

**MINUTES OF THE SECOND (SPECIAL) MEETING OF THE GENERAL BODY OF
THE INDIAN YOGA ASSOCIATION HELD ON 8TH MARCH, 2017**

The Second (Special) meeting of the General Body of Indian Yoga Association was held on 8th March, 2017 at 6.30 pm in the premises of Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, 68, Ashoka Road, New Delhi. The following were present:

1. **Dr. H. R. Nagendra** Senior Vice President Chancellor,
(Presided over the meeting)
SVYASA , Bengaluru
2. **Yog Rishi Swami Ram Dev,** Chairperson, GC
President,
Patanjal Yogpeeth, Haridwar
3. **Swami Chidananda Saraswati** Member, GC
President,
Parmarth Niketan, Rishikesh
4. **Smt. Hamsa Jayadeva Yogendra** Vice President
Director,
The Yoga Institute, Mumbai
5. **Dr. S. P. Mishra** Vice President
95, Loni Road, Near Hindon Air Force Station
Mohan Nagar, Ghaziabad
6. **Swami Bharat Bhushan** Treasurer
President,
Mokshayatan Yogashram, Saharanpur
7. **Shri S. Sridharan** Member
Trustee,
Krishnamacharya Yoga Mandiram, Chennai
8. **Swami Ritawan Bharati,** Member
Ashram Pramukh & Spiritual
Guide, Swami Rama Sadhama Grama,
Rishikesh.

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| 9. | Dr. M. V. Bhole
16, Badrivishal Society,
Lonavla, Pune | Member |
| 10. | Dr. Ananda Balayogi Bhavanani
Chairman,
ICYER, Puduchery. | Member |
| 11. | Shri Subodh Tiwari,
CEO,
Kaivalyadhama Yoga Institute, Lonavla | Member |
| 11. | Dr. Ishwar Bhardwaj
Professor & Head (HC & Yoga Science), Gurukul Kangri
University, Haridwar. | Member |
| 13. | Dr. S. D. Patil,
Head, Dept. of Yogic Sciences,
H.V.P. Mandal, Amravati | Member |
| 14. | Ms. Kamlesh Barwal
Art of Living Foundation, Bengaluru | Member |
| 15. | Swami Gyaneshwar Puri
Yoga in Daily Life Foundation, Jaipur. | Member |
| 16. | Dr. Rajendra Joshi,
General Secretary,
Representative, Yoga Vidya Niketan, Mumbai | Member |
| 17. | Dr. Kaustubh Desikachar,
C.E.O., Krishnamacharya Healing and Yoga Foundation,
Chennai. | Member |
| 18. | Shri Des Raj Gupta,

Bharatiya Yoga Sansthan, New Delhi. | Member General Secretary |
| 19. | Shri P.C. Kapur | Member |

Representative, Sivananda Yoga Vedanta Dhanwatari Ashram,
Thiruvananthapuram.

20. **Shri Dheeraj Saraswat** Member
Representative, Mokshayatan Yogashram Saharanpur.
21. **Dr. Ulka Natu** Member
Representative, Ghantali Mitra Mandal,
Sahayog Mandir Thane
22. **Ms. Nandini Tripathi** Member
Representative, Parmarth Niketan,
Rishikesh.
23. **Swami Maheshwarananda,** Special Invitee
Yoga in Daily Life Foundation,
Mehrauli
24. **Acharya Lokesh Muni,** Special Invitee
Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti,
Rajendra Nagar, New Delhi.
25. **Shri Jaideep Arya,** Special Invitee
Patanjal Yogapeeth,
Haridwar
26. **Dr. Ishwar V. Basavaraddi** Member-Secretary
Director,
MDNIY, New Delhi-110001

Leave of absence:

1. **Shri O.P. Tiwari** President
Secretary,
Kaivalyadhama Yoga Institute, Lonavla
2. **Dr. Pranav Pandya,** Member, GC
Chancellor, D.S.V.V., Shanti
Kunj, Haridwar.

3. **Sri Sri Ravi Shankar** Member, GC
Founder, Art of Living Foundation,
Bengaluru.
4. **Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudeva** Member, GC
Founder, Isha Foundation,
Coimbatore.
5. **Dr. Rajvi H. Mehta** Joint Secretary
Chief Scientist,
Iyengar Yogashray, Mumbai
6. **Swami Atmapriyananda,** Member
Vice-Chancellor,
R.K. Mission Vivekananda University, Howrah
7. **Dr. Swami Anant Bharati** Member
Director,
Keshwananda Yoga Sansthan, Nw Delhi
8. **Dr. Geeta Iyengar** Member
Director,
Ramamani Iyengar Memorial Yoga Institute, Pune
9. **Dr. W.Selvamurthy,** Member
President,
Amity Science Technology, NOIDA.
10. **Prof. M. Venkata Reddy** Member
Former Secretary,
A.P. Yoga Dhyan Parishad, Secunderabad
11. **Dr. K. Krishna Bhatt** Member
Former Professor & Chairman (Yoga Science),
Mangalore University, Mangalgangotri
12. **Dr.R. Nagarathna** Member
Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences,
SVYASA, Bengaluru

13. **Dr. Chinmay Pandya** Member
Pro Vice-Chancellor,
Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar
14. **Swami Mangalteertham,** Member
Director,
Nutan Sanjeevani Sansthan, Jharkhand
15. **Dr. R.L.Bijlani,** Member
Sri Aurobindo Ashram, New Delhi.
16. **Shri Vishwas Mandalik,** Member
Bharatiya Yoga Vidya Dham, Nasik.
17. **Dr. Raghavendra Shenoy,** Member
NirmayaYogakuteeram, Basavangudi, Bangaluru.
18. **Dr. Shirley Telles,** Member
Director of Research, Patanjali Yoga Peeth, Haridwar
19. **Dr. C.G.Deshpande,** Member
Psychologist, Kothrud, Pune.
20. **Dr. B.R. Sharma** Member
Principal,
GS College of Yoga and Cultural Synthesis, Lonavla
21. **Dr. R. Elangovan,** Member
Prof. & Head, Deptt. Of Yoga,
T.N. Physical Education & Sports University, Chennai
22. **Dr. U. S. Ray,** Member
Former Scientist, DIPAS, Kolkata
23. **Dr. Samprasad Vinod,** Member
Director,
Maharishi Vinod Research Foundation, Pune

24. **Dr. Sampadananda Mishra,** Member
Representative of Sri Aurobindo Ashram,
Puduchery.

At the outset, Dr. I.V. Basavaraddi, Member-Secretary informed that due to some emergent work and unavoidable circumstances, Shri O.P. Tiwari, President of IYA was not attending the meeting. Therefore, as per Rule 3.6(vii) of Rules and Regulations of IYA, Dr. H.R. Nagendra, Senior Vice President of IYA was requested to preside over the meeting, which the office bearers and members of GB and GC consented.

The Member-Secretary then welcomed the President of this meeting, Chairman GC, office bearers and members present in the meeting. Thereafter the self-introduction was given by all the members. He further apprised all the participants about the establishment and functioning of the IYA.

Then Dr. H.R. Nagendra, President also gave brief introduction for the constitution of IYA and its activities and also about the necessity of convening the present meeting. Thereafter, with the permission of the Chair, the agenda items were taken up for discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE GENERAL BODY OF IYA HELD ON 20TH APRIL, 2016.

Member-Secretary informed that the minutes of the first meeting of General Body of IYA held on 20th April, 2016 were circulated to all the members. No comments have been received and thus the minutes need to be confirmed. The General Body confirmed the minutes of the first meeting of General Body of IYA held on 20th April, 2016.

AGENDA ITEM NO.2 TO REPORT ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES OF THE 1ST MEETING OF THE 4 GENERAL BODY OF IYA HELD ON 20TH APRIL, 2016

The action taken report on the minutes of the first meeting of General Body of IYA held on 20th April, 2016 were noted and approved by the General Body.

AGENDA ITEM NO.3 RE-FORMATION OF THE DIFFERENT BODIES OF THE IYA AS DECIDED DURING THE MEETINGS OF ADVISORY BOARD AND THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON 7TH FEBRUARY, 2017 AND 22ND FEBRUARY, 2017 RESPECTIVELY.

The matter regarding re-formation of various Bodies and Committees of IYA was discussed at length. The Member-Secretary informed that the Advisory Board was constituted in the 9th meeting of the Executive Council held in April, 2016 consisting of the following Yoga Gurus:

1. Yog Rishi Swami Ramdev
2. Sri Sri Ravishankar
3. Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudeva
4. Swami Chidananda Muni
5. Dr. Pranav Pandya

It was further informed that a meeting of the Advisory Board of IYA along with the office bearers of IYA was held on 7th February, 2017 at Shanti Kunj, Haridwar, wherein decision was taken to re-name the Advisory Board as the Governing Council of IYA and it should include more number of heads of the leading Institutions. Yog Rishi Swami Ramdev had been unanimously nominated as the Chairperson of the proposed Governing Council. The Executive Council in its 12th meeting held on 22nd February, 2017 also gave its consent to the re-naming of the Advisory Board as Governing Council. Accordingly, the following Bodies and Committees and their re-structuring as proposed have been approved by the General Body, as under:

1. General Body
2. Governing Council
3. Executive Council
4. Finance Committee
5. Personnel Certification Body
6. Standing Committees (05):
 - Standing Academic Committee
 - Standing Accreditation Committee
 - Standing Research Committee
 - Standing Publication Committee
 - Standing Public Relation and

Publicity Committee The re-structuring of these Committees shall be as under:

General Body:

The General Body may be presided over by the President of IYA and include all the heads of the leading Yoga Institutions and representatives from each State/UT Association as President or his nominee. Secretary General may be the Member-Secretary of the General Body. The meeting of the General Body shall be convened at least once in a year. These can be more also. The notice for the General Body meeting shall be served to all the members 15 days before the date of the meeting and for Special Meeting it shall be 7 days. The structure of the General Body may be :

Sl.No	Office bearers & Members	No.
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1.	President	01
2.	Chairperson, GC	01
3.	Senior Vice President	01
4.	Vice Presidents	02
5.	Secretary General	01
6.	Treasurer	01
7.	Joint Secretaries	02
8	Heads of each of the founder Eminent Yoga Institutions as per ANNEXURE-A or one of their nominee approved by the GC; and The eminent Yoga Institute being included subsequently as in Annexure-B or one of their nominees approved by the GC.	15 30
09	Vice Chancellors of Universities having Department of Yoga or their nominees by rotation, for a period of three years.	05
10	Eminent Professionals/Experts in the field of Yoga and allied sciences who have specified qualification(s), experience and fulfill the code of conduct set by the Association, duly recommended by 2 Heads of Eminent Yoga Institutions as in ANNEXUREs-A & B and approved by the GC, for three years,.	30
11	One representative from each State/UT Association as President or his nominee	36
	TOTAL	125

Governing Council:

The Governing Council will be a Supreme Body for policy and decision making. The Governing Council may be chaired by Chairperson and may be included the eminent Yoga Gurus and leading heads of Yoga Institutes numbering 13. Shri O.P. Tiwari, President of the IYA shall be the Special Invitee in its meetings. The Secretary General may be the Member-Secretary of the Governing council. The Governing Council shall meet twice a year. The G.B. constituted the Governing Council as under:

Sl.No	Office bearers & Members	No.
1.	Chairperson	01

2-14	*Eminent Yoga Gurus including heads of eminent Yoga Institutions having yoga lineage or parampara (i) Sri Sri Ravi Shankar (ii) Dr. Pranav Pandya (iii) Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudeva (iv) Swami Niranjananda Saraswati (v) Swami Chidananda Saraswati (vi) Shri O.P.Tiwari (vii) Dr.H.R.Nagendra (viii) Swami Maheshwarananda (ix) Swami Atmapriyananda (x) Dr. Geeta Iyengar (xi) Smt. Hamsa Jayadeva (xii) Smt.Meenakshi Devi Bhavnani (xiii) Swami Bharat Bhushan (xiv) Shri S.Sridharan (xv) Swami Vimlananda	13
	Office bearers	07
15	Senior Vice President, IYA	01
16-17	Vice Presidents, IYA	02
18-19	Joint Secretaries, IYA	02
20	Treasurer	01
21	Secretary General - Member-Secretary	01
	TOTAL	21

*Out of above 15 Yoga Gurus including heads of leading Yoga Institutions, 13 members will be taken. The office bearers of IYA included in the said list shall be treated as Head of the leading Yoga Institutions.

Executive Council:

The Executive Council may be chaired by the Senior Vice-President as Director of the Executive Council. It may be responsible for the execution of the decisions taken by the G.B. and G.C. One of the Joint Secretaries may be the Member-Secretary of Executive Council. It shall meet once in every quarter.

S. No	Office bearers & Members	No.
1.	Sr. Vice President – Director	01
2.	Vice-President (1)	01
3.	C.E.O., PrCB	01
4.	Treasurer	01
5.	Joint Secretary (1)	01
6.	Directors of Standing Committees	05

7.	G.B. Members (Nominated by GC)	02
	Total	12

Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee may be chaired by one of the Vice-Presidents as Director of the Finance Committee. The Treasurer may be the Member-Secretary of the Finance Committee.

S. No	Office bearers & Members	No.
1.	Vice-President (2) – Director	01
2.	Joint Secretary (2)	01
3.	Treasurer	01
4.	G.B. Members (Nominated by GC)	02
	Total	05

Pr.C.B.:

The Personnel Certification Body may be headed by the Chief Executive Officer of PrCB as Director of the Body with Chief Operational Officer as Member-Secretary.

S. No	Office bearers & Members	No.
1.	Chief Executive Officer	01
2.	Yoga Experts	03
3.	Quality Assurance Expert	01
4.	Administration Expert	01
5.	GB members (nominated by GC)	02
6.	Chief Operational Officer	01
	Total	09

Standing Committees:

The Standing Academic Committee, Standing Accreditation Committee, Standing Research Committee, Standing Publication Committee and Standing Public Relation & Publicity Committee, each may be headed by a Director of the Committee unanimously selected (failing which to be elected) by the Governing Council, out of the members of GB with the following structure :

S. No	Office bearers & Members	No.
1.	Director: To be unanimously selected (failing thereby to be elected) by the GC amongst Members of the General Body.	01
2.	Nominated Members : Nominated by the Governing Council amongst the Members of the General Body.	02

3.	Co-opted Members: The Director of the Committee may co-opt <i>one</i> expert, if necessary, and it has to be ratified by the Governing Council.	01
4.	Joint Secretary (2) of IYA may be the Convener of the meetings of the Standing Committees	01
	Total	05

The General Body constituted a sub-committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. I.V. Basavaraddi, Secretary General of IYA consisting of the following:

1. Dr.I.V. Basavaraddi
2. Shri Subodh Tiwari
3. Ms. Kamlesh Barwal
4. Shri Jaideep Arya
5. Swami Ullas

The sub-committee shall redefine the details of Rules & Regulations, functions, proceedings, powers and responsibilities etc of each Body/Council/Committee. It shall also prepare the brief bye-laws clarifying the duties and responsibilities of each of the office bearers of IYA in addition to proposing the names of members for these bodies/committees. The committee can also take legal advice from competent legal experts for preparing these documents, who shall be suitably paid for the same. The sub-committee has to submit its report within one month which shall be placed before the Governing Council / General Body. All these formalities shall be completed before 30th April, 2017.

AGENDA ITEM NO.4 ANY OTHER ITEM WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

With the permission of the Chair, the following issues were also discussed:

1. The Member-Secretary raised the issue of increasing the general membership and also the funds for the rapid growth of IYA. He proposed to develop an App where the people can register themselves as General Members of IYA, who shall be issued unique ID.

The matter was discussed at length and it was agreed to develop an App. The already constituted sub-committee shall look into the matter. It was further decided that every member Institution of IYA shall arrange to register minimum 25000 general members in a year i.e. by March, 2018. Every GB member shall arrange to register minimum 10000 general members by the end of March, 2018. Various other Yoga Institutions, colleges and Universities shall also be approached in this regard. For developing the App, the committee can hire the services of an I.T. Expert.

It was also decided that the General Membership shall be valid for 10 years on calendar year basis. The General Members will get the following facilities from IYA and its member Institutions:

- The member will get a Unique ID with Registration No. as an acknowledged IYA general member.
- The general member will get 10% discount in the registration in the events organized by the member institutions e.g. seminar, conference, workshops etc. and also their publications.
- The general member will get 2 newsletters annually published by the association electronically.
- The general member can get updated with the activities of IYA and its member institutions through IYA website/e.mail and other forms of social media.

It was further resolved that a separate bank account in any bank may be opened in the name of Indian Yoga Association. The Treasurer (Swami Bharat Bhushan) and the Secretary General (Dr.I.V.Basavaraddi) of IYA shall be the authorized signatories to operate the said bank account from time to time. The account will be linked with the App being developed.

2. The General Body applauded the offers of generous contribution by Rs.1.00 crore by the Chairman, GC and also Rs.1.00 lakh by the Secretary-General of IYA.

3. The President raised the issue of accommodation for the IYA. The Member-Secretary desired to discuss the issue with NDMC for allotting some suitable accommodation to accommodate the IYA. However, Swami Maheshwarananda offered the accommodation for the office of IYA in his Institute at Mehrauli, which was accepted and it was desired that the Secretary General, IYA; C.E.O., PrCB and the Administrative Manager may visit the site and take a decision to shift the day-today activities of IYA to the Mehrauli Centre.

4. It was informed that there were many members who have not consented to be members of IYA and also not paid the requisite membership fee of Rs.10,000/- for the corpus funds. Therefore, the G.B. desired to write letter to all the members of GB who have not deposited the requisite membership fee for their willingness and also to pay the fees.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.