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THE BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES, NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, LAKSHMI MAZUMDAR BHAWAN, 16, M. G. MARG, I. P. ESTATE, NEW DELHI-110002

MINUTES OF COMBINED MEETING OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

The combined Meeting of National Executive Committee and Finance Committee of the Bharat Scouts and Guides was held at the National Headquarters, New Delhi on **01st September, 2019 at 11.20 A. M.** under the chairmanship of Dr. K. K. Khandelwal, IAS(Retd.), Chief National Commissioner.

Following members were present:-

1.	Dr. K. K. Khandelwal, IAS(Retd.), Chief National Commissioner, BS&G	-	**Chairman**
2.	Shri Kali Prasad Mishra, Vice-President, BS&G	-	Spl. Invitee
3.	Shri Satya Narayan Sharma, Vice-President, BS&G	-	Spl. Invitee
4.	Dr. (Smt.) Vimla Meghwal, Vice-President, BS&G	-	Spl. Invitee
5.	Shri M. A. Khalid, National Commissioner of Scouts, BS&G	-	Member
6.	Dr. (Smt.) Manik Barsaley, National Commissioner of Guides, BS&G	-	Member
7.	Dr. J. C. Mohanty, IAS(Retd.), International Commissioner of Scouts, BS&G	-	Member
8.	Smt. Amelia Swer, International Commissioner of Guides, BS&G	-	Member
9.	Dr. Harish L. Metha, Deputy National Commissioner of Scouts, BS&G	-	Member
10.	Shri Alok Goel, National Treasurer, BS&G	-	Member
11.	Shri Manish kumar Mehta, NHQ Commissioner(Co-ordination), BS&G	-	Member
12.	Shri D. R. K. Sarma, NHQ Commissioner(Cubs), BS&G	-	Member
13.	Shri Pawan Kr. Bansal, NHQ Commissioner(Media), BS&G	-	Member
14.	Shri C. S. Reddy, NHQ Commissioner(C.D. Services), BS&G	-	Member
15.	Shri G. Swamy, NHQ Commissioner(NTC), BS&G	-	Member
16.	Shri Vinod Chandrakar, I/c State Chief Commissioner, Chhattisgarh	-	Spl. Invitee
17.	Shri Janardanbhai D. Pandya, State Chief Commissioner, Gujarat	-	Spl. Invitee
18.	Dr. Amarjeet Kumar Sharma, State Chief Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh	-	Spl. Invitee
19.	Dr. H. P. Chettri, State Chief Commissioner, Sikkim	-	Spl. Invitee
20.	Smt. T. Hema Suneetha, I/c State Chief Commissioner, Southern Railway	-	Spl. Invitee
21.	Shri Debaditya Chakrabarti, IAS(Retd.), State Chief Commissioner, West Bengal	-	Spl. Invitee
22.	Shri R. M. Kala, State Secretary, Uttarakhand	-	Spl. Invitee

23. Shri Himanshu Jain, IAS, Assistant Secretary, MoRD, Govt. of India	-	Spl. Invitee
24. Smt. Aashika Jain, IAS, Additional Commissioner, Jalandhar, Punjab	-	Spl. Invitee
25. Dr.(Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU and National Commissioner (Raners), BS&G	-	Spl. Invitee
26. Shri Ajay Jain, Advocate, Legal Advisor	-	Spl. Invitee
27. Shri Ashok Kumar Khanna, Rajasthan State BS&G Finance Committee, BS&G	-	Member,
28. Shri Ashok Kumar Shrivastava, ASC(S), N. E. Railway State BS&G	-	Member
29. Dr. J. S. Negi, Ex. State Commissioner(S), Himachal Pradesh State BS&G	-	Member
30. Shri K. B. Shanmukhappa, Vice-President, Karnataka State BS&G	-	Member
31. Shri G. Parameshwar, SOC(S), Telangana State BS&G	-	Member
32. Shri Manoj R. Nair, SOC(S), Central Railway State BS&G	-	Member
33. Shri Prakash Disoriya, SOC(S), Madhya Pradesh State BS&G	-	Member
34. Shri Santosh Kumar Dixit, Uttar Pradesh State BS&G	-	Member
35. Smt. Anamika Das, SOC(G), Odisha State BS&G	-	Member
36. Smt. Janaki Venugopal, Former SOC(G), Karnataka State BS&G	-	Member
37. Smt. Kiran Thakur, Himachal Pradesh State BS&G	-	Member
38. Smt. VandanaTewari, ASC(G), Uttar Pradesh State BS&G	-	Member
39. Shri Krishanswamy R., Executive Director and Joint Director(S), BS&G	-	Member
40. Miss M. N. Machamma, Dy. Director(G), L. T. ,BS&G	-	Member
41. Shri Amar Bahadur Chettri, Dy. Director(BP), BS&G	-	Member
42. Smt. Surekha Shrivastava, Dy. Director of Guides(Project), BS&G	-	Member
43. Shri Raj Kumar Kaushik, Director, BS&G	-	**Secretary**

The meeting started with Scout/Guide prayer.

The Convenor welcomed Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner and Chairman of the meeting. The members of the National Executive Committee and Finance Committee are welcomed by the Hon'ble Chairman.

Hon'ble Chairman introduced Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities (AIU) and congratulated her by presenting a scarf. Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal worked as Additional Secretary, UGC and now she was appointed as Secretary General of Association of Indian Universities for a period of five years.

Hon'ble Chairman welcomed Dr. H. P. Chettri, State Chief Commissioner of Sikkim, Shri Vinod Chandrakar, I/c State Chief Commissioner, Chhattisgarh, Shri Amarjeet Kumar Sharma, State Chief Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh, Shri Janardanbhai D. Pandya, State Chief Commissioner, Gujarat, Shri Debaditya Chakrabarti, IAS (Retd.), State Chief Commissioner, West Bengal, Smt. T. Hema Suneetha, I/c State Chief Commissioner, Southern Railway for accepting the invitation and attending the said meeting. Scarf was presented to all. He congratulated Shri Alok Goel, FCA who is appointed as National Treasurer of the Bharat Scouts and Guides. All welcomed him in the Bharat Scouts and Guides family.

He also welcomed Shri Himanshu Jain, IAS, Assistant Secretary, MoRD, Govt. of India and Smt. Aashika Jain, IAS, Additional Commissioner, Jalandhar, Punjab and presented scarf to them.

Obituary References:-

1. Shri M. P. S. Malik, Founder member of Ramjas Scout Foundation Delhi State passed away on 12th April, 2019.
2. Shri B. Mallaiah Sastry, L.T.(Rover) and Former SOC(S), Andhra Pradesh State passed away on 28th July, 2019.
3. Smt. Sumanaben Raman Lal Bhatt, Former SC(G), Gujarat State passed away on 27th July, 2019.
4. Ms.Radhika Pradhan, Vice-President, West Bengal State & Former Vice-President, BS&G passed away on 30th July, 2019.
5. Shri T. Poshalu Dora, L.T.(S), Telangana State passed away in August 2019.

The House stood in silence for a minute to pay homage to the departed souls. Due respect and homage also paid to Former Union Ministers Late Smt. Sushama Swarajji and Late Shri Arun Jaitleyji.

Apologies were received from the following members of the National Executive Committee.

1. Shri S. S. H. Zaidi, SOC(S), K. V. S. State BS&G vide email dated 14/08/2019.
2. Smt. GeethaNataraj, Vice-President, BS&G vide email dated 16/08/2019.
3. Shri Jogendra Prasad, West Bengal State BS&G vide email dated 21/08/2019.
4. State Chief Commissioner, Meghalaya State BS&G vide SHQ email dated 23/08/2019.
5. Adv. V. K. Narvekar, SC(S), Goa State BS&G vide email dated 26/08/2019.
6. Smt. SeemaJaunsari, State Chief Commissioner, Uttarakhand State BS&G vide email dated 26/08/2019.

7. Shri P. G. R. Sindhia, State Chief Commissioner, Karnataka State BS&G as informed by Director on 28/08/2019.
8. Smt. K. Lalliantluangi, SC (G), Mizoram State BS&G vide email dated 28/08/2019.
9. Shri Thankhuma, STC(S), Mizoram State BS&G vide email dated 28/08/2019.
10. Shri R. S. Shekhawat, SC (Prog.), Rajasthan State BS&G vide email dated 30/08/2019.

The meeting started with self-introduction followed by agenda items.

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 31st March, 2019.

The minutes of the last meeting of National Executive Committee held at the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters, New Delhi on 31st March, 2019 which have already been circulated to the members were confirmed as proposed by Shri G. Parameswar, SOC(S), Telangana State and seconded by Shri G. Swamy, National Headquarters Commissioner(NTC).

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 and discussed.

Members wanted to know about the Rashtrapati Award Rally and issue of Rashtrapati Award Certificates. Hon'ble Chairman informed the House that he had a meeting with the officials of the President's Secretariat on 04th July, 2019 and also a meeting with the Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India on 27th August, 2019. He briefed about the discussion held during the meetings pertaining to the issue of Rashtrapati Award Certificates to Scout, Guide, Rover and Ranger pending with the President's Secretariat since 2016 as the highest office has suggested for restrictions of a maximum limit to 2000 for the Rashtrapati Award to be signed by the Hon'ble President of India. The President's Secretariat has marked our request to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports with direction to be a part of the selection process and put a ceiling of 120 certificates to be signed by the Hon'ble President of India.

1. The Ministry wanted to disassociate with the selection process as the system of the Bharat Scouts and Guides is robust and advised strict compliance of the guidelines.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has accepted our stand of recommending 2000 Certificates per year for signature of Hon'ble President of India.

3. Ministry proposed to have a Gazetted Officer/Class I Officer of the Government to be involved in the Examination process as Director cum Invigilators and certify the selection process.
4. The process of selection from Rajya Puraskar level to be strengthened with transparency in the selection process and fairness in conduct of examinations for award certificates.

The House agreed and authorise the Chief National Commissioner to take necessary action as may be deemed fit to re-start the Rashtrapati Award.

The Action Taken Report were confirmed by the House unanimously as proposed by Shri PrakashDisoriya, SOC(S), Madhya Pradesh State Bharat Scouts and Guides and seconded by Shri Ashok Kumar Shrivastava, ASC(S) of N. E. Railway State Bharat Scouts and Guides.

Agenda Item No.3:- Consideration of the Draft Annual Report for the year 2018-19 for further recommendation to the National Council for its approval.

The Draft Annual Report for the year 2018-2019 was placed before the House and the same was approved with recommendation to cover all States as far as possible. The Director requested the members to give their suggestions/corrections/additions, if any, in writing to incorporate in the final Report.

Agenda Item No. 4:- Consideration and adoption of the Audited Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year 2018-2019 and recommendation for approval of National Council.

The Audited Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year 2018-2019 was placed before the House and the same was considered and approved unanimously. The same is further forwarded for the approval of National Council.

Agenda Item No.5:- Consideration and recommendation of Revised Budget for the year 2019-2020 and Budget Estimate for the year 2020-2021 for approval of the National Council.

The Revised Budget for the year 2019-2020 and Budget Estimate for the year 2020-2021 was placed before the House.

Point wise discussions on Income head of NHQ, New Delhi and NAI/NTC, Pachmarhi. Revised Estimates for 2019-2020 and Estimates for 2020-2021 as shown at B-1 was discussed in details with following observations and decisions are taken as under:

1. Subscription for monthly magazine- Shri G. Swamy, National Headquarters Commissioner (NTC) requested the Hon'ble Chairman to have a special meeting for NHQ Magazine to increase the subscribers.
   a) After lengthy discussions, Hon'ble Chairman requested Shri Pawan Kumar Bansal, National Headquarters Commissioner (Media) to take charge of the Magazine and directed the staff of PRO department to assist him.
   b) It is recommended that the membership towards NHQ Magazine subscribers should be improved. Informative and more articles from students, future activities of National Headquarters, State Associations and advertisements are be collected.
   c) The pages of the Magazine should be increased from 32 to 54 pages as per requirement. Hon'ble Chairman suggested that the State Associations may send the write up, articles, reports for publication in the NHQ Magazine every month in the stipulated time.
   d) Shri G. Swamy, National Headquarters Commissioner (NTC) suggested that Magazine subscription is to be collected from all participants of Rashtrapati Award Testing Camps as per previous practice.

Agenda Item No. 6:- Fixation of the date of National Council Meeting in consultation with the President, Bharat Scouts and Guides.

The Director informed the House that proposal have been sent to the Hon'ble President of the Bharat Scouts and Guides for fixing up the date for holding the National Council Meeting of the Bharat Scouts and Guides on 24/11/2019 and requested members to authorise the Chief National Commissioner to finalise the suitable date in consultation with the Hon'ble President of the Bharat Scouts and Guides. The House agreed and authorised the Chief National Commissioner for the same.

Agenda Item No. 7:-Consideration of amendment of Rules recommended by Special Committee.

The Director informed the House about the proposed amendments in APRO Part-I, Memorandum of Association, Bye-Laws, Scheme of Training and Rules suggested by Rules Committee held on 19.05.2018 and the National Executive Committee in its meeting held on 19.05.2018 and 16.09.2018 respectively and as per decision of the National Council in its meeting held on 01.12.2018 and finally considered by a Special Committee in its meeting held on 04.07.2019, the

Minutes of Special Committee meeting and amendments were circulated to the Members by email on 09.08.2019.

He also informed the House about the receipt of two suggestions i. e. one from Shri D. R. K. Sarma, National Headquarters Commissioner (Cubs) vide email dated 24/08/2019 and another from Odisha State Bharat Scouts and Guides through Shri R. M. Dora and Smt. Anamika Das vide email dated 26/08/2019 and corrections are made in the Amendment of Rules accordingly.

All the amendments are accepted by the House with the following corrections.

- Smt. Anamika Das, SOC (G), Odisha State suggested to change the eligibility of Vice-Presidents. Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner informed that for such a higher post, a person must have served the movement atleast as State Chief Commissioner or State Commissioner in the State Association.
- Smt. Anamika Das also suggested for voting power to Guide Wing also. The House agreed on the remarks of Chief National Commissioner that State Commissioner Guide or Scout(in case State Chief Commissioner is female) will also be the delegate to use voting power in the Electoral College.
- She also suggested to keep the word 'Malafide' used in the Rules Book Rule No. 4.3 as it is. Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner informed that the word 'Malafide' cannot be proved easily in the eye of Law, hence it has to be removed,
- Shri D. R. K. Sarma, National Headquarters Commissioner (Cubs) suggested to delete Ministers from Rule No. 5(3)(c) as Minister is already given in heading.
- As per suggestions of Shri R. M. Dora and Smt. Anamika Das to continue Life members, Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner informed that present Life members will continue to be the Life members but no new members will be enrolled in future.
- Smt. Anamika Das also requested to add President-in-Council in the Rules Book.
- In regard to the election of Vice-Presidents in Rule No. 13, the House did not agreed for the suggestion of election at National level as the Vice-President is to be nominated from the respective Region only.
- She also argued to keep Sandhan in the Rules Book for which Director informed that it is a Meet of Trainers not a Rule, hence the same is incorporated in Scheme of Training(SOT).
- She also suggested to include ROC in the Regional Council & National Executive Committee. Her proposal is not accepted by the House but her suggestion to include one Scouter and one Guider representative in Regional Council is unanimously accepted.

- Shri K. B. Shanmukhappa, Vice- President, Karnataka State suggested to keep Rule No. 4.4 of the Bye-Laws of the Bharat Scouts and Guides that any member of the Association can seek the information as may be required or any matter of the subjects or rules and regulations of the association from the National Headquarters, but the House rejected the proposal.

Agenda Item No.8:- Consideration of recommendation of Finance Committee.

The members of Finance Committee met in the office chamber of Chief National Commissioner and forwarded the recommendations for consideration with regard to NPCC Ltd. that the case be civil and criminal to safeguard the interest of Association. Audited Statement of Accounts and Budgets is approved and recommended as submitted.

Agenda Item No.9:- New creation and approval of the Executive Director post.

The Director informed the House that the provision of Executive Director's post was in the Bharat Scouts and Guides which was abolished for a long time and now this post is revived for better management of Association in the PB-3-Rs.15600-39100-GP-6000/-. This was confirmed by the House.

Agenda Item No. 10:- Confirmation of appointment of Director and Executive Director.

The Director informed the House that following changes have been made in the National Headquarters with effect from 04th July, 2019. Shri Raj Kumar Kaushik is appointed as Director of the Bharat Scouts and Guides and Shri Krishnaswamy R., Joint Director(S) has been appointed as Executive Director of the Bharat Scouts and Guides as per the decision of the Special Committee in its meeting held on 04th July, 2019. This was confirmed by the House unanimously with applaud.

Agenda Item No.11:- Update on 18th National Jamboree of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

Hon'ble Chairman informed the House that our President Dr. Anil Kumar Jain ji has sent a D.O. Letter to Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in July 2019 and discussed with him in this regard. He briefed that the Bharat Scouts and Guides is organising number of commemorative and constructive activities during 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi from 02nd October, 2018 to 02nd October, 2020 at local unit level, district level and at the national level. The Bharat Scouts and Guides proposes to organise 18th National Jamboree which is due in the year 2020 to

commemorate 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The National Jamboree will be based on Gandhiji's principle.

The entire Jamboree will be based on theme of "Mahatma 150" – it is also proposed that overseas contingent will also be invited. About 40,000 youths are expected to participate. The proposed venue for hosting the event are suggested i.e. Kutch (Gujarat), Kurukshetra (Haryana) and Prayagraj (Uttar Pradesh). Our President has requested the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India to inaugurate the 18th National Jamboree so that his blessings on this occasion will encourage youths to play constructive role in nation building activities.

Hon'ble Chairman also suggested to plan the national level events/activities and programmes to celebrate 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi from September 2019 to 02nd October 2020 at unit, district and state level. The programme will be finalised by a Committee to be constituted for the purpose.

The House authorised Chief National Commissioner to decide the Jamboree matter from his end.

Organising annual National Jamborees:-

Chairman informed the House that the State Governments are unwilling to spent huge amount on Jamborees and the States are facing problems to get amount which run to Crores. Instances of 17th National Jamboree held in Mysore, Karnataka which spent about 16 Crores was highlighted. He suggested that every year Bharat Scouts and Guides should promote Jamborees at their own training centres to attract young people.

He suggested that a team headed by National Commissioner (Scouts) may draft nominal expenses on Jamboree with reasonable fees per head inclusive of food and miscellaneous expenses and suggest venues for the event which may be convenient for young people to participate.

It was tentatively proposed that Rajasthan, Karnataka, Odisha, West Bengal States having huge training centres be made permanent Jamboree site. The Joint Director of Scouts was directed to work out a feasible plan and submit.

Agenda Item No.12:- Update on Skill Development.

Details of Skill Development projects of the Bharat Scouts and Guides as on 31st August 2019 were presented through power point.

Hon'ble Chairman briefed the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana and Deen Dayal Upadhaya Grameen Kaushal Yojana.

The Director informed the House that 7 centres of the Bharat Scouts and Guides having target of 1920 are running and completed their training. 1920(64 batches) candidates' data is uploaded on National Skill Development Corporation portal. 57 batches (1710 candidates) got the assessment dates from sector skill council. 50 batches (1500 candidates) are assessed successfully. 1166 candidates are qualified. The Bharat Scouts and Guides applied for 30 new centres in 10 States for year 2019-2020.

Agenda Item No.13:- Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

1. (i) The Director informed the House that at present we are collecting Rs.1500/- against the Magazine subscription fee (Individual for 10 years) and Rs.1000/- as Administrative expenses. Total Caution money is Rs.5000/- from the participants attending international events.

   The proposal for enhancement of the Caution Money from Rs.5, 000/- to Rs.10, 000/- for the international event is approved by the House.

   (ii) All participants attending international Event will contribute Rs. 2500/- towards Scout/Guide Welfare Fund which will be deducted from the caution money. The same is accepted by the House.

2. It is submitted that as per APRO-II, Chapter-I Rule No. 15 (e) a Cub Master who is Advanced Trained and has a valid warrant will be competent to produce Golden Arrow as **a special case.**

   Proposal to allow Basic Cub Masters of Flock Leaders o sign in the documents of eligible Cubs & Bulbuls for Golden Arrow Badge is duly accepted by the House.

3. To issue Charter to Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship as an Auxiliary Unit of the Bharat Scouts and Guides and they will function independently under the aegis of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

   Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship has incorporated the provision to include the Chief National Commissioner and the Director of the Bharat Scouts and Guides as members of the National Council of Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship.

Following amendments are to be made in the Rules for wider consultation of policies.

Rule No.29 (1)(e)

a) One member of Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship to be co-opted in the National Executive Committee of the Bharat Scouts and Guides as may be nominated by President of Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship in consultation with the Chief National Commissioner.

Rule No. 6(32)

b) The President and National Secretary of the Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship shall be special members of the National Council of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

The House agreed and approved the above amendments in the Rules.

It is also proposed that office room at first floor of the Bharat Scouts and Guides which is so far used by the Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship till they are functioning under the umbrella of the Bharat Scouts and Guides for which maintenance cost will be borne by Auxiliary Unit. The House agreed and appreciated the efforts of the Chief National Commissioner.

4. **Amendment in Rule No. 29(1)(f)**

All the Vice-Presidents of the Bharat Scouts and Guides are to be invited as a special Invitee in the National Executive Committee Meeting.

The same is approved by the House unanimously.

5. As per the advice of the National Treasurer, following accounts are to be closed as there is no need to keep these accounts with the Bharat Scouts and Guides. Details as under:

Sl. No.	Account No.	Name of Bank	Place
1.	000701234092 (General A/c)	ICICI Bank Ltd.	Cannaught Place, New Delhi
2.	1075855769 (BSG Foundation)	Central Bank of India	VikasMinar, New Delhi
3.	3064383758 (Development Fund)	Central Bank of India	-do-

4.	1075845070 (Supply Service Department)	Central Bank of India	-do-
5.	1075863112 (Provident Fund)	Central Bank of India	-do-
6.	30364164927 (NAI Compensation Fund)	State Bank of India	Pachmarhi

The Director informed the House about the closing of the above accounts as these accounts are not required. The House agreed with the proposal and authorized the Director to open new Account or close the Account whenever required.

6. **Resignation and action on State Chief Commissioner, Maharashtra State Bharat Scouts and Guides.**

The Director informed the House about the resignation and action taken on State Chief Commissioner of Maharashtra State Bharat Scouts and Guides. He briefed that as per the powers vested upon the Chief National Commissioner under Rules of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, the Warrant of Appointment issued to Shri. B. I. Nagarale, State Chief Commissioner of Maharashtra State dated 21/10/016 had withdrawn vide NHQ letter no. D-3-21/1261/2019-20, dated 19/08/2019. He also informed that as per Rule No.14(4)(r) and 14(4)(t)(iii) of the Rules of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, all the Warrant of Appointments of State Commissioner(S), State Commissioner(G), Asstt. State Commissioners, Headquarters Commissioners, Distt. Chief Commissioner of Maharashtra State are now hereby cancelled by the Competent Authority vide letter no. D-3-21/1335/2019-20, dated 23/08/2019.

The House noted the developments and approved action taken by the Chief National Commissioner.

7. **Resignation of State Chief Commissioner, Chhattisgarh State Bharat Scouts and Guides and action by the National Headquarters.**

The Director informed the House about the resignation of the State Chief Commissioner of Chhattisgarh State Bharat Scouts and Guides. The Competent Authority has withdrawn the Warrant No.WOA/NHQ/Chhattisgarh/SCC/01/2015, dated 01/06.2015 issued in favour of

Shri Gajendra Yadav, State Chief Commissioner of Chhattisgarh has withdrawn and Shri Vinod Chandrakar, SC(S) nominated by the President of Chhattisgarh will be the In-charge State Chief Commissioner till the new State Chief Commissioner is elected in the State Council. It is also informed that the State has to conduct the State Council Elections by April/May 2020 issued vide letter no. D-3-21/1389/2019-20, dated 29/08/2019 is issued to this effect.

The House accepted the decision of Chief National Commissioner.

8. **Recruitment and Condition of Service Rules of the Bharat Scouts and Guides – Retirement age to be reduced to 60 years for all.**

The Director informed the House that as per the Recruitment and condition of service Rules of the Bharat Scouts and Guides vide Section I, Rule No.14 states that "the age of superannuation of all employees of the Association shall be 60 years irrespective of the dates of appointments however those employees appointed prior to 03.06.2002 will continue till they attain the age of 65 years. After 60 years of age, the Commissioner will review the performance of these employees of the National Headquarters and if they are found unfit, will be retired prematurely after giving three month notice. There shall be second review at the age of 63 years for considering continuance of the employee up to 65 years."

The proposal for retirement age to be reduced to 60 years for all is approved by the House in view of EPFO scheme introduced which provides pension at the age of 58 years and gratuity policy taken by the Bharat Scouts and Guides to support retiring staff.

The House applauded the efforts of the Chief National Commissioner and his team for the welfare measures introduced for benefit of its employees.

9. **Food charges**

Director informed the House that at present Rs.70/- per head per day is charged as food expenses for camps and events. In view of the increase in prices, the same is to be enhanced to Rs.100/- per head per day.

Additional funds will be met from general funds of the Bharat Scouts and Guides. This was approved with immediate effect. If Government do not increase the grant in regard to food and miscellaneous expenses.

10. The Director informed the House that Association of Top Achiever Scouts-INDIA Management Committee met in National Headquarters of the Bharat Scouts and Guides on Saturday 13th July 2019 chaired by Justice KalpeshJhaveri, Chief Justice of Odisha High Court and President of ATAS India in presence of our Chief National Commissioner of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

As per the minutes of the ATAS-India Management Committee Meet, following decisions were taken.

ATAS INDIA will work under umbrella of Bharat Scouts and Guides as an auxiliary unit. ATAS-INDIA will be managed by working committee affiliated with ATAS World Committee and under umbrella of the Bharat Scouts and Guides (BSG) in consultation with the National Headquarters.

a) The ATAS-World Patch (as per the prescribed format) will be worn by ATAS members on the lower part of right sleeve. ATAS Badge is 52 mm X 26 mm including boarder line.
b) ATAS member will work as **Goodwill Ambassador** of Scouting Guiding and responsible to sustained growth of Bharat Scouts and Guides & Indian Scouts & Guides Fellowship.

The House agreed with the proposal for amendments in Rules.

11. **Celebration of 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.**

The Director informed the House about the circular is already circulated to the State Associations of the Bharat Scouts and Guides regarding programmes and activities to be undertaken to commemorate 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi from 15th July 2019 to 02nd October, 2020 at State, District and Unit Level.

Hon'ble Chairman briefed in this regard and instructed that time should be fixed in northern part and southern part of India to organise a Special Jamboree for 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on the Theme "Mahatma". Letters should be written to all the Chief Ministers in this regard. Detailed plan should be prepared to conduct the same. He suggested that the main camp should be organized at Sabarmati in the State of Gujarat for this occasion and to invite the VVIP to witness our programmes and activities organized for the purpose.

He constituted a Committee under the chairmanship of Shri Satya Narayan Sharma, Vice President of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

1. Shri Satya Narayan Sharma, Vice President, BS&G - **Chairman**
2. Shri G. Swamy, National Headquarters Commissioner (NTC), BS&G - Member
3. Shri R. M. Kala, State Secretary, Uttarakhand - Member
4. Smt. Aashika Jain, IAS, Additional Commissioner, Jalandhar, Punjab - Member
5. Shri Himanshujain, IAS, Assistant Secretary, MoRD, Govt. of India - Member
6. Shri Ashok Srivastava, ASC(S), N.E. Railway State BS&G - Member
7. Smt. Kiran Thakur, Former Joint State Secretary, Himachal Pradesh - Member

12. **IRF Fixation Proposal**

The Census of the State Associations of the Bharat Scouts and Guides are decreasing day by day and some of the States even do not possess the minimum census required for affiliation as District Association.

As per the norm of World Scout Bureau, the proposal of ceiling of IRF may be fixed for Bharat Scouts and Guides State Associations based on penetration rate (i.e. 1% or 1.5% or 2%) of the youth population or the present census of the last five years whichever is higher. Hon'ble Chairman informed the House that States are not giving the correct data and actual figure of census. Presently affiliation fee is changed @ Rs.1000/- which is proposed to be revised.

The Committee has discussed in length about sources of funds for the Bharat Scouts and Guides. Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner informed that funds have to be arranged from other sources like Maruti, TATA, Birla, UNICEF etc. The Bharat Scouts and Guides work for Govt. of Indian in many Abhiyans like Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Skill India, NamamiGange, Mission Indradhanush, Sanitation Promotion, Awareness on Plastic Free India etc. for which project can be submitted to Corporate Sectors under CSR. Shri Himanshu Jain, IAS, Assistant Secretary, MoRD, Govt. of India is appointed as Chief Advisor (CSR) to look after the CSR for the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

Hon'ble Chairman appealed to the State Association to contribute at least Rs.10 lakhs in the Corpus Fund of the Bharat Scouts and Guides and at least Rs.25 lakhs may be contributed

by the bigger States like Haryana, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha, K.V. S., N.V.S., Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Telangana. Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner and State Chief Commissioner of Haryana offered Rs.25 lakhs from Haryana State. Similarly Rajasthan and Karnataka also agreed to contribute towards the same immediately.

After detailed discussion, the House approved the ceiling of IRF based on 1% penetration rate of the youth population of the state and the rates of KVS/NVS and the Railways will be decided separately by the Chief National Commissioner and will be informed to the States accordingly in due course of time.

Flag Day Stickers

Flag Day is celebrated on 07th November every year, the design of the Flag Day Sticker of higher denomination is to be developed with the help of Shri R.M. Kala, State Secretary, Uttarakhand and Smt. Kiran Thakur, Former Joint State Secretary, Himachal Pradesh. Scarf and Car Stickers should also be designed at the earliest for Flag Day collection. The amount of Flag Day sticker is a donation to the Bharat Scouts and Guides. Contributions may be collected @ Rs. 10/- per Flag Day Sticker and Rs. 5/- per Flag Day Sticker may be deposited at the National Headquarters (50% amount) and 50% may be retained by the State.

It is also proposed that Car Sticker and high denomination coupons may be prepared and contributions may be collectd @ Rs. 100/- per Car Sticker out of which Rs. 25/- be kept in the State and Rs. 75/- may be contributed to Scout/Guide Welfare Fund at NHQ.

13. **Finalisation of the BS&G Uniform**

On the recommendations of the National Executive Committee in its meeting held on 19/05/2018, the recommendation of the Uniform Committee is tabled before the House.

In regard to the Uniform, as per the recommendation of the committee under the leadership of National Commissioner (G), Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner suggested to have the same uniform for both as it was impressed by the children during the 24th World Scout Jamboree. He also informed about the success of beginners course and the beginners are wearing the same uniform for promotion.

Director informed that till completion of pratham sopan, there is no need of uniform. Only scarf will be sufficient, at the unit level. It was accepted in principle to allow young people to join scout guide movement. In case of participation at Local/District/State level events, uniform as per APRO-II/III will apply.

I.T. Committee

I.T. Committee bereconstituted by the Hon'ble Chairman under the chairmanship of Shri Himanshu Jain, IAS, Assistant Secretary, MoRD, Govt. of India to develop the Web Page of the Bharat Scouts and Guides in which State Association web page will also be provided.

Celebration of 100 year of Rangering

Fresh Committee to be formed under the chairmanship of Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU and National Commissioner (Rangers) of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

Some members raised the point about the Hindustan Scouts and Guides captured many schools in their States. The Director informed the House that the National Headquarters has taken initiative to stop the activities of Hindustan Scouts and Guides and the Govt. of India has already stopped the grant of Hindustan Scouts and Guides for last two years.

The National Headquarters has also registered a Suit against the Organisation vide Court Case No. CS(COMM) 443/2016.

Hon'ble President and Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner has discussed the matter with the Ministry to take suable action against this organisation as well as other Parallel Organisations like the Scouts/Guides Organisation. The National Headquarters has sent the Circulars/letters to the States not to entertain them and write the letter to their respective State Governments in this regard.

Smt. Anamika Das, SOC(G) of Odisha State BS&G raised the point to update on the Award of PMSC and to change the syllabus of Prime Minister Shield Competition. Hon'ble Chairman informed that suitable measures are to be taken in this regard.

Census Growth

Hon'ble Chairman informed that Convention of Vice-Chancellors are held at National and Zonal levels. The concept of Rovering and Rangering is to be introduced in the Convention. 3 top officials as being practiced in Karnataka be introduced so that each University will conduct programmes as being organised by AIU for sports and youth festivals.

Literature for distribution to University, draft proforma be developed before next Convention so that we can promote Rovering/Rangering for Academic year 2020-2021 in few Universities.

14. Scout/Guide Welfare Fund

The Director informed the House that the Development fee and Special fee is now no more collected in the camps/courses. It is proposed to be revised. The House authorised the Chief National Commissioner to take appropriate action in regard to increase the Scout/Guide Welfare Fund collected during events/courses as may be deemed fit.

15. Additional Chief National Commissioner

The Chairman expressed his view to have one more post of Additional Chief National Commissioner to help him to look after the administration of the National Association. The House unanimously accepted and welcome the suggestion.

The Warrant of Appointment is presented to Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU as National Commissioner (Rangers) of the Bharat Scouts and Guides during the meeting. The House congratulated her with standing ovation and clapping.

The meeting came to an end with a vote of thanks to the Chair and National Anthem.

(RAJ KUMAR KAUSHIK)
DIRECTOR &
SECRETARY

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

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