

iii) PERMISSION FOR OPENING KATHA REGIONAL
ACADEMIC CENTRE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENGLISH, NEHU, SHILLONG.

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Shri Sukrita Paul Kumar, Hon. Director, Kanchi Project, KATHA vide his letter dated: 27.7.98 copy at (Annexure A) Offered to set up KATHA's Regional Academic Centre in the Department of English, NEHU, Shillong as one of the five Centres of KATHA.

Prof Mrs T Ao has agreed to be the adviser and Dr KC Baral has been proposed to be the Co-Ordinator.

NEHU has been requested to permit Dr Baral to work as Co-Ordinator and to allow the Centre to be housed in the Department of English, NEHU, Shillong however, will not require to make any financial contribution for the expenditure in this connection.

The matter was placed before the Academic Council in its 58th meeting and the Council resolved that permission may be granted up to February'1999 without any financial commitment, space, Personnel etc. The Council further resolved that in future no commitment be made by any Department/Centre for the setting up of such Organisations without the perior approval of the University.

The matter is placed before the Council for Consideration.

The Vice-Chancellor,
North East Hill University
Shillong, Meghalaya.

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27th July, 1998.

Dear Sir,

With Katha's rich reservoir of experience in quality translation of Indian Literature, we have been evolving a programme of an interface with the academic over the last few years. We are now very happy to offer to set up Katha's Regional Academic Centre at your university/college. Teachers & students of Language departments, we believe, need to be aroused into serious study of diverse literatures within the country & thus contribute towards making language & literature studies culturally relevant as well as interesting.

Geeta Dharmarajan, Executive Director, Katha, designed and launched a specific programme of Katha's Interface with Academia in 1996 which grew into the Kanchi Project in 1997. In the current year the Kanchi Initiative wishes to extend itself into five academic centres all over the country, at NEHU (Shillong), Guru Nanak Dev University (Amritsar), Bangalore University (Bangalore), Madras University (Chennai) and SNDI (Mumbai).

We write to you hoping to get your support & permission in setting up a Katha Regional Centre at your University in the Deptt. of English, Prof Ao, Head of the English Department has agreed to be an adviser to our programme, Dr K.C. Baral who is a Faculty member of this deptt and is already very involved in translation studies. We feel he will be a very appropriate person to coordinate our programme of inculcating interest in translation in students & teachers through workshops. We request you to permit him to associate himself with Katha's project of bringing greater life into language & literature departments. We believe that a serious pursuit of translation studies inevitably creates a greater sensitivity in the use of language as well as understanding the cultural component of a literary text.

Needless to say your university will not have to make any financial contribution in this association. We shall bear the cost of the workshops, modestly organised by the coordinator in accordance to the budget sent to the coordinator. We seek your active support in allowing our programme to be housed in the Deptt. of English of your University. This may be acknowledged through a small board announcing Katha's presence in the programme.

We hope to start our activities as soon as we hear from you. Looking forward to a happy association with you.

With warm regards,

Sd/-

Sukrita Paul Kumar
Hon. Director, Kanchi Project
KATHA.

President Abid Hussain
Vice President N S Jagannathan
Executive Director Geeta Dharmarajan

5:5: EXAMINATION MATTERS

- (i) Permission to increase in the number of seats in M.Sc. Chemistry.

EC:98:98:5:5:(i): The Council considered the increase in the number of seats in the Department of Chemistry from 29 to 30 and RESOLVED to approve the same.

**5:6: ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW DEPARTMENTS/
CENTRES/COURSES.**

- (i) Starting of the Department of MCA.

EC:98:98:5:6:(i): The Council considered the proposal and RESOLVED that it be named as the Department of Computer Applications and further RESOLVED to refer back the matter to the Academic Council with a proper write-up on its background for placement in the proper School.

- (ii) Introduction of the Course "Man and Environment".

EC:98:98:5:6:(ii): The Council considered the introduction of the course on "Man and Environment" in lieu of the General Foundation Course and RESOLVED that the GFC examination will be last held in 1999 and that the Man and Environment Course will be started in the year 1999 with the first examination in the year 2000. The Council further RESOLVED that the Controller of Examinations will also co-ordinate the Orientation Courses for College Teachers along with Prof. AC Mohapatra.

- (iii) Permission for opening of Katha Regional Academic Centre in the department of English, NEHU, Shillong.

EC:98:98:5:6:(iii): The Council considered the permission for opening of Katha Regional Academic Centre in the Department of English and RESOLVED to approve the recommendation of the Academic Council with regard to the setting up of this Centre and also the restriction of setting up such Centres in the future.

5:7: AFFILIATION ETC.

- (i) Renewal of Provisional affiliation to Aizawl Law College - Report of the Inspection Team.