

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
THE INDIAN PARLIAMENTARY GROUP HELD ON
THURSDAY, 11 AUGUST, 2016 IN MAIN COMMITTEE ROOM , PHA**

The 54th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Indian Parliamentary Group (IPG) was held on Thursday, 11 August, 2016 from 1840 hours to 2008 hours in the Main Committee Room, Parliament House Annexe, New Delhi. Smt. Sumitra Mahajan, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha and President of the Indian Parliamentary Group, was in the Chair. Ninety Members and Associate Members of the Indian Parliamentary Group participated in the Meeting.

At the outset, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha welcomed the Members to the Annual General Meeting. Thereafter, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha moved a resolution condoling the death of the Members of the Indian Parliamentary Group who passed away since the last Annual General Meeting held on 6 August, 2015. The Members, thereafter, observed silence for a minute as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

The Annual Report of the Indian Parliamentary Group for the year 2015-2016 was, thereafter, considered and adopted without any amendments.

On the issue of election of Treasurer and members of the Executive Committee, Shri J.K. Jain, Ex-MP moved a motion that the President be authorized to nominate the Treasurer as well as Members to the Executive Committee of the Indian Parliamentary Group. The motion was seconded by Shri Rahul Bajaj and other Members of Indian Parliamentary Group. The motion was adopted by voice-vote.

It was also approved that the Pay & Accounts Officer, Lok Sabha may continue to be the Auditor of accounts of the Indian Parliamentary Group for the year 2016-17.

The Members of the Indian Parliamentary Group raised a number of issues including nominating Ex-MPs in IPDs led by Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha going abroad, medical facilities, telephone connection, parking of vehicles etc. , which have been compiled and enumerated in the **Annexure**. Some of the issues were identical to the issues raised earlier in the Annual General Meeting of Indian Parliamentary Group held on 6 August, 2015. These matters have been examined by Lok Sabha Secretariat and the action taken on them is given separately in an Action Taken Report.

After the discussion, Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha and President of the Indian Parliamentary Group thanked the Members and informed that issues raised by the Members would be looked into. It was also decided that the Minutes of the Meeting would be circulated to all the Members of the Indian Parliamentary Group.

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

**SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS of IPG AT
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF IPG HELD ON 11.08.2016**

Sl. No.	Issues
1.	Ex-Members of Indian Parliamentary Group may also be included in the Indian Parliamentary Delegations going abroad.
2.	Ex-MPs may be provided landline telephone connection
3.	Ex-MPs be exempted from paying Toll taxes
4.	Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic medicines be provided to Ex-MPs on the prescription of Doctors other than CGHS.
5.	Enhancement in Pension for Ex-MPs.
6.	Ex-MPs be allowed to park their vehicles at the VIP parking at Railway Stations and Airports.
7.	The last page of the Annual Report of the Indian Parliamentary Group may contain Obituary References.
8.	'Action Taken Report' be included in the Agenda of AGM of IPG.

ACTION TAKEN REPORT

Annual General Meeting of Indian Parliamentary Group held on 11 August, 2016

S.N	ISSUES	Comments
1.	Ex-Members of Indian Parliamentary Group may also be included in the IPD going abroad.	
2.	Ex-MPs may be provided landline telephone connection	The Joint Committee of Members Salaries and Allowances are competent to amend the telephone facilities (Members of Parliament) Rules, 1956 to provide such facilities to Ex-MPs.
3.	Ex-MPs be exempted from paying Toll Taxes	Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs has declined to exempt Ex-MPs from paying Toll Taxes.
4.	Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic medicines be provided to Ex-MPs on the prescription of Doctors other than CGHS	As per the guidelines issued by M/o Health and Family Welfare, the medicines prescribed by the Doctors other than CGHS are not issued by Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Dispensaries. The matter has been forwarded to M/o Health and Family Welfare for consideration.
5.	Enhancement in Pension for Ex-MPs	The suggestion relating to enhancing the pension of Ex-MPs is under consideration of Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs
6.	Ex-MPs be allowed to park their vehicles at the VIP parking at Railway Stations and Airports	Airport Authority of India informed that there is no specific guidelines available for providing such privileges to Ex-MPs. Railway Board also informed that "Policy guidelines do not permit the provision/facility of VIP parking for Ex-MPs at Railway Stations. However, as and when required full cooperation is extended by the division to accommodate the vehicles of MPs / Ex-MPs."
7.	The last page of the Annual Report of the Indian Parliamentary Group may contain 'Obituary References'	The Annual Report of IPG already contain 'Obituary References'
8.	'Action Taken Report' be included in the Agenda of AGM of IPG.	'Action Taken Report' has been included in the Agenda of AGM