

BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION (BSA)
MINUTES OF 20TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)
HELD ON 18TH AUG 2018 AT RANE AUDITORIUM, BEG & CENTRE, PUNE

GENERAL

1. The 20th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of The Bombay Sappers was held on 18th Aug 2018 from 1030 hrs onwards at Rane Auditorium, BEG & Centre, Pune. The meeting was convened at 1030 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 1100 hrs. In the meantime members present were requested to proceed for tea.

2. The meeting was reconvened at 1100 hrs, a total of 345 Members, consisting of 25 Officers, 80 JCOs and 240 OR (including veterans Bombay Sappers) attended the meeting. The meeting was presided over by the **Chairman of BSA, Lt Gen Michael Mathews, VSM****, **Col Comdt 'The Bombay Sappers'**. Following other members of the management committee were present:

(a)	Brig PS Jaiswal	-	Vice Chairman
(b)	Maj Gen S D Sohoni (Retd)	-	Hon Gen Secy
(c)	Col M M Bhushan (Retd)	-	Member
(d)	Col T G Shankar (Retd)	-	Member
(e)	Brig S R Mazagaonkar (Retd)	-	Director
(f)	Col Rajvinder Singh, VSM	-	Secy -cum –Treasurer
(g)	Lt Col Mukesh Bhardwaj	-	Member
(h)	Maj S Eswari	-	Member
(j)	Sub Maj (H'Capt) V MLawate (Retd)	-	Member
(k)	Sub Maj BR Fonde	-	Asst Secy

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

3. The Secretary-cum-Treasurer Col Rajvinder Singh, VSM reconvened the meeting at 1100h. He in his introductory remarks welcomed all those who were present for the AGM including all the members of the Management Committee to the 20th 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. He welcomed all present for the 20th AGM of BSA and said it was indeed his privilege, to address all the senior veterans for the second time, since taking over as the Chairman of BSA.

6. **Journey of BSA and role of MC.** He said that Lt Gen Ashok Puri, PVSM, AVSM (Retd), then Col Comdt of the Bombay Sappers, took a historic step in May 1999 and established this unique association. He informed that many other regiments like Rajput Regt, Imtrat Bhutan and Aviation Corps has contacted us and taken guidance to raise similar association in their organizations.

7. He said that BSA is standing firmly on its feet with strength of nearly 48,000 members and a corpus of Rs. 4.65 crs. However the credit for all this, goes to the founder chairman and all the past and present members of the Management Committee (MC). He made special mention of the MC who have guided and directed BSA in involving our welfare schemes and bringing about changes and improvements in our schemes, based on their knowledge and experience.

8. He said all our activities have to be planned and executed within stipulated rules and regulations and also the annual report of our activities and financial status is to be submitted to the Charity Commissioner and Income Tax Deptt.

9. **Madhuri Gupta Scholarship.** He informed that the Madhuri Gupta Scholarship announced last year has been instituted in 2017-18 and Col NC Gupta (Retd) the donor has deposited the complete amount of Rs. 31.5 lacs. This amount has been invested in FDs. He info that first recipients of this scholarship of Rs. 1 lacs each for year 2017-18 are Master Ankush, Son of Sub Ayodhya Prasad (who is studying in IIT Mumbai) and Miss Rohini daughter, of Sub Vasant Ugade (studying BDS in Sinhagad Dental College under 15 % Govt quota seats).

10. **New Vehicle of BSA** He info that as planned and announced in last AGM, we have purchased a new Maruti Ertiga Vehicle in Sept 2017 for Rs. 11.33 lacs and the old Tata Sumo Grande vehicle, which had done more than 2.5 lacs kms has been auctioned and sold to a BSA member for 1.6 lacs.

11. **BSA Funds.** He brought out that though we are financially in a good position, there is a lot that can be done. The cost of living is going up and we need to enhance the monetary benefits given through our welfare schemes especially to our widows. The income from interest on our FDs has come down considerably and we have managed to make it up through donations received, from our veteran officers. It is heartening to note that some veteran JCOs and ORs have now come forward on their own and are contributing regularly. An appeal was made to units to contribute also. Few units like 115 Engr Regt, 108 Engr Regt, 109 Engr Regt and 425 (1) Fd Coy have been contributing regularly. He then thanked all the veterans for the donations and also the COs of units who have taken the initiative to motivate their men to donate for this good cause. He pointed out that if one goes through this list of donors, it is noticed that bulk of donations are coming from the veteran members of BSA. He said that it is time for all serving Bombay Sappers to rise to the occasion and come forward positively. He said even small yearly contributions of Rs. 50/- to Rs. 100/- can help BSA in a big way towards achieving our goals in the future.

12. **Other Activities of BSA.** He informed all present about the following activities of BSA and thanked the COs of Units who are helping in executing/running the same.

(a) **Sapper Saries.** Established at Delhi, Pune, Amritsar (Khasa) and Jalandhar.

(b) **Pre Recruitment training Camps held in 268 Engr Regt and 270 Engr Regt**

(c) **Gurnam Boys Academy.** He informed that this is a very good facility which max Bombay Sappers should use. He informed that financial Aid of Rs. 3.95 lacs has been given to GBA from BSA.

13. **Conclusion.** He concluded his address with a note of thanks to the Vice Chairman, Brig PS Jaiswal, Comdt, BEG & Centre, members of the MC and both the directors of BSA at Pune and Chandigarh.

14. He then requested Brig SR Mazagaonkar (Retd), Director BSA, to progress the meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINS OF 19th AGM

15. Brig SR Mazagaonkar (Retd), Director BSA, informed the house that the 19th AGM was held on 07 Aug 2017 and the minutes of the same were sent to all units and put on the BSA website. These were also circulated through Group Adjutant's email group to all veterans' officers. It was proposed by the Director that, if there is no objection, the minutes of the meeting be passed by the house. Brig Sukhvir Sharma (Retd) proposed the passing of min of 19th AGM and the same was seconded by Lt Col AV Mudholkar (Retd).

BSA ACTIVITIES 2017-18

16. Director BSA then briefed all present, regarding major activities carried out during the FY 2017-18. These are given in succeeding paras:-

17. **Membership.** The present state of membership as on 18 Aug 2018 is as under:-

(a)	Offrs	-	1674
(b)	JCOs/ ORs	-	<u>46212</u>
	Total	-	<u>47,886</u>

(Increase in life membership from last year 980).

18. **BSA Activities:** Following activities were done during last financial year ie. 2017-18:-

(a) **Management Committee meetings.** Three MCMs were held after the last AGM on 21 Dec 2017, 23 Apr 2018 and 17 Jul 2018. The minutes were sent to all units and also uploaded on BSA website. Minutes were also circulated through the group adjutant's email group to veteran officers and through WhatsApp to ESMs.

(b) **News Letters.** Two Newsletters were issued on 31 Oct 2017 and 12 Feb 2018. These were sent to all units and uploaded on BSA website and circulated through the group adjutant's email group to all veteran officers and through WhatsApp to ESMs.

(c) **BSA Website.** The BSA website (www.bsakirkee.org) is being updated regularly, Information about jobs opportunities for ESMs, other valuable information such as UHQ Recruitment Rally dates, eligibility criteria, requisite forms etc are being uploaded and also information about the major events organized by BEG & Centre (ie ESM rally etc) are being uploaded.

(d) **BSA Vehicle.** New Maruti Ertiga was purchased in Sep 2017. This has been used by 191 members and run 31,740 Kms till now. An auction of the old Tata Sumo Grande vehicle was carried out by a board of officers and the vehicle was sold to a BSA member for Rs. 1.6 lacs.

(e) **Sapper Sarais.** The Director informed that a total of 1307 person have utilized the accommodation provided in the four sarais at Pune Delhi, Amritsar and Jalandhar. The max no of person i.e. 931 person have stayed at the Pune Sarai followed by 124 person at Delhi, 190 at Jalandhar and 62 at Amritsar. This was all possible due to the sincere efforts put in by the units running these Sapper Sarais.

(f) **Pre-recruitment training to Children of Bombay Sappers.** This year also Brig B K Kohli (Retd), Director Northern Region of BSA, had organized two pre-recruitment training camps at 268 Engr Br Regt (PMS) and 270 Engr Regt respectively, which were attended by 32 children. Camps were held as follows :

- (i) 06 Nov to 22 Dec 2017.
- (ii) 04 Jun 2018 to 16 Jul 2018.

(g) **Increase in Investments.** An amount of Rs. 21.20 lacs has been invested in FDs in FY 2017-18 thus the total amount in FDs as on 31 Mar went up to Rs. 4.287 crore.

19. **Grants given during FY 2017-18.** The Director displayed on the screen the summary of Grants given during FY 2017-18, which are as given below:-

SI.NO	GRANTS	AMOUNT
01.	Edn Scholarship	3,03,800.00
02.	Edn Grant to Children of widows (EGCW)	7,99,600.00
03.	Grant for Professional Courses	1,00,000.00
04.	Madhuri Gupta Scholarship	50,000.00
05.	Grant for Professional Courses (for previous year)	1,20,000.00
06.	108 Engr Regt Scholarship (grant of previous year)	60,000.00
07.	Imdt Grant	4,00,000.00
08.	Distress Grant	1,30,000.00
09.	Grant to widows for daughter's marriage	1,00,000.00
10.	Aid to GBA	3,95,612.00
11.	Indira Dassannacharya Scholarship	15,000.00
12.	Felicitation of Veer Naris and Spl Children during Re Union 2018	90,000.00
TOTAL		25,64,012.00

After display of the summary, The Director gave out detailed information about each of the grants which are as follows: -

(a) **Edn Scholarship.** This was given to children of 61 JCOs and 239 ORs. Total amount given was Rs.3,03,800/-

(b) **Edn Grant to Children of widows (EGCW).** This was given to 237 children of 135 Widows. Total amount given was Rs. 7,99,600/-

(c) **Grant for Professional Courses.** This was given to 10 children in various professional courses, which are as follows:-

<u>Stream</u>	<u>Nos</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1 st Year MBBS	01	Rs. 40,000/- (in four installments)
1 st Year Engineering	04	Rs. 40,000/- each (in four installments)
2 nd Year MBBS	02	Rs. 30,000/- each (in three installments)
2 nd Year Engineering	02	Rs. 30,000/- each (in three installments)
MBA	<u>01</u>	Rs. 20,000/- (in two installments)
Total	<u>10</u>	

He furthered informed that total amount committed is Rs. 3.4 lacs. However this year only Rs. 1Lac is disbursed and remaining amounts will be disbursed in installments of Rs. 10,000/- per year per awardees after receipt of annual results and mark sheet

(d) **Madhuri Gupta Scholarship.** The Director informed that it was decided in the last AGM to start this scholarship in FY 17-18. This scholarship has been instituted successfully and grant was given to 02 children in Medical and Engineering courses, who fulfilled the criteria spelt out, which are as follows:-

<u>Stream</u>	<u>Nos</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>	<u>Disbursal Amount</u>
1 st Year Medical (BDS)	01	Rs. 1, 00,000/-each	(In four Installments of Rs 25000/yr)
1 st Year Engineering	<u>01</u>	Rs. 1, 00,000/-each	(In four Installments of Rs 25000/yr)
Total	<u>02</u>		

The total amount committed is Rs. 2 lacs. However this year only Rs. 50,000/- is disbursed and remaining amounts will be disbursed in installments of Rs. 25,000/- per year per awardees after receipt of annual results and mark sheet.

(e) **Grant for Professional Courses (previous year).** The Director informed that in addition of above, Rs. 1,20,000/- was disbursed to 12 awardees of year 2016-17 as second installments.

(f) **108 Engr Regt Scholarship.** The Director informed that this scholarship scheme has been discontinued from FY 2016-17. However Rs. 60,000/- has been disbursed to the awardees of previous years, which were as follows:-

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>No of awardees</u>	<u>Year of Grant</u>	<u>Installment No</u>	<u>Total Installment amount</u>
(i)	02	FY 2013-14	5 th	Rs. 20,000/- (ie Rs. 10,000/- each)
(ii)	01	FY 2014-15	4 th	Rs. 10,000/- (ie Rs. 10,000/- each)
(ii)	03	FY 2015-16	3 rd /2 nd	Rs. 30,000/- (ie Rs. 10,000/- each)
		Total		<u>Rs. 60,000/-</u>

(g) **Immediate Grant.** The Director informed that this year we had 40 unfortunate death cases of serving personnel. A cheque of 10,000/- each was dispatched to the unfortunate widows/NOK. A total amount of Rs. 4, 00,000/- was spent on this.

(h) **Distress Grant.** A total amount of Rs. 1,30,000/-was given to 13 ESMs/Widows at Rs. 10,000/- each.

(j) **Grant to widows for daughters marriage.** An amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- was given to 04 widows @ Rs 25,000/- each.

(k) **Aid to Gurnam Boys Academy.** An amount of Rs. 3,95,612/- was given to subsidize the annual expenditure of 06 wards of widows @ 75% of total expenditure and 05 wards of ESM @ 25% of their total expenditure.

(l) **Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship (For GBA Students).** The Director informed that Rs. 15,000/- as scholarship was given to 05 meritorious ward of widows, staying in GBA, on the eve of Independence day 2017.

(m) **Felicitation of Veer Naris and Spl Children during Re-union 2018.** The Director informed that Rs. 90,000/- were disbursed to 06 Veer Naris and 12 Spl children, when they were felicitated during Re-Union 2018.

20. **Donations received in 2017-18.** The Director informed that in FY 2017-18 we have received donations of Rs. 7. 82 lacs. However some of the donations have been added to corpus as desired by the donors The list of donors is at Appx 'A'. Moreover, while going through the donations list, he made a special remark that earlier only officers use to give donations, but it is good to see that now JCOs/ORs are also coming forward and contributing, as we can see from the donation list.

21. The Director then requested Col Rajvinder Singh, VSM Secretary-cum-Treasure of BSA to proceed with the presentation of financials

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE DETAILS OF FIN YR 2017-18

22. **Income FY 2017-18.** Col Rajvinder Singh, VSM, with the permission of Chairman proceeded ahead with the presentation of financials. He displayed on the screen the actual income received in FY 2017-18 against the anticipated income, which is as follows :-

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Head of Income</u>	<u>Anticipated Income FY 17-18</u>	<u>Actual Income FY 17-18</u>
(a)	Interest from FDs	30,73,388.00	32,78,842.00
(b)	Interest from Sweep	1,00,000.00	21,762.00
(c)	Income from duplicate card charges and Interest from saving A/c	50,000.00	69,551.00
(d)	Donations	8,00,000.00	7,82,821.00
	Total	40,23,388.00	41,52,976.00

23. **Expenditure FY 2017-18.** The Secretary-cum-Treasurer displayed on the screen, the actual expenditure done in FY 2017-18 against the allotted amount in the budget of 2017-18, which is as follows :-

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Head of expdr</u>	<u>Budgeted amt</u>	<u>Actual Expdr FY 17-18</u>
1	Edn Scholarship	4,00,000.00	3,03,800.00
2	Edn Grant (Children of widows)	8,00,000.00	7,99,600.00
3	Distress Grant	1,50,000.00	1,30,000.00
4	Imdt Relief	5,00,000.00	4,00,000.00
5	Grant for Marriage of Daughters of widows	3,00,000.00	1,00,000.00
6	Grant for Professional Courses	2,90,000.00	2,80,000.00

7	Salary	8,50,000.00	8,26,850.00
8	Maint of Cmptr	30,000.00	22,443.00
9	Tele Bill/Internet	20,000.00	25,648.00
10	Office Expdr	20,000.00	36,274.00
11	Audit Fees	32,000.00	33,000.00
12	Misc	25,000.00	1,16,952.00
13	Aid to GBA	5,18,000.00	3,95,612.00
14	Madhuri Gupta Scholarship	50,000.00	50,000.00
15	Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship	15,000.00	15,000.00
	Total Expenditure	40,00,000.00	35,35,179.00
16	Transfer to the Corpus	-	6,22,946.00
	Total	40,00,000.00	41,52,976.00

He further drew the attention of the house toward two expenditures head of above table (ie Office expdr (at ser no 10) and Misc expdr (at ser no 12). He informed the house that the actual expenditure made under the above two heads were in excess due to unanticipated reasons which are as follows:-

(a) **Office Expenditure (ref ser No 10 of above table)**

- (i) Printing of BSA Membership cards. - Rs. 11,800/-
(ii) Printing of BSA pamphlets for distribution during Re-union. - Rs. 9,474/-

(b) **Misc Expenditure (ref ser No 12 of above table)**

- (i) Felicitation of Veer Naris and Special Children during Re-union- Rs. 90,000/-

AUDIT REPORT OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

24. The Secretary-cum-Treasurer then displayed on the screen the Audited Financials of FY 2017-18. Which are enclosed at appces as follows: -

- (a) Receipt and Payment Account FY 2017-18 - refer Appx - 'B'
(b) Income and Expenditure Account FY 2017-18 - refer Appx - 'C'
(c) Balance sheet as on 31 Mar 2018 - refer Appx - 'D'

25. The Secretary-cum-Treasurer then asked the house if there are queries/questions. As there were no queries/questions, Secretary-cum-Treasurer requested the house to approve the audited financials of FY 2017-18. Col RK Rampal (Retd) proposed the passing of Audited financials statement of FY 2017-18 and the same was seconded by Col GHR Naidu (Retd).

PROPOSED BUDGET 2018-19

26. The Secretary-cum-Treasurer displayed on the screen the actual income received in FY 2017-18 along with the anticipated income for FY 2018-19 The same is tabulated below:-

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Head of Income</u>	<u>Actual Income FY 17-18</u>	<u>Anticipated Income FY 2018-19</u>
1.	Interest from FDs	32,78,842.00	31,08,121.00
2.	Interest from Sweep	21,762.00	50,000.00
3.	Income from duplicate card charges and Interest from saving A/c	69,551.00	60,000.00
4.	Donations	7,82,821.00	8,00,000.00
	Total	41,52,976.00	40,18,121.00 Say 40 Lacs

27. He informed the house that this year also we have catered for Rs. 8,00,000/- as income under the donation head, because an appeal was made for donations to all veterans officers this year and the response till now since April 2018, has been good. The list of donors for FY 2018-19 is att at Appx 'E'.

28. **Budget 2018-19.** The Secretary-cum-Treasurer displayed on screen the proposed budget for FY 2018-19 which is tabled below :-

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Head of expdr</u>	<u>Actual Expenditure in FY 17-18</u>	<u>Budged for FY 18-19</u>
1	Edn Scholarship	3,03,800.00	3,50,000.00
2	Edn Grant (Children of widows)	7,99,600.00	8,00,000.00
3	Distress Grant	1,30,000.00	2,00,000.00
4	Imdt Relief	4,00,000.00	4,00,000.00
5	Grant for Marriage of Daughters of widows	1,00,000.00	3,00,000.00
6	Grant for Professional Courses	2,80,000.00	3,30,000.00
7	Salary	8,26,850.00	8,60,000.00
8	Maint of Cmptr	22,443.00	30,000.00
9	Tele Bill/Internet	25,648.00	25,000.00
10	Office Expdr	36,274.00	25,000.00
11	Audit Fees	33,000.00	35,000.00
12	Misc	1,16,952.00	30,000.00
13	Aid to GBA	3,95,612.00	5,00,000.00
14	Madhuri Gupta Scholarship	50,000.00	1,00,000.00
15	Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship	15,000.00	15,000.00
	Sub Total	35,35,179.00	40,00,000.00
16	Transfer to the Corpus	6,22,946.00	-
	Grand Total	41,52,976.00	40,00,000.00

29. The Secretary-cum-Treasurer info to the house that this year also we have frozen our budget to Rs. 40 lacs similar to previous year, however the actual expenditure may vary slightly.

30. He then requested the house to approve the proposed Budget for FY 2018-19 , if there were no queries/suggestions. Col Ajit Paitl, SM (Retd) proposed the passing of Budget for the financial year 2018-19 and the same was seconded by Brig SB Ghorpade (Retd).

31. The Secretary-cum-Treasure then requested the Director to continue with the proceeding of the AGM.

MISC POINT

32. **Amendments in SOPs.** The Director said that there was a need to make some changes in some of our SOPs. This was required as circumstance and actual process of giving the grants has changed. Hence we have amended certain SOPs and the same will be promulgated soon. The summary of changes made are as follows:-

(a) **Education Scholarship** :-

- (i) Amounts of scholarship for different classes added now at para 3 of amended SOP.
- (ii) Para on provision of funds added at para 5 of amended SOP.
- (iii) Application form modified slightly.
- (iv) Selection process elaborated giving details of BOO etc.
- (v) Scheme to be called **BSA EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME**. This is to differentiate our scheme from Army HQ ESSA Scheme.

(b) **Distress Grant**

- (i) Name of scheme to be **BSA DISTRESS GRANT** so that it does not get confused with other schemes of State/Central Govt.
- (ii) Types of distress classified into 3 types/circumstances in eligibility para (ref para 2 of amended SOP).
- (iii) Para on provisions of funds added.
- (iv) Procedure for applying, consideration of application and faster disbursal of grants amplified for different circumstances (especially in case of imdt relief when PBOR dies during service).
- (v) Para on letter to be sent to widow/NOK giving details of BSA welfare scheme added (ref para 6 (e) of amended SOP).

(c) **BSA Grant to Widows for Marriage of Daughter.**

- (i) Name of scheme to be **BSA GRANT TO WIDOWS FOR MARRIAGE OF DAUGHTER** so that it does not get confused with other schemes.
- (ii) Eligibility para added.

- (iii) Details about procedure and documents required added (para 4 of amended SOP).
- (iv) Format of certificate given by Village Gram Sarpanch/Corporator has been added.
- (v) Procedure for Disbursal of grants amplified.

33. **List of donors who have given standing instruction to the bank.** The Director said that as he informed earlier while displaying the list of donation for FY 17-18 there are a lot donation coming from JCO/OR. In continuation of the same there a some BSA member who have given standing instruction to the bank to transfer certain sum to the BSA account on a certain date. He further informed that due to standing instruction to the bank , a fixed donation of Rs.82,900/- will be received every year by BSA, which is a good sign. He also displayed the names of such donors which is as tabulated below:-

Ser No	Date	Name of donor's	Amount Donated
	January		
1.	01 Jan	Sub Ranjit Singh (Retd)	500.00
2.	01 Jan	Col MB Sayankar (Retd)	5000.00
3.	20 Jan	Sub Ranjit Singh (Retd)	100.00
	February		
4.	25 Feb	LHav Raskar Prashant (Retd)	1000.00
	March		
5	05 March	Sub Arun Kadam (Retd)	2000.00
	April		
6	01 April	Brig Pradeep Mehta, VSM (Retd)	5000.00
7.	04 April	Hav SR Ghumare (Retd)	200.00
8.	05 April	Sub Arun Kadam (Retd)	3000.00
	Oct		
9.	05 Oct	Sub Arun Kadam (Retd)	5000.00
10.	16 Oct	LHav Raskar Prashant (Retd)	1000.00
	November		
11	25 November	Spr Kale Sambhaji Kisan (Retd)	100.00
12	Brig Gobindar Singh (Retd), AVSM - (Rs 5000/- every month)		60000.00
	Total		82,900.00

ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

34. The Director asked the house if there were any volunteer from amongst them, who would like to join the management committee of BSA. He also asked if there are any recommendation/suggestions in this respect. As there were no volunteers/suggestions, the Director proposed to the house, that the present Management Committee should be requested to continue for one more year. The proposal was overwhelmingly passed by the house by raising hands.

QUERIE/SUGGESTIONS

35. The Director then asked the house if there are any queries/suggestions. There were four suggestions which were as follows: -

Suggestion No 1

36. Brig SB Ghorpade (Retd) suggested that we should approach industries and corporates and get donations through their CSR funds.

37. The Director replied that corporates have some difficulties in giving their funds directly to us as they have to comply with lot of statutory regulations. However he said that we could approach corporates in Pune with assistance and references from Brig SB Ghorpade (Retd).

Suggestion No 2

38. Lt Col Ajit Patil, SM (Retd) suggested that we should conduct pre recruitment camps in Pune at BEG & Centre on the lines of camps conducted by Brig BK Kohli (Retd) in Northern Region.

39. The Director replied that this was discussed with the previous Comdt BEG & Centre. However due to some malpractices during the UHQ recruitment, BEG & Centre got unnecessary bad publicity in 2016-17. Hence it was felt that such a camp should not be held in the Centre.

40. The Chairman intervened at this stage and informed the house that he will try and organize a camp in the Bombay Sapper Regt located in CME.

Suggestion No 3

41. Lt Col AV Mudholkar (Retd) suggested that we should aim to train our retiring person in developing skills in their respective trades. All our tradesman have already acquired expertise in their trades over the years and can start their own small enterprises.

42. The Director info that Depot Bn is already having a skill development programme through their Family welfare Centre. Also, as part of the Demob drill, a certificate course in small entrepreneurship is being conducted by Capt (Dr.) Chitale. This course is being run under the aegis of Pune University.

43. The Chairman intervened and informed that there is a proposal to start the Demob drill one year prior to a person retiring. This will enable us to run such courses for retiring persons, and also they can be prepared to appear for competitive exams of Maharashtra and Punjab Govt. This way we can utilize max seats reserved in State Govts for ESM in Govt recruitment. However the retiring persons have to volunteer for the courses and COs have to spare them for the same.

Suggestion No 4.

44. Sub Chauhan (Retd) and Sub Maj Kashid (Retd) brought out that it is very important for all ESMs today to acquire proficiency in English speaking and computer skills, without which it is difficult even to get a job as security supervisor/guard. A discussion took place on these and the following points given in succeeding para a were brought out

(a) Col AV Mudholkar (Retd) said that there is an acute shortage of electricians, plumbers, fitters etc in the market hence Sappers should not get stuck in security jobs we should mould ourselves and use our trade training to fit into the civilian/commercial way of working.

(b) Brig Rajiv Divekar (Retd), Director Symbiosis Institute of Management (SIMS) , Range Hills, brought out that courses of English speaking and Computers skill are available in his institute and if required special batches can be run for ESMs.

(c) Brig Rajiv Divekar (Retd) also suggested that we should approach the Govt Department of Science and Technology who can sponsor special courses for ESMs. He informed that the department also pays for such courses. The Vice Chairman said that he will look into the possibility of starting such courses.

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 20th AGM.

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

CLOSING ADDRESS BY VICE-CHAIRMAN

47. At the outset he said that it was indeed a privilege for him to be addressing this AGM for the first time, since assuming the appointment of Comdt, BEG & Centre. He thanked all veterans and serving officers JCOs and other ranks for having come he to attend this AGM. He then took the opportunity to appraise all present about the activities of the Bombay Sappers, which is given in succeeding paras.

48. **Performance in Courses.** Talking about our performance in various courses he said, earlier our aim was to get max persons qualified in CEIJ. However now our aim is to see that maximum of instrs go to cat 'A' establishments. Towards this efforts have been made and that our performance in courses running at CME, Mhow and even Drill courses or Platoon Weapon courses have been good, so much so, in some courses we have obtained 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions. As the number of our instrs in cat A establishments increase, the performance of our JCOs and NCOs doing courses there will also improve.

49. **Sports.** Speaking about games he said that there was a time we used to be happy with our good performances in Inter Centre Championships or Command level championships, but today, I am proud to state, that our aim and focus is towards CWG, Asian games and Olympics. We have progressed quite a lot in this direction as you have seen in last CWG, where we have earned a number of Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. Now we have a Para Olympic Node here, wherein we have 23 persons who are serving persons but are Paraplegics. We have amputees who are Athletes, Blade runners amongst them. They are training in Athletics, Basket Ball and Archery. These are the three sports in which we are training them on behalf of Indian Army. The main aim is to train them for the 2020 Para Olympic games and win medal. Now at the National level we have already won seven medals in these three sports. The Asian games for them will be held in October in this year and thereafter they will prepare for the 2020 Para Olympics. He informed that Kharkanis who was earlier our group basket ball player in now a part of National Para Basket Ball team which is with us now.

50. **Bridges in Mumbai.** He informed that the Bombay Sappers earned itself a good name due to three bridges we made in Mumbai for railways. As a result of this, the Bombay Sappers were honored and awarded with the GOC-in-C's Unit Citation recently.

51. **Flood relief.** Talking about flood relief operations, he said as on date we have a responsibility in Kamptee, Aurangabad and Mumbai. Out of these our Kamptee team has already been deployed during this year's monsoon when there were floods in Nagpur area. Now just a few days back our team led by Maj Dhaiya along with 2 JCOs and 47 ORs has been deployed in.

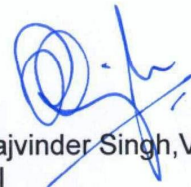
Kerala. In last three days they have divided themselves in four teams and have already rescued 650 persons and helped in transporting 1000 persons to safe places.

52. **Gurman Boys Academy.** He said that a number of DO letters have been sent by the Col Comdt and Comdt in the past and now again he said that he would like to emphasis that if we do not fully utilise this facility it will be noticed by outsiders and if we are asked to open the doors to say MLI and SikLI, then we will lose our control over this facility. Hence it is very important that all of you, wherever you are staying, must spread the word, that it is very important that this facility should be used by maximum Bombay Sappers.

53. **Donations.** During his interaction with JCOs and ORs he has observed that many persons feel that as we already have a Corpus of Rs 4.5 to 5 Crores, why is more donation required ? He said that if we look at the whole fund it looks big, however in today's circumstance if we give Rs 25,000/- to a widow for her daughter's marriage or Rs 10,000/- for distress grant, the value of this money is not much. That is why it is important that our donations should increase and our Corpus should grow so that we can give a substantial amount as distress grant or grant to widows. In today's world one lakh rupees for a marriage is a very normal figure. Hence it is important that we all should contribute as much as possible.

54. In the end he concluded by thanking the complete team of BSA, the MC and the Col Comdt. He then declared the AGM as closed.

55. He then requested all members to proceed for refreshment to Rajouri Stadium.



(Rajvinder Singh, VSM)
Col
Secy-cum-Treasurer
For Vice Chairman

10002/AGM-20/BSA
Bombay Sappers Association
C/O Headquarters
Bombay Engineer Group & Centre
Kirkee, Pune-411003

30 Aug 2018

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List of Donors FY 2016-17

Ser No	Name of donor's	Amount donated
1	Brig (Dr.) Surjit Singh Pabla (Retd)	10000.00
2	Brig AK Sahni (Retd)	5000.00
3	Brig Avtar Singh Gill (Retd)	30000.00
4	Brig Gobinder Singh (Retd), AVSM	5000.00
5	Brig M K Sardana (Retd)	10000.00
6	Brig Naresh Chandra (Retd)	20000.00
7	Brig PH Narurkar (Retd)	30000.00
8	Brig SC Arora (Retd)	10000.00
9	Brig SR Mazagaonkar (Retd)	10000.00
10	Col AS Chonker, VSM	10000.00
11	Col DK Prasad (Retd)	10000.00
12	Col Manmohan Bhushan (Retd)	5000.00
13	Col MB Sayanakar (Retd)	5000.00
14	Col MM Bhushan (Retd)	5000.00
15	Col Sk Kalsy (Retd)	10000.00
16	Dr BS Dasannacharya, Father Capt Raghesh Dasanacharya (Retd)	40120.00
17	Ex Hav Liman BS (Retd)	2000.00
18	Ex Hav SR Ghumare (Retd)	1000.00
19	Ex Nk KM Jagtap, 267 Engr Regt (Apr 2017 pension batch)	2501.00
20	Hav Kokitkar VM (Retd)	500.00
21	L Hav Raskar Prashant Vitthal (Retd)	1000.00
22	LHav Dildar Singh (Retd) Pension batch Mar 2018	500.00
23	LHav Ruskar PV (Retd)	1000.00
24	Lt Col DS Taunque (Retd)	8000.00
25	Lt Col GM Mahajan (Retd)	25000.00
26	Lt Col MK Khosla (Retd)	15000.00
27	Lt Col MS Patnaik (Retd)	10000.00
28	Lt Col RC Sharma (Retd)	20000.00
29	Lt Col Shrikant Joshi (Retd)	5000.00
30	Lt Col SP Kundra (Retd)	25000.00
31	Lt Gen AK Puri (Retd)	10000.00
32	Maj Rajendra Dave (Retd)	10000.00
33	Mr.Sona Olikara	7500.00
34	Mrs Chandrakanta Nagrath	22000.00
35	Pension Batch Jan 2018	3600.00
36	Pension batch- Jun 2017	2900.00

37	Pension batch- Nov 2017	6600.00
38	Smt Kanwaljit Kaur Wife of Lt Col Kanwaljit Singh	10000.00
39	Spr Kale Sambhaji Kishan (Retd)	100.00
40	Sub Arun Kadam (Retd)	10000.00
41	Sub Ranjit Singh (Retd)	100.00
42	108 Engr Regt	158000.00
43	109 Engr Regt	130000.00
44	115 Engr Regt	69400.00
45	425 (I) Fd Coy	11000.00
	Total (A)	7,82,821.00
Donation for Corpus		
Ser No	Name of donor's	Amount donated
1	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	200000.00
2	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	200000.00
3	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	500000.00
4	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	200000.00
5	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	500000.00
6	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	450000.00
7	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	400000.00
	Sub Total (B)	24,50,000.00
8	Pension Batch Feb 2018	3100.00
9	Lhav Sawant SD	500.00
	Total (C)	3600.00
	Total (A+B+C)	32,36,421.00

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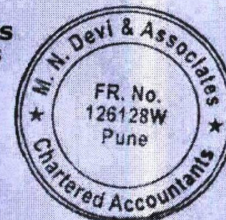
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD
For the Period From 1 APRIL 2017 to 31 MARCH 2018

RECEIPT	AMOUNT	PAYMENTS	AMOUNT
Opening Balance	2017541.97	Salary	826850.00
Membership	3751595.00	Immediate Relief	400000.00
Donation	782821.00	Educational Scholarship	306000.00
FD's Matured	550000.00	Education Grant to Children Of widows	799600.00
Interest Of FD	3133808.00	Grant of Daughter Marriage of Widow	100000.00
Interest Of Sweep Account	21762.00	Distress Grant	130000.00
Duplicate Card Charges and saving interest	69551.00	Grant for Professional Courses	280000.00
Non-ench of cheque Education Scholarship	3200.00	Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship	15000.00
Non-encashment of cheque for Education grant to Windows Children	2400.00	Madhuri Gupta Sholarship	50000.00
Refund of BSSI Loan	11250.00	Telephone and internet Expenses	25648.00
Non-encashment of cheque for Immediate Relief	20000.00	Miscellaneous Expenses	116952.00
Bank Of Commission and Bank Charges	473.00	Office Expenses	36274.00
Tata Docom cheque not encashed	395.00	Audit Fees	30000.00
Sale of Tata Sumo	160000.00	Professional Fees	3000.00
		Bank Charges	1593.00
		Computer Maintance Expenses	22443.00
		Aid to GBA Students	395612.00
		New FDs made during the year	2670000.00
		Purchase of Maruti Ertiga (New BSA Vehicle)	1133298.00
		Donation Reversal	800.00
		Closing Balance	3181726.97
Total	10524796.97	Total	10524796.97

For, BOMBAY SAPPERS ASSOCIATION

For M N DEVI & ASSOCIATES
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
FRN: 126128W


CA SWAROOP SANGARE
PARTNER
M NO.: 137087



Date: 01/05/2018
Place : Pune.

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Income & Expenditure Account
For the Period From 1 APRIL 2017 to 31 MARCH 2018

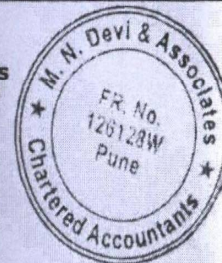
EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT		INCOME	AMOUNT	
		(Rs)			(Rs)
To Salary		826850.00	By Interest on FDs, Saving account and Sweep A/c		3300604.00
To Immediate Relief		400000.00	By Donation Received		782821.00
To Educational Scholarship		306000.00	By Duplicate card charges		69551.00
To Education Grant to Children Of widows		799600.00	By Non-Encashment of cheque for education grant to Widow's children		2400.00
To Grant of Daughter Marriage of Widow		100000.00	By Non Encashment of Imdt Relief cheques		20000.00
To Distress Grant		130000.00	By Non-encashment of education scholarship cheque		3200.00
To Grant for Professional Courses		280000.00	By Reversal of Bank charges and Bank commission		473.00
To Indira Dasannacharya Scholarship		15000.00	By Tell Bill cheque not encashed		395.00
To Madhuri Gupta Sholarship		50000.00	By Other Fund written Off		19024.41
To Telephone and internet Expenses		25648.00			
To Miscellaneous Expenses		116952.00			
To Office Expenses		36274.00			
TO Audit Fees		30000.00			
To Proffesional Fees		3000.00			
To Donation Reversal		800.00			
To Bank Charqes		1593.00			
To Computer Maintance Expenses		22443.00			
To Aid to GBA Students	395612.00	336880.40			
Less: Against Last Year's Expenditure	58731.60				
To Loss on Sale of Sumo		74634.00			
To Depreciation		19848.00			
To Tranferred Max @ 15% To Corpus		622946.00			
Total		4198468.00	Total		4198468.00

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BALANCE SHEET

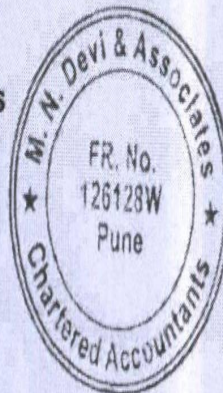
For the Period From 1 APRIL 2017 to 31 MARCH 2018

Liabilities	Amount	Amount	Assets	Amount	Amount
	(Rs)	(Rs)		(Rs)	(Rs)
TRUST FUND - Corpus Fund			FIXED ASSETS		
Opening Balance	42172519.00		(As Per Annexure No - 1)		5874.00
Add: Transfer for Corps Fund @15%	622946.00				
Add: Life Membership Subscription	3751595.00	46547060.00	INVESTMENTS		
			Short Term Fixed Deposits		
Other Fund	253659.00	0.00	Long Term Fixed Deposits	42870000.00	42870000.00
Less: Written off to the Extent off	19024.41				
Less : Maruti Ertiga Purchase	234634.59		CURRENT ASSETS		
			Loans to BSSI	378904.00	
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		537685.00	(-) Refund	11250.00	367654.00
			Bank Balance	3181726.97	
AMOUNT SET APART U/S 11 (2)	1218132.00	260738.00	Interest Receivable	918228.00	
Less : Purchase of Maruti Ertiga from amount set apart u/s 11	898662.40		Telephone Deposit	2000.00	4101954.97
Less: Against Last Year's Expenditure	58731.60				
Total		47345483.00	Total		47345483.00

Note :- Maruti Suzuki Ertiga has been purchased for Rs. 11,33,298/- from the amount set apart under section 11 (2), hence its valuation is zero, as per book of account.

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Scheduled of balance sheetANNEXURE - 1
Fixed Assets As On 31th March 2018

Sr. No.	Particulars	Opening Balance	Additions During The Year	Total Amount Rs.	Rate of Depre	Depreciation For The year	Deletions During The Year	Closing Balance
1	Epbx Systeem	3073.08	-	3073.08	15%	460.96	0.00	2612.12
2	TATA Sumo	253658.80	-	253658.80	15%	19024.41	234634.00	0.00
3	Inverter	3623.86	-	3623.86	10%	362.39	0.00	3261.47
4	Maruti Ertiga		1133298	1133298.00	15%		1133298.00	0.00
	Total Amount Rs.	260356.00	1133298.00	1393654.00		19848.00	1367932.00	5874.00



DONATIONS FY 2018-19

Ser No	Name of donor's	Amount donated
1	Brig Awtar Singh Gill (Retd)	15000.00
2	Brig Gobindar Singh (Retd), AVSM	15000.00
3	Brig MK Sardana (Retd)	20000.00
4	Brig Pradeep Mehta, VSM (Retd)	5000.00
5	Brig SB Ghorpade (Retd)	50000.00
6	Brig Vijay Kumar Arrorra (Retd)	10000.00
7	Col B Sarkar, VSM (Retd)	20000.00
8	Col N Viswanathan (Retd)	5001.00
9	Col Naidu (Retd)	10000.00
10	Col PM Saklani (Retd)	10000.00
11	Col S K Kalsy (retd)	10000.00
12	Col Vidya Sagar (Retd)	10000.00
13	Gabriel Thomas Steph	10000.00
14	Lt Col Asit Baran Das (Retd)	15000.00
15	Lt Col BN Pathak (Retd)	10000.00
16	Lt Col CPP Nair (Retd)	5000.00
17	Lt Col DS Taunque (Retd)	10000.00
18	Lt Col HL Singh (Retd)	20000.00
19	Lt Col KS Mehta (Retd)	2500.00
20	Lt Col Magan Kumar Nigam (Retd)	5000.00
21	Lt Col MS Patnaik (Retd)	10000.00
22	Lt Col Narendra Singh (Retd)	2000.00
23	Lt Col Ram Mohan Gupta (Retd)	5000.00
24	Lt Col SP Kundra (Retd)	25000.00
25	Mr. Sona Olikara	7500.00
26	Pension batch - Jul 2018	1500.00
27	Sub Arun Kadam (Retd)	3000.00
28	115 Engr Regt	73000.00
	Total	3,84,501.00
	Donation for Corpus	
1	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	300000.00
2	Col NC Gupta (Retd)	300000.00
3	Mrs. Sumita S Ambekar	250000.00
4	Lt Col K A Kawlay (Retd)	100000.00
	Sub Total	9,50,000.00
	Grand Total	13,34,501.00