

Indian Forest Service Benevolent and Welfare Trust

Minutes of the Meeting dated 22nd of August, 2008

A meeting of the Indian Forest Service Benevolent and Welfare Trust, IFS (B&W) Trust was held on 22nd August, 2008 in Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Sh. K.B. Thampi and was attended by the following members:

- S/Sh
1. K.B. Thampi
 2. A. K. Goyal
 3. Anmol Kumar
 4. Ashok Pai
 5. Alok Verma
 6. Rajan Sehgal
 7. C.D. Singh
 8. Rajbir Singh
 9. Mrs. Rekha Pai
 - 10.

The following issues were discussed:

1. The Executive Committee will have the following eleven members:
 - i. K.B. Thampi
 - ii. A. K. Goyal
 - iii. Anmol Kumar
 - iv. Ashok Pai
 - v. Alok Verma
 - vi. Rajan Sehgal
 - vii. C.D. Singh
 - viii. Rajbir Singh
 - ix. A K Johari
 - x. Bharat Lal
 - xi. D D Sharma

Presence of minimum five members will constitute the quorum.

2. The modalities for payment of financial assistance to the bereaved families of the IFS officers dying while in Service was deliberated at length. It was proposed to authorize the Executive Committee to take decisions on the recommendations of the State's unit of the IFS Association for providing financial assistance. Willingness of the bereaved family to accept the relief was considered essential. Amount of immediate relief has been proposed to be rupees one lakh and subsequent and final relief as rupees four lakhs (total of rupees five lakhs), though it was left to be decided in future meetings.

- 3 It was decided to bring out a **Souvenir** by the Central Unit of the IFS Association on the occasion of the Wildlife Week celebrations. All the officers are requested to contribute articles to the Souvenir befitting the occasion.
- 4 It was decided to explore the possibility with different insurance companies of having Group Insurance for all the members of the Service before taking final decision in this regard opting for a company having minimum annual premium.
- 5 It was decided to seek income tax exemption for income into the trust fund and efforts will also be made for obtaining similar exemption for the contributors to the extent of amount contributed to the trust.
- 6 To mobilize contributions from all the members; it was decided to have nodal officers for each state who will have the responsibility to pursue with the respective state cadres. Other officers could look after those states that are not represented in Delhi. Some of the names suggested are as under:

Uttarakhand: Ms. Rekha Pai
J&K: Mr. B.K.Singh
Haryana: Mr. Vivek Saxena
Gujarat: Mr. Bharat La

UP: Mr. S.P.Yadav
H.P.: Mr. Ajai Lal
A.P.: Mr. A.K.Goyal
Kerala: Mr. K B Thampi

(The list is yet to be finalised).

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and the members present.