other negotiable or transferable instruments, Government securities or other securities
11.3.7 to lease out lands and properties of the Trust which are ordinarily leased out for any period of time as may be decided by the Board
11.3.8 to arbitrate or abandon legal proceedings or disputes and to sign all papers in connection therewith
11.3.9 to call for the meeting or meetings of the Board and
11.3.10 to execute all documents on behalf of the Board.

11.4 The EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE shall cause true, accurate and regular accounts to be maintained of all moneys received and spent and of all matters in respect thereof in the course of management of Trust properties or in relation to the carrying out the objects and purposes of the Trust as well as of the assets, credits and effects thereof.

11.5 The EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE shall cause the Accounts of the Trust to be examined and the correctness of the accounts and the balance sheet ascertained, once at least every year, by an Auditor appointed by the Trustees and shall place before the Board the annual audited statement of accounts duly countersigned by the Auditor and the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE along with a report of projects and institutions conducted and maintained by the Trust. The EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE shall give at least 21 days written notice of the meeting to the other Trustees specifying the day, date, place, time and agenda of the meeting. Along with the notice the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE shall also send to everyone of the Trustees a copy of the audited statements of accounts to be placed before the meeting. The Board shall consider at the said meeting the report of the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE and that of the Auditor and the audited accounts and if the Board proceeds to approve and adopt them, such approval shall be by means of a resolution to that effect. All such resolutions passed by the Board shall be recorded in a separate book.

11.6 The Trustees may join, co-operate and/or amalgamate the Trust or these presents or any portion thereof with any Trust or institution having allied or kindred objects upon such terms as they may in their absolute discretion think fit.
11.7 The Trustees shall be entitled at their discretion from time to time to start, discontinue, abolish and restart any charity or charitable or other institution connected with Indian folklore, to impose any condition or conditions to any subscription or donation made by them and to earmark any portion of the Trust property or income for any particular object or objects.

11.8 The Trustees may invest the Trust Fund in the purchase or mortgage of immovable property or investments authorized by the Indian Trust Act, 1882 and/or Section 11(5) of the Income-Tax Act, 1961 on such terms as to interest or otherwise as the Trustees may think proper with power to the Trustees to alter vary or transpose such investments from time to time in such a manner as may in their absolute discretion think fit, for others of the same or of a like or different nature.

11.9 The Trustees may from time to time in their absolute discretion, for any of the purpose of the Trust, raise or borrow any sum or sums of money from or make any arrangement for finance with any person, persons, banks, firms, companies or institutions and may secure the payment of such money or moneys by hypothecation or mortgage of the properties and/or assets of the Trust or otherwise in such a manner and upon such terms and conditions as they think fit and/or as may be necessary

Provided however that such decision is taken at a duly convened meeting of the Trustees and not by circulation and further that at any one time such borrowing shall not exceed Rupees Two Lakhs.

11.10 The Executive Trustee may on behalf of the Board pay all charges and outgoings payable in respect of any immovable property for time being forming part of the Trust Estate and may carry out repairs required to be done to the same and keep the same insured against loss or damage by fire and may incur all other costs charges and expenses of and incidental of the administration and management of the Trust Estate and the properties for the time being belonging to the Trust as he may in his absolute discretion think fit.

11.11 The Trustees shall have full power to compromise or compound all actions, suits and other proceedings and all differences and disputes touching the Trust Estate and/or the Trust properties and to refer to any such differences or dispute to arbitration and to adjust and settle all accounts relating to Trust Estate and/or the Trust properties and to do all other necessary acts and things without being liable or answerable for any loss occasioned thereby.

11.12 The Trustees may in their discretion grant and/or allow any privileges and/or concession to any institution having objects similar to and/or allied with the objects of the Trust and specially in the matter of allowing the use of any property including the premises erected and/or used by the Trust.

11.13 The Trustees may frame schemes and rules and regulations for the carrying out of the objects of the Trust and for the management and running of any institution established, run or aided by them and for managing the affairs of the Trust and to vary the same from time to time as the Trustees may in their absolute discretion deem fit and proper.
11.14 The receipt of the Trustees or of any one or more of them if so authorized by the Board for any moneys, stocks, funds, shares, securities or investments paid, delivered or transferred to them shall effectually release and discharge the person or persons paying delivering or transferring the same therefrom and from seeing or from being bound to see to the application or being answerable for the loss or misapplication thereof.

11.15 The Trustees may reimburse themselves and pay and discharge out of the Trust Fund all expenses incurred in or any of their duties under these presents.

11.16 The Trustees shall not be liable by reason of any investments made by them in depreciating in value or becoming of no value.

11.17 A Trustee shall not be liable for any act done by him in good faith.

11.18 The Trustees shall however, be answerable and accountable for their wilful unlawful acts, neglect and default respectively, but shall not be answerable one for the other or others of them nor for any banker or other persons with whom or into whose hands Trust moneys or securities may come or be deposited or given nor for the insufficient or deficiency of any stock, debenture, share, funds or other securities nor for any other loss unless the same shall happen through such wilful acts, default or neglect respectively.

11.19 The Trustees may appoint committees and/or delegate any of their powers to a committee consisting of such members of their body but always including the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEES whether or not others are Trustees, or to the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEES as they shall think fit.

11.20 The Trustees may appoint EXPERT COMMITTEES but always including EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE to evolve and/or implement projects in accordance with the objects of the Trust. However the Board shall retain their right to approve or reject the proposals received from the EXPERT COMMITTEES partially or totally. The members of the EXPERT COMMITTEES shall be paid such remuneration as the Trustees deem fit.

11.21 The Trustees may, in addition to the aims and objects of NFSC as on the date of execution, add or frame other rules and bye-laws for any matters relating to the Trust, as they deem fit and proper, provided that such addition shall not alter the main aims and objects of the Trust hereby created.

11.22 The Trustees may appoint any nominee or nominees or person or persons to act as their constituted attorneys or agents on such terms and conditions and on such remuneration as they deem fit and to delegate to them all or any of the duties and powers with regard to the management of the Trust Fund, all matters and affairs relating to the Trust or for the purpose of carrying out the objects and purposes of Trust and such powers for all work in any court or courts and other offices, for collection and realization of the rents, issues and profits and to do such other acts as the Trustees may think proper or necessary.
The Trust shall conform to the provisions of the Indian Trust Act 1882, in all matters not expressly provided for herein but in case any difficulty or doubt arises on any question in respect to the management or administration of the Trust or any matters falling hereunder, the EXECUTIVE TRUSTEE may on behalf of the Board, apply to the court for opinion, advice, direction, or order and the Trustees acting upon the direction, if any, of the court shall be deemed so far as regards their responsibility to have discharged their duties in respect thereof.

11.24 If it appears to the Trustees that the objects of NFSC can not be carried out economically and if in the interest of such objects it becomes desirable to amalgamate NFSC with some other Trust or Society having similar aims and objects or for some other reason it would in the opinion of the Trustees otherwise be expedient to discontinue NFSC, the Trustees shall make over the Trust Fund to some other Trust or Society having similar aims and objects or allow NFSC to be amalgamated with such a Trust or Society. In such eventuality NFSC shall stand dissolved.

11.25 The bye-laws of the Trust shall not be amended without getting approval from the Commissioner of Income Tax having jurisdiction over the Trust.

11.26 It is hereby expressly declared that NFSC is a Public Charitable Trust and the Trust hereby created is irrevocable and the SETTLOR will have no power to resume authority over the income or assets of the Fund in any circumstances.

11.27 This deed shall in all respects be construed in accordance with the laws of India.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THESE PRESENTS THE DAY, MONTH AND YEAR FIRST ABOVE WRITTEN.

IN THE PRESENCE OF

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Drafted by

V. SELVARAJ,
ADVOCATE,
NO.1, 3rd STREET,
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CODICIL

This the first codicil executed at Chennai on the Friday the 23rd day of October 1998 by the Board of Trustees of the W.s. National Folklore Support Centre, Chennai (WNSC).

WHEREAS NATIONAL FOLKLORE SUPPORT CENTRE was duly constituted and registered by the execution of the Trust deed on the October 21, 1997 by the Founder Trustees and registered as document No.628 of 1997 with the Sub Registrar, Velachery, Chennai.

WHEREAS certain additions and alternations are required in the said Trust deed the present Board of Trustees agreed mutually to reduce the same into writing.

NOW THIS CODICIL WITNESSETH AND IT IS HEREBY DECLARED BY THE PARTIES HERE TO:

1. THE AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE TRUST ARE AS FOLLOWS.

1.1 In clause 9.7 of the original Trust Deed the words "with the approval of Reserve Bank of India, abroad" stands cancelled and deleted.

1.2 The following additional aims and objects are included/added after clause 9.22 as:

9.28 The activities of the Trust would be confined to the territory of India.
9.30 The activities of the Trust would be of purely charitable in nature not motivated for profit.

9.31 Save as otherwise provided in clause 6 and 7 of the original Trust deed, the funds of the Trust would be utilised only towards the objects and no portion of it would be distributed in any manner to the Trustees or persons defined in Section 13(1)(c) of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

9.32 The benefit of objects would be available to the general public irrespective of caste, creed, religion or sex.

9.33 The funds of the Trust would not be applied for any religious purposes or given to religious institutions.

9.34 Any acquisition/alienation of immovable property shall be done with prior approval of the Director of Income Tax (Exemptions) Chennai.

9.35 In the case of winding up/dissolutions the net funds would be transferred to Institutions having similar objects and enjoying exemption u/s 11 and 80 G of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

Whereas in clause No.11.5 wherever the term 'Auditor' appears it is to be substituted by the term 'Chartered Accountant'.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THESE PRESENTS THE DAY, MONTH AND YEAR FIRST ABOVE WRITTEN.

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S/o. N. Maddah
Schofield, St. Thomas, Telugu University, Andhra Pradesh.

In the presence of

S/0. K. Narasingam
Chief Justice, High Court, Chennai.

In the presence of

KULDEEP KUMAR
Regional Director, TCAF, Chennai.

In the presence of

Y. SIVAPRASAD
Principal, M.O. N. College, Udupi.

In the presence of

KANAGARAJAN
(S/0. U.R. PAI)
M.O. N. College, Udupi.

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S/o. R. PANCEYA RAO.
V.T. SUBRAMANIAM
S/o. R. E. G. N. V. RASAN
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In the presence of

Mr. R. V. MANIKNAIDAM
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S/o. M. S. Avinash.

In the presence of

S/0. Dr. S. E. REDDY
Signature of Trustee
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In the presence of

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S/o. K. Ramadas
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In the presence of

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In the presence of

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Ms. KUMARI SISHA
Signature of Trustee.