

## **Minutes of the AGM held on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016 at Dundlod Fort, Dundlod Rajasthan**

Before the start of the meeting President Raghuvendra Singh Dundlod informed the members about the sad demise of Sh. Jitendrapal Singh (John Singh ) who has been instrumental in promoting the game of cycle polo not only in Rajasthan but amongst other players as well. John Singh started the Registan Handicap Tournament and Anokhi Cup for Sub Junior (Girls). President further informed that Sh. Ajith Singh Secretary Manipur Cycle Polo Association, Pritam Singh Charan of Indian Air Force, G Balanarsimha Treasurer Telangana, G. Ramulu of Andhra Pradesh and Sanjay Dake of M.P. passed away. He also informed the members that Federation's Grade A umpire and Coach of TA team Sh Rajendra Pawar lost his father Sh. Sitaram Pawar and Sh. Ashok Bapat of MP lost his mother Smt. Padmawati Bapat. Members observed 2 minutes silence to pray for departed souls.

**Minute No.1** : Minutes of the last meeting were read out by the President . He informed that the main issue to follow in the last minutes was inclusion of cycle polo game at School Games Federation and explained that this subject will be taken up separately and members will be informed of the development in this regard.

Minutes of the last meeting thereafter was unanimously approved.

**Minute No.2** : Sh. Gajanan Burde Secretary Cycle Polo Federation of India presented his report on the activities of the Federation as under.

In regard to School Games, Secretary informed that he along with Joint Secretary Sh. V R Channawar met the authorities and discussed the possibilities to include cycle polo at the School Games Nationals. Secretary explained that SGFI on the request of the Federation granted entry for cycle polo at the SGFI Nationals but due to lack of response from the state associations we were unable to reach the required number of teams participation hence inspite of conducting 5 School Games Nationals our game could not be included as a regular discipline of the SGFI.

Secretary further informed that on different occasions he met Secretary SGFI and Sh. V R Channawar met the Treasurer and other officials of the SGFI and finally we have been directed to do a 3 days Orientation Course through respective State Government and after that the issue can be taken up for inclusion of the game.

Both Maharashtra and Chattisgarh has submitted their proposal in this regard through their respective State Government committing to bear all the expenses of the Orientation Course .

Annual report of the Secretary was there after approved by the members.

**Minute No.3 :** Audited accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 as approved by the Executive Committee was placed before the members and the same was unanimously approved and will be uploaded on the website for the information of all.

**Minute No. 4:** President apprised the members about the change in government policy by which grant in aid of various sports federation falling into “other” category has been stopped. He further informed the members about his meeting with the Secretary Sports and Director Sports Government of India and said that it was a very positive meeting and was assured that things will move forward soon.

However he was of the firm opinion that Members cannot sit back and wait for the change in government policy but must take initiative of their own to ensure of smooth running of the championships. Secretary informed that if everyone makes an effort for inclusion of cycle polo at SGFI, our grants can be resumed much faster.

**Minute No.5 :** President informed the members that all the cases filed by Mr. AMK Nizar in regard to Kerala issue have been dismissed in favour of the Federation. He further informed that new body of Cycle Polo Association of Kerala has been formed and got provisional affiliation. Before registering at the Registrar of Societies, Cycle Polo Association of Kerala got approval from the Court as per rule. Federation has received all documents along with registration certificate in this regard from the Association.

In regard Sh. D P Thakre who has been filing cases against present body of Maharashtra and RTIs against Federation , President informed that many of his RTIs are disposed off but Mr. D P Thakre makes little amendment in his previous RTI and files a new one asking for the same details already answered . However he informed the members present that while in Nagpur for the Nationals , he went to Mr. D P Thakre’s home and personally asked him to resolve the differences whatsoever so that the game does not suffer. President informed the members that as Mr. and Mrs.D P Thakre attended the nationals thereafter he is hopeful that the matter will soon be resolved.

**Minute No.6 :** Following states opted for the Nationals for 2016-17.

**Kerala / Andhra Pradesh / Gujarat / Telangana**

It was decided that all above will give their proposal in writing stating the championship / venue / dates and other arrangements as required for Prospectus ”B” latest by 30<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

**Minute No.7 : Any other matter with the permission of the Chair**

- a) President informed the members about government notification of declaring 29<sup>th</sup> August as National Sports Day. He further informed that during the nationals message of “ Clean India” is required to be displayed specially if any event is held on National Sports Day.

- b) Secretary informed the members that Jharkhand Cycle Polo Association has been very active in its participation and has also hosted nationals which are the basic requirement to avail full affiliation by the Federation. The Secretary placed before the members the decision of the Executive to confirm the affiliation of Jharkhand Cycle Polo Association. The same was unanimously approved by the members.
- c) Secretary further informed the members that Cycle Polo Association of Kerala is basically a change in name while the participation of the teams has been regular. He placed before the members executive committee's decision to confirm its affiliation. Members approved the confirmation of affiliation to Cycle Polo Association of Kerala.
- d) Secretary brought to the notice of the members as there are no grants available to host the nationals, it is important that those state who come forward to host the nationals must get some substantial amount to recover some of its expenses. He placed before the members Executive Committee's approval to change the fee structure as under :

**Affiliation – from Rs. 5000/- to Rs.10,000/-**

**Entry fee - from Rs.2000/- to Rs. 5,000/-**

**Members unanimously approved of the same.**

- e) President informed that as per the requirement of the Government **Athlete Advisory Committee and Women Grievance Committee** is compulsory. The Executive Committee approved the formation of the following committees , which were placed before the AGM for approval.

**Administration & Discipline**

**Finance**

**Development**

**Media**

Members unanimously approved of the same and it was decided that as the election is due to be held the new executive should finalise the members of these committees.

The following decisions of the Executive Committee were placed before the members and the same were approved.

f) Members of AAC had approached the President in regard to the formula being followed for the seeding and league at the Nationals. The matter was discussed in details and it was agreed upon that in absence of a seeded team the next team will move up in seeding and the national championship, if time permits should be held on super league basis.

g) President informed the members that policy of categorization has been changed by the Ministry of Sports, Government of India which will effect non Olympic and Asian Games and therefore he has taken up the matter with the MYAS and SAI.

h) Sh. V R Channawar was asked to explain the format of School Games Federation of India and expenses thereof. Sh.V R Channawar explained that Orientation Course and inclusion of cycle polo in the SGFI and its expenses thereof will entertain a huge expenditure. He therefore proposed that all affiliated units must contribute to the School Games Development Fund. The members discussed the same and it was agreed upon that all affiliated units will contribute minimum of Rs.30,000 /- for this purpose.

i) It was decided that 5 sets of Hindi rule Book be made and those who wish to have it can buy it from the Federation office.

j) AAC members were of the opinion that Umpire and Technical Clinic must be held. Sh. M L Nayak was asked to do the needful in this regard.

k) AVM P K Bapat was of the opinion that helmet must be made compulsory for the players as a safety measure. It was decided that Federation will send a circular explaining the

importance of the helmet to all state associations but the final decision will be that of the players and State Associations.

l) The Secretary was of the opinion that the guidelines of the Federation should be circulated to all affiliated states / units with all the latest amendments . The Assistant Secretary was asked to do the needful in this regard.

m) Sh. Gajanan Burde Secretary informed the members that the Federation on 22<sup>nd</sup> July will complete its 50<sup>th</sup> Year. Members were delighted to know of this and it was unanimously decided that 2016 -17 be celebrated as the Golden Jubilee Year of the Federation.

n) The President informed the members that during the Golden Jubilee Celebration, India should host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Asian and 11<sup>th</sup> World Cycle Polo Championships. He suggest Jaipur as the venue and the date be fixed between September to December 2016. Members unanimously approved of the same.

o) The President informed the members of his meeting in Delhi with the company “ Franchise India” . He was approached by the Chairman and MD of this Company with whom he had a very fruitful meeting and agreed in principal to give the franchise of the Federation and the sport of cycle polo to Franchise India. He further informed the members that he has invited a team from Franchise India / Bradford Licensing to give a presentation to all members at the AGM.

The team from Bradford Licensing gave their presentation of franchising Cycle Polo Federation of India and of sport of Cycle Polo by licensing to Bradford Licensing Company. The members were extremely pleased with the presentation and authorized the President and Secretary to look into all legal formalities of agreements with Franchise India and Bradford Licensing to start the Indian Cycle Polo League (ICPL) and the merchandising of goods connected with the sport of cycle polo.

President thanked Ms. Chitra Johari and Mr. Anupam Sikdar for their innovative ideas and presentation.

The President further informed the members that he will take up this project with Franchise India / Bradford Licensing to ensure that it gives a new life to the sport of cycle polo and is able to generate funds for the Federation and benefit to the players.

As there was no other matter to be discussed the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair.

( Raghuvendra Singh Dundlod )  
President

(Gajanan Burde )  
Secretary