

## NEWS LETTER 01/2016-17

1. Last News Letter 03/2015 was issued on 27 Jan 2016.
2. Strength of members who have paid membership fees, as on 31 Mar 2016 is: Offrs - 1,509, JCO – 2,472 and OR – 41,903. Total members: 45,884. Increase in str in yr 2015-16, 734.
3. Brig Dhiraj Mohan has taken over as Vice Chairman of BSA, wef 01 Mar 2016 as and Brig Anurag Bhasin relinquished appt while proceeding on permanent posting.
4. **46<sup>th</sup> MCM** 46<sup>th</sup> MCM Meeting was held on 28 Mar 2016. Minutes have been circulated to all units and uploaded on BSA website (www.bsakirkee.org).

### BSA WELFARE ACTIVITES

#### 5. Details of Welfare Activities carried out in period Jan – Mar 2016

(a) **AID to GBA Students** : A sum of Rs. 4,98,762.50/- has been granted as a financial assistance to the GBA students, as is given below : -

<u>Sl. No</u>	<u>ward of</u>	<u>No of Children</u>	<u>Total annual expdr (Rs.)</u>	<u>% of subsidy</u>	<u>subsidy amount (Rs.)</u>
(i)	ESM	8 Nos	4,59,693/-	20%	91,938.60/-
(ii)	Widow/ Disturbed families	12 Nos	5,81,177/-	70%	4,06,823.90/-
				<b>Total</b>	<b>4,98,762.50/-</b>

#### (b) **Education Grant to The Children of Widows (EGCW), Board No-2**

- (i) Beneficiaries : 67 children of 42 widows.
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs 2,16,000/-

#### (c) **Grant for Daughter's Marriage Board No -03**

- (i) Beneficiaries : 06 widows were granted Rs. 1,50,000/- (Rs. 25,000/- each)

(d) **Immediate Grant** : To widows/NOKs of service personnel expiring on duty.

- (i) Beneficiaries : 10 widows were granted Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rs. 10,000/- each)

(e) **Master Trainer Course in United Kingdom** - Six Bombay Sappers personnel have been selected to undergo Master Trainer Course in United Kingdom wef Apr 2016, BSA granted Rs. 12,500/- (per person) as financial assistance. BSA wishes them all the best in their endeavour.

6. **Summary of amount disbursed for various Welfare Scheme in FY 2015-16.**

**Amounts disbursed for Welfare Activities in FY 2015-16**

<b><u>Ser No</u></b>	<b><u>Welfare Scheme</u></b>	<b><u>Beneficiaries</u></b>	<b><u>Amount (Rs.)</u></b>
1.	Edn Scholarship	88 JCOs 356 ORs	4,61,980/-
2.	Edn Grant to the Children of widows (EGCW)	263 Children of 173 Widows	8,56,800/-
3.	Immediate Grant to the Widows/NOKs of service personnel expiring on duty	30 Widows @ Rs.10,000/- each	3,00,000/-
4.	Distress grant	14 ESM 01 Widow	1,50,000/-
5.	Grant for Daughter's Marriage of Widow	19 Widows @ Rs. 25,000/- each	4,75,000/-
6.	Grant Against Loan for Higher Education (GALHE) including 108 Engr Regt Scholarship	12 Children	3,41,600/-
7.	Financial Aid to GBA students	20 Children	4,98,763/-
8.	Financial Aid to Bombay Sappers Selected for Master Trainee Course in UK	5 ESM 1 Serving @ 12,500/- each	75,000/-
9.	Grant to Paraplegic	01 ESM	15,000/-
<b>Total</b>			<b>31,74,143/-</b>

7. **Changes in Grant Against Loan for Higher Education (GALHE), One of the Welfare Scheme of BSA** - The scheme is being revamped and following changes are being made :

- (a) Grant is de-linked from loan.
- (b) GALHE is renamed as **GRANT FOR PROFESSIONAL COURSES**
- (c) Grant amount has been increased of Rs. 10,000/-, per year of course, in following manner.
  - (i) Four Year Course Rs. 40,000/-.
  - (ii) Three Year Course Rs. 30,000/-.
  - (iii) Two Year Course Rs. 20,000/-.
- (d) Grant amounts will paid in installments of Rs. 10,000/-, released only after receipt of results of previous year.
- (e) No changes in methodology of making merit list based on merit cum means matrix.
- (f) New SOP will be issued shortly.

(8) **Increase in Duplicate Card Charges** - It has been decided in 46th MCM that Duplicate life membership card charges will be increased from Rs. 50/- to Rs. 100/-. Duplicate Cards are issued in case of loss of card/change in appearance/change in rank of existing BSA Members.

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