

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING OF THE ASIAN POWERLIFTING FEDERATION HELD
AT BANDUNG, INDONESIA
AT 7.00 P.M. ON 01 MAY 2017.

1. Roll call of Nations and Delegates

Attending nations:

- Chinese Taipei
- Hong Kong
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Iraq
- Japan
- Kazakhstan
- Mongolia
- Oman
- Philippines
- South Korea
- Sri Lanka
- U.A.E
- Uzbekistan

Attending EC members:

- President: Farshid Soltani
- Vice President: Kim-Won Pok
- Secretary General: Rajesh Tiwari
- Honorary Treasurer: Ramon Debuque
- Technical committee Chair: Chen-Yeh Chao
- Board member East Asia: Wing-Yuk Ip
- Board member South Asia: PJ Joseph

The Annual General Body Meeting of the Asian Powerlifting Federation began at 7.00 p.m. on 01.05.2017 at **SULTAN HOTEL**, Bandung, Indonesia with Mr. Farshid Soltani, President in the Chair.

Mr. D. Jojolankan, Organizer of the Asian Championship at Indonesia offered a warm welcome to all the participants.

Presidential address (Farshid Soltani)

In his presidential address, Mr. Farshid Soltani, President of the APF made a detailed review of the activities of the Asian Powerlifting Federation during the period under review. He exhorted the Asian Powerlifting Federation Board members and member nations to strive hard for qualitative improvement and maximum expansion of Powerlifting activities in all member-nations and beyond their territories to the extent possible. Also, they shall bring maximum participant competitors and officials in the years to come. All member-nations shall stand united to achieve this goal, he continued. He added that all Board members and their National Federations shall work very closely with their respective Olympic Organizations so that Powerlifting can find a place in Olympic competitions in the near future.

Also he pointed to APF President Office to below address:

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The minutes of the immediate previous General Body Meeting, which was circulated among members in advance, was taken up for consideration. In the absence of any adverse comments on the circulated minutes, the house accepted and approved the same unopposed.

General Secretary report (Rajesh Tiwari)

Following this, the General Secretary of the Asian Powrlifting Federation Mr. Rajesh Tiwari gave a detailed account of the powerlifting events and activities that were organized in the jurisdiction of Asian Powerlifting Federation during the review period. He requested the members to continue to extend the good support being given and step up the tempo of the same for the fulfillment of the organizational tasks ahead, in the year to come.

Treasurer's report (Ramon Dubuque)

Mr. Raman H. Debuque, the Treasurer presented in detail the financial statements of the Asian Powerlifting Federation for the year under review, i.e. 2016-17.

Technical Committee report (Chen-Yeh, Chao)

2016 was another eventful year for the APF having successfully held four major championships. The Asia Powerlifting Championship was held in India. The Bench Press Championship was held in Uzbekistan. Asia/Oceania Classic, Bench Press and Equipped Championship in New Zealand. And a special Subrata International Powerlifting Championship also held in India. I would like to take this chance to congratulate our colleagues from these three great member nations for being such wonderful hosts and ambassadors of your countries and the sport of Powerlifting. I also like to say a big thank you, to all the referees, judges, coaches, athletes and all those who worked behind the scene that made these events possible.

Now I would like to turn your attention to the chronic problem of referee shortage for APF competitions. As you may or may not know, refereeing require a tremendous amount of concentration and focus to ensure minimum errors occurring. However, it is currently not uncommon for a referee in our competitions to work for an entire day under expectations to be as accurate and sharp as they can while fighting fatigue. It is truly a high pressure but often thankless job. Which is why on behalf of the APF, I would like to invite anyone interested in becoming a referee in powerlifting to join us by contacting your home federation about referee certification. If you know anyone who might be interested, please encourage them to get certified. And when you see a referee during this competition, give them a smile or a big thumbs up to let them know that their work is not so thankless after all.

That is all I have to say for now. I wish everyone have a great week of competition.

Medical Committee report (Wing-Yuk Ip)

In Asia Powerlifting Championship 2016, an anti-doping seminar was organized during the Championship.

It is planned that updated anti-doping information and anti-doping education will be organized in every Powerlifting Championship

New members are welcomed. Country members are encouraged to send medical personnel to join the committee.

Proposal for amendment of constitution

New member application

Action on Delinquent Nations

No suspension

Hall of the Fame

Bids and confirmation on Future Championships

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| 1. | Asian Benchpress Classic & Equipped | .. | 6-12 September – Philippine |
| 2. | Asian Classic and Subrata Classic | .. | 4 – 9 December – India |

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| 1. | Asian Powerlifting Championship | .. | 1 – 5 May – India |
| 2. | Asian benchpress Equipped/Unequipped.. | | September – U.A.E. |
| 3. | Asian Classic Powrlifting | .. | December – Philippines |

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| 1. | Asian Powerlifting Championship | .. | 1 – 5 May | Hongkong |
| 2. | Asian Benchpress Equipped/Unequipped.. | | September- | Mangolia |
| 3. | Asian Classic Powerlifting | .. | December – | Oman & Iran |

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| 1. | Asian Powerlifting Championship | .. | 1 – 5 May | India |
| 2. | Asian Benchpress – Equipped/Unequipped.. | | September – | Iraq |
| 3. | Asian Classic Powerlifting | .. | December - | India |

However, Sri Lanka was the host nation for the Asian Classic Powerlifting Championship to be held in December, 2017. The official representing the Department of Sports, Government of Sri Lanka explained the inconvenience of the nation in the current scenario to organize the said Championship in that country this year. However, he promised to organize Asian Championships in Sri Lanka within two years for which a detailed report will be submitted to the Government of Sri Lanka.

The Secretary then brought to the notice of the house that the present annual subscription of \$200/- is too low, which should be raised appropriately in the next meeting.

The report on the Technical Committee for 2016 was presented by the Technical Committee Chairman Mr. Chao Che Yen. A similar report on the affairs of the Medical Committee was also presented to the house by Ms. WING YUK IP, Chairperson. The house accepted and approved both the reports.

It has been decided to meet the expense (Including Airfare,accomadation etc) of championship Secretary for attending Asian championship from this championship onwards.

The Asian Powerlifting Federation Congress came to a close at 8.30 p.m. with a vote of thanks proposed by the Secretary.

Rajesh Tiwari
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