

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**CHAPTER DIRECTOR'S AND AFFILIATE ADVENTURE ORGANISATIONS**  
**MEETING OF THE NATIONAL ADVENTURE FOUNDATION**  
**HELD AT 1400 HRS ON 22 SEP 2024 IN THE**  
**CONFERENCE HALL, INTERNATIONAL YOUTH HOSTEL,**  
**5 NYAYA MARG, CHANKYAPURI, NEW DELHI 110021**

1. The following Directors were present in the meeting:-

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

**Chapter Directors**

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| (b) | Shri Naveen Chamoli     | -Director, NAF Institutional Chapter, Uttarakhand |
| (c) | Shri Safar Ahmed        | -Director, Kerala 2                               |
| (d) | Shri Rohitashwa Bissa   | -Director, Bikaner-1'                             |
| (e) | Shri Mihir Kumar Mondal | -Director WB, Paschim Chapter                     |
| (f) | Shri Sanjeev Atri       | -Director, Himachal Pradesh                       |
| (g) | Capt(Dr.) Rohini Nair   | -Director, Kerala 1                               |
| (h) | Col CK Singh            | -Director, Western UP                             |
| (i) | Ms Swati Acharya        | -Director, Mumbai                                 |
| (j) | Ms Neelofar             | -Director, U.P-II ( Kanpur)                       |

**Chapter Functionaries Other than Directors**

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| (k) | Col S K Nagpal (Retd)  | -Greater Noida               |
| (l) | Shri Dayashakar Mishra | - Representing Bihar Chapter |

**Affiliate Adventure Organizations**

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| (m) | Shri Tonmoy Mitra | - Director, M/S Know India Club, Sakchi, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand |
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**Ex Officer**

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| (n) | Wg Cdr KK Verma (Retd) | - Executive Director |
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### Absent Chapter Director

(o)	Shri. Y Srinivas Rao	-Director, Telangana
(p)	Shri. S.R. Abbas	-Director, Delhi NCR -02
(q)	Mrs Sardana	-Director Scuba Diving Chapter
(r)	Ms Rukmini Chandran	-Director, Karnataka II Chapter
(s)	Shri Barun Ray	-Director, West Bengal Chapter
(t)	Shri Vijay V pandey	-Director, Amravati
(u)	Shri Amar Modi	-Director, Chattisgarh
(v)	Gp Capt Jayashankar	-Director, TN & Puducherry
(w)	Ms Sangeeta Pokhriyal	-Director, Delhi NCR
(x)	Shri Zuben Y Contractor	-Director, Gujarat
(y)	Shri Sardar Ajit Singh	-Director, Jharkhand & Bihar
(z)	Lt Col Babu George	-Director, Karnataka-1
(aa)	Ms Haseena	-Director, Lakshadeep
(bb)	Shri Jagdish Lall	-Director, Manali
(cc)	Lt Col K A Singh	-Director, Manipur
(dd)	Shri RK Bhuyan	-Director, Odisha
(ee)	Shri Vikrant Sagar	-Director, Rajasthan -2
(ff)	Km Priyadarshani	-Director, Rajasthan-3
(gg)	Shri Appa Sahab	-Director, Shirdi
(hh)	Mrs Asha Nagpal	-Director, Greater Noida
(ii)	Humza Tawkeef khan	-Director, Jammu Kashmir (Srinagar)
(jj)	Shri Vishal Thakur	-Director, Kullu, Himachal Pradesh
(kk)	Mrs. Poonam Yadav	-Director, Madhya Pradesh
(ll)	Shri. Rajeev Pujari	-Director, Odisha-II
(mm)	Mrs. Shyamala	-Director, TN& Puducherry-01
(nn)	Shri Shridhar Muthusamy	-Director, Tamil Nadu -02
(oo)	Shri. Manjul Rawat	-Director, Uttrakhand
(pp)	Ms Bharti Gomase	-Director, Maharashtra
(qq)	Shri Manoj Kumar Sharma	-Director, Ganganagar Chapter

## PRELIMINARIES

### Opening Remarks by President NAF

2. **Welcoming the Attendees.** The President **Lt Gen Raman Dhawan, AVSM, VSM\*\*, ADC (Retd)** welcomed all Chapter Directors and thanked them for coming and attending the meeting.

### Points by President

- a) **Financial Health of NAF** - The President informed that NAF is passing through difficult times. NAF couldn't get funds allotment from Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India for the last 4 years.
  
  - b) **Annual Subscription from Chapters.** Post pandemic, Chapters are doing their own commercial activities. However, we have received subscriptions from few Chapters only, while waiting for other Chapters to pay their dues. Keeping the financial constraints in mind, it has been approved by the Executive Council Members to reduce the subscription for current financial year by 50 percent. All Chapter Directors are requested to look into this & deposit subscriptions accordingly.
  
  - c) **Draft Model Adventure Tourism Safety Law.** A draft Model Adventure Tourism Safety Law was circulated in July 2024 by the Ministry of Tourism. The copy of the draft was also received by NAF. After study, research & discussion with expert's suitable comments were prepared & sent to Central Nodal Agency and Ministry of Tourism on 16 Aug 2024. The reply is awaited; however, Chapter Directors are requested to make themselves familiar and compliant with the draft Adventure Tourism Safety Law before Govt. promulgates this as law.
3. The President there after asked the Executive Director **Wg Cdr KK Verma** to proceed with the Agenda Points
4. **Ratification of the Minutes of the Last Directors Conference Held on 13 Dec 2023 –Wg Cdr KK Verma (Retd)**, Executive Director, NAF requested that the Minutes of the last Directors Conference held on 13 Dec 2023, which had been forwarded to

all the Chapters, and on which no comments had been received, be ratified. The house confirmed the said minutes unanimously.

5. **Report of Executive Director for the Financial Year 2023-24.** The Executive Director presented report for the FY 2023-24. The copy is attached at Appendix 'A'. The salient points are as follows –

(a) **Publication of NAFER 2023** – After a gap of 2 years, last year, NAFER 2023 was published. It was well received by members and adventurers. It is requested to all the members and Chapter Directors to share activities, articles and other activities related to their Chapter and adventure sports in general for the next year NAFER 2025.

(b) **Nagpur Workshop** – A Workshop was conducted at Gyan Bharti Adventure Park, Wardha, Maharashtra from 22 to 24 Feb 2024. This Workshop was conceived, developed & managed by Nagpur Chapter Director Mrs. Bimla Negi (National Adventure Awardee), Mr. Avinash Deoskar and Mrs. Bharti Gomase. The Workshop was very fruitful. Chapter Directors appreciated the initiative. Number of issues were discussed and resolved. Feedback on the Workshop has been forwarded to all Chapters vide our email dated 12 Mar 2024.

6. **NAF Activities and Events** – NAF conducted its annual program as per schedule.

a) **Rajasthan Adventure Day (RAD)** - It was conducted by NAF Chapter across India on the Fourth Death Anniversary of Shri Magan Bissa ji as Rajasthan Adventure Day (RAD). NAF Bikaner Chapter organized a day program on 14 Feb 2024 including a Blood Donation Camp along with some other Chapters like Mumbai, Jharkhand, Bihar and UP-II etc. Various Chapter Directors from across India gave a tribute to Shri. Magan Bissa ji.

b) **National Adventure Day (NAD)** - Like last 3 year, this year also we celebrated NAF Adventure program NAD-2024 starting from 12<sup>th</sup> March to 12<sup>th</sup> April 2024 on this occasion, programs were conducted at various Chapters. Two Awards were initiated by NAF headquarter.

i) **Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award 2024** – Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award 2024 which was instituted from 2021 onwards. This year we received a total of 23 entries/recommendations for the award. The Jury members of the Award were Ms Anuja Shegal, Col Ravinder Nath, Cdr Rajiv Sardana and Mrs. Archana Sardana. The final approval was given by the President, NAF. The winner of Brig Gyan Singh National Adventure Award for the year 2024 were **Ms. Swati Acharya** in female category **Mr. Gaurav Sharma** and **Mr. Satyarup Siddhanta** in male category. They were given a cash prize of Rs.10,000/-, a citation and a memento. The memento has been sponsored by **Mr. Daya Mishra**, Director Bihar Chapter. In a unique initiative, **Dr Sushma Bissa** & her Family (three generations) carrying the legacy of Late Shri Magan Bissa ji, trekked to Everest Base Camp together. All the winners were felicitated by NAF.

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. We received a total of 11 entries/recommendations for the award. The Jury members of the Award were Ms Anuja Shegal, Col Ravinder Nath, Cdr Rajiv Sardana and Mrs. Archana Sardana. The winner of NAF Social Media Post Competition for the year 2024 were Ms. Sanjali Bouri & Ms. Kanika. They were given a cash prize of Rs.5,000/-, a citation and a memento. The memento has been sponsored by Mr. Daya Mishra, Director Bihar Chapter.

## **AGENDA POINTS**

### **7. Appointment of the Chartered Accountant.**

(i) Appointment of the New Chartered Accountant, Mr. Dhiraj Kumar & Co for the financial year 2024-2025 to cover the services being rendered for Income Tax, Audit, GST & TDS matters and other related issues.

**Decision.** The appointment was approved and ratified unanimously.

## Points by Members

8. **Shri. Rohitshwa Bissa**, Director, Bikaner Chapter Rajasthan informed that 38 operators are doing parasailing 'certificate course' in India. NAF must take initiative to issue certification courses accordingly.

**Decision:** The President informed that NAF is a recognized body of Government under Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. He directed ED to send out a letter to Rajasthan Tourism for certification courses and audit of adventure activities.

9. **Col CK Singh**, Director, Western UP- Agra Chapter informed that refresher courses were conducted in Colleges for Adventure Sports. He said that Agra University has adventure sports as part of syllabus in master of Tourism Management.

**Decision:** The President directed ED to work on issuing certification for courses on various adventure sports.

10. **Shri Mihir Kumar Mondal**, Director, West Bengal (Paschim) requested that smart card can be issued to Chapter Directors.

**Decision:** The President directed ED to explore the possibilities of issuing such smart card to Chapter Directors in particular and then to other NAF members in general.

11. **Gp Capt Jayashankar (In absence)** – Although, he was not present, he conveyed through telephonic message that his Chapter is ready to host EC/ Director's workshop at this location, Camp Splendour 368/1A, Thirumoorthy Temple Road, Udumalpet, TamilNadu, India. He suggested suitable time in Feb – March 2025.

**Decision** - The President told to ED to review this point and finalize a program/ date after consulting all stake holders. Further President also directed Chapter Director to give suggestions at earliest so that we are able to conduct fruitful Workshop 2025.

## CONCLUSIONS

12. The President thanked Chapter Directors for their active participation and valuable suggestions. As adventure activities across India has started, it is expected that Chapters should pay subscriptions by due date. There is a need to have proper liaison between Chapters so that we can take advantage of the resources and skills/experts of each other.

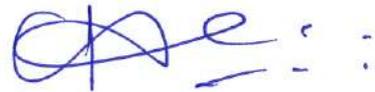
13. As NAF is passing through financial crisis, all are requested to find donors. The donation can be done online through following details –

Bank – State Bank of India, South Extension Part II, New Delhi 110049

SB A/c No – 10732078696

IFSC - SBIN0003219

14. The meeting was adjourned with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



Date: 18 Oct 2024

Wg Cdr KK Verma (Retd)  
Executive Director