THE BHARAT SCOUTS & GUIDES, NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, LAKSHMI MAZUMDAR BHAWAN,
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MINUTES OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Meeting of National Executive Committee of the Bharat Scouts and Guides was held at National Headquarters, New Delhi on 19th May, 2018 at 3.15 P. M. under the chairmanship of Dr. K.K. Khandelwal, IAS(Retd.), Chief National Commissioner, Bharat Scouts and Guides.

Following members were present:-

1. Dr. K.K. Khandelwal, IAS(Retd.), Chief National Commissioner, BS&G - Chairman
2. Shri M. A. Khalid, National Commissioner of Scouts, BS&G - Member
3. Dr. (Smt.) Manik Barsaley, National Commissioner of Guides, BS&G - Member
4. Smt. Amelia Swer, International Commissioner of Guides, BS&G - Member
5. Ms. Namita Goel, National Treasurer, BS&G - Member
6. Shri Ashok Kumar Shrivastava, ASC(S), N.E. Rly. State BS&G - Member
7. Dr. J.S. Negi, State Commissioner (S), Himachal Pradesh State BS&G - Member
8. Shri Jogendra Prasad, ASC(S), West Bengal State BS&G - Member
9. Shri Kondajji B. Shannukhappa, Vice President, Karnataka State BS&G - Member
10. Adv. V. K. Narvekar, State Commissioner(S), Goa State BS&G - Member
11. Shri G. Parameshwara, SOC(S), Telangana State BS&G - Member
12. Shri Hanuman Prasad, STC(S), N.V.S. State BS&G - Member
13. Shri Manoj R. Nair, SOC(S), Central Railway State BS&G - Member
14. Shri Onkar Singh, SOC(S), Punjab State BS&G - Member
15. Shri Prakash Disoriya, SOC(S), Madhya Pradesh State BS&G - Member
16. Shri R.S. Shekhawat, State Commissioner (Prog.) Rajasthan State BS&G - Member
17. Shri S.S.H. Zaidi, SOC(S), K.V. Sangathan State BS&G - Member
18. Shri Santosh Kumar Dixit, Uttar Pradesh State BS&G - Member
19. Smt. Anamika Das, SOC(G), Odisha State BS&G - Member
20. Smt. Janaki Venugopal, Former SOC(G), Karnataka State BS&G - Member
21. Smt. Kiran Thakur, Joint State Secretary, Himachal Pradesh State BS&G - Member
22. Smt. Vandana Tewari, Uttar Pradesh State BS&G - Member
23. Dr. (Ms.) Veena Pradhan, IAS, Former SC(G), Rajasthan State BS&G - Member
24. Miss Suman Lata Arora, Joint Director (G), BS&G - Member
25. Shri M.S. Qureshi, Jt. Director, NTC & DD(S) L.T., BS&G - Member
26. Shri Raj Kumar Kaushik, Dy. Director of Scouts (Project), BS&G - Member
27. Smt. Surekha Shrivastava, Dy. Director of Guides (Project), BS&G - Member
28. Shri Ashutosh Kumar, Hony. Legal Advisor, BS&G - Special Invitee
29. Shri Samir Kumar, IAS(Retd.), Haryana - Special Invitee
30. Shri S. Prassanna Shrivastava, Director (Organisational Development & MOP), APR, WOSM - Special Invitee
31. Shri Krishnaswamy R., Jt. Director (S) and I/c Director, BS&G - Secretary

The meeting started with Scout/Guide prayer followed by introduction.

The secretary of the meeting welcomed the chairman and members.

1. In his opening remarks, Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner informed the house that all the registration of cubs/bulbuls, scouts/guides, rovers/rangers and leaders throughout the country should be online with Aadhaar so that each and everyone should know the actual census of the Bharat Scouts and Guides. The work should be started and the correct census be presented during the ensuing National Council Meeting in November 2018.

2. Shri Onkar Singh, SOC(S), Punjab State Bharat Scouts and Guides raised a point regarding the dual membership of Bharat Scouts and Guides and Indian Scout Guide Fellowship (ISGF). Shri Onkar Singh and Shri Santosh Dixit from U. P. State also informed that the office of the ISGF was functioning at the first floor of the National Headquarters of the Bharat Scouts and Guides and the members/leaders of the Bharat Scouts and Guides are holding various posts in the ISGF. Shri K. B. Shanmukhappa, Vice President of Karnataka State Bharat Scouts and Guides also informed the house that the work of ISGF and Bharat Scouts and Guides are complimentary and supplementary for each other. The members of ISGF were the former senior Scout/Guide leaders. Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner informed that necessary steps to integrate the work of ISGF with BSG for community oriented work and to review active Uniformed members involvement as members of ISGF.

Shri S. Prassanna Shrivastava, Director (Organisational Development & MOP), APR, WOSM informed the house that there are so many issues regarding dual membership like Bharat Scouts and Guides and ISGF membership. Vice Presidents of the Bharat Scouts and Guides are the members of the advisory committee of ISGF. The ISGF is organisation for Adults and there is no interference in our routine youth programmes.
The Chairman, informed the members about the suggestion for revision of uniform is now assigned to a core team of National Commissioner of Guides with Mrs. Kiran Thakur, Joint State Secretary of Himachal Pradesh and Ms. Suman Lata Arora, Joint Director of Guides. The committee will submit its recommendation in due course.

The Chief National Commissioner explained that as per the Societies Registration Act, the General Council is one in which all the members of the Association are expected to participate. Therefore the membership of National Association and consecutively the State Associations are to be revised.

**Constitution**

**Membership** — All affiliated State Associations registered with the National Association as approved by the National Executive Committee under Chapter-III Rule No.37 will be the members of the National Association.

This will give specific directions for participation in the National Council.

2. (i) In the Rules of the National Association, suitable amendment will be made so that the decisions taken by the National Council is made binding on the State Associations for execution and implementation.

- State Chief Commissioner
- State Commissioner of Scouts
- State Commissioner of Guides
- State Secretary
- Joint Secretary

\[ \text{one of them has to be a woman} \]

- State Organising Commissioner(Scouts)
- State Organising Commissioner(Guides)
- State Training Commissioner(Scouts)
- State Training Commissioner(Guides)

Total 9 members as mentioned above are made members of the National Council to represent the State Association in the National Council.

(ii) It is practice in the World Conference of WOSM and WAGGGS that when decisions are taken by voting, the Chief Delegate only cast the vote and individual members are not allowed to vote.
A similar approach is proposed before the committee to arrive at a consensus.

The following model was proposed by the members present in the Rules Committee Meeting.

a) State Association with less than 10,000 members (including scout and guide wings) will have one vote each and all other State Associations will have one vote for 25000 registered members.

b) The model to be proposed is to have one vote each for 25000 members and in every 25000 one vote each with a maximum ceiling of 25 votes.

c) The other prominent proposal come up are

i) inviting President of India as Patron-in-Chief at the National level and similarly inviting the Governor of the State as Patron-in-Chief of the State Association.

ii) inviting the Vice-President of India as the Chief Patron at the National level. At State level the Chief Ministers be invited as Chief Patron of the State Association.

iii) A board of patrons be formed both at National level and State level enabling the State Associations to invite the Minister-in-charge of Human Resource Development, Sports and Youth Affairs, Women and Child Welfare, Railway Minister, Skill Development as members of the Board of Patron at the National level and similarly at State level the Board of Patrons consisting of

- the Education Minister of the State,
- the Minister of Youth Affairs,
- the Minister of Skill Development

d) Increasing in number of Vice-Presidents.

In addition to the elected vice-presidents, it is proposed to have vice-president from prominent personalities at national and state level who can contributes for the growth of the movement to be nominated by the National President/State President of the Association.

To monitor and plan schemes, programmes, growth etc. at the regional level, the following are considered.

-to create one more region, to increase from the existing 5 to 6 Regions.
one of the elected vice-president as head of the regional council.

- Chief National Commissioner to nominate one of the State Chief Commissioner of the region as Regional Chief Commissioner and Incharge of the region by rotation for one year each and the State Secretary of that State as Secretary of the Regional Council for the term.

- The Regional Council will make decision in implementing the national priorities, achieving targets, generating resources, seeking support from the Government.

The issue of making the professionals and trainers as non-voting members of the National and State Association is considered and found viable.

With this opening remark of Chief National Commissioner, the agenda items were taken up for discussion.

**Agenda Item No.1- Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting of National Executive Committee held at the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters, New Delhi on 15th October, 2017.**

The minutes of the last meeting of National Executive Committee held at the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters, New Delhi on 15th October, 2017 which had already been circulated to the members were confirmed unanimously.

**Agenda Item No. 2- Business Arising (Action Taken Report).**

The action taken report on the minutes of the last meeting of National Executive Committee which had already been circulated to the members was placed before the house. The action taken report was discussed at length.

Smt. Anamika Das, SOC(G) of Odisha State raised a point about the present status of Rashtrpati scout/guide/rover/ranger Award Rally which was kept pending. Hon’ble Chief National Commissioner informed that Rashtrpati Bhawan has capped the number of awards from 4000 to 2000. He also informed that there are several complaints from different states about the Rashtrpati Award Certificates which had further aggravated the matter. The national headquarters is pursuing the matter with concern authority through the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India.

The Director appraised the house about the difficulties at Annexure –‘A’
Hon'ble President of the Bharat Scouts and Guides and Chief National Commissioner had a meeting with Hon'ble President of India to continue the Bharat Scouts and Guides Awards on the same pattern as was in the past. The Chief National Commissioner attended various meetings with Secretary to President of India, Secretary and Joint Secretary in Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports to reach at a consensus regarding the Rashtrapati Award Certificates and not to put any ceiling on the numbers per year (scouts GUIDES rover/rover/rover) and also introducing a third party supervision to keep fairness and transparency.

Shri Prakash Disoriya, SOC(S), Madhya Pradesh State BS&G and Shri K. B. Shanmukhappa, Vice President of Karnataka State BS&G requested to issue the provisional Rashtrapati scout/guide/rover/ranger Award Certificates to the awardees at the earliest so as to avail benefit in the admissions or employment. They also requested the chairman to take initiatives at the earliest to hold the Rashtrapati Award Rally.

The action taken reports were confirmed by the house as proposed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 3(I)- Update of NPCC Renovation Work.

Director informed the house about the sub-standard and defective work done by the National Projects Construction Corporation Limited. Necessary correspondence in this regard is already made with NPCC Ltd. Task Force Committee has already given their reports in which it is found that wasteful expenditure was incurred in the renovation work at NHQ, NYC and NTC. The procedure followed to award the work was not only irregular but also detrimental to the interest of the Bharat Scouts and Guides. Excessive rates have been approved and changed. There seems to be embezzlement of funds.

Members suggested to go for legal remedies to protect the interest of the Association.

(ii) Bharat Scouts and Guides Foundation Fellowship.

Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner informed the house that nearly Rs.80.00 Lacs received from 213 persons contributed towards membership of the Bharat Scouts and Guides Foundation under different categories as at Annexure-'B'.

Chief National Commissioner also introduced new scheme “Scout Guide Welfare Fund”. The house unanimously accepted this proposal and authorised Chief National Commissioner to do necessary amendments in regard to rename of Chief Scout/Guide.
Agenda Item No.4- Update on receipt of Grants from Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India.

Director informed the house about the details of the grants of Rs. 75.00 lacs received by the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters from the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India in the year 2017-2018. From the year 2018-2019 our budget proposal for 3 crores is submitted to the Ministry. However sanction for year 2018-19 is received for Rs.75 lakhs only.

Agenda Item No.5- Consideration of the Minutes of the Rules Committee.

The Chairman briefed about the proposed amendments in rules, bye-laws, memorandum of association, APRO-I and Scheme of Training as discussed in the Rules Committee Meeting held on 19th May, 2018 morning. A committee of National Commissioner(S), Deputy Director of Scouts(Project) and Legal Advisor has been formed to finalise the amendments in the rules, bye-laws, memorandum of association, APRO-I and SOT and the report submitted to the next National Executive Committee for consideration and approval.

This was unanimously decided that the Chief National Commissioner may call one more meeting of the Rules Committee for detailed consideration of amendments if required.

Agenda Item No. 6. Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

(i) Confirmation of Appointment of Deputy National Commissioner of Guides of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

The Chairman informed the house that Smt. K. Sandhya Rani, State Chief Commissioner I/c of Andhra Pradesh State Bharat Scouts and Guides is appointed as Deputy National Commissioner of Guides in consultation with the National Commissioner of Guides. The National Executive Committee approved the appointment.

(ii) Confirmation of Appointment of National Treasurer of the Bharat Scouts and Guides for interim period.

The Chairman informed the house that Mrs. Namita Goel, FCA is appointed as National Treasurer of the Bharat Scouts and Guides in accordance with the rules. She succeeds Shri Vaibhav Vishaal-Shrivastava, Former National Treasurer who has submitted his resignation in October 2017 due to his ill health and expressed his inability to discharge the responsibility as National Treasurer. She will continue till a
regular treasurer is appointed. This appointment is approved by the National Executive Committee.

Shri R.S. Shekhawat of Rajasthan State proposed that the National Executive Committee may authorise the Chief National Commissioner for appointment to vacant posts. The members unanimously approved the suggestion and authorised Chief National Commissioner to make appointments for the balance term of the National Council.

(iii) Hosting of 27th Asia-Pacific Regional Scout Conference in October 2021.

The Chairman informed the house that the Bharat Scouts and Guides is making bid for hosting the 27th APR Scout Conference in October 2021 i.e. tentatively from 20th to 23rd October, 2021 in Gurugram, Haryana subject to approval from RSC.

(iv) Hosting of Asia-Pacific Regional WAGGGS Guide Committee Meeting in February 2019.

The Chairman informed the house that the Chair of APR Committee of WAGGGS requested the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters to host the next APR WAGGGS Committee Meeting in February, 2019. The cost of hosting the above meeting will be borne by the WAGGGS.

The Chief National Commissioner requested the members of the National Executive Committee whether any State has to organise the above committee meeting. Smt. Kiran Thakur, Joint State Secretary of Himachal Pradesh requested the Chairman to conduct the above meeting in Shimla. The house authorised Chief National Commissioner on this matter.

(v) Online Scout Shop.

The Director briefed the house about the online scout shop of the Bharat Scouts and Guides. The Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters has registered a firm "Scout Shop India Private Limited" with the Certificate No., PAN No., TAN No., GST No. and Current Account No. This has now made us to enable to offer our products
online complying with all formalities including e-way bills. Mr. R. K. Kaushik, Deputy Director of Scouts(Project) informed the house that by August 2018, the Scout Shop on line will start functioning.

(vi) Writing off old Sundry Debtors of Supply Service Department.

The Chairman informed the house about the writing off the sundry debtors of Rs. 61,302/- which is more than 3 to 8 years old. He also informed that several attempts were made by writing to the sundry debtors but recoveries could not be made.

The committee approved to write off bad debts of Rs.61,302/- only by 2018-2019.

(vii) Formation of Auxiliary Units for expansion of scouting.

The Director informed that a proposal is received from the Missionary of Don Bosco regarding formation of new unit and has sought affiliation with the National Association. The members appreciated the proposal and agreed that the national headquarters may affiliate auxiliary units at par with districts having Pan-India presence and/or overseas set up for expansion of scouting. It was also suggested to make necessary amendments in the rules or for the affiliation of such cases.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

( KRISHNASWAMY R.)
OFFICIATING DIRECTOR & SECRETARY

(DR. K.K. KHANDELWAL)
CHIEF NATIONAL COMMISSIONER & CHAIRMAN

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