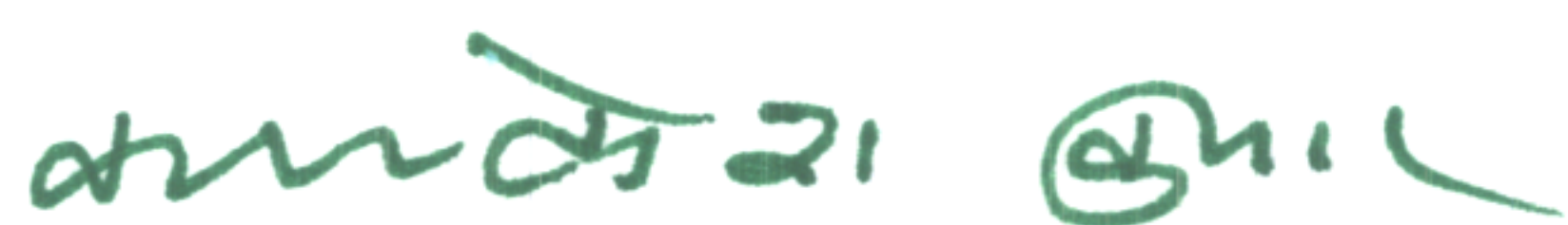
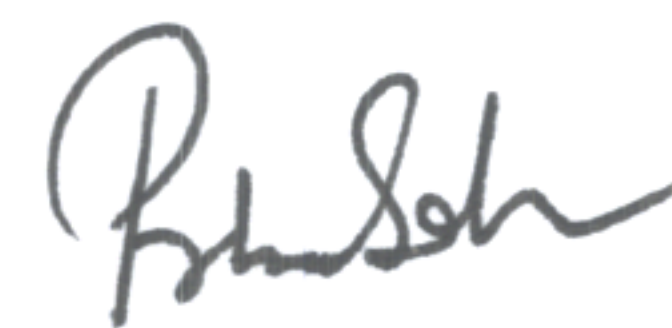


**Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the National Trust**  
**Held on 10.09.2018 at 02.00 pm**

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the National Trust was held at 02.00 pm on 10.09.2018 in Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi. Around 130 Registered organizations with 200 no. of participants were present in the AGM from across the country except J&K. The list of participants is at Annexure-A.

1. At the outset Sh. U.K. Shukla, Assistant Legal Adviser requested Dr. Kamlesh Kumar Pandey, Chairperson, National Trust, Dr. Prabodh Seth, JS&CEO, National Trust and all the Trustees for lighting of lamp. After the ceremony, JS&CEO welcomed all the participants and gave brief insight on programmes and policies for persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities. He also addressed the forum on the highlights of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and the approach of the Government for benefitting the sector in best possible manner.
2. Due to lack of quorum the meeting was adjourned in terms of Section 5(3) Explanation Sub Clause 2(b) of the National Trust Regulations and was resumed thereafter.
3. Sh. Pankaj Maru, SNAC-Coordinator, Madhya Pradesh was requested to share his experience on the implementation of National Trust Schemes and Programmes. He shared observations related to projects he had visited so far and came to the conclusion that not following the laid down guidelines has resulted in not getting the results, as desired. Hence he suggested the stakeholders to thoroughly read the guidelines and follow them for their Day Care and Residential projects. As regards Niramaya Health Insurance Scheme he stated that in absence of proper awareness of the benefits of the scheme and submission of claims, the desired results are not achieved. He requested the participants to ensure proper utilization of money received from the Government.
4. Smt. Seema Tuli, Trustee of the Board appraised the gathering on the work and outcome of the Registration/Validation Committee which was constituted to thoroughly examine all the projects in terms of their proper functioning and to weed out the projects of those organizations which are not properly functioning as per guidelines. She shared the grim picture of the exercise done by the Committee and stressed that the ROs are duty bound to function as per guidelines for the grant given by the Government. She informed ROs that records should be maintained and they should be always available at the place of the project.







5. Sh. U K Shukla, ALA invited Dr. Prabodh Seth, JS&CEO, National Trust to present the Annual Report. Dr Seth addressed the stakeholders through a power-point presentation and shared the facts and figures related to budget and expenditures under various schemes. He also mentioned about the new initiative of the National Trust during the past one year.
6. The august gathering was then requested to place their complaints, views and suggestion for betterment and improvement in functioning of the National Trust. Representatives from various Registered Organisations from the States of Bihar, Delhi, UP, Chandigarh, Gujarat, West Bengal, Kerala, Maharashtra, Jharkhand and Odisha raised various issues namely:-

Reduction of Funds, ID Cards for Local Level Committee Members, not getting recommendation letter from DC for LLC Membership and non-opening of Bank Account, Census on Disability, Difficulty in getting Disability Certificates, Support by Govt. of Gujarat for Niramaya, Collaboration with NIOS, etc.

7. Sh. UK Shukla, Assistant Legal Adviser resolved queries related to LLC, Bank Account opening and Legal Guardianship. He informed that the things are moving in many districts hence it would be appropriate to pursue the matter with their District Authorities. On issue of funding JS&CEO stated that a number of schemes had to be merged and their funding reduced on account of inadequate funds. He also informed about constitution of Local Project Committee (LPC) to monitor safety and security of residents of the various projects. All other queries were addressed by the Chairperson as under:-

- i. With regard to a welcome decision from Govt. of Gujarat for support in Niramaya Scheme, he requested the RO to communicate with Mr. Maru, SNAC Coordinator, MP who is working on this, since beginning.
- ii. On extreme difficulty in getting Disability Certificates, the Chairperson who is Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities informed the ROs that Disability is a State subject and they must take up this matter with their respective State Governments. They must find solutions, organize camps so that work can be done. He further suggested taking up this issue in SLCC meetings which is headed by Secretary, Social Welfare and SNAC as member.

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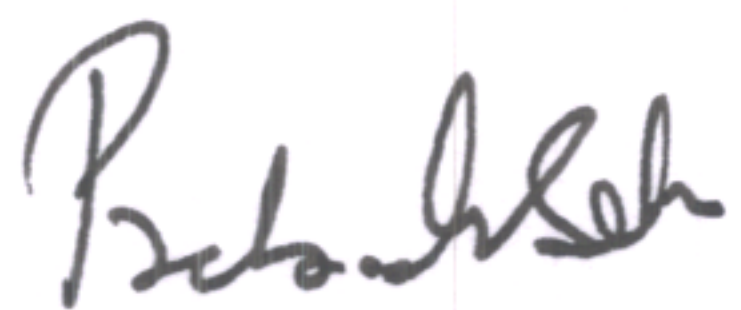
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- iii. On enrollment of Divyangjan in NIOS, the Chairperson informed that ROs can collaborate directly with NIOS on this.
  - iv. On invitation to Trustees of the Board for visit and inspection of various Registered Organisations, the Chairperson said that this will be considered and future plan will be developed.
  - v. He also assured the gathering that though the important decisions of the Board are placed on the website, he will direct the office to monitor it regularly.
8. Summing up the discussion, the Chairperson, National Trust addressed the gathering laying main emphasis on empowerment of Divyangjan. He said that the history of our country being inclusive, Divyangjan should be included in every area, be it education, employment, recreation etc. He reiterated the need for increasing the competence of Divyangjan so that they become self reliant. He also showed the way forward for all the ROs to build their capacity by involving the community at large which will reduce their dependence on the Government. He said people's strength is the biggest one, we just need to enlighten the community of their duties and responsibilities and everything else will be taken care of automatically.

With these remarks the meeting was completed with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



(Dr. Prabodh Seth)  
Member Secretary & JS&CEO  
National Trust



(Dr. Kamlesh Kumar Pandey)  
Chairperson of the Board of the  
National Trust