

BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION MINUTES OF THE 61st MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY ONLINE FROM 09 APRIL 2021 TO 21 APRIL 2021

1. The 61st Management Committee Meeting of Bombay Sappers Association was held virtually, in an online mode, due to the restrictions imposed as a result of the sudden surge in COVID 19 cases in Pune. The info pertaining to the agenda points were sent by the Director through an email to all MC members residing outside the BEG campus and through a circular to members residing in the BEG campus. Comments /approval sheet was sent to all members and the same was returned with para-wise comments/approvals on the points sent. These comment /approval sheets were put up to Brig MJ Kumar, SM, Vice Chairman BSA, for his final comments /approval. The minutes of the same are given in the succeeding paragraphs.

2. **Following participated in the Virtual MCM:-**

(a)	Brig MJ Kumar	-	Vice Chairman
(b)	Maj Gen SD Sohoni (Retd)	-	Hony Gen Secy
(c)	Maj Gen SG Pitre (Retd)	-	Member
(d)	Col MM Bhushan (Retd)	-	Member
(e)	Brig SR Mazagaonkar (Retd)	-	Director, BSA
(f)	Col Salil Pande	-	Secy-cum-Treasurer
(g)	Col A Chakravarty	-	Member
(h)	Lt Col A Suryawanshi	-	Member
(hj)	Sub Maj (Hony Capt) VM Lawate (Retd)	-	Member
(k)	Sub Maj RS Shinde	-	Asst Secy

Agenda for MCM

3. The agenda was as under:-

- (a) Approval of Minutes of 60th Special MCM.
- (b) Present strength of BSA Members.
- (c) BSA activities in 2020-21
 - MCMs held
 - BSA news letters
 - BSA Vehicle
- (d) Expdr on welfare activities & details of Boards held for various schemes in 2020-21
- (e) Up gradation of Sapper Sarais
- (f) Purchase of Boats.
- (g) Income/Expenditure incurred in Fin Yr 2020 -21.
- (h) Proposed Budget for FY 2021-22.
- (j) Misc info points from Director.
 - Institution of Col Kumar Scholarship
 - Donation recd from Maj R Dave to institute a Distress Grant Scheme in future.
- (k) Points from members of MC.

Approval of Min of 60th Special MCM

4. It was proposed that minutes of 60th Special MCM (Last MCM held on 24th Nov 2020), which were circulated to all members, be approved by all members. The minutes have been circulated to all units and also uploaded on the BSA website and the WhatsApp group of ESMs. The minutes were enclosed (attached with email) for ready ref of members.

5. All members have conveyed their approval through respective Comment/Approval Sheets.

Strength of BSA.

6. Strength of members, who have paid life membership fees, as on 31st March 2021 is as under:-

(a)	Officers	- 1,743	
(b)	JCOs / ORs	- <u>49,213</u>	
	Total -	50,956	(Increase in membership since Nov 2020 is 608).

BSA Activities in 2020-21

7 **MCM.** Only two Quarterly MCMs could be held due to the prevailing situation, on dates shown below.

- 22 – 26th June 2020 held virtually through emails.
- 24th Nov 2020 Special 60th MCM (attended by Chairman BSA)

8 **BSA News Letters.** Three News letters have been issued as shown below:

- 08 July 2020.
- 18 Nov 2020.
- 22 Mar 2021.

9 **BSA Vehicle.** Maruti Ertiga Vehicle has been used by 101 members and vehicle has run 14,200 Km in the last one year (01 Apr 2020 to 31 Mar 2021).

10. **Expdr on welfare activities & various BSA schemes in 2020-21.**

The summary of amounts spent on various welfare schemes/activities in Fin Yr 2020-21 is as shown below.

Sr No	Scheme/Grant	Beneficiaries	Amount (Rs)
1	Children Edn Scholarship	65 JCOs Children & 108 ORs Children. (Two bds held)	1,73,200.00
2	EGCW	146 children of 84 widows	5,29,400.00
3	Marriage of Widows Daughter	Seven widows	1,75,000.00
4	Imdt Grant to widow/NOK	49x Widows /NOK	4,90,000.00
5	Grant fo Professional Courses	10 Fresh and 27 of previous yrs	3,70,000.00
6	Madhuri Gupta Scholarship	2 fresh & 4 Previous yrs	1,50,000.00

7	Distress Grant	6 ESM/Widows/serving(two bds held)	60,000.00
8	Aid to GBA		Nil
9	Indira Dassanacharya Sch		Nil
10	Grant to Sapper Sarai	Pune, Delhi, Amritsar and Jalandhar	6,00,000.00
11	Purchase of Boats	2x six paddle boat with life jackets	1,62,850.00
		Total	27,10,450.00

11. **Up gradation of Sapper Sarais.** It was initially decided to spend an amount of Rs 3 lacs for this purpose. However as there was substantial saving in other schemes such as Children education scholarship, EGCW and Aid to GBA, it was decided to spend more for this purpose. Amounts were allotted to Sapper Sarais based on demands for up gradation projected by units, running the Sapper Sarais. They are as shown below.

Sr. No	Name of Sapper Sarais	Amount	Remarks
1.	Adm Bn (Pune Sapper Sarai)	2,00,000/-	
2.	104 Engr Regt (Amritsar Sapper Sarai)	1,20,000/-	
3.	202 CEDU (Delhi Cantt Sapper Sarai)	1,30,000/-	
4.	267 Engr Regt (Jalandhar Sapper Sarai)	1,50,000/-	
	Total	6,00,000/-	

12. **Purchase of Boats.** There was a requirement of adding some boats in Ghazni Lake and the Gurnam Lake, which has been recently opened up for children and families of all Bombay Sappers including ESMs. Hence it was decided to use savings from other heads for this purpose. Details are as under:-

Sr. No	Items	Amount	Remarks
1.	Purchase of FRP 06 Seat Paddle Boat -2 Nos	1,40,800/-	
2.	Purchase of x 12 Nos Life Jackets	22,050/-	
	Total	1,62,850/-	

Income / Expenditure Details of FY 2020-21.

13. The Details of Income of Fin Yr 2020-21 is as shown below:-

INCOME FIN YR 2020-21

Ser	Head Of Income	Anticipated Income	Actual Income in
1	Interest from FDs	33,80,744.00	34,13,708.00
2	Interest from Sweep & Saving Accounts	50,000.00	1,07,815.00
3	Income from Duplicate Cards	40,000.00	7,000.00
4	Donations	5,00,000.00	1,76,501.00
		39,70,744.00 Say Rs 40 Lacs	37,05,024.00

Notes:

1. The income from Duplicate cards was reduced drastically this year as persons proceeding on pension did not report to BEG & Centre. Generally all ESMs get duplicate cards made before retiring.
2. In addition to above shown donations of Rs 1.76 lacs, we have recd donations of Rs 15.77 Lacs which have been added to our corpus directly, as per desire of donors. Hence actual donations received this year are Rs 17.53 Lacs. Details of Donation recd along with names of Donors are shown at **Appx A**

14. **Details of Expdr of Fin Yr 2020-21:** This is as shown below:-

EXPENDITURE FIN YR 2020-21

Ser	Head Of Expdr	Budget for Fin Yr 2020-21 (Rs)	Total Expdr Fin Yr 2020-21 (Rs)
1	Edn Scholarship	3,50,000.00	1,73,200.00
2	Edn Grant (Children of widows)	6,00,000.00	5,29,400.00
3	Distress Grant	1,00,000.00	60,000.00
4	Imdt Relief	4,00,000.00	4,90,000.00
5	Grant for Marriage of Daughters of widows	3,00,000.00	1,75,000.00
6	Grant for Professional Courses	3,80,000.00	3,70,000.00
7	Salary	8,34,000.00	8,26,472.00
8	Maint of Cmptr (incl. website hosting charges)	30,000.00	5,202.00
9	Tele Bill/Internet	25,000.00	19,617.92
10	Office Expdr	10,000.00	15,594.00
11	Audit Fees	70,000.00	65,000.00
12	Misc	26,000.00	47,328.00
13	Aid to GBA	3,80,000.00	0.00
14	Madhuri Gupta Scholarship	1,75,000.00	1,50,000.00
15	Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship	15,000.00	0.00
16	Bi Centenary Celebrations	0.00	5,000.00
17	Grants for Sapper Sarais	3,00,000.00	6,00,000.00
18	Procurement of boat to TB-1	0.00	1,62,850.00
19	Loan to Adm Bn For repair of Ertiga vehicle	0.00	50,000.00
		39,95,000.00 Say 40 Lacs	37,44,663.92

Notes:-

(a) Ref ser 1 & 2, this year very few applications were recd for Children Edn Scholarship scheme and EGCW. This was due to parents and widows facing difficulties in obtaining result sheets from schools which were totally closed for few months due to the lock down. Hence first the dates of receiving applications were extended and Bd was held. However there were large no of applications which were recd after the first bd was held, hence again a fresh date of receipt of application was promulgated and a second bd was held in Jan 2021. Dates for EGCW were extended twice and board was held in Jan 2021. Still the expdr in these heads is low.

(b) Ref Ser 5. There was as saving in Grant to widows for daughters' marriage, due to the prevailing situation.

(c) Ref ser 8 above, Col Kalamkar whose firm is maintaining our website paid the hosting charges online but has not sent the invoice for the same, hence hosting charges of Rs 10,000/- have not been paid which will be paid in the next Fin Yr.

(d) Gurnam Boys Academy remained closed through out the year hence no amount could be spent on Aid to GBA and the Indira Dassanacharya Scholarship for students of GBA.

(e) Ref Ser 17 & 18, as brought out earlier, savings in above heads were utilised by giving additional grants to the Sapper Sarais and purchase of two paddle boats.

(f) Ref Ser 12, Misc. expenditure. Two old aluminium doors of the BSA office had to be replaced, as they had deteriorated badly and become a security hazard as they could not be locked properly. An amount of Rs 34640/- were expended on the same. Hence the additional expenditure.

(g) Ref ser no 19. An unplanned expdr was incurred in giving loan to Adm Bn which is running the BSA Vehicle. The BSA vehicle remained unutilised in the lockdown period and thereafter it was sparingly used, resulting in reduced income. The tyres of the vehicle required replacement as the vehicle had completed 1 lac Km in the last 4 yrs (since it was purchased). Hence a loan of Rs 50,000/- was given for purchase of tyres and other essential maintenance.

15. **Investments in 2020-21.** An amount of Rs 34 lacs was invested in FDs with SBI at 5.4% interest per annum as per details given below :-

• Dec 2020	- Rs 18,50 Lacs
• Mar 2021	- <u>Rs 15.50 Lacs</u>
Total	- <u>Rs 34.00 Lacs</u>

Hence the present amount in FDs as on 31 March 2021 is Rs 5, 31, 97,000.00.

16. **Approval of Income Expdr statement.** All members were requested to give their comments and approve the income and expenditures incurred under various heads in the Fin Yr 2020-21, as shown in para 12 and 13 above. **All the members have conveyed their approval vide their Comments /Approval Sheets.**

17. Maj Gen Pitre having approved the income and expenditure for the fin yr, conveyed the following comments:- **quote** 'I have following comments to offer: BEG and Centre has created a very good facility in the Gazni Lake for use by the serving and retired Bombay Sappers and their families, which deserves rich compliments. Having said that, I have reservations on commitment of Rs 1,62,850/- towards the full payment of the boats. The facility would be primarily used by the personnel and the families of those in the Centre. Though it can be argued that the veterans would also use the facility, they would constitute but a small fraction. The funds of the BSA must be utilized for the larger good of the members of the BSA. Utilization of the BSA funds for

provision of facilities in the Centre would set a wrong precedent, a practice which needs to be scrupulously guarded against.’ **Unquote. Secy cum Treasure recommended that this point should be noted for future compliance. The recommendation has been approved by the Vice Chairman.**

Proposed Budget for Fin Yr 2021-22

18. **Income 2021-22:** Proposal for anticipated Income for the Fin Yr 2020-21, is based on income of last Fin Yr and is as given in table below:

PROPOSED INCOME – FIN YR 2021-22

Ser No	Head of Income	Actual Income in FY 20-21 (Rs)	Anticipated Income FY 2021-22 (Rs)
1.	Interest from FDs	34,13,708.00	35,99,018.00
2.	Interest from Sweep	1,07,815.00	1,10,000.00
3.	Income from duplicate card charges and Interest from saving A/c	7,000.00	9,000.00
4.	Donations	1,76,501.00	2,90,000.00
	Total	37,05,024.00	40,08,018.00 Say Rs 40 Lacs

Notes

1. Income from FDs is based on actual interest receivable on FDs held as on 31 March 2021. Details of FDs held and interest receivable is given at **Appx B**.

19. **Proposed Budget for Expenditures 2021-22.** The proposed budget for expenditures under various heads is as tabulated below:

Ser	Head Of Expdr	Total Expdr in 2020-21 (Rs)	Proposed Budget 2021-22 (Rs)
1	Edn Scholarship	1,73,200.00	3,30,000.00
2	Edn Grant (Children of widows)	5,29,400.00	6,00,000.00
3	Distress Grant	60,000.00	1,00,000.00
4	Imdt Relief	4,90,000.00	5,00,000.00
5	Grant for Marriage of Daughters of widows	1,75,000.00	2,50,000.00
6	Grant for Professional Courses	3,70,000.00	3,60,000.00
7	Salary	8,26,472.00	8,58,000.00
8	Maint of Cmptr (incl website maint & hosting charges)	5,202.00	30,000.00
9	Tele Bill/Internet	19,617.92	25,000.00
10	Office Expdr	15,594.00	25,000.00
11	Audit Fees	65,000.00	35,000.00
12	Misc	2,65,178.00	32,000.00
13	Aid to GBA	0.00	3,50,000.00
14	Madhuri Gupta Scholarship	1,50,000.00	1,75,000.00

15	Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship	0.00	30,000.00
16	Grants for Sapper Sarais	6,00,000.00	3,00,000.00
	Total	37,44,663.92	40,00,000.00 Rs 40 lacs

Notes:-

1. Proposals for expenditures are based generally on the actual expenditure of last fin Yr. However it is anticipated that expenditures at ser 1, 2, 5 & 13 which were low/nil will normalise this year.
2. Ref Ser 15, the Donor of Indira Dassannacharya scholarship has suggested that we utilise last yrs amount this yr by rolling over the amount and give scholarships of Rs 30,000/- this year instead of Rs 15000/-.
20. **Approval of proposed Budget for Fin Yr 2021-22.** All members were requested to give an approval for the above proposed budget for the Fin Yr 2021-22. The same can be reviewed before the AGM of this year wherein the Budget 2021-22 will be presented to the house for approval. **All the members have conveyed their approval vide their Comments /Approval Sheets.**
21. Col Akshay Chakravarty, CO Adm Bn has approved the proposed Budget and given following comments Quote 'The present location of BSA office may have to be shifted in the future as the existing barracks are under demolition. BSA may cater for funds required for the relocation.' **Unquote**
22. Secy cum Treasure has recommended that BSA office will be shifted to an alternate accommodation under the arrangements of BEG & Centre as and when required. The Vice Chairman has approved the same.

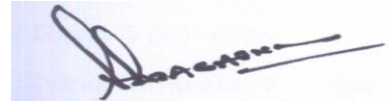
Misc. info points from Director.

23. **Institution of Col Kumar Scholarship.** This scholarship is to be instituted from this Fin Yr. This was discussed in the 59th MCM. Details of the scholarship are as given below.
 - (a) Proposal for institution of Scholarship was recd from Col Vijay Kumar (Retd), now settled in USA. This proposal was given '**in principal approval**' by MC, after discussion, in the 59th MCM
 - (b) Scholarship to be given to one meritorious student pursuing Engineering Degree (BE /B Tech)
 - (c) All conditions of eligibility to be like Madhuri Gupta Scholarship
 - (d) Donor to deposit Rs17 lacs and value of Scholarship to be decided on the prevalent annual interest accruable which will be Rs 91,800/- per year (as per the present rate of 5.4% per annum). This will be paid in 4 Installments to the selected student
 - (e) Donor has already deposited Rs 14.2 lacs till March 2021.
 - (f) Balance amount being deposited by him in April 2021.
 - (g) He has been requested to increase the deposit to Rs 17.8 lacs which will fetch an interest of Rs 96000/- per year. This when given in 4 installments of 24000/- will work out to Rs 2000/- per month for the awardees.
 - (h) Once balance amount is credited to our account, SOP of the scheme will be promulgated to the environment through AWAN (to all units), Web Site & ESM Whats App group.

24. **Donation recd from Maj R Dave to institute a Distress Grant Scheme in future.** Maj R Dave has proposed that he wants to start a scheme wherein selected persons in distress can be given financial aid. He wants to start this scheme in memory of his father, Late Lt Col AS Dave, who is also a Bombay Sapper. The proposal was discussed on telephone and the present status of the proposal is as under :-

- (a) He was told that Minimum Corpus for starting a scheme is 10 lacs.
- (b) He has agreed for the same and proposed that he will deposit that amount, or may be more, in installments over a period of three years.
- (d) He has requested that norms of granting financial aid can be worked out in the meantime and scheme can come into effect only after he deposits the reqd min amount of Rs 10 lacs.
- (e) He has deposited an amount of Rs 3 lacs, which has been added to corpus and already invested in FD in March 2021.

25. **Misc. Points from members of MC.** Members were requested to give their suggestions and additional points if any in the attached approval sheet. However no points have been recd.



(Brig SR Mazagaonkar, Retd)
Dir, BSA

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Bombay Sappers Association, C/O Headquarters

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05 May 2021

Distribution: Chairman, The Bombay Sappers Association, Vice Chairman, Secy-Cum-Treasurer, Honorary Gen Secretary, All members of the Management Committee, Dir BSA Northern Region, All Bombay Sappers Units, Website of BSA

Appx 'A'

(Ref para 12 of Mins of 61 MCM)

DONATIONS TAKEN IN CORPUS- FY 2020-21

Sr No	<u>NAME OF INDLS</u>	Amount donated
1	Col Vijay Kumar (Retd) (Col Kumar Scholarship) - Apr 2020	3,50,000.00
2	Col Vijay Kumar (Retd) (Col Kumar Scholarship) - Jul 2020 to March 2021 @ 80,000/- per month	7,20,000.00
3	Lt Col RC Sharma (Retd)	100000.00
4	Dr BS Dasannacharya	20000.00
5	Col PK Mahajan (Retd)	11000.00
6	Dr Swati Tikekar	10000.00
7	Lt Gen Amar Nath Sinha (Retd) contributing every month wef Feb 2021	10000.00
8	Lt Col S.P Kunda (Retd)	25000.00
9	Brig Awtar Singh (Retd)	30000.00
10	Mr Prashant Vital (Retd)	1000.00
11	Maj Dave (Retd)	300000.00
	G Total	15,77,000.00

DONATIONS- FY 2020-21(USED FOR WELFARE)

Sr No	<u>NAME OF INDLS</u>	Amount donated
1	Sub Arun Kadam (Retd)	3000.00
2	Unknown	10000.00
3	Mr Sona Olikara	7500.00
4	Sub Arun Kadam (Retd)	5000.00
5	Col MM Bhushan (Retd)	5000.00
6	Brig SR Mazagaonkar (Retd)	10000.00
7	Col PK Mahajan (Retd)	11000.00
8	Col Suresh Shenoy Jacrebet (Retd)	25000.00
9	Col M B Sayankar (Retd)	10000.00
10	Lt Gen SCN Jatar (Retd)	10000.00

11	Lt Col Amarnath Sharma (Retd)	20000.00
12	Maj Gen Kantamani Babayya, VSM (Retd)	10000.00
13	Lt Col SK Thakur (Retd)	20000.00
14	Brig Rajiv Divekar (Retd)	10000.00
15	Maj Gen SS Sharma, KC VSM (Retd)	10000.00
16	Col SR Tumati (Retd)	5001.00
17	Maj Gen SN Bouri, AVSM (Retd)	5000.00
	Total	1,76,501.00

Summary

Donations taken directly into Corpus : Rs. 15, 77,000/-

Donations recd and used for welfare schemes : Rs 1, 76,501/-

Total : Rs. 17, 53,501/-

Appx 'B'(Refer para 15 of minutes of 61st MCM)**DETAILS OF BSA FDs AND RECIEVABLE INTEREST**

SI.No	SBI BEG Khadki TDR A/C No	Amount	Rate of Interest	Date of Deposit	Duration	Date of Maturity	Annual Interest
1	37641978205	1000000	6.75%	10-Apr-18	10 Years	10-Apr-28	69228
2	37660488093	2100000	6.75%	20-Apr-18	10 years	20-Apr-28	145378
3	37820739998	2550000	6.75%	18-Jul-18	10 years	18-Jul-28	173578
4	37820740347	2600000	6.75%	18-Jul-18	10 years	18-Jul-28	176980
5	37832343802	8600000	6.75%	24-Jul-18	10 years	24-Jul-28	585398
6	37901598650	4375000	6.85%	27-Aug-18	10 years	27-Aug-28	302254
7	37994570690	16500000	6.85%	5-Oct-18	10 years	5-Oct-28	1139928
8	38121211301	1077000	6.85%	11-Dec-18	10 years	11-Dec-28	74406
9	38164968235	1800000	6.85%	3-Jan-19	10 years	31-Jan-28	124356
10	38196067822	3500000	6.85%	18-Jan-19	10 years	15-Jan-29	241802
11	38257762964	3200000	6.85%	13-Feb-19	10 years	10-Feb-29	221076
12	38367039177	20000	6.85%	28-Mar-19	10 years	25-Mar-29	1382
13	38382193776	225000	6.85%	8-Apr-19	10 years	5-Apr-29	15544
14	38947517635	2100000	6.25%	2-Dec-19	10 years	22-Nov-29	132276
15	39036596025	150000	6.25%	1-Jan-20	10 years	29-Dec-29	9448
16	39866814790	1850000	5.40%	14-Dec-20	10 years	14-Dec-30	100574.32
17	40100732250	1550000	5.40%	26-Mar-21	10 years	26-Mar-31	85410.229
	Total	53197000					3599018.55