

**MINUTES OF THE 52<sup>ND</sup> YAI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**28 DEC 2020**

1. The 52<sup>nd</sup> YAI Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held at 1430 Hrs on 28 Dec 20 on Airtel Blue Jeans Portal. The following Council Members were present:-

**Chairman**

Admiral Karambir Singh, PVSM, AVSM, ADC                      President

**Members**

Lt Gen SK Shrivastava (Retd)	Senior Vice President
Maj Gen MS Pillai (Retd)	Chairman Youth Classes Committee
Mr. Atul Kulkarni	Chairman Sailing and Club Development Committee
Mr. Ashok Thakkar	Chairman Fund Raising and Publicity Committee
Mr. Suheim Sheikh	Chairman Sailing Performance and Development Committee
Ms. Nilma Shah	Chairperson Women Sailing Committee
Cmde Amarjeet Saluja	Treasurer
Dr. Malav Shroff	Co-opted Member
Cdr Abhilash Tomy	Co-opted Member
Cmde BR Singh	Honorary Secretary General
Captain Jitendra Dixit	Honorary Joint Secretary General

2. **Attendance of Member Clubs and Life Associate Members.** The following affiliated State Associations, Class Associations and Clubs were present during the meeting:-

<b><u>Ser</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Club/ Life Member</u></b>
(a)	A Anand	Life Member
(b)	Ajit Diaz	Life Member/ Chennai Sailing Academy
(c)	Cmde Anil Joseph	INWTC Kochi
(d)	Ashok R.Thakkar	Life Member/ TNSA/ 9er Class Assn/ Council Member
(e)	Atul Kulkarni	Life Member/ Council Member
(f)	Anil Madgaonkar	All India Board Sailing Association
(g)	Brig GS Julka	Life Member
(h)	Capt TG Kumar	INWTC Kolkata
(j)	Capt Tribhuwan Jaiswal	Life Member / INWTC Vizag
(k)	Captain Jitendra Dixit	HJSG YAI
(l)	Cesar Menezes	Life Member/ All India Board Sailing Association

(m)	Col MK Singh	Marve Sailing Club
(n)	Cdr Abhilash Tomy	Life Member/ Co-opted Council Member
(p)	Cdr SP Singh	Life Member / INWTC Goa
(q)	Cmde N Nangia	INWTC Lonavala
(r)	Adm Karambir Singh	President YAI
(s)	Col N S Johal	Life Member / Army Yachting Node
(t)	Maj Neeraj Kumar Yadav	Corps of Engineers Sailing Club
(u)	Cdr Tarandeep Bakshi	INWTC Mumbai / 470 Class Association/ Enterprise Class Association
(v)	Maj Vikram Singh	EME Sailing Association
(w)	Cmde BR Singh	HSG YAI
(x)	Lt Cdr Sandeep Kumar Tomar	INWTC Chilka
(y)		INWTC Hamla
(z)		INWTC Mandovi
(aa)		INWTC Shivaji
(bb)	Cmde Ajay Patney	INWTC Jamnagar
(cc)	Brig Jagdish singh	Life Member
(dd)	Jolly Thomas	KWSO
(ee)	Captain Manjit Thomas	OSC Kochi
(ff)	Koneru Prabhakara Rao	Life Member
(gg)	Lt Cdr Sunny Jaiswal	INWTC Kolkata
(hh)	Lt Gen SK Shrivastava (Retd)	Life Member/ Council Member
(ii)	Maj Gen M S Pillai (Retd)	Life Member/ Council Member
(jj)	Malav Shroff	Life Member/ Co-opted Council Member
(kk)	Col Manoj Ranjan	Life Member/ NOAI
(ll)	Muthanna TM	INWTC Dronacharya
(mm)	Mylai Prabhakar	Life Member
(nn)	Nilma Shah	Life Member/ Council Member
(oo)	Col S K Kanwar	Life Member
(pp)	Captain Manish Sain	INSA/ J24 Class Association
(qq)	Col Shailendra Rawat	Life Member/ Army Yachting Node
(rr)	Siddharth Satardekar	Life Member/ Goa Yachting Association
(ss)	Suheim Sheikh	Life Member / YCH/ Council Member
(tt)	Sunil Lobo	Life Member
(uu)	Taramati Matiwade	Life Member
(vv)	Vivek Shangbag	Life Member / RMYC
(ww)	Chhaya Batra	Asst Secy YAI
(xx)	Alok Beura	
(yy)	Lt Cdr Amrit Pal Singh	INWTC Karwar
(zz)	Dadi	TSA

(aaa)	Cmde Amarjeet Saluja	Treasurer YAI
(bbb)	Pranaya Chauhan	Secunderabad Sailing Club
(ccc)	Arjun Pradipak	Secunderabad Sailing Club
(ddd)	Capt Arun Kumar Peri	INWTC Jamnagar
(eee)	Cdr BK Dhudane	INWTC Karanja
(fff)	Maj Gen JS Sidana	EMESA

3. The HSG welcomed all the General Body Members and briefed about the sequence of proceedings for the day. Thereafter HSG requested the President YAI to deliver his opening address.

### **Item No. I – President's Opening Address**

4. At the outset, the President YAI extended a very warm welcome to all the Council members, Representatives of the Member Clubs, State & Class Associations, Life Associate members of the YAI and eminent yachtpersons from sailing fraternity. He thanked all members for having taken time from their busy schedule to attend the 52<sup>nd</sup> General Body Meeting.

5. The President stated that the country and the world have been under the grip of COVID 19 pandemic since early 2020 and the humanity as a whole has suffered including the sporting activities. Though the pandemic has forced us to conduct this AGM online, during the past AGMs, the members of the house have always participated wholeheartedly in the discussions and cooperated in resolving some of the teething issues. The President sought similar cooperation from the yachting fraternity wherein a matured and positive outlook is displayed so that the General Body can collectively take effective decisions to take the sport of sailing to greater heights.

6. The President brought out that the Indian sailing teams have participated in six International events since last AGM in Oct 19. Some of the noteworthy performances have been by Subedar Vishnu Saravanan of AYN who won a Bronze at Laser Std U21World Championship, Split, Croatia in end Oct 19, 49er team of Ganapathy and Varun won a Silver in the Asian Championship at Abu Dhabi in Nov 19 and Ms Nethra Kumanan won Bronze at the Hempel World Cup Series, Miami, USA in Jan 20.

7. The President further highlighted that all sailing events both International and National had to be cancelled in adherence to the Govt directives and keeping the safety of athletes in mind. The Tokyo 2020 Olympics have also been postponed to 2021. The training and participation of 49er, Laser Std, Laser Radial and RS X teams in the Asian Olympic qualifiers at Abu Dhabi from 23 Feb – 23 Mar 20 had to be cut short due to the breakout of pandemic. The Asian Olympic qualifiers at Abu Dhabi are now scheduled from 14-21 Feb 21. YAI wishes Indian Team all the luck and hope the sailors will be able to achieve the qualification for Tokyo Olympics 2020.

8. The President informed the General Body that the ACTC approval for the current year has been delayed due to the cancellation of most of the International events due to pandemic and the 54 NSFs recognition case at Delhi High Court. YAI Sectt is processing the case for Olympics qualifiers with SAI. The MYAS has granted the annual recognition to YAI in Dec 20 with the directives to align with the National Sports Code 2011 within next 12 months. He requested the General Body to suggest the way ahead

and action plan for affiliation of 75% of States/ UTs as mandated by National Sports Code.

9. The President was pleased to share that the MYAS/ SAI has renewed the Contract of Mr Tomasz Januszewski, the YAI Chief National Coach till Aug 21. YAI has also promulgated the new policies for Sailor's Ranking, Ranking Regattas, Selection & Nomination Policy and Race Officials/ Judges/ Measurers policies post extensive deliberations with the sailing fraternity at large.

10. The President stated that the IOA during their AGM held on 22 Dec 18 had downgraded membership of the YAI to Associate Member without Voting Rights. However, status quo has been maintained during the IOA AGM held on 26 Dec 19. On the IOA directives all Federations were to constitute an Athlete Commission. The election of new Athlete Commission was conducted during the yachting Nationals on 02 Dec 19 and the new YAI Athlete Commission has been constituted wef 11 Dec 19.

11. The President was pleased to share with the members that during the lockdown restrictions, online training sessions and lectures were organised by YAI on topics covering the entire gamut of sailing and physical fitness. It was opined that our sailors must have immensely benefitted from the online lectures and talks. YAI would continue to leverage on the technology and schedule online training lectures and talks in the future also.

12. The President emphasised that the domestic sailing activities were commenced following the SOPs and COVID protocols wherein Telangana State Open Championship and 75 Knots Regatta were conducted in Oct 20 by Telangana Sailing Association and Goa Yachting Association respectively. The incident free and successful conduct of YAI Senior Nationals by INWTC Mumbai in Nov 20 has given Indian sailors the required tempo to get into the competitive mode prior to the scheduled Olympics qualifiers.

13. The President stated that it has been YAI's endeavour to maintain a younger age profile of our team. Accordingly, sailors with potential must be encouraged and given an opportunity to participate in foreign circuits. Development of women teams in all classes also needs more emphasis. We have to plan for Olympic 2024 and beyond and try to expedite preparedness towards participation into new categories like Kiteboard sailing, mixed team keelboat and two person dinghy sailing. The issue of gender equality needs utmost emphasis and we all have to work collectively to achieve the goal.

14. The President emphasised that the YAI always endeavoured to function within the stipulated rules and regulations for the betterment of the sport of sailing. With the whole hearted support from Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Sports Authority of India and IOA, we are confident of producing a historic result at the forthcoming Olympics and beyond.

15. In the end, the President thanked the yachting community for their very matured and whole hearted support which has helped propel the sport throughout the country. He hoped to look forward to some constructive suggestions and recommendations especially from some of the very senior and experienced yachtpersons who have taken the pains to attend this 52<sup>nd</sup> General Body Meeting. The President was confident that if we can all pull on our oars together, there is no reason why Indian yachtpersons cannot conquer the challenges at the Olympic level.

16. The President thereafter requested the Hon Secretary General to commence the proceedings of the AGM.

**Item No. II - To Approve & Confirm Minutes of the Annual General Body Meeting of 24 Oct 2019**

17. The HSG brought out that the next item on the agenda was to confirm the Minutes of the General Body meeting held on 24 Oct 19. He also informed the house that a copy of the Minutes of the AGM was placed on the YAI Website. No comments or observations were received from any Member Club on the Minutes. The HSG thereafter sought to confirm the Minutes from the General Body.

18. The house unanimously accepted the Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 Oct 19.

<b><u>Proposed By</u></b>	<b><u>Seconded By</u></b>
Mr Ajit Diaz Chennai Sailing Academy	Capt Manish Sain Capt (INSA)

**Info: All Members**

**Item No. III . To Receive, Consider and Adopt the Profit and Loss Account for the Financial Year ended on 31 March 2020 and the Balance Sheet as on that date and the report of Auditors' thereon**

19. The Treasurer made a presentation to the General Body on the state of accounts of YAI. The Treasurer informed the House that the audit of accounts for the FY 2018-19 had been approved by the General Body during the AGM held on 24 Oct 19. He stated that copies of the accounts had been submitted to the AGCR, the statutory Government Authority for auditing all central revenue accounts. He further stated that there were no audit objections raised by the AGCR thus far.

20. The Treasurer thereafter highlighted the financial report for the FY 2019 - 20 and stated that the audited accounts for FY 2019 - 20 reflected an 'Excess' of Expenditure over Income of Rs 4.78 lakhs.

21. The Treasurer further stated that the Profit and Loss A/c for the FY 2019-20 and the Balance Sheet as on that date including the Auditor's report thereon had been approved by the YAI Council. He thereafter sought approval of the General Body for adoption of the Profit and Loss A/c for the FY 2019-20 and the Balance Sheet as on that date including the Auditor's report thereon.

22. The House unanimously accepted the Profit and Loss A/c for the FY 2019-20 and the Balance Sheet as on that date including the Auditor's report thereon.

<b><u>Proposed By</u></b>	<b><u>Seconded By</u></b>
Mr Siddharth Satardekar Goa Yachting Association	Cdr SP Singh INWTC Goa

**Info: All Members**

**Item No. IV - To consider and if thought fit to pass with or without modification(s), the ordinary resolution appointing M/s Sanjay Pathak & Associates, Chartered Accountants as Auditors of the Association**

23. The Treasurer stated that M/s Sanjay Pathak & Associates were appointed as statutory auditors during the last AGM, and their performance has been satisfactory. It was, therefore, recommended that the same auditors be retained for FY 2020-21. He also informed the house that as per the Company's Act, M/s Sanjay Pathak & Associates met the criteria for appointment as auditors. The Treasurer thereafter sought approval of the House for appointment of the auditors by quoting:-

“RESOLVED THAT subject to the provisions of sub section (2) of section 16 and other applicable provisions, if any, of the West Bengal Societies Registration Act 1961, M/s. Sanjay Pathak & Associates, Chartered Accountants, are hereby appointed as Auditors of the Association to hold office from the conclusion of this General Body Meeting up to the conclusion of the next General Body Meeting, to audit the accounts of the Association for the financial year 2019-20 at a remuneration of Rs. 28,000.00 (Rupees Twenty Eight thousand only) o the recommendation of the council.

24. The house unanimously approved the appointment of M/s Sanjay Pathak & Associates at a remuneration of Rs. 28,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight thousand only) as recommended by the Council.

<b><u>Proposed By</u></b>	<b><u>Seconded By</u></b>
Major Neeraj Kumar Yadav CESC	Mr Derrick Menezes All India Board Sailing Association

**Info: All Members**

**Item No. V – Honorary Secretary General's Report for 52<sup>nd</sup> YAI AGM**

25. The HSG thereafter briefed the General Body on the activities undertaken and issues being dealt with at YAI.

26. The HSG highlighted that post commencement of lockdown in Mar 20, the country and the world has been under the grip of COVID 19 pandemic and the sporting activities have suffered a lot. All sailing events both International and National had to be cancelled in adherence to Govt directives and keeping the safety of athletes in mind. The Tokyo 2020 Olympics have also been postponed to 2021.

27. **Annual Calendar of Training and Competition (ACTC) for FY 2020-21.** It was intimated that the ACTC approval for the current year has been delayed due to the cancellation of most of the International events due to pandemic and the 54 NSFs recognition case at Delhi High Court. It is to be noted that the training and participation of 49er, Laser Std, Laser Radial and RS X teams in the Asian Olympic qualifiers at Abu Dhabi from 23 Feb – 23 Mar 20 had to be cut short due to breakout of pandemic. The Asian Olympic qualifiers at Abu Dhabi are now scheduled from 14-21 Feb 21. YAI Sectt is processing the case for Olympics qualifiers with SAI. The proposed ACTC from 01 Jan - 31 Mar 21 is as follows:-

<b>Ser</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Budget Senior</b>	<b>Budget Junior</b>	<b>Budget Total</b>
(a)	International Training for Senior and Junior category	1,04,92,800.00	nil	1,04,92,800.00
(b)	International Competition for Senior and Junior category	29,26,110.00	nil	29,26,110.00
(c)	National Championship for Senior and Junior	nil	nil	nil
(d)	Remuneration for coaches and support staffs	1,08,00,000.00	-	1,08,00,000.00
(e)	Equipment and consumables	-	-	-
(f)	International Competition in India	nil	nil	nil
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,42,18,910.00</b>	<b>nil</b>	<b>2,42,18,910.00</b>

28. The participation in international events post last AGM is as follows: -

- (a) Laser Std U21 World Championship, Split, Croatia, (26 Oct – 02 Nov 19). Sub Vishnu Saravanan won Bronze medal.
- (b) 49er Asian Championship, Abu Dhabi (04 Nov - 09 Nov 19). Ganapathy/ Varun won Silver medal.
- (c) 49er Oceania Championship 2019, Auckland (25 - 27 Nov 19).
- (d) 49er World Championship 2019, Auckland (29 Nov- 08 Dec 19).
- (e) 470 Asian Championships 2019, Shenzhen, China (16 – 21 Dec 19).
- (f) Hempel World Cup Series Miami, USA (19 - 25 Jan 20). Nethra Kumanan won the Laser Radial bronze medal.

29. **Participation in Forthcoming International Events.**

- (a) Training and participation in Asian Olympics Qualifiers for 49er, 49er FX, Laser Std, Laser Radial and RSX from 25 Jan – 21 Feb 21 at Abu Dhabi.
- (b) 6<sup>th</sup> Asian Beach Games for Opti, Laser 4.7 and Techno 293 from 02– 10 Apr 21 at Sanya, China.

30. **Domestic Ranking Events.**

- (a) **Sail India 2019**, a Senior and Junior National Championships was organised and conducted by Indian Army Yachting Node (AYN) on behalf of the Yachting Association of India (YAI) from 01 - 07 Dec 19 at Girgaum Chowpatty, Marine Drive, Mumbai. This Regatta was the largest sailing event in

the country ever held, with a participation of over 363 competitive sailors, 290 competing boats, 25 Officials including five members of International Jury from Poland, Singapore, Turkey, South Korea and China. The competitors aged from 8 to 60 years consisted of a sizeable number of young girls and women. The intent of the regatta was also to reach out to the youth and the general populace to encourage the spirit of the sport of sailing and develop future sailors for the country. The regatta spread over four days had a total of 16 classes of boats in the Junior and Senior Division, with a series of 12 races conducted in each class. The races were conducted off the waters of Girgaum Chowpatty in three different courses monitored by a panel of international jury, and were contested by the top ranked and most experienced competitive sailors of the country. A total of 180 races were conducted in four and a half days. The regatta achieved its intended aim of getting the sailing community of fresh young sailors and seasoned sailors together, as also delivering to the common public the spectacle of the exciting sport of sailing in the most visited place in the country, i.e, Marine Drive and Girgaum Chowpatty. The event ensured that a huge public awareness was created and it also influenced the city's policy makers in the Government and Civil organisation about the importance of Mumbai as a future international sailing destination.

(b) **YAI Senior Nationals 2020.** The incident free and successful conduct of YAI Senior Nationals (IN-MDL Cup) by INWTC Mumbai in Nov 20 has given Indian sailors the required tempo to get into the competitive mode prior to the scheduled Olympics qualifiers. A total of 123 sailors participated in 49er, 49erFX, Laser Std, Laser Radial, 470 Men, 470 Mixed, RS X Men & Women classes. 470 Mixed and RS X Women classes were sailed for the very first time. The effort put in by INWTC Mumbai towards conduct of Senior Nationals in a very difficult time has been praised by one and all.

(c) **Other Non-Ranking Regattas.** The sailing activities post lockdown were commenced following the SOPs and COVID protocols wherein Telangana State Open Championship and 75 Knots Regatta were conducted in Oct 20 by Telangana Sailing Association and Goa Yachting Association respectively.

31. **Seminars/ Clinics for NRO/NJ.** The following two seminars were conducted by World Sailing approved Instructors:-

(a) **National Race Officers (NRO) Seminar.** National Race Officers (NRO) Seminar was conducted from 27-28 Nov 19 at AYN Mumbai by Mr Ilker Bayindir, International Race Officer. 04 out of 27 participants qualified written exam & are required to meet laid down criteria for appointment as NRO.

(b) **National Judges (NJ) Seminar.** National Judges (NJ) Seminar was conducted from 29 Nov-01 Dec 19 at AYN Mumbai by Mr Ilker Bayindir, World Sailing Instructor. 07 out of 20 participants got qualifying marks for NJ. Qualified individuals are required to meet laid down criteria for appointment as NJ.



38. **Domestic Sailing Calendar 2021.** HSG briefed about the sailing calendar and the upcoming events.

<b><u>Month</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>	<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Venue</u></b>	<b><u>Host Club</u></b>
27-31 Jan 21	Open Navy Windsurfing Championship ( <b><u>Ranking Event</u></b> )	RS:X, RS One for Men and Women	Goa	INWTC Goa
26 Jan 21	Custom Cup Regatta 2021	Keel Boats	Mumbai	BCYC
11-14 Mar 21	Offshore Regatta	J80	Chennai – Puducherry - Chennai	RMYC
19-23 Apr 21	470/49er Seniors Open Championship ( <b><u>Ranking Event &amp; Asian Games Selection Trial 1 for 470 &amp; 49er Classes</u></b> )	470 Men, Women & Mixed, 49er & 49erFX	Mumbal	INWTC Mumbai
24- 28 Apr 21	All India Boardsailing Championships ( <b><u>Ranking Event &amp; Asian Games Selection Trial 1 for RS:X &amp; RS One</u></b> )	RS:X, Windsurfing Foil, Kitesurfing, RS:One, Techno OD 293, Raceboard	Hawaii Beach Dona Paula Goa	Goa Yachting Association
07-12 May 21	YAI Youth Nationals ( <b><u>Ranking Event &amp; Asian Games Selection Trial 1 for Youth Classes</u></b> )	Optimist, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, 420, 29er, RS One	Marve, Mumbai	CESC

17-23 May 21	YAI Senior National Championship ( <u>Ranking Event &amp; Asian Games Selection Trial 1 for Laser Std &amp; Radial, Selection Trial 2 for 470 Class, 49er &amp; 49erFX, RS:X</u> )	49er & 49er FX, 470 Men/ Women/ Mixed, Laser Standard, Laser Radial, Finn & RS:X Men/ Women	Mumbai	INWTC Mumbai
28-30 May 21	FOTNA CUP	Multi class - NT, 420, Omega, Laser, 29er, Optimist, Seabird, J80	Chennai	RMYC
07-12 Jun 21	Pavana Regatta	Optimist, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, 420, 29er, RS One	Pune	CESC
23-27 Jun 21	Telangana State Regatta	Optimist, Laser 4.7	Hyderabad	TSA
04-11 Jul 2021	35 <sup>th</sup> Hyderabad Sailing Week ( <u>Ranking Event &amp; Asian Games Selection Trial 2 for Lasers</u> )	Laser Std, Radial, 4.7	EME Sailing Association, Hussain Sagar, Hyderabad	LCAI, EMESA & SSC
12-18 Jul 21	Monsoon Regatta ( <u>Ranking Event for Optimists</u> )	Optimist, Youth Laser radial & 4.7	Hyderabad	YCH
23-25 Jul 21	Carmichael Cup	J80 & Seabird	Chennai	RMYC
01-06 Aug 2021	Bhopal Multi Class Youth Championship ( <u>Ranking Event</u> )	29er, 420, Laser Radial/ 4.7, RS:One, & Optimist	Upper Lake Bhopal	NSS Bhopal

<b>27 Aug – 02 Sep 2021</b>	<b>Mysore Multi Class Youth Championship (Ranking Event)</b>	<b>29er, 420, Laser Radial/ 4.7, RS:One, &amp; Optimist</b>	<b>Mysore</b>	<b>Trishna Sailing Club</b>
04-07 Sep 21	Offshore Regatta	J80	Chennai	RMYC
10-13 Oct 2021	75 Knots Regatta, Masters	Windsurfing, Seabird and others	Hawaii Beach, Dona Paula Beach, Goa	Goa Yachting Association
<b>09-15 Dec 21</b>	<b>Sail India 2021 (Ranking Event)</b>	<b>49er &amp; 49er FX, 470 Men/ Women/ Mixed, Laser Standard, Laser Radial, Finn &amp; RS:X Men/ Women</b>	<b>Mumbai</b>	<b>AYN</b>
TBA	100 NM Regatta	Keelboats	Mumbai	INWTC Mumbai
<b>26-31 Dec 21</b>	<b>Coastal Youth Sailing Championship (Ranking Event)</b>	<b>Optimist, Laser 4.7, Laser Radial, 420, 29er, RS One</b>	<b>Chennai</b>	<b>TNSA</b>

32. **YAI as Non-Voting Associate Member of IOA.** HSG stated that the IOA during their AGM held on 22 Dec 18 had downgraded membership of the YAI to Associate Member without Voting Rights. Status quo has been maintained during the IOA AGM held on 26 Dec 19.

33. **Constitution of Athlete Commission.** HSG intimated that on the IOA directives all Federations were to constitute an Athlete Commission. The election of new Athlete Commission were conducted during the yachting Nationals on 02 Dec 19, where maximum yachtspersons were in attendance. The following members have been elected/ nominated for YAI's Athlete Commission wef 11 Dec 19: -

<b><u>Ser</u></b>	<b><u>Athlete</u></b>	<b><u>Member Clubs</u></b>	<b><u>Remarks</u></b>
(a)	Dr Malav Shroff	Mumbai Yacht Club	Ex- Olympian 2004
(b)	Col NS Johal	CESC,Pune	Ex- Olympian 2008
(c)	Rajesh K Choudhary	AYN	AG 2010 Medal winner & Arjuna Awardee

(d)	Nb Sub Vishnu Saravanan	AYN	WC 2019 medal winner
(e)	Nb Sub PP Muttu	AYN	Participation at WCs
(f)	Imolemnok	INWTC Mumbai	Participation at National & International events
(g)	Sweta Shervegar	Navi Mumbai Yacht Club	AG 2018 Medal Winner
(h)	Ekta Yadav	NSS , Bhopal	Asian Sailing C'ship Medalist
(j)	Nethra Kumanan	TNSA	Participant of Asian games
(k)	Ramya Saravanan	MG&G Area Sailing Club	Participation at WCs

34. **Interaction of Hon'ble Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs with National Sports Federations.** HSG intimated the General Body that a Video Conference was chaired by Mr Kiren Rijju, Hon'ble Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs on 25 Jun 20 to discuss post COVID 19 opening up plan for all sporting activities. The meeting was attended by Mr Ravi Mittal, Secretary Sports, Mr Sandip Pradhan, DGSAI and officials of NSFs. HSG and HJSG YAI participated in the discussions. The Hon'ble MOS YAS was apprised of the following YAI issues:-

(a) **YAI Assets Stranded in Abu Dhabi.** The Hon'ble Minister was informed that due to outbreak of Corona Virus, the Asian Championship 2020 (Olympic Qualifier), which was scheduled from 15-22 Mar 20, got postponed and the event is likely to be held in Mar 21. The teams, that were training at Abu Dhabi wef 23 Feb 20, returned to India on 09 Mar 20.

(b) It was highlighted that liaison is being maintained with UAE, Abu Dhabi Sailing and Yacht Club and shipping agents with regard to retrieving the boats and other equipment stranded at Abu Dhabi due to COVID 19. A team will be required to be sent once the international travel is allowed. Further plans for the same will be submitted as and when covid restrictions are fully lifted.

(c) **Online Classes/ Motivational Sessions.** The Hon'ble Minister was apprised of the Online Classes and Motivational sessions progressed by the YAI covering following:-

- (i) Instructional sessions for Sailors – 14
- (ii) Motivational sessions by Circumnavigators - 05
- (iii) Educating/ Motivating Parents and Sailors – 06

(d) **International Webinars.** Nine International Webinars have been attended by YAI under aegis of ASAF.

(e) **Post COVID Plans.** With regard to plans for training and participation of the Indian sailors at International Events towards preparation for Tokyo Olympics qualifiers it was informed that the same will be drawn out once the World Sailing and Asian Sailing Federation Events Calendar is finalised and promulgated.

(f) As regard SOP, safety measures in accordance with Govt / WHO/ IOA guidelines will be followed while planning any event/ mass gatherings. Pre-travel/ pre-event health check, daily health check, social distancing, thorough disinfection and cleaning of venue/ equipment/ items will be ensured. Hygiene measures such as handwash, use of masks, first aid/ medical services, space for isolation for infected person/s, if diagnosed, will be ensured.

(g) The SOPs for start of Sports Activities in prevailing situation of COVID-19, promulgated by SAI have been circulated amongst yachting fraternity for compliance by all. All State Associations/ Class Associations, Member Clubs and Sailors have been instructed to follow the instructions given in the document in conjunction with the local guidelines of respective State Govt for start of on-water training activities. At this stage, movement from one State to the other has been prohibited/ not advised. All sailors have been instructed to stay where ever they are and resume on-water training only if local Govt orders permit it within their respective Clubs with assistance from respective Club coaches.

35. The Hon'ble MOS had agreed in principle to extend all the support required to kick start the training post lockdown and commence conduct of normal sporting events keeping safety of all athletes and officials in mind.

36. **NIS Sailing Coach Diploma.** HSG stated that the Sports Authority of India had requested for curriculum/ syllabus for a 10 month NIS Diploma Course for coaches in the discipline of yachting to be conducted at Netaji Subhash National Institute of Sports (NIS), Patiala. An online meeting on the subject was conducted by SAI Delhi and SAI Trivandrum on 09 May 20. YAI Council Members and the affiliated members were requested to forward their comments/ suggestions. Based on inputs from the field, a draft course outline for Sailing Coach and suggested study material/ books for Sailing Coach Course have been forwarded to SAI for their consideration.

37. **Sailors' Agreement.** HSG brought out that the new Sailor's Agreement prepared by Chief National Coach in consultation with SPDC was forwarded to all Council Members. Based on the inputs received from Council Members, the Sailors' agreement has been promulgated.

38. **Centre of Excellence.** HSG informed that during an online meeting held on 06 Jul 20, the DG SAI has indicated that keeping in view huge budget proposed by the YAI for setting up of Centre of Excellence, it is not possible to provide support for the same in present scenario.

39. **YAI Assets Stranded in Abu Dhabi.** HSG highlighted the following:-

(a) Liaison has been maintained with DA, UAE and Abu Dhabi Sailing & Yacht Club with regard to retrieving the boats and other equipment stranded at Abu Dhabi due to COVID 19.

(b) Details of boats and equipment were provided to DNO to explore feasibility of transporting the equipment by Naval ships. Considering the Import/ Export norms, unpacked open state of equipment and the prevailing rough weather conditions due to onset of monsoon, the transfer of stranded equipment by Naval ships could not be materialised.

(c) Simultaneously, transportation of the equipment through commercial shipping means also could not be undertaken due to covid 19 restrictions in force internationally.

(d) ATA Carnet document issued in Jan 20 was valid upto 27 Apr 20, however, due to COVID 19 the return of equipment from Abu Dhabi got delayed. Accordingly, the ATA Carnet document was to be replaced with fresh validity. A Security Deposit of Rs.8.55 lakhs for replacement of ATA Carnet has been transferred to FICCI's Account and the extended ATA Carnet documents have been received. The Security Deposit will be refunded on return of the equipment to India and submission of documents to FICCI.

40. **YAI Social Media.** HSG stated that YAI Channel on YouTube has been launched and online sessions videos have been uploaded. In addition, information on schedule of online training and updates on various events is being disseminated through YAI Instagram, Facebook and Twitter Accounts.

41. **National Squad for the period from 01 Oct 20 – 31 Mar 21.** The General Body was informed that due to COVID-19 pandemic, no ranking events were conducted since declaration of the National Squad for the period from 01 Apr – 30 Sep 20. Further, keeping in view of the prevailing situation, it was unlikely to have ranking events in the forthcoming months, except for the YAI Senior National Championship scheduled from 21-27 Nov 20 at Mumbai. With the approval of the President YAI, the validity of current National Squad was extended from 01 Oct 20–31 Dec 20. Post inclusion of YAI Senior Nationals results, the updated National Squad for the period 01 Jan – 31 Mar 21 has been promulgated.

42. **Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports Annual Recognition Issue.** HSG brought out that the MYAS renews annual recognition of the National Sports Federations (NSFs) who are found to be following the National Sports Development Code-2011 and Govt Guidelines issued from time to time. The MYAS grants funding and permissions only to the recognised NSFs for National camps and international tournaments.

43. The Annual Recognition for 2020 (upto 30 Sep 20) to 54 NSFs (including YAI) was granted by the MYAS on 02 Jun 20, however, the MYAS withdrew the annual recognition of all NSFs on 25 Jun 20 following Hon'ble Delhi High Court order in WP (C) No. 195/2010 passed on 24 Jun 20, which says that the MYAS did not comply with the order of the Hon'ble Court dated 07 Feb 20 and has proceeded on its own to provisionally renew the annual recognition in respect of 54 NSFs for the year 2020 (till Sep 20). As per the order of 07 Feb 20, the MYAS and IOA were to inform the Hon'ble Court in advance while seeking to take any decision in relation to the NSFs.

44. The MYAS approached Hon'ble Supreme Court and in an hearing on 17 Sep 20, the Hon'ble Supreme Court clarified that the order dated 07 Feb 20 of Hon'ble High Court was only for the IOA and MYAS to merely inform the court in advance about any decision related to NSF's and no consent is required to take any decision regarding NSF's from the Hon'ble High Court. The court was also seized of the matter that the PIL is more than 10 years old and should be disposed off at the earliest. The next hearing in Hon'ble High Court was held on 18 Sep 20, wherein the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court were submitted. The MYAS has finally granted the annual recognition to

YAI in Dec 20 with the directives to comply with the National Sports Code within next 12 months. The General Body needs to deliberate the action plan for affiliation of 75% of States/ UTs as mandated by National Sports Code.

45. **World Sailing (WS) Meetings & AGM.** HSG highlighted that online Mid-Year Review Meeting of WS Council members with Member Nationals Authorities (MNAs) was held on 24 Jun 20, wherein financial issues of World Sailing and difficulties being faced due to Covid pandemic were discussed. The next town hall meeting of the WS was held on 30 Jun 20, wherein issues pertaining to 2020 Annual Conference were discussed. Further updates on the 2020 Annual Conference, 2021 events, Paris 2024 IOC Programme Commission and general World Sailing activities were shared during the town hall meeting on 13 Aug 20. WS Annual Conference was held online from 16 Oct – 01 Nov 20. The primary agenda of the conference was to elect the new WS President and Vice Presidents and nomination of Council Members. The online WS Elections were held from 09 Oct – 23 Oct 20 and results were declared during the AGM on 01 Nov 20.

46. **World Sailing Emerging Nations-Youth Virtual Training Group.** HSG brought to the notice of the General Body that considering the recent COVID-19 Pandemic and the cancellation of the Youth World Championships for 2020, the World Sailing Training and Development Team have been exploring ways to continue engaging youth sailors from Emerging Nations. The World Sailing has launched a new program, the Virtual Training Group. This group will utilise technology to create a network of sailors from Emerging Nations to share training tips and coaching.

47. Sailors will continue to sail and train at home with their usual groups and coaches but are invited to use the SAP Sailing App to log their sessions so that the progress can be viewed. Monthly group meetings will be scheduled for the group with a coach, to receive training tips and exercises to use in their regular training.

48. The World Sailing had requested to nominate up to three each male and female youth Laser Radial sailors, as well as one each male and female coach by 06 Nov 20. Clubs were requested to forward names of male and female youth Laser Radial sailors, as well as coaches by 10 Oct 20. The following have been approved by WS for inclusion in the program: -

<b><u>Ser</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Category</u></b>
(a)	Ram Milan Yadav	Sailor
(b)	Sikhansu Singh	Sailor
(c)	Saanya Punjkaren	Sailor
(d)	Sanchita Pant	Sailor
(e)	Dr Sweta Shervegar	Coach
(f)	T Siva	Coach

49. **Chief National Coach.** HSG highlighted that the Contract of Mr Tomasz Januszewski, the YAI Chief National Coach, which had expired on 31 Aug 20 has been renewed till Aug 21.

50. **YAI Policies.** HSG stated that YAI has promulgated the new policies for Sailor's Ranking, Ranking Regattas, Selection & Nomination Policy and Race Officials/ Judges/ Measurers policies post extensive deliberations with the sailing fraternity.

### **Item No. VI - Agenda Points for Discussion**

51. **YAI Affiliations.** (Proposed by YAI Sectt) The issue of recognition of 54 NSFs by MYAS was challenged in Delhi High Court. Post directives of Delhi High Court, MYAS has granted the annual recognition to YAI in Dec 20 with the directives to comply with the National Sports Code within next 12 months. The issue of granting of full voting rights to existing provisional State Associations and Member Clubs needs to be taken up for deliberations and also the action plan for affiliation of 75% of States/ UTs as mandated by National Sports Code needs to be finalized at an early date.

52. HSG brought out that YAI has been granted Annual Recognition by MYAS in Dec 20 for 12 months with directives to take necessary actions to align with the National Sports Code 2011. The following actions are proposed for consideration by the General Body:-

- (a) Seek MYAS waiver for State Associations to have 50% of District Associations affiliated to them.
- (b) If approved, grant full voting rights to all existing State Associations.
- (c) Approach the Chief Secretaries and State Olympics Associations of all States & UTs requesting them to create State Yachting Associations affiliated to respective State Olympics Associations for further affiliation with the YAI.
- (d) Try to achieve the requirement of 75% of State/ UTs Associations affiliated to YAI with full voting rights so as to comply with the National Sports Code fully by end 2021.
- (e) The above changes will require the amendment to the YAI General Rules duly approved by MYAS, YAI AGM and finally by the Registrar of Societies, West Bengal.

53. **Decision.** The President directed that a Committee under the Chairmanship of Senior Vice President comprising of Council Members be formed to look into the matter holistically and formulate a time bound plan of action in order to achieve total alignment with the National Sports Code.

**Action: Senior Vice President/ Chairman Fund Raising and Publicity Committee/ Chairman Youth Classes Committee/ Chairman SPDC**

54. **Promotion of Kite Boarding and Keelboat Class Sailing.** (Proposed by Chairman Asian Games and Olympics Classes Committee). Kite Board sailing should be promoted in India and at Asian level as Kite Board sailing is already included in Asian and Olympic games. YAI should host one regatta for Asian level for Kite Board. EME Sailing Association is volunteering to initiate Kite Board Development programme.



55. HSG brought out that we have to plan for Asian Games 2022, Olympic 2024 and beyond and try to expedite preparedness towards participation into new categories like Kiteboard sailing, mixed team keelboat and mixed two person dinghy sailing. The following is proposed for consideration of Council members: -

(a) Kite Board Class Association be created in India in order to get affiliated with the World Kite Board Sailing Association. All India Board Sailing and EMESA may coordinate the creation and development of Kite Board sailing in India.

(b) Offshore Double Class Association be created in India in order to get affiliated with the World Offshore Double Class Association. Ocean Sailing Node, Goa may coordinate the creation and development of Offshore Double Class sailing in India.

(c) Mixed Two Persons Dinghy (470 Mixed) was included in the YAI Senior Nationals 2020 at Mumbai for the first time. All Clubs are requested to encourage this class during the forthcoming domestic calendar events.

56. Mr Anil Madgaonkar from (All India Board Sailing Association) stated that the Board Sailing Association of India already had Kite boarding as one of its activities and Goa has been doing a lot of work for developing kite boarding from last three years. Goa already has about 20 sailors. Several young sailors are coming up in kite boarding and kite boarding forms part of board sailing and it should be included in Board Sailing Association of India. Mr Anil Madgaonkar appealed to YAI to allow kite boarding to continue under board sailing, instead of forming one more association for kite boarding. He left the decision to President YAI and the General Body. Cdr SP Singh from INWTC Goa elaborated on the kite board issue, stating that seeing the future INWTC Goa has bought the kite boarding and foiling equipment and training is already happening. He requested an early decision on the issue.

57. Maj Vikram of EMESA stated that the proposal was sent by EMESA as they have bought five new kite board equipment and they want to promote the new Olympic sailing class. For this purpose EMESA has done recce on Eastern coast for suitable venue. It was requested that YAI and the General Body members could consider EMESA proposal to promote kite board sailing. HSG stated that the proposal has been forwarded by EMESA, however, it is also a fact that Board Sailing and INWTC Goa have been conducting training on the same, that is why it is imperative that we keep Goa also onboard because they have been at the forefront of board sailing and kite boarding. HSG requested that EMESA and Board Sailing could tie up together and come up with a comprehensive proposal and way ahead in order to take this sports forward.

58. Cdr SP Singh brought out that at INWTC Goa training on the kiteboard is already happening. Mr. Phillip is training the sailors on kite boarding and Mr Derrick is training on foils and by the end of the next month our teams will be ready. INWTC Goa is also launching both the classes as part of open windsurfing championship scheduled 27-31 Jan 21. HSG requested EMESA to link up with INWTC Goa during the open windsurfing championship which is going to be held in Jan for training the sailors. The Chairman Fund Raising and Publicity Committee brought out that at Rameshwaram, Quest Sailing run by Mr Jehan Driver also conducts kite board training where lots of sailors, including foreigners come and sail. Rameshwaram is an ideal location for kite boarding

due to good steady wind conditions. He proposed that all the three bodies, Board Sailing Goa, EMESA and Quest Sailing could join together and promote the sports all across India.

59. President YAI enquired from HSG that is it necessary to have only one organisation to form an association or multiple organisations like Board Sailing Association, INWTC Goa, EMESA and the others can join up together to form Kite Boarding Association. HSG stated that EME had brought out the fact that they want to promote kite boarding as a sport in India and they wanted to be the nodal agency, whereas Goa is already doing this, so the expertise and the equipment is already lying there and INWTC Goa is planning to showcase the same in the forthcoming event. Also Mr Jehan Driver in Rameshwaram is running a commercial centre for kite boarding. As far as the formation of kite boarding association is concerned, HSG opined that we may go with the proposal put forward by Goa and Kite boarding can be under the umbrella of Board Sailing. The Chairman SPDC suggested that, since we have Goa already heavily into kite boarding, which is quite close to windsurfing, we should bring in all the possible talent into the association and it will be great if we can even include Quest Sailing run by Mr Jehan Driver. It was proposed to include the Board Sailing Association as well as EMESA, together into one association, which is kite boarding association, which should be independent as kite boarding is an independent sport. We may just form an independent association and members in the association could be from various organisations. Today we don't even need to meet physically, we can meet on zoom and push the sport forward.

60. Mr Anil Madgaonkar from Board Sailing Association agreed with all the views that were brought forward. He stated that Board Sailing Association of India is a national body which was formed for various classes of board sailing. Board Sailing Association welcomes everybody and the association is more than happy to have kite surfing promoted in various part of the country. He further brought out that Board Sailing Association is doing its bit in goa to promote kite surfing as well as wind surfing. Rameshwaram is a great place for kite surfing because, it normally has good strong winds and one would love to have training session as well as the competition in Rameshwaram. Mr Anil Madgaonkar stated that Board Sailing Association would like more people to get involved with different types of board sailing that is wind surfing, kite surfing, RSX class, techno class etc. Training sessions and competition in different part of country with multiple organisations willing to host is to be welcomed whole heartedly.

61. **Decision.** The President directed that various member clubs and associations may go ahead and promote the sport of kite boarding in various parts of the country. The All India Board Sailing Association is to be the nodal agency for Kite Board Sailing in India with participation of all volunteering stake holders.

**Action: All India Board Sailing Association/  
EMESA/ INWTC Goa**

62. **OA Development Programme.** (Proposed by Chairman Asian Games and Olympics Classes Committee) YAI must look forward to prepare better OAs, in order to host Asian and International Regattas in future. This will ensure exposure of our sailors in International competition at low cost. Also, it will make YAI a better stake holder in overall dynamics of World Sailing. EME Sailing Association is willing to take initiative for the same, with support of YAI.

63. HSG brought out that the proposal of Organising Authority development programme is recommended. Till now one India International Regatta (IIR) was being conducted with Govt funding by TNSA and there is a need to develop different venues to conduct International Regattas. TNSA and EMESA may interact and formulate SOPs for conducting an International Event and develop a programme for training the OAs.

64. The Chairman Fund Raising and Publicity stated that the idea of conducting International Event in India was that as many of the national squad sailors are unable to go abroad for exposure, if we bring best international sailors to India, our sailors will benefit immensely. It will also help to enhance knowledge of sailors as well as coaches that we normally would not otherwise get. This is a good idea that we should run more of the International events in India.

65. The Chairman Youth Classes opined that EME has brought out a very good point mentioning that we should have adequate capacity of the Jury, the Race officials and other people and infrastructure. International Events will get in a lot of foreign talent to the country and more of Indians exposed to such events and the optimist association is looking at the Asian Optimist Championship in 2023.

66. Maj Gen JS Sidana (EMESA) brought out that EMESA has volunteered to host OA Development programme from the point of view of how to organise it better. It has been witnessed over past few years that Hyderabad sailing week is organised in a very professional manner and EMESA would like to extend this expertise with others.

67. **Decision.** The President directed that TNSA and EMESA are to interact and formulate SOPs for conducting an International Event and develop a programme for training the OAs by 31 Mar 21. NOAI may explore conduct of Asian Optimist Regatta in 2023.

**Action: TNSA/ EMESA/ NOAI**

68. **Promoting participation in Open Asian Regattas.** (Proposed by Chairman Asian Games and Olympics Classes Committee) YAI must engage with OAs of Open Asian Regattas in Olympics classes. Promoting participation in Open Asian Regattas in Olympic classes by providing incentives in terms of cash prizes or discounts in entry fee or boat charter fees for participants.

69. HSG brought out that YAI deutes sailors of the National Squad for various International Events under Govt funding as approved by MYAS for ACTC. In current financial state of YAI, the revenue generation is only from certification courses and Membership fees. Govt funding is only for International Exposures on no profit basis. 25% of the approved ACTC funds are always paid by YAI as advance, which are to be claimed on completion of events, however, with continuous schedule of International exposures the backlog of claiming 25% funds from SAI always remains. In addition, the incremental salary requirement of the three civilian staff does not even permit YAI to send Team Managers with the teams as no Govt funding is provided for the same. Till the time there is substantial fund generation from sponsorships, YAI will not be able to fund any domestic or international event and the costs have to be borne by Member Clubs or individual sailors.

70. EMESA representative stated that the point is primarily from the way of promoting the second rung sailors with some sort of incentives from YAI which will go a long way in getting the second rung strength up. Some sort of cash prize, entry fee sponsorship etc which will go a long way in promoting the second rung. It is known to all that primarily with the funds crunch we can only send few sailors to the govt funded international events. But regattas which are of second rung give the required exposure to the sailors to come up the ranks and then start taking part in major international events. The President stated that what we will do is try and get as much funding as possible from corporates, PSU's etc. Once we have that kind of money then we will see how we can incentivise the sailors. We can perhaps sponsor certain tournaments.

71. **Decision.** The President directed that there is a need for garnering of funds through sponsorships and donations. The Fund Raising and Publicity Committee needs to think of some innovative ideas. Supporting individual sailors may be considered on case to case basis.

### **Action: Chairman Fund Raising & Publicity Committee**

72. **NIS Sailing Coach Diploma.** (Proposed by Chairman Asian Games and Olympics Classes Committee) NIS Diploma Course for coaches in the discipline of sailing to be conducted at Netaji Subhash National Institute of Sports (NIS), Patiala. Laser Class Association of India is willing to conduct the practical part of NIS Diploma course for coaches.

73. HSG stated that the Sports Authority of India had requested for curriculum/ syllabus for a 10 month NIS Diploma Course for coaches in the discipline of yachting to be conducted at Netaji Subhash National Institute of Sports (NIS), Patiala. An online meeting on the subject was conducted by SAI Delhi and SAI Trivandrum on 09 May 20. Based on inputs from the field, a draft course outline for Sailing Coach and suggested study material/ books for Sailing Coach Course have been forwarded to SAI for their consideration.

74. Col SS Rawat (AYN) brought out that AYN has forwarded a detailed syllabus on coaching, in which they have categorised coaches into three categories, namely Class A, Class B & Class C and each one is pecked at different level of coaching and experience. He further stated that we have a large number of experienced sailors, who have done international / national coaching. They have been pecked at Cat 'A' so that they can be facilitated to become national coaches, because they have experience at the highest level. The Cat 'B' coaches are one who come from Cat 'C'. Cat 'C' is the bottom most, who are the freshers, who have taken part in atleast national events. So they undergo NIS course and they are categorised to go and serve as club coaches for certain experience of time. If we see a foreign programme, all yachting associations have a scale of experience added to it. So accordingly, depending on the sailors experience, we may graduate them from club coach to youth coach and to senior coach and finally to a national coach, because at the national level we need the best, most experienced and most knowledgeable people, with enough experience to back them up. The detailed programme has already been forwarded.

75. Mr. Mylai Prabhakar of TNSA highlighted that we should keep a criteria of YAI instructor course as a basic requirement for applying for NIS coaches because the course is conducted by YAI. The instructor course will become useless, if it is not kept

as minimum criteria. HSG stated that we have a director training, who functions at the INWTC Mumbai and he is looking after the entire certification of coaches/ instructors/ boat men who are employed in clubs. HSG opined that YAI certification could be considered as criteria, before coaches go on to join the diploma course at NIS Patiala.

76. Col NS Johal (AYN) highlighted that the maximum yachtsmen in all classes of boats are primarily held with INWTC Mumbai and AYN. Holding a practical class at Mumbai would be much better because we will have all the possible classes being sailed in India gathered at Mumbai. Laser Class Association of India at Hyderabad may not be able to have more than two to three classes. So it will be better if the practical part is done at sea.

77. Maj Vikram (LCAI) stated that EMESA has proposed to conduct only the practical part of the diploma course. The practical part can be undertaken by LCAI both in lake as well as at sea.

78. **Decision.** The President directed that the draft syllabus be shared with the Members and if there is a requirement to amend, an addendum may be issued.

**Action: YAI Sectt**

79. **Conduct of CNC Sailing Clinic.** (Proposed by Chairman Asian Games and Olympics Classes Committee) CNC is located at Mumbai, however it is recommended to conduct CNC sailing clinic in YAI sailing coaching camp before Hyderabad Sailing Week to assist in Asian games selection trials.

80. HSG stated that the issue has been deliberated at the council meeting also and the President has directed that before any major event which is a ranking event or qualifier event, the Chief National Coach shall be available at the location of the event for example if its Hyderabad sailing week, one week prior to the competition our chief National Coach shall locate himself at Hyderabad and will be available to the OA's for training of their respective athletes and others, this decision has been given by the President. YAI would try to seek SAI funding for the same, else the respective Clubs may be required to fund the CNC's travel and stay expenses.

81. **Decision.** The President directed that the CNC could be utilised at various other locations prior to any regatta or championship. However, he will continue to be located at Mumbai, where he has to train the national team.

**Action: Member Clubs/ YAI Sectt**

### **Item No. VII - Presentation of YAI Annual Awards for the year 2020.**

82. HSG highlighted that due to COVID 19, most of the year 2020 remained under lockdown and therefore the YAI Awards Committee has decided to consider only the nominations received for "Admiral RK Dhowan Trophy for best sailing club" for the YAI Annual Awards for the year 2020. The list of awardees is as under:-

<b><u>Ser</u></b>	<b><u>Trophy</u></b>	<b><u>Awarded To</u></b>
(a)	Admiral RK Dhowan Trophy for best sailing club	AYN Mumbai

83. The President congratulated AYN Mumbai for the award and stated that we will have to formally hand over the trophy post covid.

**Item No. VIII - Any other Business with Permission of the Chair.**

84. Mr Anil Madgaonkar (AIBSA) requested that the President YAI could consider nominating one rep from each of the different class associations on the managing committee of YAI, so that they could be more involved with what is happening in YAI, since the classes are the ones that carryout actual sailing activities. He further requested that if we could have YAI approved national coaches in each of the different classes of sailing that we have in the country. It would be of big help, because then these national coaches could go around the country in there official capacity to coach the sailors in various parts of the country.

85. HSG brought out that the YAI follows the Govt approved General Rules in compliance of National Sports Code and has council members who are elected amongst the general body and who within themselves are the presidents and chairman of various subcommittees of YAI, which actually do the functions. The other members, life associate members do form part of the YAI functioning wherein they form part of various subcommittees. So members of various class associations themselves also form the part of YAI and their inputs with respect of their classes of boats are paramount for us. The decisions on all new policy issues are taken post extensive deliberations from the sailing fraternity. The proposal of any Class Association which wants to be part of any of the YAI subcommittees could be considered.

86. On the issue of national coaches HSG stated that it is a very important issue that has been raised and we are actually aware that there is shortage of national coaches in various categories. We are also aware that we don't have enough national judges/ race officials and certified international judges/ race officials and we are looking at it holistically. So far as the promotion of the sports at the grass root level is concerned, we should have enough national coaches who can visit various places. YAI is trying to address this and the coach development program is one step in that direction.

87. The Chairman Youth Classes opined that the case of co-opting the class associations into YAI management could be considered so that their views can be heard. The President YAI enquired that do the minutes of the meeting go to all the members to which HSG replied that the minutes of the AGM are forwarded to all member units and the same is also uploaded on YAI website. In addition the decisions of the Council Meeting are also shared.

88. Mr Anil Madgaonkar highlighted that he was just trying to bring out the issue that in the earlier years, under the earlier constitution, each class association had a rep on the managing committee of YAI, and they could bring out their point at the managing committee meeting every time. He reiterated that the Chief National Coach had never come down to Goa for for any kind of board sailing activities, kite surfing activities. It is also difficult to raise such issues at any other platform.

**Item No. IX – Vote of Thanks.**

89. The Chairman Sailing Performance and Development Committee proposed vote of thanks to the Chair. He highlighted the hard work put in by all Council Members and YAI Sectt during the tough pandemic times. He thanked the General Body for their enthusiastic and positive participation.

90. These minutes are issued with the approval of the President YAI.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "BR Singh".

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Commodore  
Hon Sec Gen YAI  
12 Feb 2021