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chairmanship of Smt. Rakesh Dhawan, International Commissioner(G), Bharat Scouts & Guides and
State Commissioner(G), Uttarakhand State Bharat Scouts & Guides.

Following members were present:-

1. Smt. Rakesh Dhawan, International Commissioner(G),
   Bharat Scouts & Guides and State Commissioner(G),
   Uttarakhad State BS&G - Chairperson
2. Smt. Ranjana Arora, Former Distt. Commissioner(G), Faridabad Distt.,
   Haryana State BS&G - Vice-Chairperson
3. Shri Dnyanoba Sitaram Munde, National Council Member &
   Vice-President, Madhya Pradesh State BS&G - Member
4. Smt. Sarala Bhosale, Ex. National Council Member & Jt. Secretary,
   Pune District Association, Maharashtra State BS&G - Member
5. Smt. Sudesh Sharma, National Headquarter Commissioner(Bulbul), BS&G
   and Former STC(G), Northern Railway State BS&G - Member
6. Shri Avinash Gupta, Distt. Chief Commissioner, West Calcutta,
   West Bengal State BS&G - Member
7. Smt. Sonali Sharma, STC(G), Northen Railway State BS&G - Member
8. Smt. Prabha Jain, Jammu & Kashmir State BS&G - Member
9. Shri Pradeep Gupta, ASOC(S), Agra, Uttar Pradesh State BS&G - Member
10. Miss M. V. N. K. Jyoti, ASTC(G), Hyderabad, K.V.S. State BS&G - Member
11. Smt. Geetha Nataraj, National Headquarter Commissioner(R), BS&G
    and SC(G), Karnataka State BS&G - Member
12. Smt. Savita Pandey, SOC(G), N. E. Railway State BS&G - Member
13. Smt. Radha Venkatesh, Asstt. State Commissioner(Universities),
    Karnataka State BS&G - Member
14. Shri K. Sukumara, Director, BS&G - Special Invitee
15. Shri R. K. Kaushik, Dy. Director of Scouts (Project), BS&G - Special Invitee
16. Shri Amar B. Chhettri, Dy. Director(BP), BS&G - Special Invitee
17. Shri Arup Sarkar, Asstt. Director, Northern Region, BS&G - Special Invitee
18. Shri Sanjay Kumar Harsh, PRO - Special Invitee
19. Shri Deepak Mehra, SSO - Special Invitee
20. Smt. Surekha Shrivastava, Joint Director(SS) I/c, BS&G - Co-Convenor
21. Miss Suman Lata Arora, Joint Director(G), BS&G - Convenor
The meeting started with prayer followed by self introduction.

Miss Suman Lata Arora, Joint Director(G) and Convenor of the above Meeting welcomed Smt. Rakesh Dhawan, Chairperson of International Guest Reception Committee and State Commissioner(G), Uttarakhand State Bharat Scouts & Guides.

Shri K. Sukumara, Director welcomed Smt. Rakesh Dhawan, International Commissioner(G), Bharat Scouts & Guides and Chairperson of International Guest Reception Committee and State Commissioner(G), Uttarakhand State Bharat Scouts & Guides by presenting a Flower bouquet. Smt. Surekha Shrivastava, Joint Director(SS) I/c welcomed Smt. Ranjana Arora, Vice-Chairperson of the Committee and Former Distt. Commissioner(G), Faridabad District, Haryana State Bharat Scouts & Guides with Flower bouquet and presented rose buds to all the members.

The Chairperson of the meeting welcomed the members formally and expressed her pleasure to see great zeal and enthusiasm among the members.

Agenda Item No.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the last Meeting of International Guest Reception Sub-Committee held at the Bharat Scouts & Guides, National Headquarters, New Delhi on 21st June, 2014.

The Minutes of the last Meeting of International Guest Reception Committee held on 21st June, 2014 were confirmed by the house unanimously.

Agenda Item No. Business Arising (Action Taken Report).

Ms. Suman Lata Arora, Joint Director(G) and Convenor of the above cited Meeting read out the Action Taken Report of the last Meeting of International Guest Reception Committee. The Action Taken Report was discussed at length. The Chairperson wanted to know about the suggestions from the members to finalise the cost of the Gift items to be presented to the International Visitors during their visit to any of the State Associations of the Bharat Scouts & Guides. After a detailed discussion, the following points are finalised.

1. The State Association of the Bharat Scouts & Guides should present the Gift items to the International Visitors during their visit to the State.

2. The cost of the Gift items is minimum Rs.1000/- and maximum Rs.2000/- and the items should be light weight so that they can carry with them easily.

3. It is also suggested that some amounts to be given to the Scouts/Guides of a particular Troop of the State so that they can prepare the handicraft items like Scarf, Purse, Mobile Cover and Souvenir items for presentation to the International Visitors.
4. Shri K. Sukumara, Director requested the members to take initiative about Vision 2024-plan for the period 2014-2017. He also informed the house about the six strategic priorities e.g. Youth Programme, Adult Resources, Management, Finance, Communication and Public Relations and Growth. He also stated that the mission of Scouting is to contribute to the education of young people like Scouts/Guides, Rovers/Rangers through a value based system and to help build a better world and play a constructive role in the Society. Many States have conducted the Workshops i.e. Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Kerala, Karnataka, Punjab, etc. Every State should have translated the Vision 2024 in their regional language.

5. The Chairperson has suggested that the National Headquarters should fix the deadline for the States to conduct the Strategic Plan Workshop. A reminder letter to be sent from the National Headquarters to the defaulting States those who are not conducted the above Workshop.

6. Shri Dnyanoba Sitaram Munde, National Council Member and Vice-President of Maharashtra State BS&G informed the house about the receipt of the address of the Committee Members with their Mobile Numbers and Email ID. He suggested that Email ID and Mobile No. of the Committee members should be mentioned so that everybody can contact each other. The Director requested all the members to write their Mobile Number and Email ID in the list provided to them today.

7. Shri Avinash Gupta, Distt. Chief Commissioner, West Calcutta Distt. Suggested that he has not received any information from the State Headquarters as well as National Headquarters i.e. Circular of the International Events or any International Visitors came to India, etc. He also requested to provide the email ID and Mobile No. of the Committee members. Some members also requested the Director to send the Circular of International Events to the members of International Guest Reception Committee and the information about the visit of Overseas Countries. The Director has accepted their request and informed the house to send all the International Circulars and information relating to the visit of Overseas Countries to the members of International Guest Reception Committee.

8. In response to the members suggestion, the Director informed the house that we have received an email about the visit of 20 Executives of Bangladesh Girl Guide Association to India and they will visit Agra, Jaipur & Kolkata and to see some Guide activities. We have informed Rajasthan State, Uttar Pradesh State and West Bengal State for extending their support and cooperation during their visit and also informed to the Assistant Directors of Northern Region, Western Region and Eastern Region for necessary arrangements.
The Action Taken Report was accepted by the house as proposed by Smt. Sarala Bhosale, Ex. National Council Member & Joint Secretary, Pune District Association of Maharashtra State BS&G and seconded by Smt. M. V. N. K. Jyoti, ASTC(G), Hyderabad Region, K. V. S. State BS&G.

Ms. Suman Lata Arora, Joint Director(G) and Convenor of the Committee informed the house that the National Headquarters has maintained the Register on International visits for the year 2014-15 & 2015-16.

Agenda Item No.4:- Coordination of visits to various States by International Visitors.
After a long discussion, it was decided that the Bharat Scouts & Guides, National Headquarters should inform the concern Stated Association about the visit of international Visitors. There is coordination between the National Headquarters and State Headquarters regarding visit to various States by International Visitors. The National Headquarters have also approached the State Officials to offer the good hospitality and to show the different activities rendered by the Cubs/Bulbuls, Scouts/Guides and Rovers/Rangers.

Agenda Item No.5:- Budgets for Guest Reception/Entertainment.
Budget for Guest Reception/Entertainment is very important matter. After a lengthy discussion, the Chairperson suggested that some funds have been allocated for Guest Reception/Entertainment. The National Headquarters have to specify the budget for Guest Reception/Entertainment from the Corpus Fund of the Bharat Scouts & Guides. The proposed budget is to be included in the ensuing Finance Committee Meeting Agenda.

Agenda Item No.6:- Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.
Smt. Sudesh Sharma, National Headquarters Commissioner(Bulbul) suggested that the National Headquarters/State Headquarters has to give some amount to the Cubs/Bulbuls, Scouts/Guides and they should prepare the handicrafts and Jewellery so that we can give the same as Gift to the International Visitors.

Smt. Rakesh Dhawan, International Commissioner(G) and Chairperson of the Committee suggested that every member of this Committee should visit the Foreign Country for participation in the International Events which is sponsorship or paid by the member. She will discuss with the Hon’ble Chief National Commissioner that every member of the International Guest Reception Committee should rotation wise visit to Foreign Country. All the members are appreciated the suggestions.
She also informed about the participation of 8th International Jamboree Charnwood to be held at England from 30th July to 06th August, 2016 vide National Headquarters Circular No.108/2015 dated 28th August 2015 and 12th APR Conference to be held at Kathmandu, Nepal from 29th August to 02nd September, 2016 vide Circular No.17/2016, dated 4th February, 2016.

Smt. Sarala Bhosale, Ex. National Council Member & Joint Secretary of Pune District Association of Maharashtra State has given special thanks to Hon’ble Chief National Commissioner and his team regarding renovation work and best hospitality at NHQ.

Smt. Sudesh Sharma, National Headquarter Commissioner (Bulbul) informed the house about the use of good quality of paper in the printing and colourful of Bharat Scouts & Guides Magazine. She appreciated the Bharat Scouts & Guides Magazine. All the members were also appreciated the same.

Smt. Geetha Nataraj, National Headquarter Commissioner (R) informed the house that SANGAM is celebrating 150 years Celebration of WAGGGS from 16th to 22nd October, 2016. WAGGGS will conduct five events organised in Sangam. She suggested that Guide Wing members of International Guest Reception Committee should have to participate in the Sangam Event. The Director informed the house about the five events organised in Sangam. The whole team of International Guest Reception Committee should visit Sangam on first event during the programme. Smt. Rakesh Dhawan, International Commissioner (G) should write to the Sangam about the visit of members of this Committee with a copy to the Hon’ble Chief National Commissioner regarding visit to Sangam. Firstly we should write to Sangam that our International Guest Reception Committee members will visit Sangam during the five events as per their convenience.

Director appealed to the members to increase the more subscribers of National Headquarters Magazine. He also informed that last year 3000 Subscribers and current year 7000 Subscribers of National Headquarters Magazine.

He also informed about the appointment of Miss Chhavi Goyal, WAGGGS Global Advocacy Project National Project Coordinator for WAGGGS Initiatives. She is responsible for WAGGGS Global Projects like Free Being Me, Surf Smart, Stop the Violence, Safer Toilets Project, Hand Wash National Project, Sustainable Development Goals Project and others existing and prospective WAGGGS Advocacy Initiatives. The WAGGGS gives monthly remuneration to her through the National Headquarters for implementing WAGGGS Projects.
The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and the members.

(SUMAN LATA ARORA)  23.2.2016
CONVENOR

(RAKESH DHAWAN)
CHAIRPERSON