

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE PERIOD DEC 2022 TO NOV 2023

1. It gives me a great pleasure in sharing about NAF activities with the members, the report for the period December to October 2023.

Progress Report

2. **Annual Subscription** - In view of the Covid-19 pandemic, annual subscription for Chapters was disturbed due to lack of adventure activities across the country. However as situations improved across the country, the decisions of last Executive Council meeting held on 11th Dec 2022, Chapters were required to pay normal subscriptions. Some chapters have paid Annual Subscriptions but some are still due. Similarly for this year i.e., 2023 too some chapters have not deposited subscription. It is important to note that subscriptions remain an important resource to carry out activities of the headquarters and create work for chapters and members. However, suggestions from members are welcome to expedite process.

3. **Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.**

- (a) **FY 2022-23** - There were no allotment for FY 2019-20, 2020-2021 & 2021-2022.
- (b) **Submission of Proposals for the Financial Year 2023-24** - A meeting of President with Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports took place on 17 October 2023 on the pretext of a meeting on Formulation of Guidelines for Land and Water Adventure Sports. The meeting between President and Secretary Smt. Meeta R Lochan, Secretary (Youth Affairs), IAS was fruitful. The proposal for financial year 2023-24 was submitted online on 25th October 2023. On telephonic update with Mr. Dharmendra Kumar Yadav and his office, it was informed that Proposal for Grants-in-Aid under NPYAD Scheme of Ministry of Youth Affairs, Government of India has been submitted.

4. **Publication of NAFER 2023** - Last NAFER was published in the year 2020 and it was launched during AGM on November before I joined in December 2020. I have seen the dedication and commitment of the past Editor Col Sudhir Nagpal (Retd) for working tirelessly for the Annual issue of NAF. He has been so persistent in ensuring its standard and timely publications. This year, President instructed me to become Editor for NAFER. It was very challenging task for me. It was because of huge expectations from me as Col Nagpal sets in

the past. Now as NAFER 2023 has been published, I wish that I met the expectation of the people of NAF family.

5. **Citizen Schemes - NAF** has continued to conduct programmes under these Schemes, the number of which had, relatively, gone down however the program is going on. A few details of the programmes conducted in this period are as follows:-

- (a) **AMITY Programmes.** Amity Programmes have started from September 2023. Last year, Amity programmes were done for UG, PG and Schools students, Last year, 12 programmes have been done for UG students, 19 for PG students and 07 for Schools students. A total of 5242 students have been covered in last F.Y till 31st March 2023. Now from September onwards, 07 programmes have been done for PG students. A total of students have been covered.
- (c) **Corporate Training – OBT.** M/s Acme India had planned for OBT however the program could not be done because of Pandemic. An advance payment was received in 16 Mar 2021. I am in touch with their new manager for confirmation of fresh dates.

6. **NAF Activities and Events** - I am pleased to announce the programme NAF conducted during last year-

- (a) **Rajasthan Adventure Day** - On 14 Feb 2023, NAF conducted the One-day programme at various Chapters of NAF on the Third Death Anniversary of Shri Magan Bissa ji as Rajasthan Adventure Day (RAD). NAF Bikaner Chapter organised a day program on 14 Feb 2023 including a Blood Donation Camp along with some other Chapters like Mumbai, Jharkhand, UP-II etc. Various Chapter Directors from across India gave a tribute to Shri. Magan Bissa ji.
- (b) **National Adventure Day** - On the occasions of birth anniversary of our founder Brig Gyan Singh, NAF celebrate 12th April 2023 as National Adventure Day. Like last year NAF celebrated one-month long programme starting from 12 March to 12 April 2023 at various locations of NAF Chapters. These were organized by our Chapters with vigor and enthusiasm. On this occasion, NAF headquarters planned two events :-

- i) **Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award 2022** - Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award 2023 which was instituted from last year onwards, was organized this year too. We received a total of 10 entries/recommendations for the award. The Jury members of the Award are **Ms Anuja Shegal, EC Member, Mrs. Archana Sardana, World renowned BASE jumper.** The jury members did a great work and winners were decided. The final approval was given by the President, NAF. The winner of Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award for the year 2023 are **Ms. Shivangee Rana** in Female Category **Mr. Rohitashwa Bissa & Mr. Ganesh Chandra Jena** In Male Category. They will get a cash prize of Rs.10,000/-, a citation and a memento. The memento has been sponsored by Mr. Daya Mishra, Director Bihar Chapter.
- ii) **NAF Social Media Post Competition** - This Social Media Post Competition was organised for NAF family members and all adventure enthusiasts. It was anticipated that NAF will receive social sites visibility through this competition. So it was asked to post whatever they feel like. Posts were required to be tagged to @NationalAdventureFoundation and hashtag #NAFIndia.
Topic - Remembering Brig Gyan Singh, Legend Mountaineer.
Subsequently, as there was no response for this competition, it was decided to continue with essay Competition like last year but we couldn't get enough response so it was cancelled.
- (c) **NAF Website Redevelopment** – NAF needs vibrant digital presence in this online era. During pandemic, we have felt the need of online activities and thus we need to have vibrant website and social sites. Accordingly, President has given due emphasis to redevelop website. A new vendor has been engaged and the job has been done. Websites and social sites have some significant and unique features. It is helping NAF to reach to new audience. All members are requested to use the resources & give feedback. An active participation in social sites keeps us updated and help youth to get attached to Adventure.

- (d) **Appointment of New CA.** The new CA Mr. Dhiraj Kumar, FCA has been appointed for the financial year 2022-23. The balance sheet prepared by him for this year.

7. **Chapter Directors remain as backbone of NAF** - NAF is proud to have Chapter Directors who are committed, focused and reliable. The zeal of Wg Cdr SKJ Nair at this age of 80 plus is praiseworthy. Without mentioning the names of other Directors, I strongly feel that they have achieved excellence in their own life and ready to impart those lessons of excellence to youths with all their resources and experiences. I urge young professionals, Directors and adventurers to learn and unlearn from them so that you can also achieve big by the time India becomes a developed Nation by 2047. Each chapter and their Director have task at hand for future.

8. **Change in Headquarter Staff** - There has been some significant changes last year in NAF headquarter when Ms Neelam Rawat took maternity leave. NAF family wishes her well as mother and her child for happy prosperous life. Her place was taken by a new young boy Mr. Sagar Rao. Mr Mahesh Chand continues to be a backbone of NAF headquarter. With his working experience of last four decades, knowing all those associated with NAF, he remains a good link/support to this organisation.

9. **New Membership /Affiliation.** NAF must run a Membership Drive across India through its Chapter to attract youngsters. As NAF is proactive on Social Media like Facebook and Twitter, any program initiated by headquarters reaches to general public.

New Life Members and 02 affiliations were made in NAF from December 2022 to November 2023. 03 New Chapters have been formed during this time. They are –

- (a) Mr. Safar Ahmed, Kerala Chapter - II
- (b) Mr. Sridhar Muthusamy, Tamil Nadu - II
- (c) S.R. Abbas, Delhi NCR - II

10. **Membership/Affiliation Status.** As on date, NAF has 430 Life Members and 24 affiliates club. Out of turn membership was give to 2 adventurers due to their extraordinary success in the field of Adventure.

- (a) Mr. Satyarup Siddhanta, Mountaineer, Director, Winners & Achievers LLP
Youngest in the world to climb the highest mountains and Volcanoes of each of the 7 continents.
- (b) Mr. Raj kumar Baid, Mountaineer, Health & Fitness expert

11. **Overseas Membership & Overseas Chapter** – An application & request for overseas membership & overseas chapter have been received. I would like to inform the members that Mr Moshiur Khandaker, Executive Director, Bangladesh Adventure Foundation, Mirpur 15, Dhaka has submitted the NAF Life Membership Form. He personally came to Delhi via Kolkatta. He met Mr Barun Ray, Director, West Bengal Chapter who guided him to Hq NAF. Mr Moshiur has filled the Life Membership Form. He is interested to make few members and then he like to become an Overseas Chapter of NAF. It is important that NAF takes a decision on how and when to start these overseas activities. In the mean time, NAF will request Mr Moshiur Khandakar to come with his team to West Bengal Chapter for carrying out adventure activities with Mr Barun Ray and his team.

Membership Fees

Life Membership – Rs 5000/- For Overseas - \$100

NAF Affiliate

Annual Membership – Rs 15000/- For Overseas - \$200

For 5 years – Rs 50000/- For Overseas - \$600

Chapter Subscription and NAFER Contribution

Category	Annual Subscription (Rs)	NAFER (Rs)	Total	Annual Subscription (\$)
A	60000	2500	62500	900
B	37500	2500	40000	600
C	25000	2500	27500	400

12. NAF has tremendous opportunity to do well as it stands tall with more than 40 years of experience to carry out adventure activities in all three medium – Land, Water and Air. There is no such organization in the country. We must be ready to take initiatives and do great for the people of this country. We should be united and be creative in our endeavor without fear and suspicions.

Place: Delhi
Dated: 25 Nov 2023


Wg Cdr KK Verma (Retd)
Executive Director, NAF

DETAILS OF PARTICIPANTS

<u>Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award</u>			<u>Remarks</u>
1.	Mr. Appasaheb Bhimraj Dhus	Shirdi	
2.	Ms. Naina Dhakad	Chattisgarh	
3.	Mr. Shyam Stephen	Tamil Nadu	
4.	Mr. Rohitashwa Bissa	Rajasthan	Winner
5.	Dr. Sushma Bissa	Rajasthan	
6.	Mr. Mumkesh Panwar	Tamil Nadu	
7.	Mr. Ganesh Chandra Jena	Odisha	Winner
8.	Mr. Param Singh Rathore	Rajasthan	
9.	Ms. Om Kumari Singh	Lucknow	
10.	Ms. Shivangee Rana	Uttrakhand	Winner