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The combined physical Meeting of the National Programme Committee & National Training Committee of the Bharat Scouts and Guides was held at the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters, 16 M.G. Marg, I.P. Estate, New Delhi from 11th to 13th February, 2024 as per rules No. 32.1 and 33.1 of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

The Meeting started with lighting the lamp by the Chairperson Shri S. K. Biswas, Chief Commissioner (Scouts) in the presence of Shri Madhusudan A.S, Additional International Commissioner (Scouts) and Dr. Raj Kumar Kaushik, Director BSG in the soft opening ceremony at 11:00 am on 11/02/2024.

Following Members were present in the meeting -

Sl. NO.	NAME (IN CAPITAL)	RANK IN SCOUTING/ GUIDING	STATE	ROLE
1.	SHRI SHYAMAL KUMAR BISWAS	CHIEF COMMISSIONER (SCOUTS)	NHQ	CHAIPERSON
2.	MS. RAZIA BEGUM	SOC(G)	ANDHRA PRADESH	MEMBER
3.	SHRI M. MOHAN RAO	STC(S)	ANDHRA PRADESH	MEMBER
4.	SHRI PRATHIPATI SRINIVASARAO	SOC(S)	ANDHRA PRADESH	MEMBER
5.	SHRI SHRINIWAS KUMAR	SOC(S)	BIHAR	MEMBER
6.	SHRI RAVINDRA S.KANOJE	STC(S)	CENTRAL RAILWAY	MEMBER
7.	MS. MAMTA RAI	SOC(G)	EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY	MEMBER
8.	MS. GEETA BHATTACHARYA	STC(G)	EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY	MEMBER
9.	SHRI DIOGO R FERNANDES	STC(S)	GOA	MEMBER
10.	DR.MANSINGBHAI CHAUDHIRI	STC(S)	GUJARAT	MEMBER
11.	SHRI L S VERMA	STC(S)	HARYANA	MEMBER
12.	MS. MEENA BHATTI	SOC(G)	HIMACHAL PRADESH	MEMBER
13.	SHRI MANOHAR LAL THAKUR	STC (S)	HIMACHAL PRADESH	MEMBER
14.	MS. FIRADOUS AHAD	S TC(G)	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	MEMBER
15.	SHRI R P KOTWAL	STC(S)	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	MEMBER
16.	SHRI NAGESH R SHIVPAPUR	STC(S)	KARNATAKA	MEMBER
17.	SHRI S. S. H. ZAIDI	SOC(S)	KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA SAMITI	MEMBER

18.	MS. P ASHA KRISHNA NAIR	SOC(G)	KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA SAMITI	MEMBER
19.	MS. MADHULIKA MADHU	STC(G)	KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA SAMITI	MEMBER
20.	MS. SHEELA JOSEPH	SOC(G)	KERALA	MEMBER
21.	MS. SREEJAKUMARI .P J	STC(G)	KERALA	MEMBER
22.	SHRI BABURAJAN C P	SOC(S)	KERALA	MEMBER
23.	SHRI B. L. SHARMA	STC(S)	MADHYA PRADESH	MEMBER
24.	MS. LALNUSIAMI PACHUAU	STC(G)	MIZORAM	MEMBER
25.	SHRI LALTHLANTHANGA	SOC(S)	MIZORAM	MEMBER
26.	SHRI LALNGILNEIA COLNEY	STATE SECRETARY & STC(S)	MIZORAM	MEMBER
27.	SHRI MADHAV DADARAO NALAMWAD	STC(S)	NAVODAYA VIDYALAYA SAMITI	MEMBER
28.	SMT. SAMTA CHOUBEY	SOC(G)	NAVODAYA VIDYALAYA SAMITI	MEMBER
29.	SHRI ANUJ RANJAN	STC(S)	NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
30.	SHRI RANJEET KUMAR SHARMA	SOC(S)	NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
31.	MS. SAVITA PANDEY	SOC(G)	NORTH EASTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
32.	SHRI SHANMUGAM K	SOC(S)	PUDUCHERRY	MEMBER
33.	DR. K. TANIGAIKOUMARANE	STC(S)	PUDUCHERRY	MEMBER
34.	SHRI HEMANT KUMAR	STC(S)	PUNJAB	MEMBER
35.	SHRI PURAN SINGH SHEKHAWAT	SOC(S)	RAJASTHAN	MEMBER
36.	MS. SUYASH LODHA	SOC(G)	RAJASTHAN	MEMBER
37.	MS. WAHEEDUNISA BEGUM	SOC(G)	SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY	MEMBER
38.	SHRI T.D. GOURI SHANKAR RAO	SOC (S)	SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY	MEMBER
39.	SHRI PINTU CHATTERJEE	STC(S)	SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
40.	SHRI GOBINDA DAS	SOC(S)	SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
41.	MS. SUKRITY SARKAR	STC(G)	SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
42.	SHRI SHAIK SHAH KADRI	SOC(S)	SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER

43.	SHRI QUMMRUDDIN M SUBEDAR	STC(S)	SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
44.	MS. SUSHMA B JADHAV	SOC(G)	SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
45.	MS. D. MARY MANI	STC(G)	SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
46.	SHRI M. MATHIMARAN	SOC(S)	SOUTHERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
47.	MS. SALINI SURENDRAN	SOC(G)	SOUTHERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
48.	SHRI V.KENNEDY GEORGE EBI	STC(S)	SOUTHERN RAILWAY	MEMBER
49.	MS. GOMATHI.K	SOC(G)	TAMIL NADU	MEMBER
50.	MS G.J.ARULMARY	STC(G)	TAMIL NADU	MEMBER
51.	SHRI SAKTHIVEL J	SOC(S)	TAMIL NADU	MEMBER
52.	SHRI NAGARAJAN S	STC(S)	TAMIL NADU	MEMBER
53.	SHRI G PARAMESHWAR	STC(S) & SOC(S)	TELANGANA	MEMBER
54.	SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SRIVASTAVA	STC(S)	UTTAR PRADESH	MEMBER
55.	MS. KAMINI SRIVASTAVA	SOC(G)	UTTAR PRADESH	MEMBER
56.	SHRI HEERALAL YADAV	SOC(S)	UTTAR PRADESH	MEMBER
57.	SHRI PROBODH RANJAN BISWAS	SOC(S)	WEST BENGAL	MEMBER
58.	MS. AMEETA UTPAL PATEL	SOC(G)	WEST BENGAL	MEMBER
59.	MS. BHASWATI ROY	STC(G)	WEST BENGAL	MEMBER
60.	SHRI KAUSHIK CHATTERJEE	STC(S)	WEST BENGAL	MEMBER
61.	SHRI AMINUDDIN ANSARI	STC(S)	WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY	MEMBER
62.	MS. KAMINI SINGH	SOC(G)	WEST CENTRAL RAILWAY	MEMBER
63.	SMT. SUREKHA SHRIVASTAVA	DDGP	NHQ	MEMBER
64.	SHRI ARUP SARKAR	DDBP	NHQ	MEMBER
65.	SHRI S. S. RAY	DDSLT	NHQ	MEMBER
66.	SMT. KUMUD MEHRA	I/C DDGLT	NHQ	MEMBER
67.	MS. NIRUBEN.JADAV	A.S.T.C.	GUJARAT	SPL. INVITEE
68.	MS. PRIYANKA.H.M	ASOC(G)	KARNATAKA	SPL. INVITEE
69.	SHRI SHAMBUNATH SEN GUPTA	ASTC(S)	EASTERN RAILWAY	SPL. INVITEE
70.	SHRI FULPAGARE CHANDRAKANT MANGESH	ASSISTANT SECRETARY	MAHARASTRA	SPL. INVITEE
71.	MS. SHIVANGI SAXENA	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, CR & WR	NHQ	SPL. INVITEE

72.	SHRI ANALENDRA SARMA	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, NER	NHQ	SPL. INVITEE
73.	SHRI BABLU GOSWAMI	ADER I/C	NHQ	SPL. INVITEE
74.	SHRI MAHINDER SHARMA	GROWTH MANAGER, MEMBERSHIP GROWTH CELL	NHQ	SPL. INVITEE
75.	SHRI SIDDHARTH MOHANTY	PROJECT OFFICER	NHQ	SPL. INVITEE
76.	SHRI MADHUSUDAN A. S.	AIC (S)	NHQ	SPL. INVITEE
77.	DR. RAJ KUMAR KAUSHIK	DIRECTOR	NHQ	SPL. INVITEE
78.	S. PRASSANNA SHRIVASTAVA	DIRECTOR, SPECIAL PROGRAMME	NHQ	SPL. INVITEE
79.	SHRI AMAR B. CHETTRI	JDS	NHQ	CONVENER

During the Opening Ceremony, Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) welcome the Chief Commissioner (Scouts) & Chairperson of the Meeting Shri S. K. Biswas and Additional International Commissioner (S) Shri Madhusudan A. S., Dr. Raj Kumar Kaushik, Director, BSG and all the Hon'ble members of the Committee, all NHQ Professionals and officials.

Dr. R. K. Kaushik, Director, BSG briefed few important points to the members in his key note address during the opening ceremony:

1. Participation in National/Regional Events and hosting of events.
2. Registration in Yuva Apada Mitra Scheme.
3. Registration in Online Youth Management Registration System (OYMS)
4. Review of Scout / Guide Uniform
5. Updated State Bye-Laws
6. Formation of District & State Youth Committee and further nomination for National Youth Committee
7. Promotion of Adventure Programmes of BSG
8. Financial dues

Shri Madhusudan A.S., Additional International Commissioner (S) addressed the house highlighted the roles of SOCs and STCs and urged to work in priorities on the need of the young people.

Shri S. K. Biswas, Chief Commissioner (Scouts) addressed the house and appealed that importance be given for one man one post in the organization & decentralization of power to achieve qualitative and quantitative growth of the organization.

After the Opening Ceremony, the meeting started as per the agenda circulated to the members with the permission of the Chair.

Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Programme and Training) and Convenor welcome the members and requested the members to stand up for one-minute silence prayer to pay homage to the departed soul of the member of this Organization who had gone home recently.

Further the Convenor informed about the apology received from the Members.

1. Dr. K. Sukumara, National Commissioner of Scouts (Adult Resource)
2. Smt. Darshana Amar Pawaskar, Joint Director of Guides (Prog. & Trg.)

Agenda Item No.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the last combined virtual Meeting of the National Programme Committee and National Training Committee held on 18th March, 2023 and Agenda Item No.2: Business Arising (Action Taken Report).

The Minutes of the last combined Virtual Meeting of the National Programme Committee and National Training Committee of the Bharat Scouts and Guides held on 18th March, 2023 and Action Taken Report were circulated to the Hon'ble members well in advance. The same were confirmed by the house unanimously as proposed by Shri L. S. Verma, STC(S), Haryana and Shri G. Parameshwar, SOC(S), Telangana State and seconded by Shri Hemant Kumar, STC(S), Punjab State, Smt. Gomathi. K, SOC (G), Tamilnadu State and Smt. Madhulika Madhu, SOC (G), KVS State respectively.

Agenda Item No.3: Presentation of success stories of the State Association in PPT or Video mode (the success stories if desired to be presented is to be uploaded while registration by 20/01/2024).

Haryana, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, S.W. Railway, Tamilnadu and West Bengal presented the state success story in the house on 11.02.2024 and S. E. Railway, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Southern Railway and Andhra Pradesh on 12.02.2024 respectively. The house appreciated the efforts of the State Associations.

Agenda Item No.4: Presentation of achievements of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters.

Shri Arup Sarkar, Deputy Director of Scouts (BP) has presented the achievements of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Association during 2022-23 which was appreciated one and all.

Agenda Item No.5: Participation in National Level Youth Programme 2023-2024.

Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) presented the participation of the States in different National/Regional Events during the year 2023-2024 and discussed the challenges with the members in deputing participants in the events. He appreciated Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Karnataka, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh for deputing maximum participation in the events. He appealed to all members to ensure deputation of participants in the academic session 2024-2025 and see that all State will represent in the events without fail. All members present in the meeting has confirmed that the State will take extra precautions and ensured that they will depute participants and represent the State in the events henceforth.

The Convenor informed the house that the budget to release grant-in-aid is submitted to the Ministry for the activities. Till we receive grant, all events (Youth Programmes & Adult Training Courses) will be organized under self finance basis as per last year practice. The house unanimously agreed to the proposals.

Agenda Item No.6: Participation in National Adult Training Programme 2023-24.

Shri S. S. Ray, Deputy Director of Scouts, L. T. presented about the Scout Wing and Common Courses participated during the year 2023-2024 from various States. Consequently, Smt. Kumud Mehra, I/c Deputy Director of Guides, L. T. presented about the Guide Wing Courses participated during the year 2023-2024 from various States.

Agenda Item No. 7: Schedule of National & Regional Level Events 2024-2025.

The Schedule of National & Regional Level Events 2024-2025 were discussed in details in 03 groups i.e. SOC(S)/SOC(G), STC (S) & STC (G). Following Suggestions were received:

1. The Schedule of Events 2024-2025 accepted with slight amendments in dates and venues.
2. States proposed to host the following events during 2024-2025 are recommended as under:
 - a. West Bengal – National Integration Camp and Past President Scout/Guide/Rover/Ranger Rally.
 - b. Kerala – Survival Camp from Rovers.
3. Event accepted to be sponsored by State Associations are:
 - a. Kerala State – Swimming Training Camp.
 - b. Rajasthan State – Khatu Shyam Mela Service Camp.
 - c. Bihar State – Chhat Puja Service Camp.
 - d. N. E. Railway State – Ram Navmi Service Camp at Ayodhya

4. New Courses added in the Schedule of Events 2024-25 by the Trainers of Guide Wing as under:
 - a. ROT (GW) at STC, Ganganagar, West Bengal from 06 – 10 July 2024.
 - b. Pre-ALT (GW) at STC, Ganganagar, West Bengal from 12 - 18 January 2025.
 - c. HWB (G) Course in J&K (date to be decided later)
 - d. HWB (G) Course at NTC, Pachmarhi from 07-13 May 2024.

Following are the Modifications suggested by the trainers Scout Wing as under:

SI	Topic	Remarks
1	Sl. No. 8,15 and 19 to be postponed	Since the Youth programme is supposed to be revised, revision of the Trainers Handbook to be conducted subsequently
2	Sl. No. 13 It is proposed to conduct the LT Course simultaneously with Guide Wing	Add Scout wing
3	Sl. No. 37 and 38 dates to be changed	17 th to 21 st November 2024
4	After Sl. No. 56	Add one Secretaries Course at the same date and venue
5	Sl. No. 59	Date proposed 12-18 Jan. 2025 with NE region
6	Sl. No. 66 Date and Venue proposed	11-15 Feb. at Ketti S. Rly
7	Sl. No. 68 Date and Venue proposed	6-10 Feb. 2024 at Sheetlakheth, U.P.
8	Sl. No. 70 Date and Venue proposed	5-9 Feb. 2025 at Kunnur
9	Sl. No. 79 Date and Venue proposed	16-20 Feb. 2025
10	ROT (SW) to be conducted at Ganganagar from 6-10 July 2024	NEW INCLUSION

Agenda Item No.8: Recommendations of National Youth Committee in its meeting held on 10/02/2024.

Minutes of the Virtual meeting of the National Youth Committee held on 10.02.2024 was presented by the Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) and also informed the house that only 28 States has sent the names of the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson of the State Youth Committee to the National Headquarters. The names of the State were shared in the screen. Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg) requested the members to comply with the rules of the Organization and ensure formation of District and State Youth Committee and empower youth in the decision making process. He also informed the house about the National Youth Committee members who has completed 29 years or who is going to complete 29 years of age. He informed the house that as per rules members of the Youth Committee will complete their term at the age of 29 years, hence members who reach 29 years need to be replaced and requested the State for the replacement accordingly.

The house unanimously confirmed the minutes of the National Youth Committee and has recommended with assurance that the District and State Youth Committee will be formed by all the States who are yet to comply and submit the list to the National Headquarters on or before 31st March 2024 for inclusion of the Chairperson and Co-Chairperson to the National Youth Committee. The State also assured to replace the members who attained or will attain 29 years of age for the National Youth Committee.

Agenda Item No. 9: Update on the Review of Youth Programme in aligning with the National Education Policy.

Shri Madhusudan A. S., Additional International Commissioner (S) presented in detail the proposals on updations on the review of the youth programme of BSG in aligning with the National Education Policy and the recommendation on the workshop on Guide to Youth Programme in Scouting (GPS) held at STC Ganganagar, West Bengal in the house. He shared the proposed stages on the advancement of the youth and its sectional methods and appealed the members to share their innovative suggestion on the proposals and contribute to prepare a dynamic Youth Programme for the Bharat Scouts and Guides. Dr. R. K. Kaushik, Director, BSG also interacted with the members on the subject and briefed about the proposed recommendations on the alignment. After a lengthy discussion, the house unanimously agreed and confirmed the proposals as presented by Shri Madhusudan Avala, AIC(S) and recommended for the decision of the highest body.

Agenda Item No.10: Update and discussions on Online Youth Membership Registration System (OYMS).

Shri Jit Ghosh, I.T. Incharge of the National Headquarters presented short presentation on OYMS and discussed with different challenges faced by the members at different level. He has shared the OYMS registration by the States as on date and congratulated the State who has completed 100% registration. He also shared the figures of the State completed above 50%, 25-50% and 0-25% registration. He informed the State that a help desk with new mobile no. will be sent to the States for lodging any complaint pertaining to any difficulty faced in registration. He assured that within a day or two, the I.T. Department of NHQ will resolve the issues. Further, Director BSG has informed the house that UID is now mandatory for all the members of the Organization and without BSG UID adult leaders will not be admitted in the Course, training or considered for any award. Subsequently, youth will not be provided with a participation certificate participating in the event. The application for Golden Arrow Award & President Scout/Guide/Rover/Ranger Certificate examination will be rejected. He appealed the house to complete the registration on OYMS by 31st March 2024 failing which the date of joining of the members in the Organization will be counted from 1st April, 2024 which will affect the application for any awards recommended for the purpose by the State. The house unanimously accepted the deadline for registration on OYMS as proposed by Director BSG and recommended that the registration on OYMS should be completed on or before 31st March 2024 and ensure 100% registration by all. The Director also informed the house that the 2nd Phase of OYMS registration and updating will be launched on 22nd

February, 2024 at NYC Gadpuri during World Thinking Day/Brotherhood day. Director requested Shri Madhusudan Avala, Addl. International Commissioner(S) to support BSG I.T. department in this regard and advised Mr. Jit Ghosh to seek support accordingly. It is also decided that one more heading to be added on OYMS in "other members" for the registration of new candidates attending a Basic Training Course.

Agenda Item No.11: BSG Membership Growth – An Update

Shri. Madhusudan Avala, Additional International Commissioner (Scouts) and NSO Membership Growth Coordinator along with Shri Prassanna Shrivastava, Director Special Program of BSG and Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) and Secretary, Membership Growth all together presented the update of the Membership Growth Cell. The presentation started with Shri Madhusudan Avala, who presented the Census Capping benefits which the Bharat Scouts and Guides, National Headquarters has provided to all the State Associations vide Circular No. 82/2021 and also showed the States who are benefited by the census capping in the year 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 and emphasis the SOCs & STCs to explain the same with the State Office Bearers and give a correct Census and also utilize the benefits which States are getting in IR Fee.

Moving ahead, he explained the targets of the Membership Growth until 2025 and how much the State who has progressed in the growth has been projected. During this presentation the States were asked to look into the State map where during the State Membership Growth Coordinators Workshop the district wise correlation activities has been worked by the State Growth Coordinators in discussion with the State official and placed the targets of each district where the focus and action on training and growth has to be done.

All the SOCs & STCs are requested to check the targets and work on the training plans to reach the targeted growth, the membership growth cell support on the basic training courses to the State with the subsidy of Rs.700/- and a welcome kit to each unit leader which will be distributed during the training course will be provided if the State Association request for the same through the proposal which has to be submitted to the Membership Growth Cell and a MoU will be signed with the States.

Reintroduction of the Service Stars by the BSG through Circular No. 100/2023 was explained. How young people can get benefit and motivate the young people to retain in the scouting if possible was discussed in length.

It was also informed that as a part of the Youth Program review in aligning with the NEP 2020 which is initiated by the National Headquarters and in continuation to it for having strong discussion and inputs on it a survey for all categories of members of the Bharat Scouts and Guides was launch for giving the opportunity to all members to share the opinion on youth program, uniforms etc. by young people, unit leaders, professionals, parents, public, non-scout members, etc. has been circulated. It is also informed that BSG has planned to organize 02 (two) youth meet during April-May 2024 in which quota of 04 young

people for each state will be given opportunity to represent and share the views on the youth program. Consequently 02 (two) SOCs, STCs and State Membership Growth Coordinators Conference is also in the pipeline to be organized during April-May 2024 where 03 members from each State will be invited to participate to help the state to get aligned with the State Strategic Plan of Membership Growth with the targets fixed by them and to prepare their action plan of achieving it. Shri. Prassanna Shrivastava, Director of Special Program, BSG interacted with the State SOCs and STCs regarding the Census targets and mentoring the States for making them understand the importance of Growth and how training play an important role in the growth.

Agenda Item No. 12: Rashtrapati Award- An Update

Dr. R. K. Kaushik, Director, BSG informed the house about the present position of the Rashtrapati Certificates. He informed that character and antecedent verification certificates received from the successful candidates were already submitted to the Ministry. Since verification from I.B. is pending of other 16 candidates, holding of Rashtrapati Rally and presentation of certificates of the year 2018-2021 is delayed. He informed that BSG is regularly in touch with the Ministry in this regard and expect that the award presentation will be organized at an early date. Further he informed the house that due to some issues related to CBT examination fee, the CBT examination for the year 2022-23 is slightly delayed. We are in constant contact with the third party testing agency to support our submission and expect that CBT will be organized before the end of March 2024. He also informed once CBT 2022-23 is started, circular for National Level President Scout/Guide/Rover/Ranger Certificate Examination 2024 will be circulated from NHQ inviting fresh applications. The house appreciated the initiatives of Hon'ble Chief National Commissioner for the efforts in granting approvals for President's Certificate for the year 2018-2021 (04 years) which was a long pending. Director BSG also informed about the order dated 09.02.2024 of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi stated as "All the candidates who are provisionally eligible to take the written test against the recruitment under open advertisement Scouts & Guides Quota in the Indian Railways for the year 2023-24 will be permitted to take the examination subject to the outcome of the writ petition". He also informed the house that the pending result of Rashtrapati Scout/Guide/Rover/Ranger Testing Camp held in the year 2017-18 will be announced soon and the certificates to the qualified candidates will be issued signed by the Chief National Commissioner of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, this decision is taken in consultation with the Ministry. The house unanimously agreed to the decision in this regard.

Further, he also shared about the NHQ initiatives on the action taken against Hindustan Scouts and Guides organization. He also discussed on the review about the proposals to change the uniform of Scouts and Guides and shared different uniform and badges design to the house for suggestions.

Agenda Item No. 13: Vision 2034 of BS&G -National Strategic Plan 2024-2027

Shri Arup Sarkar, Deputy Director of Scouts (BP) has presented in short report on Vision 2034 and National Strategic Plan 2024-27. He informed the house to suggest simple vision statement so that the same may be placed before the competent authority for approval. The house requested for providing a copy of the National Strategic Plan 2024-2027 documents so that necessary action may be initiated at the State. Shri Arup Sarkar, Deputy Director of Scouts (BP) informed that the same will be provided to the States very shortly before the end of February, 2024. Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) requested that the State should ensure organizing the Eco workshop on Strategic Plan 2024-27 at the earliest and plan their own plan. He also stressed that the plan should be one of the meeting agenda in all District & State level meetings so that members of the committee understand about the future plan and suggest to achieve the set target towards vision 2034 of BSG.

Agenda Item No. 14: Promotion of Adventure Programmes of the Bharat Scouts and Guides

Shri Siddharth Mohanty, Project Officer informed about the new areas developed in promotion of adventure programmes of the Bharat Scouts and Guides and made appeal to the house to motivate more young people to join adventure programmes of BSG.

Agenda Item No. 15: Registration of Air & Sea Scout/Guide as an auxiliary unit of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) informed the house about the latest change of the headquarters of Sea Scouts and Guides that now onwards both Sea Scouts & Guides and Air Scouts & Guides headquarters function from Bengaluru, Karnataka. He appealed the house to explore possibilities to open and run Sea & Air Scouting and Guiding. Shri Puran Singh Shekhawat, SOC(S), Rajasthan State informed that Air Scouting is running at Barmer, Rajasthan. Shri Arvind Shrivastava, STC(S), Uttar Pradesh State informed that Air Scouting is functioning in Uttar Pradesh. Shri Kaushik Chatterjee, STC(S), West Bengal State has shown interest to organize Sea & Air Scouting Courses in West Bengal.

Agenda Item No. 16: Discussions on the review of S/G Uniform

Dr. R. K. Kaushik, Director, BSG shared different design of Uniform for Scouts and Guides and Adult Leaders as well as proposed badges in details and the house after a lengthy discussion had recommended as following proposals:

- Olive Green Upper & Khakhi Lower
- Olive Green Upper & Black Lower
- Beige Upper and Black Lower
- Black Upper and Black Lower

- Tan Upper and Black Lower
- Rank badges for CNC, SCC & DCC and all officials
- Colorful Proficiency badges for all sections
- Black shoes with lace (as it was for Scout Wing) and Ballerina Shoes for Girls
- Socks according to the pant color for the Scouts and Guides (Boys & Girls)
- Rank badges for officials will be decided later by the National Headquarters
- Colors of the scarves will be as it is for group. However, for District, State and National will be decided by NHQ.
- Shoulder badges will be in the name of the State for all (Scouts & Guides)
- Name plates will be worn by the Adult Leaders/Unit Leaders of both wings (Scout Wing and Guide Wing)

The house also recommended that Girls also should wear the uniform like Scouts as in Army and other Para-Military Forces, Female wears Pant and Shirt as their Male colleagues. After a lengthy discussion, the house unanimously agreed upon as “One Country one Uniform” and recommended Pant & Shirt for Guides & Rangers also.

The Director BSG informed that all the designs of proposed uniform will be shared through BSG website and Social Media sites for voting by Youth and other members. He said that we will seek recommendations of the youth and proceed with their choice. He further informed that the incharge bestowed at NHQ for collections of designs for uniform and I.T. department will do the needful to upload the design and proceed on voting criteria regarding uniform.

Agenda Item No. 17: Promotion of Beginners Course

Shri Arup Sarkar, Deputy Director of Scouts (BP) and Shri S.S. Ray, Deputy Director of Scouts, L.T. informed the house about the implementation of Beginner Course and use of Mobile APP. Both of them shared detail concept on the importance of promotion of beginners course and further coordination by the State in organizing Basic Course for the unit leaders completed beginners course within six months as a target to achieve membership growth in the Organization. The house recommended that Beginners Course should also be included in the Scheme of Training in both (Scout & Guide Wing) to avoid any conflict.

Agenda Item No. 18: Registration on Yuva Apada Mitra Scheme (YAMS)

Shri Arup Sarkar, Deputy Director of Scouts (BP) informed the house about the recognition of BSG by the Govt. of India and included BSG as one of the partner organization with National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA). He informed that BSG has assured to provide the list of 50000 volunteers and register in Yuva Apada Mitra Scheme (YAMS). He shared the present status of registration by the volunteers of BSG in Yuva Apada Mitra Scheme. He highlighted that despite several reminders to the State, BSG could

achieve partial registration of 15000+ members only which is a challenge to BSG with a membership of 6.3 million members. Further, it was unanimously decided that a Nodal officer will be nominated for all the districts in this regard ensure that 100% registration is achieved on or before by 20th March 2024 by all States. The name of nodal officer nominated by the State will be forwarded to NHQ so that concern officer in-charge from NHQ can directly coordinate with them pertaining to registration in YAMS.

Agenda Item No. 19: Registration on My Bharat Portal.

Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) shared the name of the Nodal Officer received from the State for My Bharat Portal. He requested the States who are yet to nominate Nodal Officer should ensure submission of name to the National Headquarters by 29th February 2024. Further Shri Jit Ghosh, IT I/c explained briefly about My Bharat Portal Initiative through online presentation. The house appreciated the proposal and assured that the Nodal Officer will be deputed for the training as and when call for.

Agenda Item No. 20: 19th National Jamboree of the Bharat Scouts and Guides.

Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) informed the house that the circular with the proposal to host 19th National Jamboree of the Bharat Scouts and Guides issued from NHQ in the month of May, 2023 but till date only M. P. state responded to provide approximate budget proposals. He informed that immediately NHQ has forwarded budget proposals to M. P. State but no any reply is received. He requested the States to discuss with their higher authority and if interested to host the Jamboree, the proposals be recommended to NHQ at the earliest. He also informed that States like Chhattisgarh, Karnataka and Uttarakhand has shown their interest to host but no official communication is received at NHQ in this regard.

Agenda Item No. 21: Promotion of participation of BSG in international events

Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) presented the participation in International Events of WOSM during the year 2023-24. The house appreciated the efforts of BSG in promoting international participation. He appealed to all the states to be proactive and provide opportunity to the young people. He also informed about issuance of circulars from NHQ for sponsorship event and shared his displeasure due to poor response of the States in nominating youth in the sponsorship events.

Agenda – 22: Any Other matter with the permission of the Chair.

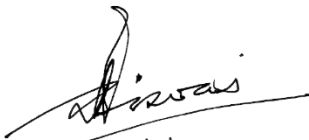
(A) Communication & Branding: Shri Arup Sarkar, Deputy Director of Scouts (BP) briefed the house about BSG Communication & Branding Policy. Following suggestions are unanimously accepted by the house.

- (i) Every State must create a Public Relations Department / Committee and inform to NHQ as soon as possible but not later than 31/03/2024. NHQ will conduct a capacity building workshop for the P.R. Department.
 - (ii) All event banners and logos for National and regional events, designed by the host state should get approval from NHQ at least 1 month before the event.
 - (iii) The nominations of State Media correspondents should reach NHQ by 29th February, 2024. The capacity building workshop for SMCs and RMCs will be conducted by National Headquarters for them.
- (B) **75th Anniversary of BSG** - Shri Amar B. Chettri, Joint Director of Scouts (Prog. & Trg.) informed the house that BSG going to commemorate its 75th Years of existence in the year 2025. The 75th Year of BSG will be observed as a 'Diamond Jubilee" at all levels throughout the year with launching on 7th November, 2024. He appealed all the State Associations to plan and chalk out innovative programmes & activities to commemorate the celebration and forward to NHQ by April 2024. He also requested the members to suggest innovative national level programmes and activities to be organized to mark the occasion so that the same can be placed before the competent authority and seek approvals. All the members present in the meeting assured to comply with the decisions and act accordingly.

The closing function of the three days meeting was organized on 13th February, 2024 in which Dr. K. K. Khandelwal, IAS (Retd), Chief National Commissioner was present as a Chief Guest and a Special invitee. He addressed the meeting and informed about the importance on aligning the youth programme with the National Education Policy, target to achieve one crore membership by 2025, mandatory registration in OYMS Portal and Promotion of Beginners and Basic Unit Leader Course.


Shri S.K. Biswas, Chief Commissioner (S) & Chairperson of the meeting delivered his closing remarks and appreciated all the members for their active participation and deliberations during the entire meeting.

The meeting came to an end with a vote of thanks followed by the National Anthem.



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**CHIEF COMMISSIONER (SCOUTS) &
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