

MINUTES, MEETING OF GOACS (GROUP OF ADVISORY COUNCILS) HELD ON 15 JAN 2022

1. Meeting of the Advisory Councils of ISC was held on 15th Jan 2022 at Plot No. 1, Madhya Marg, Sector 28, Chandigarh in the Office of ISC. The following members, some in person and others through Zoom participated in the meeting:-

SN	Name (Attended on Zoom)	SN	Name (Attended in Person)
1	Dr Sardara Singh Johl	9	Col Jagtar Singh Multani
2	Gen RS Sujlana, AVSM	10	Brig GJ Singh, VSM
3	Dr Birendra Kaur	11	Col AS Kandhari
4	S. Sukhdev Singh Laaj	12	Dr. Jaspal Kaur Kang
5	Mrs. Sartaj Kaur Lamba	13	S. Sarwan Singh
6	S. NP Singh		
7	S. Bhavkaran Singh		
8	S. Satnam Singh		

2. The meeting commenced with the recitation of 'Mool Mantra' followed by confirmation of the minutes of previous Group of Advisory Councils (GoACs) meeting held on 13 Dec 2021.

3. **Training and Motivation of Youth to Join Defence Forces**. Brig GJ Singh, VSM gave an insight about 'Baba Banda Singh Bahadur AFPI, Fatehgarh Sahib' and gave a brief on the curriculum, daily routine and the motivation level of the students. He also briefed on the challenges being faced due to Corona and steps being taken to overcome these. Dr Sardara Singh Johl suggested that Brig GJ Singh get in touch with previous Director, Maj Gen Grewal who might be able to give some useful tips.

4. **Discussion on 'Shaheedi Bal Diwas'**. The members unanimously appreciated the Central Government move to declare 26 Dec as **Shaheedi Bal Diwas** in memory of the supreme sacrifice made by **Chote Sahibzade** to uphold their principles. However there was concern regarding the name and the manner in which this day would be observed. **Bal Diwas** is celebrated on 14 Nov every year on the birth anniversary of Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru. This day is marked with celebrations and gaiety and sweets are distributed to all children on this day while martyrdom of Sahibzadas is a solemn occasion so the day should be remembered as 'Sahibzada Shaheedi Diwas'. The day should be observed in a manner befitting the occasion by remembering the bravery and martyrdom of the Sahibzadas in the form of lecture in the School Assembly at prayer time and organizing national / state level essay writing competitions on the subject. Bravery awards to children could also be given on this day. Dr Sardara Singh Johl, Convenor ISC, stressed on the fact that we must first praise the PM for his initiative and thoughtfulness while expressing our concerns through SGPC.

5. **Seminar/Webinar with Small Children.** Mrs Sartaj Lamba who had joined on Zoom informed that she was down with Covid and once she has fully recovered she would work on this project and give a brief.

6. **Documentary, Book Publication by College Students.** Dr Jaspal Kaur Kang briefed the members that she had got in touch with few persons who were ready to help in making of short film/documentary at a low cost. Once the talks are finalized she would share the details.