

**MINUTES OF EMERGENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF EQUESTRIAN
FEDERATION OF INDIA HELD ON 24TH FEBRUARY 2022 AT ARMY BATTLE
HONOURS MESS, CHANAKYAPURI, NEW DELHI, DELHI – 110 021**

1. An emergent Executive Committee Meeting of Equestrian Federation of India was held on 24th February 2022, at 1000 hrs at Army Battle Honours Mess, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi, Delhi-110021.

2. Following members attended the meeting: -

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| (a) | Lt Gen PR Venkatesh, PVSM, SM | - | Vice President (Vet) |
| (b) | Mr Harish Khokhar | - | Vice President (Fin) |
| (c) | Col Jagat Singh | - | Vice President (Tech) |
| (d) | Col Jaiveer Singh | - | Secretary General |
| (e) | Lt Col MM Rahman | - | Joint Secretary |
| (f) | Col Vikas Thakur | - | Member Medication Control |
| (g) | Col SS Ahlawat, VSM (Retd) | - | Member Dressage |
| (h) | Col Mangal Singh | - | Member Jumping |
| (j) | Dr Sanjay Gupta | - | Member Central Region |
| (k) | <u>Absent</u> | | |
| (i) | Lt Col DP Nanda | - | Member Northern Region |
| (ii) | Ms Vanita Malhotra | - | Chairperson, Athletes Commission |

3. Dr SY Quraishi, learned Observer appointed by the Hon'ble High Court, Delhi was also present in the EC meeting.

4. In terms of provisions as contained in Para 7 of Article 017, Chapter VI of EFI Statutes, the Secretary General proposed to the EC to nominate Lt Gen PR Venkatesh, PVSM, SM (Retd), Vice President (Vet) to chair the meeting. The EC approved the proposal.

5. **Opening Address by the nominated Chair.** The nominated chair of the meeting Lt Gen PR Venkatesh, PVSM, VSM (Retd) welcomed all members and the learned Observer to the EC Meeting. He informed the house that this emergent meeting had been called to discuss and deliberate on actions discussed in the previous EC meeting held on 06 Feb 2022 based on the Inquiry Committee's report received on 05 Feb 2022 related to the issue of Indian Citizens participating on behalf of Nepal in the ITPF World Cup Tent Pegging Qualifier held at Gautam Buddha University, Greater Noida wef 15 to 18 Mar 2021. The nominated chair requested the Secy Gen to proceed with the agenda.

Points	Decision	Action to be taken by
<u>AGENDA-I</u>		
<p>6. <u>ITPF World Cup Tent Pegging Qualifier in India : Participation of Indian Citizens for Nepal Tent Pegging Team.</u> The Secretary General informed the EC that based on their direction on perusal of the Inquiry Committee's report on 06 Feb 2022, Show Cause Notice were issued to the following: -</p> <p>(a) Mr Afsar Ahmad Show Secy, ITPF WCQ & Director Equiwings Sports Riding Club</p> <p>(b) Col Tarsem Singh Ex Member Tent Pegging, EFI</p> <p>(d) Mr Gulamul Murasaleen (Rider) EFI ID – P101266</p> <p>(e) Mr Kapil Kumar (Rider) EFI ID – P101348</p> <p>(f) Mr Vinay Kumar (Rider) EFI ID – P102168</p> <p>(g) Mr Yogendra Yadav (Rider) EFI ID – P102586</p> <p>Their reply was also flashed alongwith the Show Cause Notice. The EC while deliberating on the matter had asked Secretary General and Joint Secretary to leave the meeting till such time they arrived at a reasoned decision.</p>	<p>The EC perused the reply received in relation to the Show Cause Notice issued on behalf of EC based on the Inquiry Committee's report. After due deliberation, the EC in terms of Para 4 of Article 007 of EFI Statutes unanimously decided to suspend the following for a period two years: -</p> <p>(a) Mr Afsar Ahmad Show Secretary ITPF World Cup Qualifier held at Gautam Buddha University Sports Stadium, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh wef 15 to 18 Mar 2021</p> <p>(b) Col Tarsem Singh Ex Member Tent Pegging, EFI</p> <p>(c) Mr Gulamul Murasaleen (Rider) EFI ID – P101266</p> <p>(d) Mr Kapil Kumar (Rider) EFI ID – P101348</p> <p>(e) Mr Vinay Kumar (Rider) EFI ID – P102168</p> <p>(f) Mr Yogendra Yadav (Rider) EFI ID – P102586</p> <p>The EC directed to issue warning to the following individuals for not cooperating with the Inquiry Committee during the time of investigation which resulted in delay in submission of their report:-</p> <p>(a) Mr Nihal Singh Elite Sports Academy</p> <p>(b) Dfr Dinesh GK</p> <p>(c) Asst PO Mohit Kumar</p> <p>(d) NK Sandeep Kumar</p> <p>(e) Rfn BR Jena</p>	Secy Gen


	<p>(f) ASI Harikesh Singh</p> <p>(g) Mr Akif Ahmad</p> <p>The EC also directed to issue counselling to Secretary General and Joint Secretary of EFI.</p>	
<u>AGENDA – II</u>		
<p>7. <u>Any other points with the permission of Chair.</u> The following additional points were also discussed with the permission of the Chair.</p>		
<p>8. <u>Results of Selection Trials till date: 19th Asian Games.</u> The Secretary General informed the house that the following EC members vide email had requested to discuss the three Show Jumping trials for 19th Asian Games in the EC with permission of the Chair: -</p> <p>(a) Col SS Ahlawat, VSM</p> <p>(b) Col Jagat Singh</p> <p>(c) Mr Harish Khokhar</p> <p>(d) Dr Sanjay Gupta</p> <p>The Secretary General flashed the results of Selection Trials of FEI Eventing CCI 2*-Long, FEI Dressage CDI2* and EFI Show Jumping CSN1* & 3* held till date. He also flashed the Course Plan of each Show Jumping CSN1* & 3* held till date.</p>	<p>The EC is of the opinion that the Course Plan of all three CSN 1* & 3* competitions conducted till date to be considered as trials for 19th Asian Games were not upto the level required for Championships. Hence, the EC decided that the participation in 4th & 5th Selection Trials of Show Jumping CSN1* & 3* should be mandatorily for Show Jumping Horse-Rider combination to be considered as probables for Show Jumping for 19th Asian Games. Also, the Course Plan for 4th & 5th trial events should be as per FEI Championships. The results of 4th & 5th Selection Trial Show Jumping will be binding for all Show Jumping Horse-Rider combinations and shall affect the final merit of probables. This decision of EC to be communicated to Selection Committee for their consideration.</p>	<p>Secy Gen</p> <p>VP (Tech)</p> <p>Selection Committee</p>
<p>9. The Secretary General with permission of Chair informed the house that Sports Authority of India (SAI) had sanctioned following fund under ACTC for the year 2020-21: -</p> <p>(a) Sub Juniors - Rs 10 Lacs</p> <p>(b) Juniors - Rs 7 Lacs</p> <p>(c) Seniors - Rs 5 Lacs</p> <p>On submission of Utilization Certificate and Audit report to SAI, they have informed that Rs 4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lacs only) expended for Sub Juniors & Juniors and Rs 28,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Thousand only) expended for Seniors to be returned</p>	<p>The EC approved to return the said funds to SAI.</p>	<p>Secy Gen</p> <p>VP (Fin)</p>

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<p>since participation from affiliated Units was less than mandated 50% in the said events. The Secretary General informed the house that necessary steps will be undertaken with Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS) to get a waiver on this rule for future events to facilitate utilisation of Govt financial assistance for Equestrian sports.</p>		
<p>10. <u>Annual General Body Meeting 2021.</u> The Secretary General with the permission of Chair informed the house that AGM 2021 is pending and proposed the date of 27 Mar 2022.</p>	<p>The EC perused the same and approved to hold AGM 2021 on 27 Mar 2022.</p>	<p>Secy Gen</p>
<p>11. <u>Hiring of an Agency for Live Telecast/Streaming of Equestrian Sports in India through a web application for distribution of content compatible with digital devices</u></p> <p>The Secretary General with the permission of Chair informed the house that the subject matter was forwarded to EC for consideration on email and based on their in-principle approval, an advertisement inviting interested vendors was placed on EFI Website & National Newspapers. The procurement committee was activated. 1 Play Sports India was identified as the vendor with lowest and reasonable rates. Mr Harish Khokhar brought out the efforts should be made to live telecast of X-Country phase of Eventing through static cameras because due to presence of trees, the drones are used above tree line which adversely affects the video quality. The Secretary General said this will be taken up with the firm.</p>	<p>The EC unanimously approved hiring of 1 Play Sports India as per terms given in agreement forwarded to EC members vide email dt 22 Jan 2022.</p>	<p>Secy Gen VP (Fin)</p>
<p>12. <u>Sponsorship Policy.</u> The Secretary General with the permission of Chair brought out that EFI's Sponsorship policy has been completed by the committee which was formed vide Para 11.12 of Minutes of EC meeting held on 20 Aug 2021. The same will be circulated to EC members shortly for their perusal and concurrence. The Secretary General also informed the house that EFI had received form 80G from IT Department to accept funds under Sponsors/Donations/CSR for EFI in Nov 2021. The Secretary General also brought out that there is a need to formulate a legal agreement in case any sponsorer comes forward to</p>	<p>The EC approved to hire a legal firm. However, the EC advised that other law firms should be explored which may charge less. In case in next 10 days no suitable response is received from other law firms then M/s Phalpher & Co can be hired on fee quoted by them.</p>	<p>Secy Gen VP (Fin)</p>

provide financial support to Federation. M/s Phalpher & Co are ready to perform the task at a cost of Rs 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lacs only).	The EC appreciated the efforts of Secretariat to obtain 80G from Govt.	
12. <u>Closing Address by the nominated Chair of the Meeting.</u> Lt Gen PR Venkatesh, PVSM, SM (Retd) thanked Dr SY Quraishi, learned Observer and each EC Members for taking out their precious time from their busy schedule to come and attend the EC meeting.		

Case No : 074/EC/2022
Station : Delhi Cantt-110010
Dated : 02 Mar 2022


(Jaiveer Singh)
Colonel
Secretary General