MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF INDIAN WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION

held on Sunday, 27th of December, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Sports Authority of India, NS NIS, Patiala

Members Present:

List appended separately.

 Welcome: Shri B.P. Baishya, President called the House to order and welcomed dignitaries, guests and participants in the House. President greeted the members Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

President congratulated the Punjab Weightlifting Association for magnificent conduct of 68th Men & 31st Women Senior National Weightlifting Championships being held at Patiala with particular mention about the food quality served to athlete, officials and technical officials.

President told the House that Shri G.R. Beig, Vice President and Shri Mahesh Lohar, Treasurer were unable to attend this meeting due to some family problems.

The President told the House that this meeting has been called to discuss the Agenda items circulated to all the members vide letter dated 16th October 2015.

Item No. 1: Confirmation of Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting held at Thrissur on 4 February 2015:-

The Secretary General informed the House that the Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting held at Thrissur on 4 February 2015 had been circulated to all the members. The members confirmed the receipt of the Minutes and passed it unanimously which was proposed and seconded by following members.

Proposed by:-Shri Kumbasi Subramanya Vice President, Indian Federation

Weightlifting

Seconded by:Shri N.P.S. Chauhan,
Executive Member, Indian Weightlifting
Federation

Item No. 2: Adoption of Audited Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year 2014-15:-

The President informed the House that due to absence of Treasurer, the adoption of Audited Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year 2014-15 will be placed before the next Executive Committee Meeting.

Item No. 3: Report of Secretary General for the year 2015:-

The Secretary General read out the excerpts from the report circulated to the House. Some members queried about the point no. 6 Dope Control Measures. The President told to discuss the point with Agenda Item no. 6 "Review of Anti-Doping Measures". The House unanimously agreed.

Shri N.P.S. Chauhan asked the Secretary General about the Strategic Plan briefed in the Introduction of Report. The Secretary General informed the House about need of publicizing



the sport of weightlifting in electronic and print media and requested the members to get further inputs on the same.

Shri Kumbasi Subramanya requested to include a column for Indian Technical Officials who have been participating in International Events in the recent past. The Secretary General informed the House that it will be taken care of in his next report.

The entire House unanimously approved the report of Secretary General.

<u>Item No. 4.</u> Formation of International Championships Technical Conduct

The President apprised the House that some technical officials lodged a complaint with President, Indian Weightlifting Federation regarding food / TA-DA problem during 2015 Commonwealth Weightlifting Championships held at Pune in October 2015 and to avoid such issues in future, it will be desirable to form a Technical Conduct Committee 6-9 months before the commencement of any International Event being hosted by India.

All the members of the House authorized the President to form such Committee in future.

Proposed by:Shri Narayan Sahu
Vice President, Indian Weightlifting
Federation

Seconded by:Shri Madan Lal Salvi,
Jt. Secretary, Indian Weightlifting
Federation

Item No. 5. Preparation for 2016 Rio Olympic Games:-

The President apprised the House that qualification for 2016 Rio Olympic Games has been concluded with 2015 World Weightlifting Championships held at Houston, USA in November 2015. As per the criteria laid down by International Weightlifting Federation, after combined statistics of 2014 & 2015 World Weightlifting Championships, the best 21 teams in women section will get minimum 2 Olympic berths whereas the best 24 teams in men section will get minimum 3 Olympic berths.

The Indian women team accumulated total of 74 points – 27 during 2014 World Weightlifting Championships at Almaty and 47 during 2015 World Weightlifting Championships at Houston and finished 24th. With recent dope positive cases reported during 2015 World Weightlifting Championships-Houston, the Indian team promoted to 22. The President further apprised the House that due to lesser points earned during 2014 Almaty World Weightlifting Championships by Indian women team, the Country has been deprived of valuable 2 berths. Even with stronger team points in 2014 edition, we could achieve upto 3 Olympic berths by finishing in top 16.

The President told the House that 2016 Asian Weightlifting Championships being held at Samarkhand, Uzbekistan in April 2016 will be last Regional Continental Qualification Event for earning berth for 2016 Rio Olympic Games and India will easily earn 1 berth each in men and women section.

The President apprised the House that due to sudden and unexpected dope positive cases reported during 2015 Commonwealth Championships at Pune, the team lost Pramila Krisani who could have given the team atleast 10 more valuable points which will be superiorly place India within top 20 positions.



2014 being the Commonwealth Games year – the athletes who have participated in the Commonwealth Games – Glasgow had not participated in Almaty World Weightlifting Championships on one pretext or the other.

It was proposed to chalk out a stricter policy for athletes who will be participating during Commonwealth Games held in cycle of every 4 years with certain undertakings and conditions.

The President announced that the final team participating in 2016 Rio Olympic Games will be getting foreign exposure before the Olympic Games to get the performance momentum and possible medal hopes.

Shri N.P.S. Chauhan cited the example of Sukhen Dey, a lifter who finished with a total of 252 kgs during 19th Commonwealth Games and his recent performance at Houston has come down to 235 kgs.

The President replied that the performance of Senior athletes have been lagging way behind the Youth and Junior athletes and cited the example of S. Mirabai Chanu who has improved upon and given her best performance during Houston Senior World Championships.

Shri Pal Singh Sandhu recommended to take strict action against those athletes who refused to participate during Senior World Weightlifting Championships as it is a qualification event for Olympic Games by not selecting them for next Commonwealth Championships.

Shri Kumbasi Subramanya recommended to educate the National campers and inspire them to adopt Nationalism ahead of anything else and announce some cash incentive for those participating in World Weightlifting Championships.

Shri Suresh Sehgal recommended the increase of the bench strength of athletes to field 2 best teams during such events as Selection Committee will be left in dilemma for selection of athletes due to lesser number of competent athletes available in the National camps.

Shri N.P.S. Chauhan recommended to attach a psychologist and to educate the athletes for performing their national responsibility.

Shri D. Chandrahas Rai recommended for a time bound program for 2020 Olympic Games.

Some members recommended for formation of Motivation Committee for athletes.

The Chair recommended to take an undertaking from all athletes participating in Commonwealth Games regarding their mandatory participation in Senior World Championships as and when held.

Shri Sahdev Yadav told the House that it was difficult to change the mentality of athletes and cited the example of M. Santoshi's performance at Houston World Championships where she is not interested to repeat her performance of Commonwealth Championships. Punam Yadav was motivated by him 1 day before the competition which has resulted in her best performance and eventually helped the team to gain valuable points.



He further appealed to all Executive Committee members to take a unanimous decision of barring such athletes from cash incentive and meritorious sports awards who are playing for themselves and not for the Country.

The President after taking the suggestions from all the members announced that the entire Executive Committee will interact with the Rio Olympic participants in a brief lunch meeting to be held in the year 2016. Dates and venue will be communicated later on by the Secretariat office of Indian Weightlifting Federation.

The President announced to form a 3/4 member Committee and a draft proposal will be put up in the next Executive Committee for final approval.

Shri Kumbasi Subramanya suggested to draft the proposal in such a way that it will not hinder Natural Justice.

Item No. 6: Bidding of Youth (Boys & Girls), Junior (Men & Women) and Senior (Men & Women) National Weightlifting Championships for the year 2016-17:-

The Secretary General informed the House that Uttarakhand Weightlifting Association has put their bid for conduct of 12th National Youth (Boys & Girls) and 53rd Men & 29th Women Junior National Weightlifting Championships at Kashipur in October 2016.

After deliberations, the House has unanimously given approval on the above.

Proposed by:-Shri Ratan Lal Sharma, Vice Presidents, Indian Weightlifting Federation

Seconded by:Shri K.D.S. Nagra,
Executive Member, Indian Weightlifting
Federation

Regarding conduct of 69th Men & 32nd Women Senior National Weightlifting Championships, this will be discussed in the General Council Meeting.

The President further announced that one representative from Federation will be inspecting the venue and submit his report to him.

Item No. 7: Review of Anti-Doping measures:-

The Secretary General informed the House that 628 dope samples were taken by National Anti-Doping Agency in the year 2015 upto 10.11.2015. Break up as under:-

YOUTH NATIONALS –
 YAMUNA NAGAR JAN 2015

58 NOS.

 JUNIOR NATIONALS – YAMUNA NAGAR JAN 2015

57 NOS.

3. SENIOR NATIONALS – JAIPUR MAR 2015

63 NOS.

 OUT OF COMPETITION – NATIONAL CAMPS PATIALA

288 NOS.



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- 5. DEPARTMENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 70 NOS. AND STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
- INTER-UNIVERSITY COMPETITIONS 50 NOS.
- 7. SCHOOL GAMES

42 NOS.

Out of above samples, 5 cases were reported positive in the National coaching camp and 37 cases amongst Youth, Junior & Senior National Championships, Departmental Games, State Championships, Inter-University and School Games.

Shri Sahdev Yadav told the House that conduct of State Championships in each affiliated unit is compulsory as per new SAI guidelines for availing grant for hosting of National Championships every year. He further read out a list in which only 9 states and units have informed about the conduct of dope test during their State Championships / Selections trials – 2 states have informed very late after conducting their State Championships / Selections trials which is non compliant of resolution adopted by Executive Committee in its meeting dated 22.2.2014 at New Delhi.

He further informed that a specific dope control undertaking along with photograph of athlete and concerned coach has to be submitted to the Federation office after conduct of their State Championships / Selection trials.

The President apprised the House of the recent doping incident of Pramila Krisani and Minati Sethi who have tested negative on 9th October 2015 in the samples taken by National Anti-Doping Agency at New Delhi during their transit stay for U.S. VISA formalities. On 12th & 13th October 2015 respectively during the 2015 Commonwealth Championships-Pune both were tested positive for a banned drug by WADA / IWF which is of no use for performance enhancement in such a short span. It was also evident from the present record of both the athletes that they are clear winner and will not resort to any performance enhancing drugs and they are also participating in International events since long period. Pramila Krisani is a Junior lifter as on date with technical correctness belonged a very poor family (below poverty line) with no shelter at her home town has been victimized due to the sabotage done by some selfish athletes and their ill partners. This was mainly done to dethrone the reigning office bearers of Indian Weightlifting Federation.

On the plea of both the athletes and favourable circumstantial evidence, the President, Indian Weightlifting Federation has formed an Inquiry Committee to look into this matter expeditiously. The report of the Committee is pending and will come out soon.

The President also apprised the House regarding meeting held with Director General, Sports Authority of India on 21st December 2015 at Delhi where this issue was discussed at length. The D.G. SAI has suggested certain guidelines for National campers which include personal meeting of any visitor in front of coach in a public lobby. No camper is allowed to take any personal guests to his/her rooms in the National camps. The President also request the Government of India to conduct a C.I.D. inquiry in this case to catch the culprit and this matter is under consideration by the Government.

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The President also tender his resignation in the House which was denied by the entire House unanimously.

The President will fight the case of Pramila Krisani with International Weightlifting Federation and World Anti-Doping Agency and the entire House unanimously agreed and authorized President to do so.

Proposed by:-

Shri Kumbasi Subramanya and Shri Bhabajyoti Goswami, Vice Presidents, Indian Weightlifting Federation

Seconded by:-

Shri Ratan Lal Sharma, Vice President, Indian Weightlifting Federation Shri Sushil Bhardwaj, Executive Member, Indian Weightlifting Federation

Shri Kumbasi Subramanya quoted the news article published in The Hindustan Times about food supplements procured by the Federation as some of them are not dope free. The President quashed it and apprised the House that the Lab Analysis Report of German Laboratory was submitted to Sports Authority of India which clearly states that all the supplements are dope free and some people sitting outside are misleading the common man by publishing false articles due to their vested interests.

All the 5 campers who had been tested positive in the National camps have admitted in writing that they have purchased local food supplements (FINAJET) from OUTSIDE the SAI, NS NIS, Patiala campus from a local chemist from Ludhiana and also submit the purchase invoice of the chemist shop. This supplement is found suspicious for contamination.

The President apprised the House that Shri Sahdev Yadav wanted to relieve from the administrative duties entrusted to him by the House but was denied to do so by President himself as he is working very hard in all administrative matters connected to National camps, Selection trials, Dope and other related day to day matters with Sports Authority of India and Government of India.

He further apprised the House that taking moral responsibility of recent dope positive cases in the National coaching camps Shri Vijay Sharma, National coach also tender his resignation. The President requested him to continue till the 2016 Rio Olympic Games and intervening Qualification Event.

The President announced formation of a 3 Member Committee for procurement of food supplements as under:-

- 1. Shri Sahdev Yadav, Vice President
- 2. Shri Tara Singh, Arjuna Awardee
- 3. Shri D. Chandrahas Rai, Secretary General

For the purpose of procuring food supplements, a proper advertisement will be given in local newspapers and tender procedure will be followed as per Government of India norms.

Proposed by:-

Shri Badeti Venkatramaiah, Vice President, Indian Weightlifting Federation

Seconded by:-

Shri Yudhvir Singh, Executive Member, Indian Weightlifting Federation



Item No. 8: Amendment to the Constitution in Article XIII - 2 h):-

The President apprised the House that the amendment in the Constitution in Article XIII - 2 h) is proposed due to payment of VISA fee which was to be made in Cash to respective Embassy / Consulates of foreign countries and most of the times, the amount of Rs. 25,000/- will remain short in payment.

After deliberations, the entire House unanimously resolved to amend the Constitution as under:-

Article XIII

Power and Duties of Office Bearers

2. Secretary General

h) Receive from the Honorary Treasurer and imprest cash upto Rs. 50,000/-.

Proposed by:-

Shri Ratan Lal Sharma & Shri Bhabajyoti Goswami, Vice Presidents, Indian Weightlifting Federation

Seconded by:-

bajyoti Shri N.P.S. Chauhan & Shri Yudhvir Singh, Indian Executive Members, Indian Weightlifting Federation

Item No. 9 Any other business with permission of the Chair:-

1. Shri Kumbasi Subramanya requested the Chair to revise the National calendar for benefit of Youth and Junior athletes by conducting Youth & Junior National Weightlifting Championships by December every year.

The President approved the request of Shri Kumbasi Subramanya and announced to conduct Youth & Junior National Championships in month of October every year and to finish the calendar for Senior National Championships latest by 15th December every year.

In order to benefit the Youth and Junior athletes for this years' Patna Youth & Junior National Weightlifting Championships which was postponed due to Elections in Bihar and 12th South Asian Games at Guwahati, as a special case age relaxation will be applicable at Patna.

The entire House applauded.

- 2. The President apprised the House to form an Adhoc Committee in 3 affiliated units of Indian Weightlifting Federation are into dispute resolution and due to non activity in Weightlifting Championships and non compliance of relevant documentary formalities including financial audit statements and non conduct of District / State level Championships:-
 - (a) Puducherry
 - (b) Jharkhand
 - (c) Megahalaya



The Puducherry Weightlifting Association has violated the Constitutional provisions of Indian Weightlifting Federation and 5 members Adhoc Committee is proposed with inclusion of 3 members from General Council of Indian Weightlifting Federation and 2 persons from Puducherry.

Regarding Jharkhand and Meghalaya, the President will consult their State Olympic Association and request them to conduct fresh elections in these states before making a final decision in the matter. The House authorized President to take a decision in matter of Jharkhand and Meghalaya.

Proposed by:-

Shri Badeti Venkatramaiah & Shri Narayan Shri N.P.S. Chauhan, Executive Member, Sahu, Vice Presidents, Indian Weightlifting Indian Weightlifting Federation Federation

Seconded by:-

3. Shri Kumbasi Subramanya told the Chair that an email was received from Sqn. Ldr. B.R. Gulati intimating about stay order of High Court wherein his services as Life Associate of the Federation was not complied with by not sending him the notice of Executive Committee and General Council Meetings of Indian Weightlifting Federation.

The President apprised the House that since no factual record was available about membership of Life Associate, the appeal of Shri Gulati cannot be accepted. The entire House unanimously approved the same.

Proposed by:-

Shri K.D.S. Nagra, Executive Member, Indian Weightlifting Federation

Seconded by:-

Shri Sushil Bhardwaj, Executive Member, Indian Weightlifting Federation

The President invited all the members to witness the 12th South Asian Games - Guwahati in February 2016:

As there is no other business to be transacted, the Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Encl. as above.

D. Chandrahas Rail Secretary General

ATTENDANCE SHEET

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF INDIAN WEIGHTLIFTING FEDERATION HELD AT SAI NS NIS, PATIALA ON 27 DECEMBER 2015 AT 1100 HOURS

S.No.	Name	Designation	Signature
1	Birendra Prasad Baishya	President	159
2	G.R. Beig	Vice President	
3	K. Subramanya	Vice President	Kermana
4	Sahdev Yadav	Vice President	34.12
5	Ratan Lal Sharma	Vice President	matri
6	B. Venkatramiah	Vice President	R. Vensch 22/1415
7	Bhabajyoti Goswami	Vice President	Com
8	Narayan Sahu	Vice President	Alexander 12/12/19
9	Abraham Techi	Vice President	'1
_10	Paramjit Singh	Vice President	/
11	G. Gunasekaran	Vice President	
12	Suresh Sehgal	Associate Vice President	is.
13	Vijay Baghel	Associate Vice President	
14	H.S. Bansal	Associate VicePresident	J. Borrel
15	P. Dayanand Pai	Associate Vice President	
16	K. Suryanarayana	Associate Vice President	16 hyann
17	D. Chandrahas Rai	Secretary General	\$
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19	Madan Lal Salvi	Joint Secretary	heids
20	Devesh Ch. Roy	Joint Secretary	
21	Jayesh Naik	Joint Secretary	
22	Manu Jacob	Joint Secretary	
23	Mahesh Lohar	Treasurer	
24	N.P.S. Chauhan	Executive Member	May S
25	K.D.S. Nagra	Executive Member	\$ sa Nagra
26	Yudhvir Singh	Executive Member	JYV
27	Sushil Bhardwaj	Executive Member	January
28	Pal Singh Sandhu	By Special Invitation	heart