

NEWS LETTER 02/2017-18

1. Last News Letter 01/2017-18 was issued on 08 Apr 2017.
2. Strength of members who have paid membership fees, as on 24 Oct 2017 is : Offrs - 1,633, JCOs – 2,519 and OR –42,944. Total members: 47,096. Increase in str from last News letter 582.

Management Committee Meetings

3. **50th MCM.** 50th MCM Meeting was held on 05th May 2017. Minutes have been circulated to all units and uploaded on BSA website (www.bsakirkee.org).
4. **51st MCM.** 51st MCM Meeting was held on 20th July 2017. Minutes have been circulated to all units and uploaded on BSA website (www.bsakirkee.org).

Annual General Meetings

5. **19th Annual General Meeting (AGM).** 19th AGM was held on 07th Aug 2017. It was presided over by the **Chairman of BSA, Lt Gen Michael Mathews, VSM****, **Colonel Commandant 'The Bombay Sappers'**. Minutes have been circulated to all units and uploaded on BSA website (www.bsakirkee.org).

BSA WELFARE ACTIVITIES

6. **Details of Welfare Activities carried out in period Mar – Oct 2017.**

(a) **Distress Grant Board No 01:**

- (i) Beneficiaries : 03 persons
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs. 30,000/- (Rs. 10,000/- each)

(b) **Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship :**

- (i) Beneficiaries : 05 children of widows staying at GBA
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs. 15,000/-

(c) **Education Scholarship :**

- (i) Beneficiaries : 61 Children of JCOs and 239 Children of OR
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs. 3,03,800/-

(d) **Grant for Professional Courses :**

- (i) Beneficiaries : 10 wards of JCO/OR attending Professional courses (ie Engineering/Medical/Hotel Management/MBA)
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rs. 10,000/- each)
- (iii) Rs. 10,000/- is paid each yr for the duration of the professional Course the ward is attending.

(e) **Madhuri Gupta Scholarship** : This scholarship has been started from this year. The scholarship winners were selected amongst the applicants of grant for professional courses who met the required qualifying standard. Two winners of this scholarship of Rs. 1 lakh each (To be paid in 4 yearly instalments of Rs. 25,000/-) are as follows :-

- (i) Master Ankush S/o Sub Ayodhya Prasad Engineering Stream
(Attending B Tech at IIT Mumbai).
- (ii) Miss Rohini V Ugade D/o Sub Vasant Ugade Medical Stream
(Attending BDS at Sinhgad Dental College Pune)

(f) **Education Grant to The Children of Widows (EGCW) Board No 01** : The grant is extended to graduation students from this year as per decision taken in the 51st MCM.also, as decided in last MCM.

- (i) Beneficiaries : 207 children of 119 widows.
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs 7,00,800/-

(g) **Grant for Daughter's Marriage Board No -01.**

- (i) Beneficiaries : 02 widows
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs 50,000/- (Rs. 25,000/- each)

(h) **Distress Grant Board No 02**

- (i) Beneficiaries : 06 persons
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs. 60,000/- (Rs. 10,000/- each)

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

- (i) Beneficiaries : 16 widows
- (ii) Amount disbursed : Rs 1,60,000/- (Rs. 10,000/- each)

Other Activities

7. **Donation from 108 Engr Regt and 109 Engr Regt.** In response to an appeal made for donations to BSA, during the Biennial Regimental Commanders Conference, 108 Engr Regt and 109 Engr Regt has taken the lead and an amount of Rs. 1,58,000/- and Rs. 1,30,000/- respectively. were sent to BSA as a voluntary contribution from all ranks. BSA is indeed grateful for this gesture and request other Bombay Sappers Units to follow this noble example.

8. **New BSA Vehicle.** The old BSA vehicle Tata Sumo Grande which was procured in 2010 had run more than 2.5 lakh Kms. Hence it was decided in the MCM that a new vehicle be procured and the present vehicle be disposed off. Accordingly a new seven seater Maruti Ertiga vehicle has been purchased in Sept 2017, for use of members.

Outstanding Performance of our Sportsmen - 2017

9. **Asia Cup Hockey 2017.** Asia Cup Hockey was held at Dhaka from 11 to 22 Oct 2017. Spr Akash Chikte and Nb Sub Suraj Karkera of Gp Hockey team represented Indian Hockey team as leading and standby goalkeepers respectively. Indian Hockey team won the Championship and Spr Akash Chikte (Now promoted to Nb Sub) was adjudged the best goalkeeper of the tournament.

10. **47th World Artistic Gymnastic Championship 2017.** 47th World Artistic Gymnastic Championship was held at Montreal, Canada wef 02 to 08 Oct 2017. Hav Yogeshwar Singh of Gp Gymnastic Team participated and secured 41st posn in the world.

11. **National Aquatics Championship 2017.** National Aquatics Championship was held at Bhopal wef 07 to 11 Oct 2017. The following players of Gp Swimming team represented Services Aquatics team and secured posn as mentioned against each :-

Ser No	Rank	Name	Medal/posn	Remarks
(a)	Nb Sub	Siddharth Pardeshi	01 x Silver 01x Bronze	
(b)	Spr	Yogesh Kute	01x Silver	
(c)	Rect	Arun Dev	5 th posn	

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