BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION (BSA) MINUTES OF 18TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) HELD ON 15 JULY 2016 AT RANE AUDTIORIUM, BEG & CENTRE, PUNE

GENERAL

1. The 18th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of The Bombay Sappers was held on 15 July 2016 from 1045 hrs onwards at Rane Auditorium, BEG & Centre, Pune. The meeting was convened at 1045 hrs by Brig S R Mazagaonkar (Retd), Director BSA, but it was adjourned due to lack of quorum and recommended to be re-convened after 30 minutes at 1115 hrs.

2. The meeting was reconvened at 1115 hrs, a total of 240 members, consisting of 44 Officers 79 JCOs and 117 ORs (including veterans Bombay Sappers) attended the meeting. The meeting was presided over by the Chairman of BSA, Lt Gen MMS Rai PVSM, AVSM, VSM, ADC, VCOAS, Col Comdt 'The Bombay Sappers' and Hony Col of the 'Sikh Light Infantry' Following other members of the management committee were present :

(a)	Brig Dhiraj Mohan	-	Vice Chairman
(b)	Maj Gen SCN Jatar (Retd)	-	Hon Gen Secy
(c)	Maj Gen S D Sohoni (Retd)	-	Member
(d)	Maj Gen S G Pitre (Retd)	-	Member
(e)	Brig S R Mazagaonkar (Retd)	-	Director
(f)	Col M M Bhushan (Retd)	-	Member
(g)	Col Anil Negi	-	Secy-Cum-Treasurer
(h)	Col Mohit Nangia	-	CO Depot Bn/Member
(j)	Lt Col M Salaskar	-	Accounts Officer/Member
(k)	Sub Maj (H'Capt) V Lawate(Retd)	-	Member
(I)	Sub Maj BR Fonde	-	Asst Secy

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

3. The Secretary-Cum-Treasurer Col Anil Negi in his introductory remarks welcomed all those who were present for the AGM including all the members of the Management Committee to the 18th AGM of BSA. He then requested the Chairman to give his Opening Address.

OPENING ADDRESS BY THE CHAIRMAN

4. Gist of the Chairman's address is given in succeeding paras:-

5. At the outset the Chairman welcomed all the members of the MC and other BSA members in the audience present for the 18th AGM. He appreciated the fact that so many members had spared their valuable time to attend. He said that it was because of this support and co-operation from all the BSA members that our organization is standing firmly today on its strong roots.

6. <u>**Growth of BSA**</u>. He said when BSA was started in the year 1999-2000 there were lot of doubts and apprehension like, whether is it really necessary to start this organization, will it succeed or should I join the BSA and why. These doubts in the minds of our men were real and at that time, as a Commanding Officer, it was sometimes difficult to convince our men, as to why he should join the BSA. At that time we barely had 400 Members but today we have grown into a big, strong and a successful organization with over 46,000 members. So much so that many other

regiments of Indian Army have started similar associations after taking a cue from BSA. This it self is enough proof of our success and shows that BSA is heading in the right direction.

7. <u>Welfare Schemes</u>. He brought out that our main emphasis is always on looking after our veterans, veer naris and children. Most of our welfare schemes have been started keeping this in mind. BSA has been constantly making efforts to improve our welfare schemes. A number of new schemes have been introduced and some have been stopped. Changes are regularly being made based on experience gained over the years. This has been made possible due to the continues involvement of the MC and especially due to the experience and guidance of our veterans members of the MC.

8. <u>Role of Management Committee</u>. BSA is a vibrant organization today. It is a registered society and the dedicated involvement of the MC helps in running the BSA smoothly. He emphasized that the real credit for this, right from the start to the end, goes to all the members of MC. It is because of their experience, guidance and direction that we have such a fine and efficient organization. He said he is indeed thankful to the MC for their constant support and contribution, which is really appreciable.

9. **Funds for BSA**. The Chairman drew everyone's attention to the fact, that BSA needs funds to run our schemes. He said we have only two sources of Income. One we get interest on our fixed deposits (FDs) and second is through donations received from individuals as well as from units etc. There has been a drop in interest rates and hence our income has reduced. However in spite of this, we have not reduced the grants given through our welfare schemes. In fact there has been an enhancement in some grants and benefits. The Chairman mentioned that units like 117 Engr Regt and 425 (I) Fd Coy have come fwd and donated sums of Rs. 17,000/- and Rs. 24,000/- respectively. These were really praise worthy gestures from the units and other units need to take inspiration from these units. He said that, in fact all of us as individuals, should also take inspiration and contribute for this good cause. After all, charity should begin from our own homes first.

10. **Sapper Sarais**. He mentioned that we have started four Sapper Sarais in four cities, which are being run efficiently and are being utilized by large No of Bombay Sappers. We have received good feedback on this . I appreciate the good work done by 116 Engr Regt at Amritsar and Jalandhar, by bomb disposal unit at Delhi and also by Depot Bn, which is running the Sarais at Pune. I would specially like to thanks the COs and concerned staff in all these units, for the good work they are doing.

11. <u>**Gurnam Boys Academy**</u>. He said this is a very good project and this facility is being run in an efficient manner. The children are doing well, in fact two of them have become navy officers. GBA has developed over the years due to the support and personal involvement of some veteran members. The dedication and hard work put in by the officers and staff running the GBA has gone a long way in bringing GBA to its present state. He made a special mention of Maj Gen SCN Jatar (Retd), who has taken a keen personal interest in the proper development of GBA. He has over the years contributed in a big way from his personal resources. In fact he has donated nearly Rs. 25 lacs to GBA since the year 2000. The Chairman also mentioned that Capt Raghesh Dasannacharya (Retd) has recently donated a sum of Rs. 2.5 lacs for GBA. He said that when we are getting such a strong support, I have no doubts that we are on the right path and we should progress further confidently.

12. <u>Under utilization of GBA.</u> The Chairman man pointed out that though this is such a good facility, it is highly underutilized. As against the capacity of 80 we hardly have 20/25 children residing there. There is a need to think over it and improve the situation. This facility has not been opened to outsiders because it will get filled up quickly by outsiders and then Bombay Sappers will lose the benefits of this facility. He said the same staff is required to accommodate the present strength of 20 children or full strength of 80 children. He also said that aim of admitting a child in

GBA, should not be to make him clear 10th or 12th class. The aim should be to see how he can do well in his future life.

13. <u>Activities of BSA (NR)</u>. He appreciated the good work being done by Brig B K Kohli (Retd) in the Northern Region. He has taken the challenge of organizing pre recruitment training since last few years. This training helps children of widows/ESMs from that region in recruitment and finding other jobs. He thanked Brig B K Kohli (Retd) and the COs of 268 Engr Regt and 108 Engr Regt who have rendered valuable help to Director BSA (NR). He emphasis that as large no of Bombay Sappers belong to that region, all units located there should come forward and support Brig B K Kohli (Retd) in his endeavors.

14. In conclusion, he said that BSA is a first class organization which is functioning very efficiently under the valuable guidance of MC and with full support of the Comdt, BEG & Centre, Kirkee. He again thanked all the members of the MC and urged them to continue to lend their valuable support to the BSA in future.

15. The Chairman then asked Brig SR Mazagaonkar (Retd), Director BSA, to progress the meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINS OF 17th AGM

16. Brig SR Mazagaonkar (Retd), Director BSA informed that the minutes of the 17th AGM were sent to all units and put on the BSA website and were also circulated. It was proposed by the Director that, if there is no objection, the minutes of the meeting be passed by the house. Col AK Mehra (Retd) proposed the passing of min of 17th AGM and Brig SB Ghorpade (Retd) seconded it.

BSA ACTIVITIES 2015-16

17. Director BSA then briefed all present, regarding major activities carried out during the previous year. These are given in subsequent paras.

18. Membership. The present state of membership as on 10 Jul 2016 is as under:-

(a)	Offrs	-	1.552	
(b)	JCOs	-	2.482	
(c)	ORs	-	41,982	
()	Total	-	46,016	(Increase in life membership from last year 505).

19. Following activities were done during last financial year 2015-16:-

(a) <u>Management Committee meetings</u>. Three MCMs were held after the last AGM on 04 Jan 2016, 28 Mar 2016 and 02 Jul 2016. The minutes were sent to all units and also uploaded on BSA website. Minutes were also circulated through the group adjt email group.

(b) <u>News Letters</u>. Four Newsletters were issued on 30 Apr 2015, 04 Aug 2015, 27 Jan 2016 and 13 Apr 2016.

(c) **<u>BSA Website</u>**. The BSA website (<u>www.bsakirkee.org</u>) is being updated regularly. Since this year information about jobs opportunities for ESMs is also being uploaded. Director informed that a whats-app group of recently retired ESMs has been established for exchange of info on job opportunities. (d) <u>Welfare grants</u> were given as planned. Details later.

(e) <u>Enhancement in Investment of BSA.</u> An amount of Rs. 43,75,000/- has been invested in FDs in Sep 2015. Thus the total amount in fixed deposit, now stand at Rs. 3,79,75,000/- (Rs. 3.7975 crores).

(f) **BSA Vehicle**. This yr the Tata Grande Veh was used by 258 members and total kms run were 32,000 kms. However Director felt that, members of BSA residing in Pune are not fully aware of this facility. He requested all present to spread the word, so that max members can use this facility.

(g) <u>Sapper Sarais</u>. Director informed that, all the Sapper Sarais at Delhi, Jalandhar, Amritsar and Pune are functional and are being used extensively. Total 1042 pers used this facility in the last one year. He also informed that maximum ESMs coming for treatment in RR hospital use this facility in Delhi Cantt and ESMs coming to Pune for UHQ recruitment rally/other events have been utilizing the facility.

(h) <u>Pre-recruitment training to Children of Bombay Sappers.</u> Brig BK Kohli (Retd), Director Northern Region of BSA, took the initiative to organize a three weeks camp at 268 Engr Br Regt (PMS) location, which was held from 11 Apr 2016 to 03 May 2016. 56 children attended the camp. The credit for organizing and conduct of this camp goes to CO and all ranks of 268 Engr Br Regt (PMS).

(j) <u>Cases of Bombay Sappers taken up with various authorities.</u> The Director brought out certain peculiar cases which were taken up with ZSWOs, Collector office (Satara) and ECHS to speed up and resolve the issues involved.

20. <u>Grants given during FY 2015-16.</u> Summary of Grants given during FY 2015-16 was displayed on the screen is as given below:

<u>S.NO</u>	GRANTS	AMOUNT
01.	Edn Scholarship	4,40,800/-
02.	Edn Grant to Children of widows (EGCW)	8,28,000/-
03.	Grant Against Higher Edn Loan (GALHE)	3,01,600/-
04.	Distress Grant	1,20,000/-
05.	Imdt Grant	3,00,000/-
06.	Grant to widows for daughter's marriage	4,75,000/-
07.	Financial Grant to ESMs selected for Master Trainers Programme in UK	75,000/-
08.	Aid to GBA	4,98,763/-
TOTAL	-	30,39,163/-

(a) <u>Edn Scholarships.</u> These were given to **439 children** of 88 JCO and 351 OR. The total amount given was **Rs 4, 40,800/-.**

(b) <u>Edn Grant to Children of Widows (EGCW)</u>. This was given to **258 children** of 168 widows. The total amount given was **Rs. 8,28,000/-.**

(c) <u>Grant Against Loan for Higher Edn (GALHE)</u>. Total **Twelve children** were given an amount of **Rs 3, 01,600/-.** Two children out of above were given a scholarship of Rs. 50,000/- each (Rs. 10,000/- per year) from the 108 Engr Regt scholarship instituted by Maj Gen AL Suri, AVSM (Retd) who donates Rs. 1 lac each year for this purpose. The Director informed that the norms of this grant have been changed and in future it will be called "Grant for Professional Courses".

(d) **Distress grant**. Rs 1,20,000/- was given to 12 persons, which included 06 ESMs, 01 widow, 01 orphan (30 years unmarried girl child whose entitled pension is yet to start) and four disabled children of ESM/widow.

(e) Immediate Grant . Rs 3,00,000/- was given to 30 widows/NOKs.

(f) <u>Grant to widows for daughter's marriage.</u> Rs 4,75,000/- was given to 19 widows @ rate of Rs 25,000/- each.

(g) <u>Financial Grant to ESMs selected for Master Trainers Programme in UK.</u> Six ESMs were selected for the train the trainer programme in UK. It was a matter of pride that out of 10 ESMs selected for this course from the Army, six were from The Bombay Sappers. A financial grant of Rs. 75,000/- (Rs. 12,500/- each) was given, as they were leaving for UK within a week.

(h) <u>Aid to GBA.</u> A financial aid of Rs. 4,98,763/- was given to GBA students. This amount was given to subsidize the total expenditure (fees, uniform, books and etc) of 08 children of ESM @ 20% and 12 children of widow @ 70% respectively, of their annual expenditure.

21. Total Grants disbursed in Fin Yr 2015-16 were Rs 30.39 Lacs.

22. **GALHE scheme changed to Grant for Professional Courses**. The reasons for making changes in the existing scheme and details of changes made are as under:

- (a) <u>Necessity for making changes</u>.
 - (i) Parents were facing problems in getting loans.

(ii) No info of child's progress, after disbursement of one time grant, was forthcoming.

(b) <u>Changes made</u>

(i) Grant delinked from Education loan i.e. preconditions of taking loan removed.

(ii) Grant amount enhanced to Rs. 10,000/- per year of course duration i.e. Rs. 40,000/- for B-Tech course of 4 years, Rs. 30,000/- for Hotel Mgt course of 3 years and Rs. 20,000/- for MBA course of 2 years.

(iii) Initial Grant of Rs. 10,000/- will be paid on getting scholarship, followed by Rs. 10,000/- in subsequent years, on successful completion and submission of results.

(iv) Applications to be submitted by 15 Sep every year, as per forms given in new SOP, which has been sent to units and uploaded on website.

(c) <u>Selection process</u> and no of Vacancies will remain unchanged.

23. **Disbursement of grants through internet banking**. The Director informed that large no of cheques are not being en-cashed in time i.e. within 3 months, due to postal delays and delays by nodal agencies in physical delivery of cheques to widows and other beneficiaries. To avoid this, it has been decided to use internet banking system to credit the grants directly into bank accounts of beneficiaries. Details of bank accounts (Account No and IFSC Code) are being asked for in the application forms.

24. **Donations in FY 2015-16.** Rs 5,16,234/- have been received as donations to BSA. List is at Appx 'A'.

25. **Donation of Rs. 2.5 lacs from Capt Raghesh Dasannacharya (Retd).** The Director informed that, a donation was received by BSA in Apr 2016 from this officer, with the following request:

(a) A scholarship to be instituted as "Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship" in his mother's name.

(b) Rs. 25,000/- be spent by BSA to purchase books for GBA library.

(c) Rs. 2.25 lacs should be kept in BSA account as fixed deposit and interest earned every year to be given as scholarship to one or more students of GBA.

(d) It has been decided to utilize approx Rs. 13,500/- interest to award scholarship to 5 students of GBA, selected by a BOO every year.

26. The Director then requested Col Anil Negi, Secretary-cum-Treasurer to proceed with presentation of last year financial statements and proposed budget for FY 2016-17.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET

27. Col Anil Negi, Secretary cum Treasurer BSA then proceeded to present the budget and balance sheet of Fin Yr 2015-16 and the proposed budget for Fin Yr 2016-17. The details of the same are as given below:-

(a)	Actual Income FY 2015-16	-	Appx 'B'
(b)	Budget allotment and Actual Expenditure FY 2015-16	-	Appx 'C'
(c)	Audited Receipt and Payment statement for FY 2015-16	-	Appx 'D'
(d)	Audited Income & Expenditure statement for FY 2015-16	-	Appx 'E'
(e)	Audited Balance sheet for the Yr ending Mar 2016	-	Appx 'F'
(f)	Actual Income 2015-16 and Expected Income for year 2016-17	-	Appx 'G'
(g)	Proposed Budget for 2016-17 based on expdr incurred in 2015-16	-	Appx 'H'

28. Col Anil Negi first proceeded with the presentation of the Budget and Balance sheet of Fin Yr 2015-16 (ref appx B, C, D, E & F) and then he asked the house whether there were any queries. There were three queries raised by Lt Col AV Mudholkar (Retd) and Col AK Mehra (Retd). The queries and answers given were as under.

<u>Q.1</u>: A provision was made for an amount of Rs 1.5 lacs only for GBA, whereas nearly 5 lacs were given to GBA. Why couldn't we make a higher provision for this earlier?

<u>Ans.1</u>: The Director said that provisions for various schemes were made based on the anticipated /expected income of about Rs 40.48 lacs and expenditures on various schemes in the previous yr. However as actual income was more and actual expenditure on some schemes was less this year, the situation was reviewed in January 2016 during the MC meeting and Rs 4.98 lacs was given to GBA after that.

<u>Q.2</u>: There are large amounts shown in receipts column as non encashment of cheques which is not understood?

Ans.2: The Director explained that he had brought this point earlier in his presentation that large no of cheques are not en-cashed in time due to postal and other delays. The amounts pertaining to these cheques have to be taken on charge vide a RV and then fresh cheques reissued again. Hence this entry is made on receipts side. He brought out again that in future to avoid this, it has been decided to resort to transfer of funds as far as possible through internet banking.

Q.3: It was decided earlier to buy e-rickshaws out of BSA funds. What has happened about it?

<u>Ans.3</u>: A provision had been made in the budget of previous years for this but due to shortage of funds and recurring cost of batteries etc the proposal was shelved. It was also brought out that presently some e-rickshaws are already held in the centre and are being utilized.

29. Nk RP Jadhav (Retd), made a query about his personal problem, which was not connected with the budget. The individual suggested that a he should be given loan for his son's education which he would return in installments from his pension. He pointed out that BSA will be benefited by way of interest earned. The Director replied that an education loan scheme was in existence earlier but was stopped due to difficulties faced in recovery of loan. He again pointed out that he was ready to pledge his pension in writing on a stamp paper. The Chairman and Vice Chairman explained that though his suggestion is good it is very difficult for BSA to manage loan accounts and recoveries as there is no staff, moreover we do not have such large funds to give loans. Maj Gen S G Pitre (Retd), member of MC pointed out that the pension of any retd person can't be pledged/attached so the proposal cannot be considered, and should be dropped.

30. There being no further queries the secretary cum treasurer proposed that the budget and balance sheet of Fin Yr 2015-16 be passed by the house. The proposal to pass the same was made by Lt Col AV Mudholkar (Retd) and was seconded by Lt Col HN Mahato (Retd).

31. Thereafter Col Anil Negi presented details of the expected income and proposed budget for the Fin Yr 2016-17(**ref appx G & H**).

32. He then asked the house if there were any queries. There being no queries he proposed that the house pass the budget to Fin Yr 2015-16. The proposal to pass the budget was made by Col S R Gidwani (Retd) and the same was seconded by Brig SB Ghorpade (Retd).

33 Thereafter the meeting was progressed by the Director Brig SR Mazagaonkar (Retd).

ROTATION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

34. The Director displayed the present composition of the BSA management committee (MC) on the screen before proceeding with the discussion on rotation of the MC. This was as under:

Chairman	-	Colonel Commandant, The Bombay Sappers. (Ex Officio)
Vice Chairman	-	Commandant, BEG & Centre, Kirkee. (Ex Officio)
Treasurer-Cum-Secretar	y -	Deputy Commandant, BEG & Centre, Kirkee (Nominated by Chairman)
Assistant Secretary	-	Group Sub Maj, BEG & Centre, Kirkee (Nominated by Chairman
Two Nominated Member	(Servin	ng Officers)
Member	-	CO, Depot Bn, BEG & Centre, Kirkee
Member	-	Group Accts Officer, BEG & Centre, Kirkee
Five Elected Veteran Me	mber (4	Officers and 1 JCO)
Hony Gen Secy	-	Maj Gen SCN Jatar
Member	-	Maj Gen SD Sohoni
Member	-	Maj Gen SG Pitre
Member	-	Col MM Bhushan
Member	-	Sub Maj (H Capt) V M Lavate

35. The Director informed that during the MC meeting held on 04 Jan 2016, Maj Gen SCN Jatar the Hony Gen Secy tabled a point for discussion on the regular rotation of the members of the MC. He pointed out that there has been no change in the members of the MC for so many years. An appeal is made in all AGMs to invite members to volunteer and join the MC. However no one has come up so far to take on this responsibility. He also pointed out that some members of MC are advanced in age including him. He felt it was time to replace them with younger members. He expressed his desire to step down wef the next AGM.

36. The matter was then discussed and it was decided to write letters to all senior serving and veteran Bombay Sapper Officers and all the units with a request to either volunteer to take on this responsibility / recommend names of veteran officers preferably from Pune for induction in the MC. Similar letters were written to all veteran officers settled in Pune.

37. Number of replies were received in response to these letters. The summary of recommendation received was as under:

(a) Five officers recommended the name of Brig S Dandekar (Retd), who was the director of BSA for five years.

(b) Lt Col P B Keskar (Retd) recommended the name of Col T G Shankar (Retd).

(c) Brig Sandeep Desai who is a serving officer volunteered to take on this responsibility after he retires on 31 Oct 2016. He also suggested that:

(i) 20% of existing members should be replaced each year (i.e one member every year out of five veteran members).

(ii) Tenure of member should not exceed 5 years.

(iii) A management committee member could be considered for re-nomination after break of one year (AGM to AGM).

38. Accordingly Brig S Dandekar (Retd) and Col TG Shankar were contacted for their willingness. Brig S Dandekar expressed his inability to join the MC due to his personal reasons. Col T G Shankar has given his willingness to join the MC.

39. These recommendations were discussed in the MCM on 02 Jul 2016 at length and it was decided that the following proposals will be presented during the AGM for the ratification.

(a) Maj Gen S D Sohoni (Retd) to be made Hony Gen Secy in place of Maj Gen SCN Jatar (Retd).

(b) Col T G Shankar to be elected by AGM and inducted as a member of the MC.

(c) Regarding rotation of MC as suggested by Brig S Desai following criteria to be adopted.

(i) One Veterans Officer out of 4 to be replaced every two years. This is to ensure that the Hony Gen Secy gets a minimum tenure of 2 years.

(ii) Veterans JCO member to be changed after every six years.

(iii) A management committee member could be considered for re-nomination after break of one year (AGM to AGM).

40. The Director then asked the AGM to firstly approve the following:

(a) Maj Gen S D Sohoni (Retd) to be made Hony Gen Secy in place of Maj Gen SCN Jatar (Retd).

(b) Col T G Shankar (Retd) to be inducted as a member of the MC.

41. Approval for appointment of Maj Gen S D Sohoni (Retd) as Hony Gen Secy and induction of Col T G Shankar (Retd) as the member of the MC was proposed by Lt Col A V Mudholkar (Retd) and seconded by Brig Rakesh Chandra (Retd).

42. The Director then displayed the proposed criteria for rotation as given below and asked the AGM to approve the same.i.e.

(a) One Veteran Officer out of 4 to be replaced every two years. This is to ensure to Hony Gen Secy gets minimum tenure of 2 years.

(b) Veteran JCO member to be changed after every six years.

(c) A management committee member could be considered for re-nomination after a break of one year (AGM to AGM).

43. Col Ajit Patil (Retd) proposed that the criteria for rotation be adopted and approved. The same was seconded by Col SR Gidwani (Retd).

Queries /Suggestions

44. Director asked the house whether there were any other queries /suggestions. There were two queries from members in the audience. The queries and answers given are as under:

Q.No.1: Is there any provision for inducting a NCO/OR in the MC?

<u>Ans.1</u>: The Director explain that in the memorandum there is a provision for having veterans members, He could be an Officer, JCO or OR. However till now no NCO/OR has come forward to join the MC. In future BSA would welcome any willing NCO/OR to come forward and taken on this responsibility.

Q.No.2: Is there any data/record available about No of persons employed through BSA?

<u>Ans.2</u>: The Director informed that no such record of persons employed is available. Un fortunately when an opportunity comes up suitable persons are informed and asked to go for interviews, however they do not come back and inform whether they have taken up that particular job or not . It is very difficult to contact the retired persons and get this info. This problem is even faced by the Army Placement Cell. However we continue to upload the info about job opportunity on our BSA website and info is also passed through the recently formed whats-app group. At this juncture Col Mohit Nangia, Member of MC gave information about the activities carried out during demob drill to build up the confidence of retiring persons by way of computer training english speaking etc. He also briefly explained about the pre-retirement activities/course which are being planned and likely to come into practice soon.

VOTE OF THANKS

45. There after the Director on behalf of all members of BSA, thanked all the personnel of Depot Bn, CIW and other staff who helped in organizing the 18th AGM.

46. He then requested the vice chairman to give his closing address

CLOSING ADDRESS BY VICE-CHAIRMAN

47. Vice-Chairman then gave his closing address. The gist is given in succeeding paras.

48. At the outset the Vice Chairman Brig Dhiraj Mohan congratulated the outgoing Hony Gen Secy Maj Gen SCN Jatar (Retd) for his wonderful innings with BSA. He said that Maj Gen SCN Jatar was one of the founder member of BSA and a father figure who held this appointment for 17 long years. He nurtured the plant of BSA for all these year with hard work and passion. He informed the house that Gen Jatar was stepping down due to his old age and health, though we all would have loved him to continue as the Hony Gen Secy. He said that the child nurtured by him is now a 17 years old, strong organization. He thanked him profusely for his contribution and requested him and hoped that he would continue to give his support and guidance to BSA. He assured the outgoing Hony Gen Secy, that the high standard set by him will be maintained to

further develop and take BSA towards greater success. He then requested the Chairman to present a memento to Maj Gen SCN Jatar (Retd). The memento was presented to the outgoing Hony Gen Secy amidst a standing ovation.

49. The Vice Chairman then informed the house that Gen MMS Rai, is attending this AGM for the last time in the capacity of the Chairman, BSA (as he is due to retire). He informed that Gen Rai took over this coveted post of the Chairman, BSA in 2012. His contribution to the BSA has been note worthy and BSA has progressed positively in his time. BSA under his guidance and directions could give maximum benefits to ESMs, Veer Naris and other veterans/serving members, by making necessary changes and enhancing the grants in various schemes. All Bombay Sappers have taken advantage and accrued benefits due to the coveted and prestigious appointment held by him. He assured him, on behalf of all the members of BSA and its MC, that we will follow the path shown by him and take BSA to greater heights. He then requested Maj Gen SD Sohoni (Retd), the newly elected Hony Gen Secy to hand over a memento to Lt Gen MMS Rai. The memento was handed over along with a standing ovation.

50. The Vice Chairman then congratulated, Maj Gen SD Sohoni (Retd), for being appointed as the Hony Gen Secy. He also welcomed Col T G Shankar (Retd) on being elected and inducted in the MC. Finally he said a few words to appreciate the good work being done by Brig S R Mazagaonkar (Retd), Dir BSA and Brig B K Kohli (Retd), Dir BSA (NR). He thanked them for their efforts and contribution in smooth running of BSA throughout the year.

51. In the end the Vice Chairman declared the AGM as closed and requested the Chairman and others present to proceed for refreshments.

Sd/-XXXX

(Anil Negi) Col Secy-cum-Treasurer For Vice Chairman

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27 Jul 2016

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List of Donors FY 2015-16

Ser No	Name of donor's	Amount donated
1	Col R S Sekhon (Retd)	40000
2	Lt Col Narendra Singh (Retd)	2000
3	Maj Gen V M Tandon, VSM (Retd)	5000
4	Lt Col J P Chopra, VRC (Retd)	3000
5	Lt Col Raj Kumar (Retd)	24000
6	Lt Col Yogendra Prakash (Retd)	10000
7	Mr Sona Olikara	7500
8	Col Rajinder Kumar (Retd)	12000
9	Lt Col Sirajuddin (Retd)	2500
10	Lt Col A K Saxena (Retd)	10001
1	Lt Col Magan Kumar Nigam (Retd)	2000
12	Lt Col Davindra Singh Taunque (Retd)	6000
13	Brig M K Sardana, VSM (Retd)	6000
14	Lt Col O P Gupta (Retd)	2001
15	Lt Col S K Thakur (Retd)	5000
16	Lt Col S G Moghe (Retd)	5000
17	Lt Col M S Patnaik	10000
18	Brig Avtar Singh Gill (Retd)	10000
19	Lt Col D S Aujla (Retd)	50000
20	Lt Col S B Shinde, 116 Engr Regt	10000
21	Shri Niwas Pattil, (Neelanchal Canteen)	2500
22	Shri Surendra Yadav, (Shree shyam dairy & sweets)	5151
23	Shri Sachinda Nand Pathak	5100
24	Sub Maj Nasim Khan Shabana Khan, GP SM	2500
25	Sub Maj Raghunath Tajane	2000
26	Sub Maj Sanjay Uttekar	1000
27	Nb Sub M S Swami	1001
28	Sub Maj Vadiraj K Chanageri	1000
29	(H/Capt) Gulab Bhosle	5000
30	Lt Col S P Kundra (Retd)	15000
31	Brig Naresh Chandra (Retd)	20000
32	Maj Gen N P S Bal (Retd)	10000
33	Lt Cdr SG Warudi, I.N (Retd)	17380
34	425 (I) Fd Coy	24100
35	Lt Col RC Sharma (Retd)	20000
36	Personnel from Pension batch Jan 2016	6500

37	Maj Gen AL Suri, AVSM (Retd), Indra Suri/ Sonya Suri	100000
38	Lt Gen A K Puri, PVSM, AVSM (Retd)	10000
39	Col A S Chonker, VSM	10000
40	Lt Col Kanwaljit Singh (Retd)	10000
41	Lt Col K L Arora (Retd)	6000
42	Major Rajendra Dave (Retd)	10000
43	Col M K Khosla (Retd)	10000
	Total	516234

Actual Income FY 2015-16

<u>Ser</u> <u>No</u>	Head of Income	<u>Total Receipt</u> <u>(Rs.)</u>
1	Interest from FDs	35,45,843.00
2	Interest from Sweep	4,90,385.00
3	Income from duplicate card charges and saving interest	15,900.00
4	Donations	5,08,234.00
	Total	45,60,362.00

<u>Appx 'C'</u>

Budget allotment and Actual Expenditure FY 2015-16

<u>Ser</u> <u>No</u>	Head of expdr	<u>Budget</u> <u>approved in</u> <u>17th AGM</u>	<u>Actual</u> Expenditure FY 2015-16
1	Edn Scholarship	6,00,000.00	4,64,980.00
2	Edn Grant (Children of widows)	13,00,000.00	8,56,800.00
3	Distress Grant + Imdt Relief	6,00,000.00	4,70,000.00
4	Grant to Paraplegic	-	30,000.00
5	Grant for Marriage of Daughter of a Widow	2,00,000.00	5,25,000.00
6	GALHE	2,25,000.00	3,51,600.00
7	Salary	7,80,000.00	7,72,254.00
8	Maint of Cmptr	50,000.00	20,673.00
9	Tele Bill/Internet	10,000.00	9,303.00
10	Office Expdr	20,000.00	20,001.00
11	Audit Fees	30,000.00	30,000.00
12	Misc	20,000.00	1,29,983.00
13	Aid to GBA students	1,50,000.00	4,98,763.00
	TOTAL	39,85,000.00	41,79,357.00
14	Depreciation	63,000.00	53,748.00
	TOTAL	40,48,000.00	42,33,105.00
15	Set aside for Corpus (Bal fig)	1,85,441.00	3,27,257.00
	TOTAL	42,33,441.00	45,60,362.00

Audited Receipt and Payment statement for FY 2015-16

	Head Quart Kirkee,	PERS ASSOCIATION ers Bombay Sappers Pune- 411 003. MENTS FOR THE PERIOD	
For t	ne Period From 1s	t April 2015 to 31st March 2016 PAYMENTS	AMOUNT
Opening Balance	61,50,534	Salary	7,72,254
Membership	8,43,010	Education Scholarship	4,64,980
F D Matuerd	3,18,00,000		
interrest on F D	35,45,843	Immediate Relief	3,00,000
Donation	5,08,234	Grant To Paraplegic (Individual)	30,000
Refund of BSSI loan	30,025		1,29,983
Charges on dupl cards	12,900	Distress Grant	1,70,000
Non-ench of cheque education grant children of widows	98,500	Higher Education Grant	3,51,600
Non- ench Of Cheque imdt Relief	60,000	Education Grant To Children Of Widows	8,56,800
Non-ench of cheque education scholarship	32,200	Internet & Tele bill	9,303
Interest of Saving A\C	3,000	Computer maintaince	20,673
Interest Of Sweep A\C	4,90,385	grant for daughter marriage of widows	5,25,000
Non-ench of cheque distress grant	95,000		
Non-ench of Cheq paraplegic	30,000	Audit Fees	30,000
Refund of GALHE	20,000	Sapper Sarai	- 10
To Non-ench of cheq Daughters Marriage of Widows	75,000	Office Funtioning	20,001
1000月19月1日。		Aid to GBA Students	4,98,763
		FDs	3,61,75,000
A Carlon And		Closing Balance	34,40,274
Total	4,37,94,631	Total	4,37,94,631

For M. N. Devi & Associates (Chartered Accountants)

CA. Mahendra N. Devi Partner

Date : Place : Pune



Audited Income & Expenditure statement for FY 2015-16

•		come & Expend d From 1st April	Jiture Account 2015 to 31st March 2016	
EXPENDITURE		AMOUNT (Rs)	INCOME	AMOUNT (Rs)
To Salary	· . · · · ·	7,72,254	By interest on F D	30,40,64
To Education Scholarship Less : Against Last Year's Expenditure To Depreciation	4,64,980 1,22,850	3,42,130 53,748	By Donation By Charges on dupl cards	5,08,23 12,90
To Immediate Relief		3,00,000	By other Fund Written Off By Non encashment of Cheque Education	52,66
To Distress Grant		1,70,000	Scholarship By Non encashment of Immediate relief	32,20
To Misc. Expenes		1,29,983	By Non encashment of Cheque Education	98,50
To Office Expences		20,001	Grant Children Widows By Interest of Saving A\C	3,00
To Audit Fees	162.4	30,000	By Interest Of Sweep A\C	4,90,38
To Education Grant To Children Of Widows		8,56,800	By Non-encash ment of distress grant	95,00
To Higher Education Grant		3,51,600	By Non-ench of Cheq paraplegic	30,00
To internet & tele bills		9,303	By Refund of GALHE	20,00
To Computer maintaince		20,673	By Non-ench of cheq Daughters Marriage of Widows	75,00
To Grant To Paraplegic (Individual)		30,000		
To grant for daughter marriage of widows		5,25,000		
To Aid to GBA Students Less : Against Last Year's Expenditure	4,98,763 2,00,000	2,98,763		
To Transferred to Corpus Fund @ 15%		6,08,275		
Total		45,18,530	Total	45,18,531

For M. N. Devi & Associates (Chartered Accountants)

CA. Mahendra N. Devi Partner

Date : Place : Pune



Audited Balance sheet for the Yr ending Mar 2016

	Head Quarters	Bombay Sappers			
4		ne- 411 003			
		CE SHEET March 2016			
Liabilities	Amount (Rs)	Amount (Rs)	Assets	Amount (Rs)	Amount (Rs)
TRUST FUND - Corpus Fund Opening Balance Add: Increase in corpus fund Add: Life Membership Subscription Add: Fund Transferred to Corpus @ 15%	3,79,74,874 10,92,921 8,43,010 6,08,275	4,05,19,080	FIXED ASSETS (As Per Annexure No - 1)		3,06,064
Amount set apart U/S 11 (2) Less : Against Last Year's Expenditure Other Fund Less:Written off to the Extent off @ 15%	16,94,067 2,00,000 3,51,085 52,663	14,94,067 2,98,422	INVESTMENTS SHORT TERM FIXED DEPOSITS LONG TERM FIXED DEPOSITS	3,79,75,000	3,79,75,000
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE Balance of last year .ess : Against Last Year's Expenditure	6,60,535 1,22,850	5,37,685	CURRENT ASSETS LOANS TO BSSI BANK BALANCE INT RECEIVABLE TELEPHONE DEPOSIT	3,97,031 34,40,274 7,28,886 2,000	45,68,191
Total		4,28,49,255	Total		4,28,49,255

BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION

For, C.A. M. N. Devi & Associates. (Chartered Accountants) Davi & Asy M.No. 126128W Pune 3 CA. Mahendra Narayandas Devi * C



Date : Place : Pune

<u>Ser</u> <u>No</u>	Head of Income	<u>Income</u> FY 15-16	Anticipated Income FY <u>16-17</u>
1	Interest from FDs	35,45,843.00	28,80,562.00
2	Interest from Sweep	4,90,385.00	4,00,000.00
3	Income from duplicate card charges and Interest from saving A/c	15,900.00	25,000.00
4	Donations	5,08,234.00	8,00,000.00
	Total	45,60,362.00	41,05,562.00

Actual Income 2015-16 and Expected Income for year 2016-17

<u>Appx 'H'</u>

Proposed Budget for 2016-17 based on expdr incurred in 2015-16

<u>Ser</u> <u>No</u>	Head of Expdr	<u>Expdr</u> 2015-16	Proposed allotment/ anticipated expdr
1	Edn Scholarship	4,64,980.00	4,75,000.00
2	Edn Grant (Children of widows)	8,56,800.00	8,75,000.00
3	Distress Grant + Imdt Relief	4,70,000.00	5,00,000.00
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10	Office Expdr	20,001.00	20,000.00
11	Audit Fees	30,000.00	32,000.00
12	Misc	1,29,983.00	25,000.00
13	Aid to GBA students	4,98,763.00	4,00,000.00
14	New interactive website for ESM/ upgradation website	-	1,00,000.00
	TOTAL	41,49,357.00	41,05,000.00