Suggestions at the State Chapters Convenors meet held on 6 Feb 2019

Points recommended by each group have been collated and comprehended and are presented below :-

(a) **INTACH to be in next 35 years**
   
i. INTACH to be the Government’s Advisor/Consultant for Policy making on Culture and Heritage. It should emerge as an internationally reputed organization for heritage conservation.

   ii. To be the Knowledge hub/Repository on Heritage – built, tangible, intangible, natural and material heritage for each State of our Country. Have formal SOPs for advocacy as well as project execution to ensure quality.

   iii. Documentation of various Ethnic Groups in the Country.

   iv. Creation of a Research & Development Cell in Hqrs office.

   v. Get at least a minimum of 10 heritage sites for UNESCO’s recognition.

   vi. Continuous usage of Social media and technology for spreading INTACH’s achievements.

   vii. Formalised Communication between the Divisions & Divisions to State Conveners and State Conveners to District Conveners

   viii. Formal governance and organization structure required to ensure monitoring and control of the activities of all chapters. Annual plan for delhi office / State/ District Chapters must be created in alignment of goals for that year and a regular quarterly/annual review mechanism may be evolved.

   ix. Improved communication and media skills at all levels of INTACH. A special cell at Delhi office may be established.

   x. Regional offices of INTACH in East, South, West and North with permanent employees in all heritage divisions as a resource available for chapters must be established. It will bring accountability at all levels and energise chapters.

(b) **Role of State Conveners with practical recommendations to energise and activate**

   i. State Convener to ensure that all Districts have the Chapters

   ii. Formulate yearly Action Plan for the State. Schedule visits to each District Chapter

   iii. Conduct Annual Conference of the Conveners/ Co Conveners of the District Chapters and firm up the Action Plan for the District.

   iv. Heritage Issues to get published in the State Gazette.

   v. Maintain close liaison with State Government Heads of Departments and officials.

   vi. Prepare a Checklist for the IFPs(INTACH Fellow Position) who will assist the State Convener

   vii. Increase in membership for all District Chapters.
(c) Grassroot structure of INTACH and its functioning suitable in view of the expansion of Chapters and various activities

i. District Chapters to have 2/3 members for each activity like, awareness programmes, competitions, liaison with educational institutes, listing and documentation etc to assist the Convener/Co Convener.

ii. Form District Heritage Committees with the District Collector, Archeology, Culture, Tourism and other connected departments.

iii. Usage of social media to reach out all sections of the community at periodic intervals

iv. Maintain close liaison with Government official, educational institutes & Print & Electronic media.

(d) Issues which INTACH should take up in the next few years

i. Tap the CSR funds.

ii. Heritage Modules for IITs & IIMs & other Central Academic Institutes on the lines of the present Lal Bahadur Shastry National Academy of Administration. AICTE and NCERT may be approached for inclusion of heritage conservation in the syllabus.

iii. Create INTACH Fellows Positions (IFPs) & train them to assist each State Convener.

iv. State Conveners’ Budget allocation to be considerably increased.

v. Provide infrastructure facility for State Conveners.

vi. Ensure taking the completed projects to their logical conclusions.(E.g. After listing & Documentation, what next and whose responsibility?

vii. Conduct Heritage festivals at state/district level by chapters with different modules dealing with different types of heritage.

viii. Sensitization of Political activists/ Corporate Honchos /IAS officers on heritage in an annual event