

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING HELD ON 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025 AT WOODLAND HOTEL AT 4.30 P.M.**

The Meeting began with a welcome note from the Secretary congratulating the President Abhay Bhamaikar on taking charge of the First Annual Body Meeting under his leadership. The Secretary passed congratulatory motion congratulating the Hockey India Men team for winning the bronze medal and the Women's team for winning the Asian Championship 2024 at Bihar. The efforts of Hockey India was appreciated and applauded. The presence of life member and Ex Chief Minister of Goa Churchill Alemao was acknowledged

The Previous meeting minutes were read and proposed by Carl De Souza and Seconded by Chrissy Fernandes. A few corrections were pointed out by Aloysius D'Souza.

The Audited Statement of Accounts of 2023- 2024 were read and passed by the Annual Body, and it was proposed by Anjulo Fernandes and seconded by Nelly Rodrigues.

It was decided to retain Patil Manickrao S as the Auditors for the year 2024-2025 and was proposed by Beny Viegas and Seconded by Aloysius D' Souza.

A presentation was made of the Activity Report 2024 by the Secretary Farrel Furtado, it was pointed out as to why the Sub Junior girls team was not sent to Telangana for the 14<sup>th</sup> Hockey India Sub Junior National Championship. The Secretary stated that the responsibility, of training the Sub Junior Men was given to Aviraj Madgaonkar and they have been performing well and the responsibility of the Sub Junior women team was given to Eliter Fernandes from April 2024, and therefore failed to understand why the team could not be sent . She stated that Monte De Guirim girls refused to come on the pretext that Beny Viegas had purposely not registered their names to purposely omit them as he had their own players to put in the team. Beny replied that if proper documents were not given how could he register the players and explained how their documents differed. Also core 25 , strategy was explained by laxman Prabhudessai , who stated the we could try to have combined selections with the DYSA School teams and pick up players from there and then segregate and plan , how weekly practices should be conducted. Churchill Alemao , requested that we should introduce hockey at school level and strengthen the base of hockey. Amit Dessai stated that DYSA has kept all District tournaments in the North and South teams have backed out as it was very difficult for the teams to travel with the players to Peddem and requested Churchill Alemao to request to have the matches in the South for the South District. The lack of finance and coaches for the South was discussed and Churchill requested the Secretary to prepare a list of trained coaches and he would try to fix an appointment with the Chief Minister and get the funds problem sorted



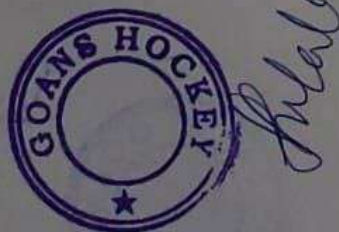
out that was pending with Sports Authority of Goa. He stated that an amount of 2 lakhs was insufficient to run the State tournaments in 8 categories and therefore more funds would have to be sorted out to promote hockey at grass root level and pay coaches to train as the State coaches had their own schedules.. Abhay Bhaimaikar suggested that from his Rebuilt Trust of India he would finance camps in 6 talukas and would work out the strategies. The Activity Report was proposed by Churchill Alemao and seconded by Carl D'souza.

Candida Fernandes presented an elaborate planning of the North District and Beny Viegas stated that the plan needed a lot of funding and the schools calculated to be trained did not tally with the statistics presented. Abhay Bhamaikar stated that funding for such an elaborate plan had to be looked into. Farrel Furtado suggested that first we should promote Senior Women and Men hockey players by giving them incentives and jobs or it was very difficult to manage getting good Goan players and we had to bring players who were registered with Hockey India. She stated that this should be the priority of North Hockey District as most of the Senior players were from the North and if these players are targeted and motivated it would be a great achievements as at the School level Students continue to play at the DYSA tournaments and at Sub Junior District and State Championships, particularly with the motivation of their Physical Education teachers.

Abhay Bhamaikar presented the South Hockey District plan and stated that the plan was to promote Hockey at School level from V to VIII as the South position is so poor that we cannot even get a Senior women team at the South District Championship and he stated that, he wondered what the Association was doing at the South Championships in the past, where the tournaments were conducted. He requested the South District clubs, to tap players and keep a record of players, who participated at the Sub Junior level, due to the elaborate backing and support of the Physical Education teachers, but after the same player passes the school level, the South District Association Clubs failed to identify those players at the Higher Secondary and University level. This was the result of poor performance in the South. He stated that we must start from scratch at the South level and noted that there were many disadvantages in the South with no ground, no coaches and no facilities and no enthusiasm available. Abhay also spoke of processing the ground in the South with Hockey India technical assistance and stated that he would try to work on the ground at Guddi- Paroda which has become the hub of Hockey in the South.

A plan had to be worked out for Core 25 and this was assigned to Pranav and Amit Dessai for the Sub Juniors and Aviraj Madgaonkar and Riyaz for the Juniors.

Abhay suggested that Hockey India has instructed to amend the District Constitution and some points in the Goans Hockey Constitution to bring it in line



with Hockey India's Constitution. A committee was formed of Abhay Bhamaikar, Farrel Furtado, Carl D'Souza and Aloysius D'Souza.

Regarding affiliation granted to Clubs it was agreed to affiliate Verna Sports Club as a permanent member and Rebuilt Trust of India in the South as an Associate member and Survivors in the North as Associate members. Farrel asked the District Associations if they had collected all the required documents and paid the fees. The Secretaries of North and South agreed in affirmation and they were welcomed and had to organize a tournament to be fully affiliated.

Under Any other business, Charles D'Souza who represented Goa Hockey promoters inquired why Sub Junior team women team was not deputed to which Farrel suggested that at the Selection trials only 10 girls were present and till the 19<sup>th</sup> November only 10 girls were coming and the South girls refused to go to the North nor was there any coach nor ground available to train the South players and she stated that if any Senior players who ran hockey for several years were interested in sending the team, should have taken interest when the dates were announced four months ahead. She also stated that it was very difficult for the South players to travel to Peddem and that too with the repair of the Porvorim stretch it was time consuming. She stated, that last minute one cannot wake up and gather players and form a team and send with no combined practices as the team would have to leave by 24<sup>th</sup> November and till 19<sup>th</sup> November players were not identified, to which Charles D'Souza agreed by nodding his head. Charles further asked whether a Club registered in the North can be made a member in the South to which Farrel Furtado pointed out that no rules are made in the Constitution of Goans Hockey and nobody brought any objection to Rebuilt Trust of India when Abhay Bhamaikar, who was the Chairman of the Trust gave finance, to organize the Summer camps and to conduct the District tournaments in the past.

Another question was raised by Beny Viegas why show-cause notices were sent to players and technical staff who participated at the Masters Carnival tournament. Abhay Bhamaikar stated that it was as per the guidelines that permission had to be taken from Hockey India, as it was a tournament involving all India players and was organized by Mumbai players and that the Secretary had written to Stanley to write to Hockey India and he stated that this as simple procedure to just seek permission through an e mail addressing to Hockey India. He stated that Goans Hockey needed to follow the instructions of Hockey India and quoted how action was taken and the matter will be brought before the Code of conduct committee that will hear the concerned. An amount of Chartered Accountants fees was to be paid by the treasurer.

As there was nothing to discuss the meeting ended.

