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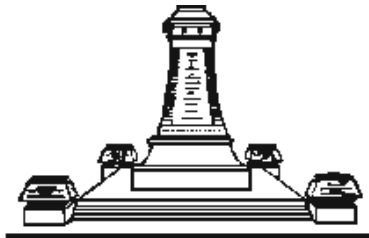
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Col Comdt Bombay Sappers |
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| 3. | Honorary Gen Secretary | - | Maj Gen SCN Jatar, (Retd) |
| 4. | Secretary-Cum-Treasurer | - | Col AS Patil, SM |
| 5. | Asst Secretary. | - | Gp Sub Maj Subhash Shinde |
| 6. | Member. | - | Maj Gen SD Sohoni (Retd) |
| 7. | Member. | - | Col MM Bhushan, (Retd) |
| 8. | Member. | - | Lt Col B Dikshit |
| 9. | Member. | - | Sub Maj/H'Capt L V Maruti(Retd) |
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BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION (BSA)

EDITORIAL

We are bringing sixth issue of BSA News letter. The News letter will be published in the month of Dec of every year giving the activities of BSA and important news.

In this issue we are giving the details of No of candidate to whom education scholarship grant 2004-2005 (Class V to Class XII) has been awarded alongwith cut off percentage. All the applications recd till 31 Aug are been considered while awarding scholarship.

The important letters/decision recd from AHQ/Govt are also included.

Management Committee is keen to know your views/comments on news letter and invite suggestion for improvement.

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(KB Kothiwale)

Lt Col

Dated : 2004

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BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION (BSA)

MINUTES OF SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**HELD ON 26 JUL 2004
AT BEG & CENTRE**

GENERAL

The Sixth Annual General Meeting (AGM) of BSA was held on 16 Jul 2004 at 1045 hrs at BSSI, BEG & Centre, Kirkee. The meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum and reconvened after 30 minutes at 1130 hrs. A total of 302 members, consisting 67 officers, 47 JCOs and 188 other Ranks, including retired Bombay Sappers attended the meeting. The meeting lasted till 1300hrs.

OPENING REMARKS OF THE CHAIRMAN

LT GEN SP RAMAN, AVSM, SM, VSM

I am indeed honoured to be addressing VIth AGM of Bombay Sappers Association after taking over as Chairman.

Chairman informed the house that this AGM has been conveyed to consider and approve the Income & Expenditure Statement and Statement of account duly audited by Chartered Accountant for the year 2003-04 and to give approval to expenditure incurred for construction of ten guest rooms in Sapper Sarai.

I am congratulating Management committee's contribution and excellent work done by CIW BEG & Centre in construction of ten guest rooms. All members can use this facility whenever they are visiting Pune.

I also thank Royal Bombay Sappers & Miners for donating Rs 4,31,158.05 for Bombay Sappers Sarai.

I am happy that membership has reached to 24791 and funds increased to Rs. 1.56 Crore.

Brig K Babayya, Vice Chairman will now progress the proceedings of VIth AGM.

Thanking you

Jai Hind.

VICE CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

The Vice Chairman, Brig K Babayya, Comdt BEG & Centre, in his introductory remarks welcomed the Chairman Lt Gen SP Raman, AVSM, SM, VSM, the Management Committee members and the serving and retired BSA members to the sixth Annual General Meeting of the Association.

He informed the AGM that the membership of some units was less but it has improved dramatically after direction by chairman to unit COs. The present state of membership is satisfactory.

FINANCIAL STATE OF BSA

Financial state of BSA is improving day by day, but there is need and scope for improvement. As on 01 Jul 2004 the corpus of BSA is Rs. 1,56,30,109/-. Out of this Rs. 1,50,05,182/- are deposited with Nationalized Banks and Reserve Bank of India. Since the interest rate on fixed deposits by Nationalized bank is decreased. The Management Committee has decided to invest the amount into 8 % RBI taxable bond through ICICI Bank.

WELFARE SCHEMES 2003 - 2004

The association had three welfare schemes during the year 2003-04.

During the year education scholarship of Rs 1,09,200 was given to 174 Children and under

distress grant scheme Rs.1,03,000 were given to 16 Bombay Sappers.

Four Sports Scholarship of Rs. 5000/- each were given to wards of member.

Vice Chairman welcomed all serving and retired members for VIth AGM and assured the house that Management Committee working for progress and development of BSA.

AGENDA POINTS

The proceeding were then conducted by Col AS Patil, SM, Secretary-Cum-Treasurer. The agenda points listed for the day were: -

- (a) Confirmation of Minutes of Fifth AGM
- (b) Passing of Balance Sheet FY 2003-2004
- (c) Review of welfare schemes
- (d) Budget for FY 2004-2005
- (e) Discussion Points
- (f) Election of Management Committee

POINT NO – 1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF FIFTH AGM

The Secretary confirmed from the members that they have received a copy of the minutes of fifth AGM held on 25 Jul 03 through news letter and also copies circulated in hall. The minutes were then confirmed proposed by Col Y Dimri and seconded by Brig SR Mohite.

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POINT NO – 2 - PASSING OF BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR 2003-04

Balance sheet as on 31 Mar 2004 duly audited was placed in the house for consideration by the members. The Income & expenditure Statement for the period 01 Apr 03 to 31 Mar 04 and Receipt & Payment Account for the period 01 Apr 03 to 31 Mar 04 was also put up to the house for consideration and discussion. There was no observation raised by any members and the same was approved by the house, proposed by Col KK Tikku and seconded by Col M Dave.

POINT NO – 3 - MEMBERSHIP STATE AS ON 01 JUL 2004

Membership State as on 01 Jul 2004 stood at 856 offrs, 1434 JCOs and 22501 ORs, total 24791.

POINT NO – 4 - REVIEW OF WELFARE SCHEMES OF 2004-05

The Secretary informed the house that the welfare schemes for FY 2004 – 05 are as under :-

- **Education Scholarship** During this year, It is planned to give Education Scholarship to 180 member's children (108 ORs, 48 JCOs and 24 Offrs) totaling Rs. 1,23,000 Students with minimum 65% marks can

apply. CI XI is included this year. Last date of receipt of application is 31 Aug 04.

- **Distress Grant** The total grant earmarked during the year is Rs 1,00,000/-. We have received 16 applications till 15 Jul 2004. The application will be scrutinized by a sub-committee and its recommendation are put up to the Managing Committee for consideration and approval.

- **Sports Scholarship** During the year 2004-05, the BSA will award four Scholarship for Rs. 5000/- each to the Children of BSA members.

- **Assistance to Gurnam Boys Hostel Army Public School** The total grant allocated during the year is Rs 1,00,000.

POINT NO – 5 - BUDGET FOR YEAR 2004-05

With the interest rate decreasing the income recd by BSA has not increased inspite of increase in corpus. The Secretary – cum – Treasurer gave estimated income for FY 2004 - 05 Rs 11.4 lacs. The proposed budget for FY 2004 – 05 was placed in front of house.

PROPOSED BUDGET : 2004-2005

Expected Income For - 11.4 Lacs
FY 2004-05

EXPENDITURE

WELFARE SCHEMES

➤ Edn Scholarship	1.23
➤ Sports Scholarship	0.20
➤ Gurnam Boys Hostel/APS Beas	1.00
➤ Distress Grant	1.00
➤ Grant to NOK of Martyr on VC Day	0.75
➤ News Letter	0.50
➤ Comradeship (Memento)	0.75
➤ Sapper Sarai	4.55
Total	9.98

OTHER EXPENSES

➤ Salary (Supervisor Rs 4000 pm)	0.48
➤ Maint of Computer	0.05
➤ Audit Fees	0.08
➤ Telephone bill	0.06
➤ Office functioning (Sty, printing, postage-other than news letter etc)	0.12
➤ Membership Cards	0.22
➤ Misc/Reserve	0.25
➤ Improvement of web site	0.16
Total	1.42
G. Total	11.40

EXPENDITURE ON SAPPER SARAI

Building No – 42 which was a store shed, has been converted into 10 guest rooms with attached bathroom and a change room. External services include boundary wall, two security gates, approach path and hard standing in front, sewage disposal and water supply. The total estimated expenditure is of Rs 19,70,000/-. Estimated cost of project was Rs. 21.86 lacs as per Board of officers. It was proposed to approve the expenditure incurred by BSA for construction of Sapper Sarai.

(a) Approved by Mgt Committee By BOO	-	21,60,000.00
(b) Total expenditure	-	19,70,000.00
BUDGET		
(a) Expenditure booked in FY 2003-04	-	4,39,969.00
(b) Donation from Royal Bombay Sappers	-	4,31,158.05
(c) Budgeted in FY 2004-05	-	4,55,000.00
(d) Loan from corpus	-	6,43,873.00
Total :		19,70,000.00

The house was requested to scrutinize the expenditure and accord approval for loan for Rs. 6,43,873.00 which was required to be repaid within two years. After discussion the above

expenditure was approved by the house and approval was given to take loan from corpus alongwith the re-payment schedule. The approval was proposed by Col R K Jha and seconded by Capt K Krishnaia

POINT NO – 6 - DISCUSSION POINTS.

Education Scholarship to student of Army Public school.

- (a) The Army Public School at Beas, APS Pithoragarh and APS Dagshai are being run by AWES but due to high fees Army pers are not sending children to these schools. BSA want to render partial help to encourage its members to send their children to these school so they get better education. To compensate the high fee it is proposed to pay 20 % of total fees paid in these school for wards of Offrs, JCO's & ORs. The qualifying parameter for the incentive is based on merit but the percentage of marks of student should not be less than 75%. Number of students to be awarded scholarship in each class be restricted as following :

Cat	No of Student Per Class	Class I to XII	Total Student
Offrs	1	12	12
JCOs	2	12	24
ORs	12	12	144
		Total	180

- (b) All above proposed if fully subscribed it will have a financial effect of Rs 9,31,500 per year as per present school fees at APS Beas. As on today this amount is not

available in the annual budget and hence needs to be provided in the budget progressively in due course of time.

POINT RAISED BY MEMBER

Col PP Malhotra gave suggestion to conduct centralized classes for wards of BSA member for admission to Sainik School, Military School, NDA etc. The point was discussed and agreed to conduct coaching for admission test to Military School under the arrangement of BEG & Centre.

EMPLOYMENT OF DVRS AT PUNE DELHI AND CHANDIGARH

The august gathering was informed that BSA propose to employ one driver each at Pune, Delhi and Chandigarh as welfare measure to our aged member who can use the services of reliable driver. By providing these drivers we will be providing :

- (a) Employment to a retired BSA member.
- (b) Providing reliable and honest Bombay Sapper Ex-servicemain services to aged members of Bombay Sapper who are in need of such drivers.

It was proposed and accepted for following terms and conditions for employment of such drivers

- (a) Married accn, to be provided by concerned Unit.
- (b) Payment of Rs. 2,000/- PM.

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- (c) The member using facility to pay the driver emolument (75 % what is paid to civilian drivers and his charges of traveling) i.e. approximately Rs 150 /- per day.
- (d) Driver will be on call basis and service will be first cum first served.

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP

Award of sports scholarship was discussed by members and following was decided.

- (a) Sports scholarship to be given only in case child has taken part at national level.
- (b) If the candidate has not shown improvement, the scholarship should not be awarded to same candidate for more than two years.
- (c) It was decided to continue the scheme for FY 2004 – 05 to award 04 scholarship of Rs. 5000/- each amounting to Rs . 20,000/
- (d) It was told by chairman that we should identify the potential sportsman who can be Olympic medal winner.
- (e) Employment of sports coach to improve the game was also discussed and conduct of trg camp for Sportsman of Bombay Sappers (by well qualified national/international coach) and agreed to employ coach depending upon the availability of funds.

LOANS FOR DIPLOMA COURSE STUDENT'S

To reduce the shortfall of JEs in MES Centre, ORs are being encouraged to take up Diploma course being run by CIDC on self financing. Presently 78 selected students under going this trg and they have taken loan from the Banks at the rate of 11.75% per annum Vice-chairman has put up a point to grant soft loan to these students by taking service charges amounting to 9.75% per annum from BSA. AGM has accepted the proposal to grant loan to 20 student each course.

POINTS FROM MEMBERS

Loans for Purchase of Property

Point was sent by 111 Engr Regt that BSA should grant loan to its member for purchase of plot/ construction of house / purchase of vehicle.

It was told to the members that same point was recd during fifth AGM and the legal opinion form Mr AD Kale Ex – Charity Commissioner, Maharashtra State was taken. The trust fund can not be invested into any business/ trade / activity where loss is expected. The Corpus is to be deposited with Nationalized Banks / RBI Bank / Post office/ or in Govt schemes.

Point raised by Col Y Dimri, CO 119 AER, the present corpus of BSA is too small and unit can help it by donating part of canteen fund to BSA. This will go in a long way to make the association financially sound.

CONTRIBUTION TO BSA FROM UNITS

Chairman thanked Col Y Dimri for his suggestion and requested CO's to consider this well deserved suggestion of donating money to BSA from unit fund. Units can take tax exemption on this donation as BSA is registered as charitable trust.

FINANCIAL AID TO MARTYRS

Col A N Baidur - The financial aid given to martyr should be divided into NOK's of Martyr (Wife, children and parents). Vice chairman has informed the house that the amount given by BSA is Rs. 5,000/- each and such a small amount can not be further distributed. He informed the house that steps have already been taken by AHQ to divide the benefits recd by martyrs amongst the spouse, children and parents.

ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2004-05

On conclusion of the agenda points the election for Management Committee for 2004-05 was taken up. All elected retired member gave their willingness except Sub Maj (H'Capt) MB

Surve, who has expressed his unwilling over health ground. Sub Maj (H'Capt) Vasant M Lavate (retd) was elected in place of Sub Maj (H'Capt) MB Surve.

CONCLUSION

There being no other point the sixth AGM was concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES OF BSA JAN – 2003 TO DEC-2004

During Sixth AGM Meeting held on 16 Jul 2004 three welfare schemes were announced these were the education scholarship, Sports scholarship & Distress grant, assistance to Gurnam's Boys Hostel/APS Scholarship. Progress on these scheme is as under :-

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP-2004-05

Last date of receipt of the applications was 31 Aug 2004. Total 370 applications recd. The board recommended 183 Scholarship to Offr/JCO/ORs Children. The details of applications recd, vacancy allotted & Nos of Scholarship for ORs, JCOs & Offrs as under :-

LIST OF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP 2004-2005

SUMMARY ORs

Class	Applications received	Vacancy Allotted	Recommended by board	Scholarship per head	Amt allotted	Amt to be desbursed	Cut of %
<u>ORs</u>							
5	47	18	20	500	9000	10000	86.87%
6	47	18	20	500	9000	10000	80.20%
7	44	18	20	500	9000	10000	79.80%
8	28	18	20	700	12600	14000	76.70%
9	13	09	11	800	7200	8800	69.80%
10	15	09	11	1000	9000	11000	72.33%
11	04	09	04	1000	9000	4000	66.66%
12	06	09	06	1000	9000	6000	66.00%
Total	204	108	112	-	73800	73800	-

JCOs

5	16	08	08	500	4000	4000	90.72%
6	24	08	08	500	4000	4000	86.20%
7	20	08	08	500	4000	4000	81.35%
8	11	08	08	700	5600	5600	71.10%
9	24	04	04	800	6400	6400	84.16%
10	25	04	04	1000	4000	4000	84.80%
11	06	04	04	1000	4000	4000	76.40%
12	13	04	04	1000	4000	4000	79.60%
Total	139	48	48	-	36000	36000	-

OFFRs							
5	05	04	04	500	2000	2000	82.00%
6	02	04	02	500	2000	1000	90.00%
7	05	04	05	500	2000	2500	77.00%
8	01	04	01	700	2800	700	90.60%
9	06	02	04	800	1600	3200	79.00%
10	02	02	02	1000	2000	2000	84.00%
11	01	02	01	1000	2000	1000	95.00%
12	05	02	04	1000	2000	4000	81.00%
Total	27	24	23	-	16400	16400	-
G Total	370	180	183	-	123000	123000	-

DISTRESS GRANT

Till 10 Dec 2004; 43 applications received. These were scrutinized by Sub Committee. The recommendations were discussed in Management Committee meeting and total 19 Bombay Sappers given distress grant amounting to Rs.84,400.00

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP

Last date of submission of applications was 30 Nov 2004. Total 06 applications were recd. Two wards of member who qualified the criteria were granted Rs. 5000/- each.

S. No	Rank and Name	Unit	Amount
1.	Namita D/o Sub K B Bhardwaj	111 ER	5000/-
2.	Niyaz Rafat Khan S/o Nblsub Nabi Rasool Khan	TB II	5000/-

UNIT WISE MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT : AS ON 31 DEC 2004

Unit	Members			Total
	Officer	JCO	OTHERS	
101 ENGR REGT	23	53	681	757
102 ENGR REGT	29	44	794	867
103 ENGR REGT	24	28	700	752
104 ENGR REGT	29	40	489	558
105 ENGR REGT	18	23	592	633
106 ENGR REGT	23	21	629	673
107 ENGR REGT	28	42	565	635
108 ENGR REGT	21	29	651	701
109 RAPID(S) ENGR REGT	24	16	736	776
110 ENGR REGT	33	44	732	809
111 ENGR REGT	14	24	663	701
112 ENGR REGT	31	35	831	897
113 ENGR REGT	20	19	667	706
114 ARMED ENGR REGT	25	17	846	889
115 ENGR REGT	15	24	608	647
116 ENGR REGT	19	38	645	702
117 ENGR REGT	25	33	721	779
118 ENGR REGT	21	32	743	796
119 ASLT ENGR REGT	23	38	826	887
201 BD COY	2	7	103	112
202 BD COY	4	4	85	93
203 BD COY	3	8	66	77
235 IWT	2	14	255	271
236 IWT	2	17	226	245
267 ENGR REGT	21	17	573	611
268 ENGR REGT	16	29	590	635
269 ENGR REGT	29	21	685	735
270 ENGR REGT	8	15	537	560
411 (I) PARA FD COY	6	5	226	237
414 (I) ENGR SQN	3	1	211	215
652 ENGR Plant Unit	3	10	132	145
656 ENGR BR UNIT	2	4	105	111
702 ENGR PLANT UNIT	1	11	138	150
71 TASK FORCE	2	1	213	216
72 TASK FORCE	3	0	54	57
970 Rly.ENGR REGT(TA)	1	0	0	1
BEG & CENTRE	50	258	4,251	4,559
MISC	92	31	86	209
RETIRED	210	459	2,304	2,973
Total	905	1,513	23,959	26,377

INFORMATION POINTS

REHABILITATION OF DISABLED SOLDIERS

QUEEN MARY'S TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, PUNE

The queen Mary's Technical Institute (QMTI), Range Hill, Pune a private charitable institute conducts ITI recognized vocational trades training courses for disabled servicemen, ex-servicemen and their dependents. Servicemen can apply for one/two year resettlement training programs/courses sponsored by DGR, New Delhi in following trades.

		Duration	Eligibility	Date of commencement
(a)	Diesel Mechanic	1 yr	SSC Pass with science& Maths	15 July
(b)	Cutting & Tailoring	2 yrs	SSC Pass	15 July
(c)	Master Tailor	1 Yr	SSC Pass + Certificate in C&T	15 July
(d)	Fashion Designing	1 Yr	SSC Pass + Certificate in C&T	15 July
(e)	Welder	1 Yr	SSC Pass with Science&Maths	15 July
(f)	Computer Operator & Programme Assistant	1Yr	SSC Pass (10+2 Preferred)	

[REDACTED]

THE FEE IS PAID BY DGR AND ADMISSION IS ON THE FOLLOWING PRIORITIES :-

- (a) Disabled Ex-Servicemen:- Ex-Servicemen boarded out of service on medical grounds are required to be sponsored by respective Zila & Rajya Sainik Boards.
- (b) Disabled Servicemen : Their training expenses are to be paid by their parent unit/regimental centers. Sanction of the DGR is to be obtained by the units concerned for such servicemen to train at QMTI. Training expenses for Paraplegic Servicemen (Patients of MH Khadki) are paid by Kendriya Sainik Board New Delhi .
- (c) Ex-Servicemen : As day Scholars
- (d) Disabled Civilians : (Admitted on merit basis)
- (e) Direct dependents of Ex-Servicemen/ Servicemen

The institute prospectus, with detailed information and application form is available for Rs 100/-per copy. Application forms from eligible candidates, other than servicemen should reach the institute by the 30th of June.

QMTI Near MH Kikee
Pune 20.
Tel - 020 - 25816779

TIMES OF INDIA ARMY WELFARE CORPUS SCHOLARSHIPS

This educational scholarship is available to the wards of serving soldiers studying in

professional courses viz, Engineering, Medical and Management. The salient features are:

- (a) Scholarship available on 'Means cum Merit Basis' to students still studying in professional courses only. Those who have passed the final exam are not eligible.
- (b) 124 scholarship @ Rs 10,000/- for each child are available.
- (c) Students who are already in receipt of any scholarships/concessions are not eligible for this scholarship.
- (d) The scheme is applicable every year on completion of the academic session.
- (e) Applications as per format given in SAO 2/S/2003 duly completed are to be forwarded to ESSA, CW-9, CW Dte. AG's Branch by 30 Nov

GRANT OF CONCESSION TO WIDOWS OF DEFENCE PERSONNEL KILLED IN ACTION AGAINST

TERRORISTS

As announced by Hon'ble Minister of Railway on 06 July 2004 in his Budget Speech for 2004-05, Ministry of Railways have decided to grant 75% concession in Second and Sleeper classes to widows of Defence personnel killed in action against Terrorists. Concession shall be granted directly by Station Managers on submitting a photo copy of Identity Card issued by District Sainik Boards, Ministry of Defence,

Government of India, Attestation of photocopy of Identity Card is not necessary. The Identity Card will contain **(i) Photograph (ii) Husband's name, rank, Battalion number & date of death (iii) a certificate that the holder is widow of the defence personnel killed in against terrorists and extremists.** The original Identity Card will be produced for inspection at the time of purchasing ticket and also during journey when demanded by Railway Officials. The concession will be admissible without any distance limit, subject to the distance restriction otherwise applicable in individual Mail/Express trains. The concession will be admissible in basic Mail/Express fares only and not in other charges, like reservation fee, super fast surcharge, safety surcharge, etc. which shall be recovered in full as per existing rule. The ticket shall be endorsed accordingly. Concession will be admissible subject to other conditions mentioned in rule 101 of IRCA Coaching. Tariff No. 25 Part 1 (Vol-II). The concession is available with effect from 06 Sep 2004.

(Authority : Govt of India, Ministry of Railways (Railway Board) Circular No. 31 of 2004 issued vide letter No. TC 11/2198/96/Widows/Policy dated 20 Aug 2004)

AWARD OF EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP TO CHILDREN OF ARMED FORCES

The educational concessions which were till now admissible to the children of Armed Forces

personnel killed/missing or permanently disabled in 1962, 1965, 1971 wars, OP PAWAN and OP MEGH DOOT only, are henceforth extended to the children of the Armed Forces personnel who were killed/declared missing or permanently disabled during all post-MEGHDOOT operations in India and abroad including Counter Insurgency Operations. These concessions cover all children of Armed Forces studying in Govt/Govt aided schools/education institutes Military/Sainik Schools and other schools or colleges recognized by the Central/State Govts as also the autonomous organizations financed entirely by Central/State Govts as also the autonomous organizations financed entirely by Central/State Govts.

Complete exemption from tuition fee (full amount) and other fees : This exemption of fee excludes

Capitation fee and caution money but includes charges levied for the school bus maintained by the school or actual fares paid for railway pass for students or by the Head of teaching institutes.

Grants to meet hostel charges in full for those studying in boarding schools and colleges. **Cost of Books and Stationery.** Rs.250 (Rupees two hundred and fifty) per annum per student or the Amount claimed by the student, whichever is less.

Cost of Uniform where this is Compulsory : Rs 810 (Rs eight hundred ten only)

at the maximum during 1st year and Rs 350 (Rs three hundred fifty only) for the subsequent years per annum per student or the amount claimed by the student, whichever is less.

CLOTHING : Rs 250 (Rs two hundred fifty only) for the first year and Rs 150 (Rs one hundred fifty only) for the subsequent years per annum per student or the amount claimed by the student whichever is less.

The above educational concessions will be upto and inclusive of the First Year Degree course.

These 4 educational concessions will be paid from Major Head 2076 and Minor Head 800 B of the Defence Services Estimates (Army) and the relevant Heads of Navy and Air Force.

Parents of eligible children shall apply to AG's Branch (CW-3) Army Headquarters, DHQ PO, New Delhi-110011, after obtaining entitlement card from respective Record Offices.

INFORMATION/QUERIES : For any further information/query and for obtaining brochure/application or kindly contact :-

Director, R&W Section,
Kashmir House, Rajaji Marg,
DHQ PO New Delhi-11,
Tel. No: (011)-230118338/
(011)-23794377 (Tele-Fax)
E-mail : randwsection @sify.com

(Authority : Army Headquarters AGS Branch Liaison Letter 1/2004-05)

EX-SERVICEMEN CONTRIBUTORY HEALTH SCHEME

Retired Armed Forces pensioners so far did not have a comprehensive Medicare scheme, as compared to and available to other Central Government employees. Interim treatment of minor nature (general diseases) was provided at service hospitals and MI Rooms, but often these hospitals got overloaded.

Based on this noble aim, and after detailed deliberations, a comprehensive scheme has taken shape as the Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS). Authorised vide Government of India, Ministry of Defence letter No. 22(I)/01/US/D (Res) dated 30 Dec 2002. With the advent of this scheme, Ex-Servicemen pensioners who were only entitled for treatment in service hospitals will now be authorized for treatment, not only in service hospitals, but also in those civil/private hospitals which are specifically empanelled with the Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme.

ECHS is a comprehensive medical care scheme covering all diseases including Cardiac, renal, joint replacement, cancer and many others. It provides benefits to the complete spectrum of ESM pensioners settled in far-flung areas of the country, through a network of 227 Polyclinics (104 in Military Stations and 123 in Non Military Stations). This will, in turn, reduce the load on Military Hospitals, since the exclusive Polyclinic facility will be located in nominated districts and closer to Ex-Servicemen pensioners.

All Armed forces new pensioner retiring on or after 01 Apr 2003 will be compulsory member of ECHS, where as those person who retired on or before 31 Mar 2003 can exercise their option to become member of the Scheme till 31 Mar 2008.

- (a) Medical allowance of Rs 100/- recd by pensioner to forfeit.
- (b) Non ECHS member will continue to get treatment for minor disease.
- (c) One time contribution to become member of ECHS this is as per Basic Monthly pension (ex cluding DA).

ADVANTAGES OF BECOMING AN ECHS MEMBER.

The advantages of becoming an ECHS member are as under:-

- (a) The scheme will provide comprehensive Medicare to all ESM pensioners, their widows and authorized dependants and is within easy reacy.
- (b) It will cover complete spectrum of ESM settled in far flung areas, through a network of polyclinics in Military and Non – Military stations.
- (c) The Scheme is fully financed by the Government.

(d) There will be network of 227 Polyclinics, i.e. 104 Military and 123 Non-Military Stations Polyclinic, based entirely on density of ESM in various regions. The number of Polyclinics may increase in Subsequent years.

- (e) This arrangement will reduce load on Service Hospitals as there will be an Exclusive facility located along side service hospitals.
- (f) There will be civil empanelled hospitals, diagnostic centers and consultants to provide in-patient treatment/consultancy, in addition to service hospitals.

The doctors at Polyclinics will provide required out-patient treatment and medicines, free of cost.

- (a) For further treatment, an ECHS patient will be referred initially to a service hospital and , in case of non-availability of bedspace/,treatment, he will then be sent to a civil empanelled hospital. The ECHS member will be provided treatment, medicines and ward facilities as per entitlement.
- (j) The procedure for dealing with an ECHS member of his/her dependants in Service hospitals will be the same as for serving soldiers and their dependants.

- (k) The ECHS patient can also be referred to the desired empanelled hospital/ Diagnostic center/consultant as per choice of the ECHS patient in case of non-availability of treatment in service hospital. The ECHS member alone will have the right to make the selection of desired civil empanelled hospital and will NOT Be influenced by any doctor.
- (l) An ECHS member does not have to clear bills or make payment (except for dietary Charges) either on admission or when discharge from the empanelled hospital. The empanelled hospitals will be paid directly by the concerned Station Headquarters on behalf of ECHS.
- (m) It covers all diseases.
- (n) An ECHS member who possesses a valid Smart Card can avail of treatment at any ECHS Polyclinic any where in India.
- (o) There is no restriction on age or medical condition at the time of seeking membership of the scheme.
17. Similarly, Ex-Servicemen pensioners who have already retired prior to 31 Mar 2003 can voluntarily become members, either by paying a one time contribution or in three consecutive yearly installments. Contribution be according to the table given below.

Basic Uncommuted Pension (Excluding DA & Disability)	Rate of One Time Subscription
Up to Rs 1500/-	Rs. 1,800/-
Rs. 1501-3000/-	Rs.4,800/-
Rs.3001-5000/-	Rs.8,400/-
Rs.5001-7500/-	Rs.12,000/-
Above Rs.7500/-	Rs.18,000/-

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RECRUITMENT RALLY PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR 2004 - 05

1. The dates of recruitment rallies under unit HQ Quota is as under :

	Month	Category	Date	Wrtn Test
1.	Feb 05	a)Sol GD	11 To 24 Feb 05	24 Feb 05
		b)Sol Clk	11 To 24 Feb 05	24 Feb 05
		c)Sol Trademan	11 To 24 Feb 05	24 Feb 05

Auth : HQ BEG & Centre letter No 10237/01A2 (a) dt 17 Jan 2004

PHYSICAL STANDARDS FOR ENROLMENT OF PBOR IN THE ARMY

1. As per Army HQ, AG's Branch letter No. 62518/Phy Std/Rtg 5 (OR) (A) dt 17 Jan 2004. Physical stds ie. Height for enrolment of following cat of Sol have been reviewed as under:-

a) The revised height criteria for enrolment will be implemented wef 01 Aug 2004.

REVISED HEIGHT CRITERIA FOR ENROLMENT IN SOL (GD) CATEGORY

Affected States	New ht applicable wef 01 Aug 2004 (in Cms)
Sikkim, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Tripura, Mizoram, Megalaya, Assam, Hill Region of WB	160
Andhrapradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Goa and Pandichery, Jammu & Kashmir Himachal Pradesh, Punjab Hills	166
Madhyapradesh, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Dadar, Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu	168
Eastern UP, Bihar, West Bengal, Orissa	169
Punjab, Haryana. Chandigarh, Delhi, Rajasthan. Western UP (Meerut & Agra Div)	170

b) Sol clerk / skt - 162 cm

for dependent 2 cm relaxation given in all cat



Appendix 'A' to BSA Education Scholarship Scheme

BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION (BSA)

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP 2003

1. I request that my under mentioned child whose particulars are given below may kindly be considered for the grant of above scholarship :-

Name of the Child	Age & Date of Birth	Male or Female	Class		School in which studying
			Passed	Studying	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
Percentage of (average) marks obtained in the final exam of the Class passed (Attach mark sheet duly CTC attested by the OC Unit or Photostat copy				Remarks	
(g)				(h)	

- No, Rank & name of the BSA members.
- Membership No.
- Unit/ Address.
- Full particulars of my bankers are as under :-
Name of Bank :
Full Postal Address including branch name, Street town and so on :
Nature of account :
Account Number :

Station :

Yours faithfully

Dated :

Appendix 'B' to BSA Education Scholarship Scheme

(Name of School)

- This is to certify that Master/Miss _____ Son/Daughter _____ (here mention No, Rank, Name of the Offrs/JCOs/ORs) has been bonafide student of this School during the academic year _____ which started on _____ and ended on _____
- He/She is still studying or left the institution on _____
- His or her date of birth as per record is _____
- His or her conduct during the above period was _____

Place :

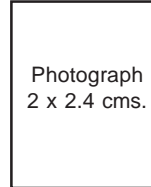
Signature _____
(Headmaster or Principal)

Date :

(Rubber Stamp)

**BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION (BSA)
(REGE 1999)
MEMBERSHIP FORM**

To,
The Chairman
The Bombay Sappers Association
Bombay Engineer Group & Centre
Kirkee, Pune - 411 003.



(Enclose two Photographs)

Sir,
Kindly fill in the details, as applicable

1. Number, Rank & Name :
2. Retired / Serving : 3. Unit :
4. Date of Birth : 5. Age :
6. Married / Single :

7. Address :

- a) Unit :
b) Permanent : Vill PO Tehsil
Distt State Pin
Tel. No. E mail :

Family Details

Name	Date of Birth	Relationship	Remarks
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Declaration : I hereby declare that I have joined BSA voluntarily and I shall abide by the Rules and Regulations and their amendments issued from time to time.

Place :

Date : _____ (Signature of Applicant)

RATE OF SUBSCRIPTION OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Age	Offrs	JCOs	OR	Subscription may please be paid in Cash / DD / Cheque in favour of Bombay Sappers Association payable at Pune. Rs. 60/- may please be added in case the subscription is paid by outstation cheque.
Above 70 Yrs	500	350	250	
Between 60 and 70 Yrs	700	500	350	
Bellow 60 Yrs	1000	800	600	

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