HOTEL & RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION OF ODISHA

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Minutes of "32nd Executive Committee (Hybrid Mode) Meeting held at "Swosti Premium", (Suraj Mahal), Bhubaneswar on 06.06.2024 at 6.00 pm



Members present;

Dr. J.K. Mohanty, Lifetime Chairman Sri Dipak S. Rathor, Advisor Dr. Srinibash Subudhi, Working President Sri Jonathan Raul, Vice Chairman (Hq) Sri Tarini Prasad Mohanty, Vice Chairman Sri Milind Gupta, Secretary General Sri Sujit Kumar Mohapatra, Treasurer & Sri Prasant Ku. Jena, Joint Treasurer

Online Members present;

Sri Raj Kishore Patra, Vice Chairman Sri A. Talukdar, Member Sri Sanjeeb K. Patnaik, EC Member Sri Prakash Ch. Prusty, Member Sri Rabi Ranjan Pujari, Member Sri Smruti Ranjan Biswal, Member Sri Rabi Narayan Sahoo, Member Sri Sarosh Bodhanwalla, Vice Chairman Sri Manojit Ganguly, Member Sri Sakya Singh Yadav, Jt. Secretary Sri Umasankar Panigrahy, Vice Chairman Sri Debasis Kumar, Member Sri Pratik Prajapati, Member Dr. Sabyasachi Das, Member Sri Sayed Rahim, Jt. Secretary Sri Ashok Kumar Padhi, EC Member Md. Washim Naiyar, Jt. Secretary Sri Sumeet Das, EC Member & Ms. Komal Raj Subudhi, Member

Meeting was presided over by Lifetime Chairman, Dr. J.K. Mohanty.

The 32nd EC Meeting was held in hybrid mode where the Core Committee members were present physically and other members joined the meeting in virtual mode. The Lifetime Chairman welcomed all members present and informed that with a new face as Chief Minister and New Government which will take over shortly all the hard work and representations given by the Association will have to be refreshed again with the new authorities. We had several meetings with the Tourism Department, Chief Secretary, Addl. Chief Secretary & Tourism and various other Principal Secretaries and put forth the problems being faced by the Hospitality Sectors. Some work was resolved and some are still pending. He also informed that he being the Hony. Secretary of Hotel Association of India and EC Member of PATA India Chapter have attended many meetings at the national level and the situation in the Centre remain same as that of our State. Many of the proposals submitted by HAI and PATA India Chapter remained unresolved.

This meeting has been called specifically to prepare ourselves for making a brief presentation to the new Government Officials and Ministers. Hence, suggestions are invited from all members. Also recommendations of the last 5th Odisha Tourism Conclave-2023 will be followed up with the new Government. Lifetime Chairman also requested that many Office Bearers from different districts will have good contacts with newly elected MLAs & MPs, they should use their contacts also in helping the association to achieve various demands made to this State Government.

Lifetime Chairman also informed that HRAO body has been formed for resolving issues of the Hoteliers and we will continue to fight for the same.

Mr. A. Talukdar proposed that we meet the new Ministers and Officials and ask them to withdraw the proposed wages hike and also take up the various urgent issues of the Hospitality sector.

The Secretary General submitted his report, copy of which is attached. The minutes of the last EC meeting was confirmed in this meeting. The new memberships were approved by the Core Committee was informed to the EC and also all decisions taken by the Core Committee during this period was communicated & ratified in the meeting. <u>It was also decided that FHRAI</u> guidelines will be followed henceforth for any new Membership approval.

The Joint Treasurer submitted the detail financial report of the Association and the copy of which is attached herewith. The Treasurer informed the house of the total deposits & expenditure as on 31st March, 2024.

Mr. Debasis Kumar was requested to provide a certified copy of the case between HAP and IPRS, PPL etc., and also share a copy of the reply given by his legal counsel in Kolkata for the notices being issued by IPRS.

The Vice Chairmen were asked to address the members present, Vice Chairman (Hq) Mr. Jonathan Raul informed he has nothing to say, Vice Chairman, Mr. Tarini Prasad Mohanty, Bhubaneswar informed the house that with the new Governance formation in the state.

Mr. Raj Kishore Patra requested that the new Officials and Ministers may be invited to Puri to hold a meeting to share their problems with them. He also assured that he will seek the help of newly elected MP of Puri to resolve the problems of Hospitality sector. He also suggested that an appeal should be filed in High Court against HAP Orders by appointing a Senior Advocates by the members of HAP.

Mr. Sarosh Bodhanwalla thanked the Lifetime Chairman for continuous efforts made both at National & State level for resolving the issues being faced by the Hospitality sector. He also requested a reply for the letter given by Balasore Hotel Association for affiliation with HRAO. Lifetime Chairman assured him a reply will be sent shortly.

Mr. Uma Sankar Panigrahy, Mr. Sayed Rahim, Mr. Ashok Kumar Padhi, Mr. Rabi Pujari & Mr. Washim Naiyar addressed the members and assured to take up pending issues through their elected representatives also.

The Members were requested give suggestions in writing within the next 3-4 days for onward presentation & thereafter a press conference.

Mr. Dipak S. Rathor, Advisor gave the vote of thanks.

Please find attached herewith the Power Point Presentation given by Lifetime Chairman during this meeting for the reference of all members.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair & thanks to the Management of Hotel Swosti Premium for hosting the meeting.

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Dr. Srinibash Subudhi Working President

With regards, Jonath Rawl Meland Gention

Jonathan Raul Vice Chairman (Hd.Qrs.)

Milind Gupta Secretary General

Enclosures ;

- 1. Secretary General's & Treasurer's Report
- 2. Lifetime Chairman's Power Point Presentation (HRAO Suggestions)