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MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF BAI **HELD VIRTUALLY ON 30TH JANUARY, 2021**

The Annual General Meeting of Badminton Association of India held on Saturday the 30th January, 2021 at 1-30 P.M. virtually. Persons present including Office Bearers and Affiliated Units were Fifty Eight (58) as per Attendance Sheet enclosed as Annexure – A.

President mentioned that the whole Country has passed through severe Pandemic situation created by Covid-19. However, by the grace of God we are safe and he wished all to stay safe and healthy.

Due to Pandemic situation our domestic calendar had to be suspended as well as many of the International Tournaments also got cancelled. After many months BWF could conduct Two (2) Tournaments in Thailand as also BWF World Tour Super – 1000. Performances of our Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles Teams were good despite the Pandemic situations when they could not even do practice.

Before going to Agenda, President wanted to brief few issues to all the members as under:

1. After continuous follow up with the concerned Officials and with the kind help of Lt. Governor Mr. Anil Bajjal, Delhi NCR, BAI could settle the long standing issue of Rs. 75 Lakhs which was pending A/c. Siri Fort Stadium. He thanked Sri Devender Singh, IAS, Sr. Vice President, Sri Ajay Kumar Singhania, Hony. General Secretary, Sri Narhar Thakur, Jt. Secretary & Sri K.K. Sharma of Himachal Pradesh Badminton Association for helping in settling the long - standing issues.
2. President mentioned that this time also India Open BWF Super-500 which is the last qualifying event of Tokyo Olympics-2020 will be held in K. D. Yadav Indoor Hall, ITO, New Delhi. He hoped that during the India Open, BAI will host a Executive Committee Meeting which will be an opportunity for everyone to meet each other.
3. He mentioned that during the year 2020 our players have performed very well in International Tournaments and Championships and won 103 Medals with 28 Gold, 24 Silver and 51 Bronze. Ms. P. V. Sindhu created history by winning the Gold Medal in World Championship at Basel, Switzerland. Sri Sai Praneeth also won Bronze Medal in the World Championship. Both the players have made India proud.

He congratulated Mr. Pradeep Gandhe, Vice President, BAI and Ms. Trupti Murugunde for being awarded with Dhyan Chand Award and Satwik Sai Raj and Chirag Shetty being awarded with Arjun Award for their wonderful performances.





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He apprised all the members that on the recommendation of BAI, SAI has appointed Mr. Mathias Boe of Denmark, Silver Medalist as Doubles Coach for Indian Badminton Team. He is hopeful that our Doubles Players under the training of Mr. Mathias Boe and with the guidance of Sri P. Gopichand will do their best in the forthcoming Olympic.

Since the normal activities have started after the lockdown was lifted and Pandemic situation eased out, he advised that National Coaching Camp of Jr. & Sr. to Start from April, 2021.

President informed the House that all are aware that the Registered Office of BAI is registered with Registrar of Societies, Hyderabad. He mentioned that BAI has already purchased an Office in Vasant Vihar, New Delhi and in all fairness the Registered Office also be the same address and be registered with Registrar of Society, Delhi. He informed all the members that in the EC Meeting held just before the AGM today i.e. on 30th January, 2021 it has been passed that the Registered Office be shifted from Hyderabad to Delhi at D-6/10, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi - 110057. Members unanimously agreed to this suggestion.

He also mentioned that as per the order of Hon'ble Delhi High Court all the NSFs were disaffiliated showing the reasons that the Constitutions are not in line with Govt. guidelines as per National Sports Code. Ministry of Sports have advised all the National Sports Federations to maintain their Constitutions in line with the National Sports Code as otherwise financial assistance will be stopped. This means financial assistance from the Ministry of Sports will stop and it will be difficult for BAI to send teams abroad and also to do the Developmental work including providing coaching to players and as such, the compliance to be made earliest, where there are deficiencies. He also mentioned that an affidavit has also been sent to Ministry by BAI as was asked by the Ministry for submission to the Hon'ble High Court.

All the members unanimously agreed to comply with the requirements as per Ministry guidelines. All members authorised President / Hony. General Secretary to do the needful for doing the compliance, as required and inform the Ministry.

He thereafter moved on the agenda as circulated.

Agenda Item No. 1

Confirmation of the Last Meeting held on 18th May 2019 at the Hotel Grand New Delhi

The confirmation of the minutes of last Annual General Meeting held on 18th May 2019 at the Hotel Grand, New Delhi was circulated to all Member Associations which was approved unanimously duly proposed by Dr. O D Sharma, Vice President, BAI and seconded by Shri Narhar Thakur, Joint Secretary, BAI.





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Agenda Item No.2

Adoption of the Annual General Report for the year 2019-2020

The Annual report for the year 2019-20 and was circulated to all Affiliated Member Associations through e-mail. The same was passed duly proposed by Mrs. Alaknanda, Vice President, BAI and seconded by Shri Rajinder Sharma, Joint Secretary, BAI.

Agenda Item No.3

Audited Statement of Accounts for the year 2017-18, 2018-19 & 2019-20

The Annual Audited Statement of Accounts for the years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 were circulated to all the Member Associations which were considered and approved by the members unanimously duly proposed by Shri Sekhar C. Biswas, Vice President, BAI and seconded by Shri Prabhaker Rao, Joint Secretary, BAI.

Agenda Item No.4

Appointment of the Auditor for the Year 2021-22

Sri Rajesh Kamal, Hony. General Secretary, Meghalaya Badminton Association proposed that M/s. Paarag Singhal & Associates Chartered Accountant, B-423, Pacific Business Park, 37/1, Site IV, Sahibabad Industrial Area, Ghaziabad may be appointed as Auditor of BAI for the year 2020-21. The house unanimously approved to appoint Mr. Parag Singhal & Associates as Auditor of BAI for the year 2020-21.

Agenda Item No.5

New Structure of Domestic Tournament and New Ranking System

President asked Mr. Omar Rashid, Secretary Events to explain in this regard.

Shri Omar Rashid, Secretary (Event) informed that he proposes New Ranking Tournaments (Sr.) as under:

Sl. No.	Level	Name of the Event	No. of Event	Prize Money
1.	Level I	All India Senior Ranking BAI Premier Super Series Tournament	02	Rs.25 Lakhs
2.	Level II	All India Senior Ranking BAI Super Series Tournament	04	Rs.15 Lakhs
3.	Level III	All India Senior Ranking BAI Series Tournament	06	Rs.10 Lakhs

Level III

First Phase of 3 tournaments of Level III will be held during the month of May & June and the IIInd phase of 3 set of tournaments will happen in November. Matches will be played for Qualifying and Main Draw. The Main draw will be of 64 for Singles event and 32 for paired events.



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Level II

First Set of 02 tournaments Level II will be held during the month of July and second set of two tournaments will be conducted in December. Matches will be played for both Main Draw and Qualifying Draw. The Main draw will be of 64 for Singles event and 32 for paired event. 16 Players in Singles & 8 Pairs in Doubles to qualify for the Main Draw. The top 46 Players in singles and 23 pairs in doubles as per BAI ranking (best of 02 tournaments in level 3 category) to get direct entry into main draw. The host will get direct entry of 02 players in Singles & 1 pair in doubles.

Level I

Two Tournaments will be played with qualified players.

President requested the house that more suggestions can be shared for betterment.

Mr. Ve Arunachalam, Secretary TNBA suggested that Host entry can be given to BAI.

President informed that the host entry is going on from a long time and that should continue.

Mr. Pradeep Gandhe, Vice President, BAI Congratulated and appreciated the President, BAI for providing a good office at Delhi. He also suggested for the Insurance for the players, Coaches and other staff.

Mr. Sandeep Heble, Secretary GOA Badminton suggested that BAI may consider conducting School Tournaments.

He also suggested that regional camps for smaller States be held.

President informed that School Games are being conducted by School Games Organisation and the SAI and BAI should not involve in that. However, Regional Camps for the Junior players is a good suggestion.

P Rajesh Reddy, Secretary Karnataka Badminton Association informed that there is scarcity of Shuttlecocks.

President informed that there was some problem due to Covid-19 situation and the problem has been taken up and sorted out through the Ministry.

Agenda Item No.5

Conduct of National Level Tournaments in Pandemic situation Created by COVID - 19

It was decided that National Level Tournaments to start from April, 2021 onwards strictly following guidelines issued from time to time and taking adequate precautionary measures.



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Agenda Item No.6

Utilisation Certificates for various financial assistance given to Affiliated State Units

President informed the house that BAI is giving Rs.5 lakh as grant to the all state Association and prize money for conduct of Major Ranking Tournaments / Championships. All Member Associations must submit the utilization Certificates as its absolutely required for proper accounting since BAI is under RTI as NSF.

Item No.7

Conduct of India Open HSBC BWF World Tour Super 500 to be held from 11th May to 16th May, 2021 at New Delhi

President mentioned that the India Open 2019 HSBC BWF World Tour Super 500 will be conducted in a befitting manner as always. This tournament level is of high importance being last qualification event for the Tokyo Olympic Games 2020.

Any Other Matter

President informed that the name Jammu & Kashmir Badminton Association will henceforth be known as **Badminton Association of Jammu & Kashmir** as requested.

Applications received for the affiliation from the Leh & Laddakh Badminton Association and Daman & Diu. All the papers will be verified for the affiliation. On scrutiny of all documents affiliation will be granted.

He informed the house that there is long outstanding dues against the players for their participation in International events and others and every time auditor give their comments on that. If house permit the outstanding dues of the players for their participation in International events can be waived off till 2017. The house unanimously agreed to waive of the outstanding dues of players till 2017.

Mr. Arif Akhtar, Secretary Petroleum Sports Promotion Board appreciated President and the functioning of the BAI. He shown his interest in participation in Zonal Championships.

President informed him that he will discuss this matter with the Secretary General and the Tournament Committee and will be informed later.

Dr. O. D. Sharma, Vice President, BAI requested the house to give the authorization to the President to choose the Committee as per his choice for smooth conduct of the India Open 2021 HSBC BWF World Tour Super 500.

President assured that the tournament will be conducted nicely in togetherness.

Mr. Sukanta Das, Secretary Sikkim Badminton Association, requested for coaches to provide adequate training to the players of Sikkim and also to guide the State Coaches.

President agreed to provide the coaches.



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Mr. Ramesh Reddy from Telangana suggested few points

- The Grade I Umpire examination could not be conducted due to Pandemic situation created by Covid-19
- The Sub-Committees of BAI is for two years of time and requested for new Sub Committees to give the chance for others
- He stated that Chetan Anand Badminton Academy is well equipped with 10 Courts and wants to conduct the Tournament of U-13

President informed him that his suggestions were noted.

Mr. Rajesh Kamal Rajput, Executive Member BAI stated that he had prepared a list of Technical Officials for the smooth conduct of the India Open 2021 HSBC BWF World Tour Super 500 and given for approval to Hony. Secretary General.

President gave approval for the List of Technical Officials for the conduct of India Open 2021.

There being no other issues, the meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the chair



Ajay Kumar

Ajay Kumar Singhania
Hony. General Secretary



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