

FENCING ASSOCIATION OF INDIA

Minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Fencing Association of India (FAI) was held on 20th May 2018 at Hotel Sopan Heights, Karol Bagh, New Delhi from 06:00 pm to 07:30 pm under the chairmanship of Mr. Rajeev Mehta, President, Fencing Association of India.

The following members were present :-

S.No.	Name S/ SHRI	Designation	State
1.	V. Nageswara Rao	President	Andhra Pradesh
2.	N. Satish Babu	Secretary	Andhra Pradesh
3.	Bipul Kumar Sharma	Secretary	Assam
4.	Angshuman Dutta	Treasurer	Assam
5.	Ramashankar Prasad	Secretary	Bihar
6.	Md. Javed Choudhary	General Secretary	Bengal
7.	Md. Nasir Jamal	Joint Secretary	Bengal
8.	S.P. Sharma	Vice President	Chandigarh
9.	Bashir Ahmed Khan	Secretary General	Chhattisgarh
10.	Smt. Arti Singh	Joint Secretary	Chhattisgarh
11.	Mrs. Hinaben Trusharkumar Shukla	Secretary General	Daman & Diu
12.	Trusharkumar Rameshchandra Shukla	Treasurer	Daman & Diu
13.	Bhupinder Singh Jassar	President	Delhi
14.	Harpreet Singh	Secretary	Delhi
15.	Manish Kumar Solanki	President	Gujarat
16.	Bharatji Thakor	Secretary	Gujarat
17.	N.K. Solanki	President	Haryana
18.	Rajesh Chopra	Treasurer	Haryana
19.	Shadi Lal Goswami	President	Himachal Pradesh
20.	S.K. Parasher	CEO	Himachal Pradesh
21.	Jai Kumar Sinha	Secretary	Jharkhand
22.	Sushila Kujoor	Member	Jharkhand
23.	Vijay Sharma	Secretary	Jammu & Kashmir
24.	Rohit Gangadhar	Member	Karnataka
25.	Lohith Navendran	Member	Karnataka
26.	P. Mohan Das	Vice President	Kerala
27.	M.S. Pavan	Secretary	Kerala
28.	Harjeet Singh	Joint Secretary	Madhya Pradesh
29.	Gurmohan Singh	Secretary	Madhya Pradesh
30.	Ashok Dudhare	Mentor	Maharashtra
31.	Dr. Uday Dongare	Secretary	Maharashtra
32.	M. Lokendro Singh	Vice President	Manipur
33.	W. Ranjit Singh	Secretary	Manipur
34.	L. Bendang A.O.	Secretary	Nagaland
35.	P. Bishi	Member	Odisha
36.	Sumit Purohit	Joint Secretary	Odisha
37.	K. Boobalan	Secretary	Pondicherry
38.	N. Kichenane	Joint Secretary	Pondicherry



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39.	Mohit Mahendra	Vice President	Punjab
40.	Anil Arora	Secretary General	Punjab
41.	Daud Khan	President	Rajasthan
42.	Mahendra Sharma	Secretary	Rajasthan
43.	Sanjay Pradhan	Treasurer	Uttar Pradesh
44.	Rajeev Mehta	Member	Uttarakhand
45.	Viresh Yadav	Joint Secretary	Uttarakhand

Details of the AGM Meeting:

- a. Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI started the proceedings by welcoming all the dignitaries on the main table and requested Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General to welcome Shri Rajeev Mehta Honorable President, Fencing Association of India by presenting a bouquet. The other important officials on main table Shri Daud Khan, Sr. Vice President, FAI, Shri Rama Shankar Prasad, Sr. Vice President, FAI, Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI and Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI were presented bouquets by Dr. Uday Dongare, Jt. Secretary, FAI, Shri Mahendra Sharma, Executive Member, FAI, Shri S.K. Parasher, Joint Secretary, FAI and Shri Anil Arora, Joint Secretary, FAI respectively.
- b. Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, General Secretary, FAI, conveyed his thanks to the house for their attendance in the AGM and welcomed all. Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan informed the President that the house is in order and requested to address to the house and grant the permission to commence the Annual General Meeting.
- c. Shri Rajeev Mehta, President, Fencing Association of India conveyed his thanks to all the members presents in the Annual General Body Meeting for their support and full cooperation. He said that all efforts are being made to develop fencing at all levels and introduction of this sports in various departments. He assured all present that FAI will work with utmost transparency and synergy with its affiliated members. President insisted that all states must come forward to organise /conduct fencing events so that environment of fencing can be created in complete India. He requested all the members to submit the required documents of the State/UT Association duly completed in all respects so that required financial help/Sponsorship can be provided to affiliated units/states. Honorable President promised that yearly financial assistance/Sponsorship will be provided to all affiliated units once they submit all the documents which are being requested by FAI office He has also informed that the following documents in respect of many concerned state /UT Fencing Association have not been submitted till date resulting in to delay in providing/arranging sponsorship.
 - Registration Certificate.
 - Copy of Constitution.
 - List of Office Bearers with correspondence Address.
 - List of Affiliated Districts with contact Address.
 - Audit Report,
 - Annual Report & Achievements for the last three years.
 - Minutes of the Election Meeting.
 - Affiliation Letter from Sports Department of concerned state Government, concerned State Olympic Association
 - Updated Annual affiliation fees at the earliest.



- d. After addressing the house, Shri Rajeev Mehta directed Secretary General, FAI Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan to resume the proceedings.
- e. Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI, resumed the proceedings and took up the Agenda Items for the discussion / approval.

Agenda Item No 1:

Confirmation of the minutes of the Special General Body Meeting (SGM) held at Raipur (Chhattisgarh) on 20th August 2017 and Executive Committee Meeting held at Patiala, Punjab on 12th November 2017.

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, Fencing Association of India placed before the house the minutes of the Special General Body Meeting of FAI held on 20th August 2017 at Hotel Grand Imperia, VIP Road, Raipur (Chhattisgarh) and Executive Committee Meeting of FAI held on 12th November 2017 at Patiala (Punjab) for confirmation.

The above resolution for approval was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Anil Arora, Secretary, Punjab Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri V. Nageswara Rao, President, A.P. Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 2:

To Consider & adopt Annual Report of the Secretary General, FAI for the year 2017-18.

Secretary General, FAI Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan presented the Annual Report for the year 2017-18 to all the Members for approval.

The above resolution for approval was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Bipul Kumar Sharma, Secretary, Assam Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Mohd. Javed Choudhary, Secretary, Bengal Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 3:

To consider & pass the audited accounts of FAI for the year 2015-16, 2016-17 & 2017-18.

1. Shri Ashok Dudhare ,Treasurer, FAI has informed the house that the FAI auditor Mrs. Gupreet Kaur, Chartered Accountant, M/s Gupreet Kaur & Associate, Membership No.- 095722, Patiala, Punjab has audited the Income & Expenditure for the year 2015-16 and 2016-17. The former President Shri Durga Das Boro and the Treasurer Shri B.Y. Dhankishan has not signed in the Audited Income & Expenditure Statement for the year 2015-16 and 2016-17 till date. The same has been signed by the newly elected President Shri Rajeev Mehta, Secretary General Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan and Treasurer Shri Ashok Dudhare on 24th September 2017.



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2. In this context, Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI has raised the point that in case of audit income & expenditure for the year 2015-16 & 2016-17, any objection and violation occurs, it is not the responsibility of the newly elected body before the 20th August 2017. The new elected committee has taken over the charge on 21st August 2017, and from this date, income and expenditure will be the responsibility of the new elected body President, Secretary General & Treasurer of Fencing Association of India with all the financial implications.
3. Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan informed the house that audit for the year 2017-18 could not be completed in time due to non availability of proper vouchers, bills, receipt books and correct information for the period 1st April to 20th August 2017 from the office Assistant Mr. Narinder Kumar. The late submission of the audit documents to newly appointed auditor of FAI Mr. Piyush Jain, (CAG Registration No.- Emplno : CR5391) Chartered Accountant, M/s Piyush P Jain & Associates, Bhilai (Chhattisgarh) the audit for the year 2017-18 could not be submitted in time before the Annual General Body Meeting of FAI, so the same will be audited within 02 months and will be placed in the next executive Committee meeting and be passed at the earliest accordingly

Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI has submitted the following proposal for consideration and pass in the house.

- a) The Audited Income & Expenditure Statement for the year 2015-16 & 2016-17 was considered & passed in the above resolution by the house unanimously.
- b) The Audit Account for the year 2017-18 will be audited within 02 months and will be placed in the next executive Committee meeting and will be passed at the earliest.

The above resolution for approval was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Daud Khan, President, Rajasthan Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Harpreet Singh, Secretary, Delhi Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 4:

Consideration & passing of the budget-estimate for the financial year 2018-19.

Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, Fencing Association of India has submitted the Income & Expenditure Budget Statement for the approval of Rs. 22,91,56,280/- (Rupees Twenty Two Crore Ninety One Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Two Hundred Eighty) for the year 2018-19 towards Grant in Aid from SAI, Govt. of India Rs. 21,58,62,280/-, Grant in Aid from Indian Olympic Association Rs. 6,00,000/-, Affiliation fees, Registration Fees for National & International Championship and Royalty Money for conducting of National Fencing Championship Rs. 6,00,000/-, FIE Subsidy Rs. 4,00,000/-, Sponsorship / Donation Rs. 1,16,94,000/-.

The above resolution for approval was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri M.K. Solanki, President, Haryana State Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Jai Kumar Sinha, Secretary, Jharkhand Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.



Agenda Item No 5:**Ex-Facto Approval for review of auditor – appointment of CA Piyush Jain (CAG Registered), Bhilai (C.G.) for the year 2017-18**

Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI apprised the house that during Special General Body Meeting (SGM) of Fencing Association of India (FAI) which was held on 20th August 2017 at Hotel Grand Imperia, VIP Road, Raipur (Chhattisgarh), the house had appointed "Shri Neeraj Sharda, Chartered Accountant, Sharda & Son's, Haldwani, Uttarakhand" for the year 2017-18.

It may be noted that the FAI Secretariat is functioning from Bhilai (Chhattisgarh). FAI is facing day to day administrative difficulties to function from different locations, due to the geographical distances.

Timely Auditing to meet with the dead-lines for the statutory submission of audit-reports and keeping the Income & Expenditure statements ready all the time for audit requirements and queries & record-keeping of Utilization Certificates and the regular submission of same to SAI & IOA. These all being very important in nature. Hence, proposal for an administrative improvement is proposed for ex-facto approval as under :

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI has proposed to appoint the auditor for the year 2017-18: Shri P. Jain (CAG Registration No.- Emplno : CR5391) Chartered Accountant, Address : M/s Piyush P Jain & Associates, Shop No.- 52, "C" Market, Sector-1, Bhilai (Chhattisgarh) - 490001

The above resolution for approval was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Vijay Sharma, Secretary, J&K Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Gurmohan Singh, Secretary, MP Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 6:**Appointment of Auditors for the financial year 2018-19**

Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI proposed the name of Mr. Piyush Jain, (CAG Registration No.- Emplno : CR5391), Chartered Accountant M/s Piyush P Jain & Associates, Bhilai (Chhattisgarh) for the appointment as Auditor for the Financial Year 2018-19.

The above resolution for approval was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri L. Bendang A.O., Secretary, Nagaland Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Virendra Yadav, Joint Secretary, Uttarakhand Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.



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Agenda Item No 7:**To Discuss & approval of the FAI Constitution for submission in Registrar, Firms & Societies, New Delhi**

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan proposed to the house that the, FAI constitution to be amended because there are lots of confusion and the particular points are being raised repeatedly. There is requirement to reduce the members of states / UT's / Unit from 3 members into 2 members because maximum number of members do not attend the meeting and the attendance of the member is very poor so it becomes difficult to pass the bills.

Mr Sanjay Pradhan proposed to the house that with the permission of chair a committee can be formed by President to look into the details and recommend the necessary amendments to be done. This will be the most suitable way of resolving this problem.

Shri Rajeev Mehta has agreed to the proposal and praised Mr Sanjay Pradhan for proposing the same. Shri Rajeev Mehta further suggested to prepare a comparative chart i.e. Existing and Proposed and same to be produced in the next Executive Committee Meeting for approval. Before producing the comparative chart, committee should compare the Rules & Regulation of the few Sports Federations / Association constitution and before submission it should be checked by legally qualified experts Shri Ruchir Mishra, Advocate and Federation Auditor Shri Piyush Jain, CA, CAG Registered. Following members of FAI will look in to matter.

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| 1. Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan | - | Secretary General, FAI |
| 2. Shri Ashol Dudhare | - | Treasurer, FAI |
| 3. Shri Anil Arora | - | Joint Secretary, FAI |

The above resolution for approval was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Mrs. Hinaben Trusharkumar Shukla, Secretary, Daman & Diu Fencing

Seconded by : Shri S.P. Sharma, Vice President, Chandigarh Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 8:**To Decide the fate of old & obsolete / assets / office equipment**

With the permission of the Chairperson of the house, Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI has informed the house for approval of the following old & obsolete assets and office equipment which are not usable and no depreciation has been taken on these items since long time, and has no value left. He proposed in the house that same be written off as old & obsolete assets, as office equipment etc which are to be dismantled with no financial value

1. AIR CONDITIONER ACCOUNT
2. COMPUTER ACCOUNT
3. CYCLE ACCOUNT
4. EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT
5. FURNITURE & FIXTURES
6. INVERTOR ACCOUNT



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7. PHOTOCOPY MACHINE
8. PRINTER
9. SCANNER
10. TELEVISION
11. WATER DISPENSER
12. WEB-SITE ACCOUNT

Chairperson of the house Shri Rajeev Mehta, President, FAI has formed three members committee for dismantling the above items.

1. Shri Anil Arora, Joint Secretary, FAI, Patiala, Punjab
2. Shri Mohit Mahendra, Vice President, FAI, Patiala, Punjab
3. Shri Narendra Sharma, Former Office Assistant, FAI, Patiala, Punjab

The above resolution for approval was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Ramashankar Prasad, Secretary, Bihar Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Bharatji Thakor, Secretary, Gujarat Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 9:

To discuss the development plans of Fencing for the year 2018-19

1. Shri Bhupinder Singh Jassar, President, Delhi Fencing Association has informed before the house that Sports Authority of India has accorded permission for opening the National Fencing Academy at University Indoor Stadium, New Delhi. The following office bearers of FAI had visited the Indoor Stadium, Delhi University, New Delhi with Shri Bhupinder Singh Jassar, Vice President, FAI, Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI, Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI, Shri Sanjay Pradhan, Treasurer, UP Fencing Association and Shri Harpreet Singh, Secretary, Delhi Fencing Association. Mr. Bhupinder Singh Jassar has requested that FAI must take expedite the opening of the National Fencing Academy.

Shri Rajeev Mehta Chairperson of the house and President, Fencing Association of India has informed the house that former Secretary – Sports, MYAS Mr. Injeti Shrinivas, IAS was very much interested in the same and file in this respect had been forwarded by him to the concerned SAI officer for opening the National Fencing Academy at Indoor Stadium, Delhi University, New Delhi. In this period Secretary – Sports, MYAS has been transferred and file is still awaiting sanction. The new Secretary – Sports, MYAS Shri Rahul Bhatnagar, IAS has been apprised about the same. Mr. Ramashankar Prasad, Sr. Vice President and Mr. Ashok Khatri, Fencing Coach, NSNIS Patiala had prepared the detailed project report and the same has been submitted to the SAI. Shri Rahul Bhatnagar promised that all support will be provided to open the National Fencing Academy at Delhi itself after due deliberation and has already discussed the above proposal with Shri Rajeev Mehta and this agenda will be discussed in the ACTC Meeting on 22nd May 2018 at New Delhi.

2. Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI has requested the president Mr. Rajeev Mehta that efforts must be made for including fencing in the sports calendar of Indian Railways, CISE, CRPF, BSF & Police Department.



3. Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI informed the house that Sports Authority of India has included Fencing game in Khelo India. Total 50 players (25 Boys & 25 Girls) are being selected for admission in the Fencing Academy. FAI has the proposal to open the Fencing Academy either at Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh or Aurangabad, Maharashtra where there is better facilities and same will be discussed in the ACTC Meeting on 22nd May 2018 for opening the Fencing Academy under the scheme of Khelo India.
4. Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan has requested. Vikram Singh Jamwal to give brief of Pre ACTC Meeting at New Delhi held on 09 May 2018.

Shri Vikram Singh Jamwal with permission of the chairperson has discussed with SAI the following few important agenda points which are stated as below and members must know it :-

- i) Annual Competition and Training Calendar 2018 -19 presented by Fencing Association of India to MYAS, Government of India has attempted to analyse all related aspects, discuss their impact and suggest pragmatic changes that would help achieve the required synergy. The ACTC has attempted to project what is desirable for sport of fencing to excel in Asian Games 2018, Olympics 2020 and there on. SAI was convinced by FAI about medal probability of fencing in Olympics if upgraded to High Priority sport as it has 36 Medals to fight for in Olympics
- ii) Fencing being very competitive sport has different criteria for Olympic berth. The participation of fencers in maximum international competition is mandatory to obtain and maintain their international rankings. ras.
- iii) Clarification asked by SAI that Last allotted Budget of ACTC was 03 Crores only. The budget of Rs 27,56.33,145/- for ACTC 2018-19. FAI to give justification in 09 Folds increase in Budget.

Reply of above Observation : - Fencing is equipment, competition and extensive outsourcing extensive sport. India being a developing fencing nation has inherited disadvantages where in no production of fencing equipment is available, our coaches are improving by all means but still short of international standards. Hence, foreign coaches are mandatory requirements. The other few important points for 09 folds increase in budget are given below:

- The current year being competition heavy year with Asian Games Commonwealth Championship and Junior Commonwealth Championship is scheduled other than normal calendar of events in a year. Hence, the requirement of budget increased.
- Indian fencers required extensive exposure with Olympic level fencers of advanced European Nations for longer durations because **if you want to be best, you need to train with best**. Hence, the requirement of budget increased.
- The equipment of fencing needs to be of high quality and of top brands to train as well as compete. The maximum players and probables and campers are playing currently with **Chinese made equipment** which is of inferior quality. The availability of branded



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equipment in India is scarce as it imported mostly from European countries. There is no local manufacturer in India. The consumption of perishable equipment in preparation camps increase due to intense training and bouts. Hence, the procurement of branded equipment was one of the major reason in hike of ACTC Budget for 2018-19.

- The newly elected body of FAI under the able leadership of country's great sports administrator Mr Rajeev Mehta took over the charge in Aug 2017. FAI immediately tasked best fencing brains in the country to chalk out plan for improvement of fencing sport at all levels. The lot of brain storming sessions were carried out where in previous ACTCs submitted were also scrutinised in detail. It has been found that previous office bearers and FAI officials did not project certain important requirements which are inescapable in nature if fencing has to leave its mark in Asian Games and Olympic Games. The few such aspects were:
 - o Branded equipment for fencers.
 - o Importance of Foreign experts.
 - o Extensive Foreign training.
 - o Simultaneous development of Sub Junior and Junior fencers.
- The above mentioned points are few of the major reason in increase in budget in ACTC 2018-19 vis a vis 2017-18. The lack of proper appreciation was not carried out in ACTCs submitted before 2018-19.

iv) Clarification asked that FAI has projected requirement of 03 Fencing coaches where as 02 Fencing coaches are available with ASI whose services are being utilised in Camp. Please clarify the requirement of additional coaches.

Reply of above Observation : - FAI has amply justified in their proposed ACTC 2018-19 that why Foreign coaches are mandatory for Indian Fencing. However, it is to inform you that FAI did not hire foreign coach since 2006. 02 Foreign coaches of Army Sports Institute are being utilised in camps since 2009. The availability of foreign coaches is limited because they are employed for mission Olympic programme and has 60 fencer training at their institute at any time in all categories. Pulling them out for longer duration is not possible. Hence, It is a stop gap arrangement scenario. FAI would want to have 03 Foreign coaches one each in every event so that long term goals can be put on track and the continuity of same is maintained. The availability of 03 dedicated coaches to FAI will ensure that they are being employed at long term development plans of FAI and not as stop gap arrangement. The additional availability of 03 coaches will ensure that maximum fencers can be trained at given time because fencing being a combat sport here in training is one to one basis unlike other sports where in coaches are involved from outside rather than personally giving lessons



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- v) International Training / Competition / Exposures : SAI has been briefed about international competitions requirements in detail by explaining that FIE has approximately 150 official and unofficial competitions in a calendar year. Participation in all competitions is practically impossible. Nations doing well in Fencing take part 30 to 40 competitions in a calendar year. These include World Championships, Continental championships, World Cups, Grand Prix and Satellite Tournaments. Competition exposure for training and competition are deemed necessary

The sanction to participate in following competitions was recommended to SAI .

Senior Team

<u>Sno</u>	<u>Competition</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Venue</u>
1.	Senior Asian Fencing Championship 2018	June 17-22, 2018	Bangkok ,Thailand
2.	World fencing championship	19 th -27 th July 2018	Wuxi china
3.	Asian Games	12 TH - August – 2 ND Sept 2018	Jakarta Indonesia
4.	Senior Commonwealth Championship	23 rd – 28 th Nov 2018	Canberra, Australia
5.	World cup	Dates will be informed later	Europe
6.	World cup	Dates will be informed later	
7.	Satellite	Dates will be informed later	
8.	Satellite 2019	Dates will be informed later	
9.	Satellite 2019	Dates will be informed later	
10.	Satellite 2019	Dates will be informed later	

Junior Team

<u>S.no</u>	<u>Competition</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Venue</u>
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1.	Junior & cadet commonwealth championship	23-30 july 2018	Newcastle,England
2.	Junior & cadet asian championship	Month of feb. 2019	Jordan
3.	Asian cadet circuit	July 28 & 29 th 2018	Singapore
4.	Asian circuit circuit	August 4-5 2018	Philippines
5.	Asian cadet circuit	Dec 3-4, 2018	Hongkong
6.	Asian cadet circuit	Feb 2019	Amman,jordan
7.	World cup	Dates will be informed later	Great britain
8.	U-23 asian championship	Dates will be informed later	Venue will be informed later
9.	World championship 2019	Dates will be informed later	Italy



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The above point no. 1 to 4 has passed in resolution and was proposed seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Bhupinder Singh Jassar, President, Delhi Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri N. Satish Babu, Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 10 :

Finalization of FAI Calendar for the year 2018-19

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI proposed the house to finalise the calendar of National events for the year 2018-19.

In this connection, various State members have come forward and informed the house to conduct their choice of events.

House requested to indicate the venue as well as the tentative date shortly for their choices, to the Secretary General FAI. The proposed National events are as under:

S.No.	Name of the Championship	Venue & State	Tentative Date / Month
1.	Mini (U-10) Boys & Girls	Nashik, Maharashtra	17 th & 18 th July 2018
2.	Mini (U-12) Boys & Girls	Shirdi, Maharashtra	4 th to 6 th August 2018
3.	Sub-Junior (U-14) Boys & Girls	Cuttack, Odisha	12 th to 16 th Sept. 2018
4.	Cadet (U-17) Boys & Girls	Cuttack, Odisha	12 th to 16 th Sept. 2018
5.	Junior (U-20) Boys & Girls	Kolkata, West Bengal	November 2018
6.	Youth (U-23) Men & Women	Gujarat	January 2019
7.	Senior (Men & Women)	Guwahati, Assam	12 th to 16 th Dec. 2018
8.	Federation Cup (Men & Women)	Jammu & Kashmir	December 2018
9.	West Zone (Men & Women)	Daman (Daman & Diu)	7 th & 8 th June 2018
10.	East Zone (Men & Women)	to be decided	-
11.	North Zone (Men & Women)	to be decided	-
12.	South Zone (Men & Women)	to be decided	-
13.	Inter Zonal (Men & Women)	to be decided	-

1. Odisha Fencing Association has submitting the Application form with Royalty Money deposited in FAI account for conducting of 20th Sub-Junior & 15th Cadet National Fencing Championship at Cuttack, Odisha from 12th to 16th September 2018
2. Assam Fencing Association has submitting the Application form with Royalty Money deposited in FAI account, for conducting of 29th Senior National Fencing Championship at Guwahati from 12th to 16th December 2018
3. Bengal Fencing Association is interested to conduct the 26th Junior National Fencing Championship at Kolkata in the month of November 2018. Due to unavoidable circumstances the Bengal Fencing Association is not going conduct the Junior National Fencing Championship, Chhattisgarh Pradesh Fencing Association is ready to conduct the same.



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4. Bashir Ahmed Khan, Secretary General, FAI has informed the house Shri Rajeev Mehta has suggested that the State / UT Fencing Association who will not submit the required documents and Affiliation fees of FAI from the concerned State / UT Fencing Association will not be allotted in any National Championship.

The above resolution was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri M.S. Pavanan, Secretary, Kerala Fencing Association

Seconded by : Smt. Arti Singh, Joint Secretary, Chhattisgarh Pradesh Fencing Assn.

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 11:

To consider for conducting the meeting for South Asian Fencing Federation in the month of May 2018 at New Delhi

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan requested the President that the meeting of South Asian Fencing Federation has been planned to be conducted in the month of June / July 2018 as per the availability of President. Shri Rajeev Mehta has agreed the proposal and will be confirmed shortly.

The above resolution was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri W. Ranjit Singh, Secretary, Manipur Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri P. Mohan Das, Vice President, Kerala Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 12:

To consider for conducting of South Asian Championship (Men & Women) in the month of October 2018 at Raipur, Chhattisgarh / Haryana

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan informed the house the South Asian Fencing Championship has not conducted since 2011 and proposed that it should be organised in this year.

1. India
2. Pakistan
3. Bangladesh
4. Nepal
5. Srilanka

All the countries have participated in the South Asian Fencing Championship except Pakistan in 2011.



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Shri Rajeev Mehta has accepted the proposal and informed the house that the same will be conducted very shortly, in which we should include all the countries of South Asian region.

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan has proposed to conduct the South Asian Fencing Championship for the year 2018-19 at Chhattisgarh State / Haryana State in the month of January 2019.

The above resolution was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Ramashankar Prasad, Secretary, Bihar Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Javed Choudhary, Bengal Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 13:

To consider for conducting of Commonwealth Junior Fencing Championship (Men & Women) for the year 2019-20 at Raipur, Chhattisgarh

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan informed the house that the Chhattisgarh Pradesh Fencing Association is interested to conduct the Commonwealth Junior Fencing Championship (Men & Women) in Raipur (Chhattisgarh) in the year 2019-20 / 2020-21 as per the allotment by the Commonwealth Fencing Federation.

The above resolution was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Ashok Dudhare, Mentor, Maharashtra Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Angshuman Dutta, Treasurer, Assam Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 14:

Disciplinary Action(s) against member of association(s)/member(s)

Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan informed the house about various irregularities and violations of Shri Y. Dhankishan Bhandari General Secretary, Telangana Fencing Association which have been brought to the notice of the Fencing Association of India

As the situation is deteriorating and causing damage to the reputation to the Sport and to the Federation, a Disciplinary Committee amongst the members of the Executive Committee has been formed to deal with the matters pertaining to the disciplinary regulations enforcing on the above and the committee will submit its report or findings to the Executive Committee immediately.

FAI has issued many notices against Shri Dhankishan but he has not given any reply against the notices so they have formed the disciplinary committee



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Disciplinary Committee is as under:

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| 1. | Mr. R Prakash | Vice-President | FAI |
| 2. | Mr. Anil Arora | Joint Secretary | FAI |
| 3. | Mr. V Nageswara Rao | Executive Member | FAI |
| 4. | Mr. Mahindra Sharma | Executive member | FAI |
| 5. | Mr. V Ramesh Babu (LLB) | Advisor/ Coordinator | |

The Disciplinary committee has put the charges upon Shri B.Y. Dhankishan, Secretary General, Telangana Fencing Association, issues examined by the Committee are as under:

1. Show-cause Notice on 02.07.2017 by CEO FAI has been served on him during the AGM of FAI at New Delhi,

Last date for submission of the reply by shri Y dhankishan Bhandari was: 20-07-2017.

Committee noted his failure to submit any reply.

2. Secretary General FAI has requested to submit the relevant documents required by MYAS, Govt. of India vide letter(s):

(a) For FAI/2017-18/14, Dated: 14.09.2017:

Last date for the submission of the requisite documents: 15-10-2017

Committee noted his failure to submit the documents.

(b) E-mail dated 31.10.2017.

Last date for submission of the reply: 05-11-2017

Committee noted his failure to submit them.

(c) Letter vide FAI/2017-18/105 Dated : 10.11.2017,

Last date for the submission of reply: 15-11-2017

Committee noted his failure to submit the reply.

(d) FAI/2017-18/ 162, Dated: 20/12/2017,

Last date for submission of reply: 30-12-2017

committee noted his failure to submit the reply.

3. Govt of Telengana, Youth Advancement, Tourism & Culture (Sports) Department has recommended on 06-02-2017 to black-list the existing General Secretary of Telangana Fencing Association.



4. Committee. taken serious note of the content because it is a black mark.
5. Sports Authority of Telengana state on 17-02-2017 issued orders of blacklisting Shri Y Dhankishan Bhandari mentioning key elements being genuine players to be benefitted and behavioural issues.

Committee taken serious note of the hostility created by him with the main-wings of State-sports administration causing irreparable damage.

6. As per the constitution of FAI, affiliation of the State unit with the concerned State Olympic Association & FAI are mandatory.

Committee examined the failure to take steps for such timely affiliation.

Statutory inadequacies have been found.

7. Prime Minister's Office at New Delhi received a petition filed by Dr. L. Sandeep Kumar Jadhav vide PMO ID No. PMOPG/ D/ 2017/ 0360759 dated 01-08-2017.

Committee examined the complaint. It is related to the players, wrong selections by Shri Y Dhankishan Bhandari.

Govt of Telengana & Sports Authority-Telangana have blacklisted him in February 2017. PMO complaint was in August 2017.

Despite he got blacklisted, he continued to function in his own ways & methods, defying State Govt orders. Hence, the issue got flared-up to Central level.

8. He has issued circular dated 12-12-2017 for the inter-district championship, misusing the names of Sports Authority of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh Olympic Association on the Letterhead of Telangana Fencing Association.

Committee examined the matter and found that the FAI is mis-communicated.

9. He has been served Court strictures by the Hon'ble High Court of Telangana & Andhra Pradesh for not following the norms of FAI for which the Hon'ble High Court of Telangana & Andhra Pradesh directed Sports Authority of Telangana State. The Sports Authority of Telangana State, Govt. of Telangana requested the Fencing Association of India to allow the Fencers of Telangana to participate in the 28th Senior National Fencing Championship (Men & Women) at Solapur (Maharashtra) from 23rd to 26th December 2017. FAI allowed the Fencers of Telangana to participate as per the directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.

Committee examined the matter and found that the selection process adopted by Shri Y dhankishan Bhndari was not transparent and fair.



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10. Show Cause Notice has been served vide Notice No: FAI/2017-18/ 163, Dated: 20/12/2017.

Last date for the submission of compliance: 30.12.2017

Committee found Shri Y Dhankishan Bhandari faltered again.

Disciplinary committee Recommendations:

- a. Penal action to be initiated similar to the action taken by the State-sports administration after the time sought by Shri Y Dhankishan Bhandari, upto 20-01-2018 and the actions are not satisfactory. Committee of the view that the malpractices and miscommunication cannot be contained without strict punishments.
- b. As shri Y Dhankishan Bhandari being black-listed by the State Sports administration, it is recommended to place a committee of administrators to oversee the functions of the Telengana Fencing association and keep Shri Y dhankishan Bhandari away from its functioning.

The above resolution was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Dr. Uday Dongare, Secretary, Maharashtra Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Mahendra Sharma, Secretary, Rajasthan Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.

Agenda Item No 15:

Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

With the permission of the Chairman of the House, the following Points were brought out by the members. Details as under :

1. Shri Sanjay Pradhan informed the house that the office has been shifted from Patiala to New Delhi. All the records are to be send to new office at Delhi. Before that a committee has to be formed for sorting out the records. Proper records are to be sorted out by the committee and the spoiled documents are to be destroyed duly authenticated by the following committee members :

1. Bashir Ahmed Khan
2. Ashok Dudhare
3. Sanjay Pradhan
4. Harpreet Singh
5. Arun Rajkumar
6. Ram Pratap Gupta



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2. Shri Sanjay Pradhan proposed the house that the office will be shifted to Chhattisgarh but branch of office needs to be New Delhi also as it is required for Railway concession to the fencers till the time address with railway authorities is amended to Chattisgarh and which will take time.
3. Shri Sanjay Pradhan proposed the house that separate account to be opened for FAI where in sponsorship amount can be deposited ,it will facilitate the audit requirements and accounting methods. Shri Bashir Khan informed the house that account is being opened in Kotak Mahindra bank for the same purpose and same will be informed to all concerned on completion
4. Shri Sanjay Pradhan proposed that audit of Fencing Association of India must be audited by CAG at Chhattisgarh jurisdiction once office is shifted to Chhattisgarh State
5. Shri Rajeev Mehta thanked Shri Sanjay Pradhan for his valuable advice and support in the smooth functioning of FAI.
6. Shri Rajeev Mehta has informed that the all the office work is conducted at Bhilai so the office should be established at Bhilai only where the secretary of FAI is residing at Bhilai. Mr. Bashir Ahmed Khan has requested the president that the head office should be at Delhi only as per the constitution and a branch office should be at Bhilai.
7. Shri Rajiv Mehta has given information that the Fencing game should be on the high priority by coordinating with the Ministry level and Shri Rahul Bhatnagar, Secretary-Sports, MYAS and Shri Sandip Pradhan, Dy. Director General is also very much interested to include Fencing Games to high priority basis in Sports Calendar of Govt. of India.
8. It is proposed that during national championship 2018-19 calendar, instead of two fencers playing in an individual event ,it is proposed that three individuals to play in individual event in all categories. Matter to be put to Honorable President for approval as it will improve the competition and standard in national championships
9. Haryana Fencing Association proposed to conduct the national level referee seminar this year to streamline the referees status in India. It is said that same is required to prepare national referee panel .Currently no such panel is existing and it is technical requirement.
10. Point number 8 and 9 to be sent to President for approval.
11. **Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI proposed that taking into cognizance the recommendations of the disciplinary committee against Shri B.Y. Dhankishan, Secretary General, Telangana Fencing Association, President, FAI, Shri Rajeev Mehta may be empowered to constitute a Ad-hoc committee to look after the affairs of Telangana Fencing Association.**

The All above resolution was proposed and seconded by the following members:

Proposed by : Shri Mahendra Sharma, Secretary, Rajasthan Fencing Association

Seconded by : Shri Sumit Purohit, Joint Secretary, Odisha Fencing Association

The above resolution was unanimously approved and passed by the House.



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There being no other points discussed by any member, Shri Rajeev Mehta, President, FAI declared that the meeting is closed.

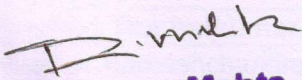
Shri Ashok Dudhare, Treasurer, FAI thanked the President for the excellent conduct of the Annual General Body Meeting. He also thanked the Executive Committee members, Presidents & Secretaries of all State / UT for extending valuable support.

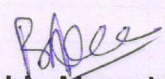
AGM was followed by healthy interaction among members and protocol dinner was organized for all attendees.

Place : New Delhi

Dated : 20.05.2018




Rajeev Mehta
President
Fencing Association of India


(Bashir Ahmed Khan)
Secretary General
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