

A Meeting of Fencing Association of India was held under the Chairmanship of Mr. D.D. Boro, President of FAI on 7th January, 2011 at 11:30 AM at the conference Hall of Andhra Pradesh Olympic Association, Lal Bahadur Stadium, Hyderabad. (A.P).

The following members attended the meeting.

S.No	Name	State
1.	Durga Das Boro	President FAI
2.	Sanjay Pradhan	Treasurer FAI
3.	Arun Kumar Vij	Secretary General
4	Sagar S.Lagu	Kerala
5.	Mohd. Shahzad	Rajasthan
6.	T.C.Ghosh	Uttar Pradesh
7.	U.K.Thapa	SSCB
8.	R. Rawat	SSCB
9.	R.S. Bisnoi	SSCB
10.	Harpreet Singh	Delhi
11.	Shotu Lal Sharma	Jammu
12.	Bharatji Thakor	Gujarat
13.	Gopal R. Parkekh	Gujrat
14.	N.K. Solanki	Harayana
15.	Daud Khan	Rajasthan
16.	Mohd. Sahazad	Rajasthan
17.	Prasant Naik	Maharashtra
18.	Ashok Dhudhare	Maharashtra
19.	Kedar Dhawale	Maharashtra
20.	Narender Singh	Haryana
21.	Ashok Khatri	Haryana
22.	Narender Singh	Haryana
23.	Ashok Khatri	Haryana
24.	Viresh Yadav	Uttarakhand
25.	L.Bendang.AO	Nagaland
26.	Avole Chiero	Nagaland
27.	Jiteswor Dutta	H.P
28.	Uttam Kaystha	Assam
29.	Jusmilla Choudhary	Assam

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30.	Santosh Pandey	West Bengal
31.	Lalmuanpuii	Mizoram
32.	Lallawmkimi	Mizoram
33.	Pintu Nag	West Bengal
34.	P.K. Shirsant	D&NH
35.	Vinus Jadham	D&NH
36.	L. Kasinathan	Pondicherry
37.	A. Senthil Kumar	Pondicherry
38.	Vizeasankar V.	Pondicherry
39.	B.Y.Dhankrishan	Andhara Pradesh
40.	P. Phaniraju	Andhra Pradesh
41.	R.C. Rajwani	Rajasthan
42.	Caopal R.	Rajasthan
43.	Jai Kumar Sinha	Jharkhand
44.	K. Ganesh Ravi Kumar	Goa
45.	Rohit Gangadhar	Karnataka
46.	Irom Deban Singh	Karnataka
47.	S.P. Sharma	Chandigarh
48.	S.K. Prasher	Himachal Pradesh
49.	D. Naggapan	Tamilnadu
50.	G. N. Nagaasumarmanium	Tamilnadu
51.	Gurmohan Singh	M.P.
52.	Bhupinder Singh	M.P.
53.	Rakash Gupta	Vice-President FAI
54.	Shotu Lal	J&K
55.	Mrs. Kanchan Bhardawaj	Punjab
56.	Mr. P.S. Bhangu	Punjab
57.	Rabi Rantong	orissa
58.	Mukesh Kumar	Bihar
59.	Sharwan Kumar Gupta	Bihar
60.	Ram Partap Gupta	Chhattisgarh
61.	Raj Kumar Yadav	Chhattisgarh
62.	A. Dalip Kumar	Manipur
63.	W. Ibmocha Singh	Manipur
64.	Suranjoy Singh	Manipur

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Before start of the meeting the Secretary General, FAI welcome all the delegates, Presidents & Secretaries of the State Associations and office bearers of the FAI & requested the Mr. D.D. Boro , President FAI to say few words. Mr. Boro welcomes the all delegates & highlighted the achievements of FAI & Indian Fencers, in the International Competitions. He reminded the member that Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports has send several Circular regarding management of records of National Sports Federations and revalidation of recognition with MYSA Government of India and asked the members to send the detail reports of the State Sports Association's activities, their accounts and holding proper their election in stipulated period. He also inform to implement & compliance of WADA CODE & NADA rules & age fraud done by the players and State Sports Associations & advise the members to strictly follows these guidelines otherwise FAI has no alternate except to take the stick action against defaulting State Association/ Unit. The President of FAI requested and reminds all the members to strictly follow and implement decisions taken during the previous meetings and add that in spite of instructions issued by the FAI some of the members are not taking it seriously & violating the norms.

After that President FAI asks the Secretary General to confirm the house in order and than start the agenda items vise. The house was found in order and after that agenda item was take up.

The following agenda item were discussed

- 1 **Consideration & confirm the minutes of last Annual General Body Meeting of FAI, held on 14 January 2010 At, Salem (Tamilnadu)**
Mr. Ashok Dhudhare, Secretary, Maharashtra Fencing Association and Mr. Gurmohan Singh , Secretary , M.P. Fencing Association purposed that the minutes of last Annual General Body Meeting of FAI, held on 14 January 2010 at, Salem (Tamilnadu 27th July 12010 be passed and house unanimously approved it.
- 2 **To Confirm and adopt the Annual report of Secretary for year 2009-10.**
The Secretary General inform the house that he has already sent and circulated annual report of the Secretary for year 2009-10. President FAI highlighted the achievement of Fencers in the international Competitions & the working of FAI and appreciates the hard work done by Mr. Arun Kumar Vij, SG, FAI for his outstanding contribution and hard work done by him. The house unanimously endorse these comments and then Mr. B.Y. Dhandkrishnan , Secretary A.P., purposed that annual report of the Secretary for year 2009-10 should be passed which was seconded by Mr. N.K. Solanki President, Harayana State Fencing Association and house unanimously adopted the Annul report of the Secretary for the year 2009-10.
- 3 **To consider and pass the audited statements of accounts for the years 2009-10.**
Mr. Sanjay Pradhan, the treasurer FAI informed that he had been already circulated the annual accounts of FAI for the year 2009-10 and highlighted the silent features of the report . He also briefs the house about the account of FAI for the year 2009-10. Mr. D. Naggappan Secretary Tamilnadu Fencing Association proposed that accounts should be adopted which was seconded by Mr. Uttam Kayastha Secretary, Assam Fencing Association & Mr.Dhankrishan Secretary A.P. Fencing Association and house unanimously passed the accounts for the year 2008-09.

4 **To review & finalize the annual sports calendar 2011-12 & 2012-13.**

The some deliberations & discussions the under mentioned calendar was finalized & passed .It was also decided that now all championships will be held for 5 days.

Calendar - 2011-2012

- 1.Sub-Junior & Cadet National Championship, 2011. West Bengal
2. Junior National Fencing Championship 2011, Orrisa
- 3.Sr. National Fencing Championship Patna (Bihar) Dec 2011/January 2012.
4. Federation Cup Tournament 2011. A.P./ Maharastra
- 5.National Games Ranchi (Jharkhand) from 12th to 26th Feb 2011.
- 6.National Games Kerala- dates to be finalizing by I.O.A.
- 7..Zonal Championship 2010-11, The Conveners of each zone was asked to send us proposed date & venue of the zonal championship.

Calendar - 2012-2013

- 1 Sub-Junior & Cadet National Championship at M.P.2011-12. .
2. Junior National Fencing Championship 2011-12 Assam / Kerala
3. Sr. National Fencing Championship December 2011-12. Maharashtra
4. Federation Cup Tournament 2011-12. J&K State
5. National Games Goa, 2011-12 dates to be finalize by I.O.A.
6. Zonal Championship 2011-12 in each Zone. The. Conveners of each zone was asked to send us proposed date & venue of the zonal championship.
(to be decided by Zonal Convener)
7. To discuss any others Tournament to be included or suggested.

5 **To consider participation in the International Tournaments / Championships**

It was decided to participate in the under mention Championship & tournaments.

1. Asian Junior & Cadet Fencing Championship at Bangkok, 4th to 13th March, 2011.
2. Junior & Cadet World Championships held at Jordon 26th March to o4th April 2011.
3. Senior Asian Fencing Championship at Seoul Korea, 7th to 13th July 2011.
4. Sr. World Championship at (Italy) from 8th to 16th October 2011.
5. Junior Commonwealth Championship at New Jersey U.K.) from 2011.
6. Senior World Championship at Paris (France) 04th to 13th November 2010.
7. Participation in other International tournament. It was also decided to send Indian Fencing Teams in the International tournament going to be held at Singapore, Thailand & Taiwan.

Conduct of International Championship/Tournaments. In India.

Mr. N.K. Solanki, President, Harayana Fencing Association requested that the house that the 2nd South Asian fencing for men & women may be allotted to them, His proposal was unanimously accepted by House. The representatives from Karnataka & Kerala also gave proposal to host the Asian Junior & cadet Championship in the year 2013 house also accepted this proposal. The secretary general asked the representatives to these associations to submit application so this matter may be taken up with the Asian Fencing Confederation.

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6 To discuss the financial position of Association.

The President of Fencing Association of India inform the house that the financial position of Federation is not financially sound & requested the member to give suggestions about how raise the fund.. He also announced a donation of Rs. One lakh to FAI from Assam Fencing Association. Mr. Arun Vij Secretary FAI also announced Rs. 50,000/- as a donation from Punjab Fencing Association. Mr. U.K. Thapa, Secretary SSCB suggests that the FAI should enhance the amount of annual affiliation fee. House appreciated this suggestion & it was unanimously decided to enhance the amount of annual affiliation fee from 2,000 to 5,000/-annually from the April 2011.

The President also assured the house that he is making all out efforts to get sponsorship from some of the corporate houses /companies. He further informed the house that talk are going on with some of the companies for this matter& he hope that fruitful decisions will come out very soon.

7 To consider adopting the latest rule of FIE.

The house unanimously decided to adopt FIE rules for National Fencing Competition. Mr. Sanjay Pradhan, Chairman Technical commission, FAI inform that all FIE rules will be adopted for National Championship, but in Individual events only Two Fencers from each affiliated state/units will be allowed to participate in the National Championship. It was also decided that now onwards the all National Championship will be held for five days in place of 4 days. The house unanimously passed & decided to adopt FIE rule along with two Fencers each for each weapon in individual events.

8 To consider implementation of government guideline/ instructions of MYSA

Mr. B.Y. Dhankrishan, Secretary Andhra Pradesh Fencing Association & Mr. Ashok Dhudahre, Secretary Maharashtra Fencing Association suggested that The President of FAI should be authorized to discuss this matter with Sports Ministry & he should be authorized to take final decision. The house unanimously approved this suggestion.

9 Updating of record of State/Unit/Association of FAI

The Secretary General, FAI inform the house that Ministry of youth affairs & Sports, Govt. of India has become very strict & desired that strict action should be taken against defaulting units, those who are not regularly participating in the national Championship, are not conducting their State Championship, not holding their election in time & not properly maintains their records & asked the Federation to inform them to keep their record in proper manners, the units/members must have their email address, fax & telephone numbers. Their functioning should be proper. Mr. D.D. Boro President, FAI also emphasis & asked all the members to follow these instruction otherwise strict action will be taken against the defaulting units. He further add that all State units must hold their election as per schedules dates & inform about their election to FAI in time so, the FAI may depute observer in time. He further requested the member units that they should send updating records of their states to FAI office as early as possible. He again requested the members to send all data information as mentioned in the Updating Performa. It was further unanimously decided that if any State Association /Units fails to submit the required requisite information as mention in the Performa than strict action should be take against the defaulting member/ unit.

10 Any others item with the permission of Chair.

Some of the members raised question about the job in some of the Govt department.

The President FAI inform the house that he had made contact with Railway Minister & Civil Aviation minister for the introduction of Fencing in their department, so the Fencers from all the States may get benefit of getting jobs. The Secretary General FAI inform the house that he already in touch with Para-Military forces, Like BSF, CRPF, ITBB, CISF & some of the State Police department to adopt this games in their sports competitions.

Some the members raised that selection of the Indian teams is not held properly.

The President FAI inform the house that he has not received a single complaint about the selection of the Indian fencing Teams, he does not agree with this view & further inform that the selection is always held in transparent manners & all the coaches attached with the National Coaching camps are mainly responsible for the selection of Indian Teams, that is why, now the Indian Teams & Indian Fencers has won medal in the International Competitions. The President also instructs the members that indiscipline will not be tolerate by the FAI if any Fencers misbehave during the National Coaching camps & strict action will be taken against the defaulting Fencer(s). The House unanimously endorsed his view asked the President if any Fencer(s) misbehave or create indiscipline during the competition, strict action should be taken against him/her & unit.

Holding of Referee's exam & clinic for Coaches.

Some of the members suggest that FAI should hold the Referee's Exam & clinic for Coaches & foreign experts should be invited to hold the clinic..

The Secretary General, FAI inform the house that he has already discuss this matter & plan the programmed for holding of Referee's Exam & Clinic for Coaches with Mr.(Col) R.S. Bishnoi, Army Sports Institute, Pune. The dates of clinic will be intimated to members shortly in consultation with Mr. (Col) R.S. Bishnoi.

On the suggestion of Mr. U.K. Thapa, Secretary SSCB, the house decided that entry should be send to FAI by number before 20days before start of the Championship & entry by names by 10days before. If any units/States fails to send their entry within stipulated dates than strict action should be taken against defaulted units/State. They should be penalized by Rs. 1000/ late entry fee & if they repeated than they are debar from participation in the Championship. The house unanimously accepted this suggestion.

Members brought into the notice of the house that about 70 Coaches had already passed out NIS Diploma Course & they are not getting job & requested the President to take up this matter with the authorities of SAI & State Sports departments for the recruitment of Fencing Coaches. The President FAI assured the house that he will meet high officials of Sports Ministry & SAI for this matter & will do his best. The Secretary General informs the house that he is already in touch with Ministry of personal department to include Fencing Games for the recruitment of outstanding players for the purpose of Govt. Job. The matter is now at final stage.

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Some members inform that some state associations are Fielding Fencers from other state /Units & violated the rules by fielding the players from army. The President FAI inform the house that as per eligibility rules for participation in the national Championship, the players must be domicile residence of that State, doing regular study or doing Job. If he/she does not fall in this category than he/she is not eligible to represent that States for which he/she is represented in the national championship. Mr. Rawat from SSCB suggests that let the players from Army may be allowed to play from others states, so they will get chance to participate in the National Championships. But house does not agree with this suggestion. The house unanimously decided that if any players found violate these rules than strict action should be taken against the defaulting Fencers(s)/ state / units.

Mr. Sagar suggested that allowance & T.A. & D.A. of officials should be increased. The house decided to consider to unanimously passed Rs. 200/- per day D.A. + 400 Incidence charges & two way Railway fare to Technical officials. It was decided that the Director & Joint Director Competitions will be given First class Railway fare / Rajdhani or Super Trains, Rs. 300/- D.A per day + 500/- incidence charges. Some of the members suggest that while doing duty the Technical officials must wears proper Uniform. House agrees on this proposal & it was decided that from next Championship, all Technical officials must wears proper uniform otherwise they will not be allowed to officiate in the National Championship.

The Secretary General FAI inform the house that in spite of repeated reminder the Registration form of Fencers are not properly filled by State neither they are attested by head of Institutions nor the photographs of fencers are pasted & attested. It was also decided that each & every Fencer will submit his/her Registration Performa in proper manner & complete in every National Championship (Sub-Jr / Cadet, Junior & Sr. National Championship). Because sometime his/her school address & home address or other particulars are changes. Attestation should be only done by head of Instituion.

The President inform the house that he take up the matter with MYSA for getting space for FAI office in JLN Stadium, New, Delhi & also assure the house that he will meet Doordarshan Authorities for the live telecast of National Fencing Championship.

The Secretary General suggest the members that with help & support of the members, he was able to introduce Fencing in National School Games & All India Inter-University Sports calendar & requested the member that they should peruse their State Education department & different universities (fall under their States) should send entries in the National School & Interuniversity fencing Competitions. he further inform that he is in touch with the authorities of Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti & Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangthana to introduce fencing in their sports competitions,

Some of the members brought into the notice of the house that they are facing problem for getting Railway Concession order from their respective railway authority, because as per record in the Railways dept. the address of FAI is as mentioned JLN Stadium, New Delhi. The Secretary General FAI informs that he had already written letter to MYSA, who in turn had already written letter to Railway Board, New Delhi for the change of address in their record. I hope that this problem will be short out very soon.

In the end, meeting ended with a vote of the thanks to the chair.

(Arun Kumar Vij)
Secretary General
Fencing Association of India

(Durga Das Boro)
President
Fencing Association of India