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Minutes of the 22nd EC Meeting held on 30.08.2017 at 11.30 a.m.
At “Swosti Chilika Resort”, Chilika



Members present ;

1. Mr. J.K. Mohanty, Swosti Group, Bhubaneswar
2. Mr. Dipak Rathor, Hotel Ashoka, Cuttack
3. Mr. Arvind Kr. Sahu, Sai International, Rayagada
4. Mr. Sangram Ku. Das, Hotel Hari Plaza, Balasore
5. Mr. Sarosh H. Bodhanwalla, Barjorjis Banjara Hotel, Balasore
6. Mr. J.N. Singh Deo, The New Marrison, Bhubaneswar
7. Mr. Sameer Ali, GM – The New Marrison, Bhubaneswar
8. Dr. Kailash Ch. Maharana, Paradip International, Paradip
9. Ms. Smrutishree Singh, EMPIRES, Bhubaneswar
10. Mr. J.B. Das, EMPIRES, Bhubaneswar
11. Mr. Dev Dutta Subudhi, Sagar Tarang Residency, Puri
12. Mr. K. Prasant Kumar, Gauram Palace, Berhampur
13. Mr. P.K. Rajeev, Hotel Spectrum, Berhampur

14. Mr. B. Sarveswar Rao Subudhi, Shankar Bhawan, Berhampur
15. Mr. Vinayak Subudhi, Ganesh Bhawan, Berhampur
16. Mr. Prasant Ku. Jena, Anjali Palace, Bhubaneswar
17. Mr. Piyush Bajoria, Bhojan Express, Bhubaneswar
18. Mr. Umashankar Panigrahy, Hotel Mayuree, Berhampur
19. Mr. Preet Ku. Das, The Chef Restaurant, Bhubaneswar
20. Mr. Nilamani Pany, Hotel Prasanti, Angul
21. Mr. Rajiv Pany, Hotel Prasanti, Angul
22. Mr. Sabyasachi Das Patnaik, Hotel Labanya, Keojhar
23. Mr. Laxmi Chand Choudhury, Hotel Kamala, Bhubaneswar
24. Mr. Jonathan Raul, Cooks Restaurant, Bhubaneswar
25. Mr. Prasant Ku. Tripathy, Hotel Daffodils, Puri
26. Mr. P.G. Nair, Prachi Resorts, Bhubaneswar
27. Mr. Sankar Pradhan, Hotel Santi, Angul
28. Mr. Ashis Palit, The Orchard, Jharsuguda
29. Mr. Saroj Ku. Rath, Hotel Gandhara, Puri
30. Mr. Milan Ku. Sahoo, Hotel Richi, Bhubaneswar
31. Mr. Sashisekhar Garabadu, Safal Hotel, Puri
32. Maj. R.C. Maharana, Hotel Apsara, Bhubaneswar
33. Mr. Seshadri Banerjee, Hotel Ocean View, Puri
34. Mr. Pyari Mohan Pradhan, Chakratirtha House, Puri
35. Mr. Sujit Ku. Mohapatra, Hotel Lingaraj, Bhubaneswar
36. Mr. Raj Kishore Patra, Hotel Holiday Resort, Puri
37. Mr. Rabindra Nath Sahoo, Vintage Villa, Bhubaneswar
38. Mr. Ashok Mohanty, Hotel Sai Regent, Bhubaneswar
39. Mr. Biswamohan Patnaik, Hotel Best Inn, Bhubaneswar
40. Mr. Tarini Prasad Mohanty, Hotel Valley, Joda
41. Mr. Sankar Nath Banerjee, Hotel New Sea Hawk, Puri

At the outset all members held one minute silent prayer in memory of late Gagan Pal Singh, Director, Hotel Pal Heights, Bhubaneswar, who with his family burnt alive on 3rd August 2017 at his residence.

The meeting was chaired by Chairman, HRAO Sri J.K. Mohanty.

Chairman expressed the 2nd Odisha Tourism Conclave held on 17th June, 2017 was greatly applauded and appreciated by invitees, entrepreneurs, bureaucrats those who come from outside as well as the senior Govt. officials. Also informed that the recommendations / suggestions gathered from the expert panelists are being compiled document form and will be submitted / circulated to all govt. officials,

travel trade and hotel industry for implementation and growth of the tourism sector of the State.

Also he briefed, about the 33rd Annual Convention of “**Indian Association of Tour Operators**” (IATO) to be held from 7th, 8th & 9th Sept. 2017 at Bhubaneswar and “**Odisha Travel Bazar**” which will be held from 15th to 17th October, 2017 at Bhubaneswar which will be organized by FICCI, New Delhi. To take advantage from these two national level conventions, Chairman suggested all HRAO members should register their names and participate actively in these conventions which would go a long way in promoting Odisha Tourism in national as well as international market.

Resolution No. 1 : Secretary General’s Report :

This report was read-out by Advisor, Sri Dipak Rathor which is given below for members’ information.

Respected Chairman, Members on the dais & off the dais, I welcome all EC Members & members of the association.

I am sorry to inform you that due to some unavoidable circumstances i.e. Elder brother of my Father-in-law expired in an accident on 19.08.2017. So, I could not able to attend today’s meeting.

As per the 21st EC Meeting resolution, 2nd Odisha Tourism Conclave held on 17th June, 2017 was conducted successfully under the dynamic leadership / guidance of our beloved Chairman, Shri J.K. Mohanty. Also I must thanks to all the members for their whole-hearted contribution to make this legendary function a great success.

As per the resolution No. 3, President, HRAEI, Kolkata has agreed not to accept any membership application without obtaining the HRAO membership.

Looking at the response of members, I found that there is poor response in Rourkela & Keonjhar hoteliers. I propose before the august house to make next EC Meeting at Rourkela or Mayurbhanj for membership drive as we had already organized and succeeded in the last EC meeting at Jharsuguda.

Finally, I express my heartiest thanks to our Chairman for hosting the 22nd Executive Committee meeting at his new property, Swosti Chilika Resort at

Chilika, a new luxury destination in the Odisha Tourism map which will be named in Eastern India as a tourist destination in the hospitality sector.

Bande Utkal Janani

Srinibash Subudhi

Resolution No. 2 : Treasurer’s Report :

Mr. Sujit Ku. Mohapatra, Treasurer read-out his report for information of all members, as follows ;

Particulars	Amount (Rs.)
Fixed Deposits at Federal Bank	28,69,043.00
Cash at Federal Bank	60,438.42
Cash at State Bank of India	4,35,277.20
Cash in hand	1,694.00

Resolution No. 3 : Letters received & replied :

1. Mail received from FHRAI, New Delhi dated 4.7.2017 regarding “World Travel Market in London to be held from 6th to 8th November, 2017. The said information has already been mailed to all members on dated 6.7.2017.
2. Mail received from Chairman, IATO (Odisha Chapter) inviting for participation in 33rd IATO Annual Convention will be held from 7th – 9th Sept. 2017 at Bhubaneswar. In this regard, Chairman, HRAO requested all members to register their names and participate actively in this convention.
3. Regarding Order dated 11th July, 2017 of Hon’ble Supreme Court on Liquor ban matter. The order does not prohibit licensed establishments within Municipal areas as briefed in this order. This order has already been mailed to all members’ information on dated 28.08.2017.

Resolution No. 4 : Proposal for formation of committees :

Finance Committee : (Existed)

Advertisement Committee : (Existed)

Sri J.K. Mohanty	Sri J.K. Mohanty
Sri Jonathan Raul	Sri Jonathan Raul
Sri Srinibash Subudhi	Sri Srinibash Subudhi
Sri Sujit Mohapatra	Sri Souvagya Mohapatra

Legal Matters Committee :

Attend State Govt. Meetings Committee :

Sri J.K. Mohanty	Sri J.K. Mohanty
Sri Dipak Rathor	Sri Jonathan Raul
Sri Srinibash Subudhi	Sri Srinibash Subudhi
Sri T.P. Mohanty (Joda)	Sri Sujit Mohapatra

Sri Milind Gupta	Sri Milind Gupta
Sri Sujit Mohapatra	Sri Piyush Bajoria
	Sri Sameer Ali
	Sri T.P. Mohanty (Joda)
	Sri Dipak Rathor
	Sri Milan Sahoo
	Sri Sabyasachi Das Patnaik

The above new committees were formed and approved by the house. Chairman requested new committee members to attend all Government meetings as and when fixed by them and highlight the issues raised in the meeting to HRAO.

Resolution No. 5 : Settlement of Suppliers Payment :

The Treasurer placed some vendors pending bills with regard to 2nd Odisha Tourism Conclave and other related activities of HRAO for payment and the bills were resolved and passed by the house and declared to pay to the parties at the earliest.

Resolution No. 6 : Approval of New Membership Application Forms :

Following four units were approved by the house, they are ;

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Resolution No. 7 : Any other points with the permission of the Chair :

1. Mr. Arvind Kr. Sahu of Rayagada expressed that tourists were not allowing to Dongaria & Kondh tribal villages in recent past. On this point, Mr. Umasankar Panigrahy informed that recently they met new Tourist Officer of Rayagada at Berhampur and he assured to solve any issues relating to visiting

of tourists in future.

2. Mr. Raj Kishore Patra of Puri informed that tourist inflow to Puri is decreasing now a days, Chairman replied that it is a naked truth that unless the behavior of the management, guides, Pandas in the temple are changed and unless we take proper precautions for cleanliness of Beach and safety of the lady tourists, tourist inflow to the holy land Puri will not grow.

Mr. Patra further said that State Govt. should allow hoteliers of Odisha to invest in hotel project at Samuka Beach. On this, Chairman suggested all members should write directly (**Regd. Post with AD**) addressed to Hon'ble Minister Tourism with copy to Director Tourism with their individual details of land requirement for hotel project at Samuka Beach with a copy to Regd. Off. HRAO for compilation.

Chairman further informed that an appreciation letter to be sent to District Collector, Puri for felicitation.

3. Mr. Sarosh Bodhanwalla & Mr. Sangram Ku. Das of Balasore asked the house, whether land bank is available at Talsari Beach for applying the land. In this regard, Chairman replied that all who are interested should apply directly to the District Collector, Balasore with their project details and submit a copy of the same to the Regd. Off. HRAO for necessary follow-up.
4. Mr. P.G. Nair of Prachi Resorts expressed his thanks and gratitudes to Chairman for putting up a mega tourism project at Chilika. Also he suggested that hotels must be of high standard and classified from the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India otherwise no foreign tourists / high-end domestic tourists will visit Odisha. Chairman admitted the same and intimated to all members.
5. Mr. Saroj Rath of Puri raised that due to publishing of negative news in print media there is shortfall on tourist inflow to our State.
6. Chairman informed the house that HRAO members should plan to conduct a road-show in Malaysia to promote **Odisha Tourism**. In this regard HRAO shall prepare a tour package along with a letter to Hon'ble Minister Tourism for approval and for finalization of subsidy.
7. Some members raised that **TTF-Kolkata** was cancelled due to the 22nd Asian Athletic Championship held in Bhubaneswar which was a great loss for the travel trade of Odisha. It was decided that a request letter to be sent to the Hon'ble Minister, Tourism suggesting not to cancel the pre fixed road-shows in future.

8. Mr. Ashis Palit of Jharsuguda expressed his thanks to Chairman for adding such a beautiful property in Chilika which would definitely help attracting high-end domestic and international tourists to Odisha.
9. Finally Mr. Sarosh Bodhanwalla requested all members not to put messages like “**Good Morning**” and “**Good Night**” in whatsapp which creates nuisance and boring rather post important news, suggestions, informations relating to tourism & hospitality sector. Whole house was appreciated for his comment.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J.K. Mohanty', is written over a light blue rectangular stamp or watermark.

J.K. Mohanty
Chairman, HRAO

