**MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING, NATIONAL ADVENTURE FOUNDATION HELD AT 1100 HRS ON 23 Aug 2026 IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, INTERNATIONAL YOUTH HOSTEL 5 NYAYA MARG, CHANKYAPURI, NEW DELHI 110021**

1. The following were present in the meeting: -

(a) Lt Gen Raman Dhawan, AVSM, VSM**, ADC (Retd) - **President- In Chair**

**Elected Members**

(b) Wg Cdr Sanjay Thapar (Retd)
(c) Kr KN Singh
(d) Col Ravinder Nath
(e) Dr Anuja Sehgal
(f) Col SK Nagpal (Retd)
(g) Gp Cpt Jayashankar (Retd)
(h) Col K Pratap Singh (Retd)

**Nominated Members**

(i) Mr Avinash Deoskar
(j) Col R K Bhushan (Retd)
(k) Mr. Daya Shankar Mishra
(l) Col AC Talwar

**Ex Officer**

(m) Wg Cdr KK Verma (Retd.) - Executive Director

**Special Invitees**

(n) Lt Gen GL Bakshi, PVSM (Retd), Ex President

2. The EC members who could not attend the meeting were granted leave of absence.

**Absent Members**

(a) Mrs. Bimla Negi Deoskar
(b) Dr. Sushma Bissa
(c) Mrs. Suman Singh
(d) Shri Gajpal Singh Rathore
(e) Mrs Indu Talwar
(f) Mr Ashok Dharmani

## PRELIMINARIES

**Welcome Address by President**

3. The President **Lt Gen Raman Dhawan, AVSM, VSM**, ADC (Retd)** welcomed all Executive Council members and thanked them for coming and attending the meeting.

4. The President addressed the issues being faced by NAF –

a) **NAF Financial Conditions** – NAF is maintaining its activities & finances well, however financial conditions are not good. We need to move away from Government dependency to a self-Sustaining organisation. NAF HQ is actively working to generate revenue for Chapters through State Govt projects, NCC, UGC etc.

b) **Kerala Workshop** – The third Director's Workshop was held at Muzhappilangad, Kerala from 02 to 05 Feb 2026. The ongoing work on seven SOPs related with adventure sports were completed with a signature ceremony by the subject expert.

c) **Proposal for One Day Seminar** – A proposal was submitted to Ministry on "National Adventure Activities and sports, Scenario, Potential and Opportunities for Viksit Bharat". It was sent to Ministry with financial implication. Ministry has agreed verbally but the confirmation is awaited.

d) **Chapter Subscription** – Without Govt allotment, subscriptions play an important role in sustenance of NAF HQ. Few Chapters have given subscriptions however, some Chapters have not given. ED is reminding them on a regular basis. All are requested to pay subscriptions in time.

e) **NCC** – We had approached NCC HQ. Accordingly, NCC HQ further issued an email to all NCC Gp HQS for getting adventure activities conducted through NAF. Our Chapters are getting the work. Now NCC tender is coming on GeM. NAF is submitting the tender as and when it appears.

f) **Gem Registration, My Bharat Portal and BIS** – These are being used to spread the scope & visibility of NAF. After SOP submission to Ministry, Mr. Kalia from BIS met me in my office & proposed to open an option on their website to upload our SOPs. The work is in progress. These will enhance legitimacy of NAF.

## CONDUCT OF PROCEEDINGS

### Agenda Items

5. **Ratification of the Minutes of the Last Executive Meeting held on 21 Feb 2026. Wg Cdr KK Verma,** Executive Director NAF, requested for ratification of the minutes of Executive Council Meeting held on 21 Feb 2026, which have been circulated to all Members. **Minutes of EC Meeting were ratified by** Col R K Bhushan (Retd) and seconded by Kn K N Singh

6. **Appointment of Chartered Accountant.** Appointment of the new Chartered Accountant Mr. Dhiraj Kumar & Co. for the financial year 2025-2026 to cover the services being rendered for Income Tax, Audit, GST & TDS matters and other related issues was carried out.

   **Decision** - Appointment of CA was approved and ratified by Col Ravinder Nath & seconded by Mrs Indu Talwar.

7. **Report of Executive Director for the FY 2026-2027.** The Executive Director presented the report as attached at **Appendix 'A'.**

8. **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 program is going on with less number of participants and less frequency. Last year NAF conducted 25 programs for 3001 students & 98 faculties.

b) **NCC Activities.** Parasailing was conducted by NAF for NCC Cadets at Jadavpur University Kolkata in 13 to 17 Jan 2026 for 400 cadets. The adventure activities were conducted by Mr. Daya Shankar Mishra with the help of Mr. Manoj Kumar Sharma and his team.

9. **NAF Activities and Events** – NAF conducted Annual program as per schedule.

a) **Rajasthan Adventure Day -** It was conducted by NAF Chapter across India as remember on the Fifth Death Anniversary of Shri Magan Bissa ji as Rajasthan Adventure Day (RAD). NAF Bikaner Chapter organized a day program on 14 Feb 2026 including a Blood Donation Camp Various Chapter Directors from across India gave a tribute to Shri. Magan Bissa ji.

b) **National Adventure Day -** This year also we celebrated NAF Adventure program NAP-2026 starting from 21 March to 12th April 2026. On this occasion, programs are being conducted at various Chapters. Two Awards were initiated by NAF headquarter.

(i) **Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award 2026** – Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award 2026 which was instituted from 2021 onwards, was organized this year too. We have received 16 nominations from across India for the award. The award winners are:

a) Mr. Taka Tamut – Arunachal Pradesh
b) Mr. Manoj Kumar Sharma – Rajasthan

The juries were Mrs. Bimla Negi Deoskar, Col Ravinder Nath and Wg Cdr Sanjay Thapar. Thanks to Jury Members for their professional excellence & integrity. The mementos are sponsored by Mr Daya

Mishra and the cash prizes are sponsored by Mr. Ranjit Singh Mangat. The winners will get a cash prize of Rs.10,000/-, memento and a certificate.

(ii) Two Awards have been given to two extraordinary athletes under our newly introduced of **NAF Achiever Award 2026**. The award winners are:

a) Col Jangvir Lamba - Rajasthan
b) Ms Hetavi Vinay Shah - Mumbai

The winners will get a cash prize of Rs.5,000/-, a memento and a certificate.

(iii) **NAF Essay Competition Award 2026** – This essay competition was organized for family members and all adventure enthusiasts. A total of 12 nominations were received mainly from the children of NAF family. The award winners are:

a) Ms. Chitra Panwar - Gurugram
b) Ms. Ragi Mishra - Bihar

They will get a cash prize of Rs.5,000/- and a certificate.

c) **New Chapters /Affiliates** – There is a need to run a membership drive across India through its Chapter and existing members to attract youngsters. New Chapter have been formed last year with Mr. Taka Tamut as Director – Arunachal Pradesh Chapter.

10. **Points by the Council Members**

(a) **Col K Pratap Singh** – He suggested that the Life Membership should be made for 5 years and institutional membership should be introduced.

In general, the EC members present in the meeting rejected the idea of 5 years Membership and suggested that things should continue on.

(b) **Wg Cdr Sanjay Thapar** – He suggested that due diligence should be maintained while issuing Life Membership as it is for life. It must be checked what is the use of someone becoming a NAF member.

He intimated that he knows DG NCC personally and he could be of any use to take some activities forward. He can connect with DG NCC.

**Decisions** – The President directed ED to coordinate with Wg Cdr Thapar to connect with DG NCC for adventure programs.

(c) **Lt Gen GL Bakshi** – He expressed satisfaction in seeing the progress of NAF in tough times. He mentioned that every situation is tricky and whoever is at the helm has to deal with their wisdom to resolve issues and find solutions. Present leadership under the leadership of Gen Dhawan is doing good job and they must continue with these with more energy and spirit. He felt the necessity of involving more stakeholders in NAF growth so that desired success could be achieved. The President thanked Gen Bakshi for his visionary thoughtful words and reassured him that all effort will be made to achieve desired growth for NAF members.

(d) **Col Ravinder Nath** – He suggested that a contribution could be taken from EC Members so that NAF Financial condition could be managed.

**Decisions** – The President informed the house that there is no such need of any contribution from EC Members. NAF HQ is being managed by the existing resources and it is expected that the condition will improve soon.

(e) **Mr Daya Mishra** – He said that a NAFER, Annual Magazine of NAF should be given to all those who are Life Members.

**Decisions** – The President agreed and directed ED to follow the same.

11. **Commendations**

(a) **Wg Cdr KK Verma (Retd),** Executive Director is doing well and trying hard to maintain the standard of NAF in spite of challenges.

(b) NAF Staff **Mr Mahesh Chand and Ms Bhawna** are working with dedication and committed manner.

## CONCLUSION

12. The meeting was brought to an end, with the Executive Director proposing a vote of thanks to the Chair and thanking all the members for attending the Meeting.

13. The meeting was adjourned as there was no point.

Date: 09 Sep 2026

**Wg Cdr KK Verma (Retd)**
**Executive Director**