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Minutes of the 8th CEC Meeting of SFOAWB

Meeting date: 15th August, 2025; Meeting time: 11:00 am to 3:00 pm Meeting venue: Esplanade, Kolkata

Attendance

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| Sl No | Name | Designation | Sig. | Sl No | Name | Designation | Sig. |
| 1. | Dr. Narayan Bag | President | Sd/- | 14 | Shri Sumit Sarkar | Member & DS, N. 24 Pgs. | Sd/ |
| 2. | Dr. Kishore Dhara | Working President | Sd/- | 15 | Shri Sandipan Bhadra | Member | Sd/- |
| 3. | Shri Tanmoy Das | Vice- President | Sd/ | 16 | Shri Pulak Priti Patra | Joint Secretary | Sd/ |
| 4 | Dr. Indradeep Chakraborty | Vice- President | Sd/- | 17 | Shri Shyamal Kr Ghosh | Member | Sd/- |
| 5 | Shri Debasih Halder | General Secretary | Sd/- | 18 | Shri Arka Guha | Member | Sd/- |
| 6. | Dr. Debasish Palui | Vice- President | Sd/ | 19 | Shri Krishna Kanta Adak | Member | Sd/ |
| 7. | Shri Kingshuk Mukhopadhyay | Treasurer | Sd/ | 20 | Shri Barun Kumar Paul | Assistant Secretary | Sd/ |
| 8. | Shri Mithun Sarkar | Vice- President | Sd/ | 21 | Shri Samrat Paul | Member & DS, K-K Unit | Sd/ |
| 9. | Dr. Rabindranath Kundu | Office Secretary | Sd/ | 22 | Shri Prabir Kumar Pratihar | Member | Sd/ |
| 10. | Shri Shubhomoy Ghosh | Member & DS, Howrah | Sd/- | 23. | Shri Bilas Ghosh | Member & DS, Kolkata | Sd/ |
| 11 | Shri Nibasi Chandra Das | Member & DS, Nadia | Sd/- | 24 | Shri Moloy Kumar Mal | Member | Sd/- |
| 12. | Mr. Sk. Safiqul Alam | Member & DS, Pb. & Ps. Bardhaman | Sd/ | 25 | Shri Susovan Sau | Member & DS, Paschim Medinipur | Sd/ |
| 13. | Shri Ratul Ghosal | Member & DS, Coochbehar | Sd/ | | | | |

Agenda:

- 1. Celebration of Independence Day.
- 2. Confirmation of minutes of last CEC meeting.
- 3. Discussion on Recruitment, Transfer and Promotions.
- 4. Publication of Souvenir "Matsya Kahan"
- 5. Discussion on Restructuring of Fisheries Directorate.
- 6. Discussion on upcoming 35th Biennial Conference.
- 7. Discussion on different legal issues.
- 8. Discussion on Fund status.
- 9. Organization.
- 10. Miscellaneous.

Resolution:

First of all we celebrated the 79th Independence Day of our Motherland with singing our National Anthem together with pride.

Dr. Narayan Bag, President of the Association then took the chair and the meeting was started formally with the permission from the chair.

Dr. Rabindranath Kundu, Office Secretary of the Association read out the Resolution of Last CEC Meeting dated 24th May, 2025 and it was confirmed unanimously by the House. He requested the President, Dr. Bag to narrate an overview on the present scenario and activities of the Association.

Dr. Bag elaborately had spoken on the present activities of the Association including long pending promotion, urgent and regular transfer, new recruitment, upcoming Biennial State Convention and fund position and invited all the Office Bearers as well as the District Representatives to discuss over the agenda vividly one by one. Everyone in the meeting took part in the discussion and the following decisions were made unanimously or with the vote of majority:-

1. Recruitment, Transfer & Posting and Promotion:

The final gradation list of the FEO was published in April, 2025 but promotional notification is yet to be published. Association hopes that the notification of promotion from the FEO to DFO would be notified very soon by the Department. Moreover, the draft gradation list of DFO and ADF has also been published. Association is also trying best to make a change in the promotional procedure of ADF to DDF on 100% promotion basis.

New recruitment process is going very fast and we are ready to welcome our new colleague in the Department very soon.

Urgent transfer proposal from every cadre i.e. FEO, DFO, ADF and DDF has already been submitted and persuasion is going on. The regular transfer prayer of FEO and DFO has been submitted with all personal applications for necessary action and Association are keeping close liaison with the authorities.

2. Publication of Souvenir:

The "Matsya Kahan" – a truly dedicated magazine to the stakeholders of the Fishery sector from our Association's end has been published on this auspicious day in presence of the Former President and the Convener of the Development committee of the Association, Mr. Debasish Kr. Khatua, the State President Dr Narayan Bag, the Working President Dr. Kishore Dhara, the General Secretary Mr. Debasish Haldar, the Vice President Dr. Debasish Palui, Mr. Tanmoy Das & Mr. Mithun Sarkar and the CEC members present over there. It was a special edition of 34th Biennial Convention of the Association. The House conveyed its thankful acknowledgement to the contributor, the advertiser and well-wisher of the Association.

3. Restructuring of Fisheries Directorate:

It was informed to the CEC in earlier virtual meeting that our Association has put up its thoughtful submission to the Department in the hearing asked by the Committee of the Department. Meanwhile a group of people are spreading a rumor that our Association is working against the restructuring process. The President undoubtedly informed the house that since 2013 i.e. formation of Special Task Force on Fisheries by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Govt of West Bengal, our Association is trying its best and will be continued till the achievement. So, there is nothing to be distracted.

4. 35th Biennial Convention:

A proposal of tentative date for 35th Biennial Convention of our beloved Association was decaled as on 11th and 12th July, 2026 and it was unanimously supported by the House.

5. Fund collection:

Every District Secretaries elaborately discussed about the fund collection and also summarized the special fund collection status. House took the decision that the special fund collection for relief and legal issues, time period would be extend up to August, 2025 for the last time. Unanimous decision has been taken that each Member of the Association has to try his best to collect ten advertisements before 35th Biennial convention.

6. Discussion on different legal issues:

Petition regarding date of effect of promotional benefit has been admitted at the WBAT. Unanimous decision has been taken in the house that SFOAWB would be added party regarding pay related ongoing lawful fight running at the Hon'ble High Court. Decision has also be taken unanimously that Association may go for legal fight including notification of transfer policy, retrospective effect during promotion etc. to safeguard the dignity, rights and interests of the each Member of the Association. Mr. Shyamal Kr. Ghosh and Mr. Krishna Kanta Adak were requested to keep liaison with the Lawyers.

7. Miscellaneous:

- a) Unanimous decision has been taken to use our website page for publication of advertisement with fixed price/year.
- b) House requested Shri Debasish Kr. Khatua, Ex-Prsident, SFOAWB, and the Convener of the Development Committee & the Vice-President of the SFOAWB-Pensioners' Wing for arranging a meeting with SFOAWB-Pensioners' wing where views would be exchanged on the different issues.
- c) An application has been received regarding the Backlog Vacancy. Decision has been taken in the meeting that full review would be made on the issue and step would be taken whichever is permitted as per rules.
- d) Unanimous decision has been taken in the meeting that Association would analyze attendance of the CEC members. President of the Association requested the Office Secretary to put up the list of names who were absent in last three consecutive CEC meeting. Office Secretary requested the District Secretaries to arrange a district committee meeting within 15 days of receiving of this meeting note and circulate all discussed matters among members.

As there was no discussion left, the meeting was ended with thanks to and from the chair.

President

State Fishery Officers' Association, West Bengal