

Minutes from ‘FOJSS In UK’ Meeting dated 30.01.22

Virtual meeting on Zoom

Meeting Number 8

8.1.1 Present: Mr Kislay Thakur (KKT-Chair), Mr Sanjay Gupta (SG1-Secy), Dr Sunil Grover (SG2), Dr Kapila Jain (KJ), Dr Shiv Singh (SS), Dr Seema Grover, Dr Rajesh Sofat (RS), Ms Priya Tandon, Ms Meeta Thakur

8.1.2 Apologies: Mr Srinivas Iyer

	Agenda Item	Action	Status
8.1.3	KKT welcomed the friends and listed the apologies. Special thanks for Dr Shiv Singh who joined the meeting from Liverpool.		Complete
8.2.1	Minutes from 6.12.20 and actions arising were reviewed and signed as a true record.		Complete
8.3.1	KKT welcomed friends of JSS and presented Chairman’s report summarising all the activities of FOJSS since our last annual meeting. The events and activities for the FY 20-21 are now on record as ‘Annual Trustees Report’ appended to our website. He also talked about Corona pandemic and the challenges imposed on our charity’s work. KKT thanked all the friends for their hard work in raising awareness, volunteering & much needed funds for the organisation.	The Trustee board members thanked friends, donors and volunteers who have contributed enormously for the last 12 months.	Complete
8.3.2	SG1 reiterated the need to expand the FOJSS beyond London region to midland and elsewhere given the vast Indian medical diaspora with a view to establish a FOJSS midland chapter.		Suspended
8.4.1	SG1 presented the treasurer’s report including income and expenses figures for the FY20-21. He also elaborated on the cost of delivering the FOJSS aid to JSS, which remains negligible (<1%) and financial risks to the charity. Concerns were raised regarding funding shortfall in view of Covid situation. Detailed annual accounts are now appended to the Charity website.	Need to expand the organisation & the funding streams	Ongoing
8.5.1	Unfortunately there was no representation from JSS Bilaspur. Due to ongoing pandemic no body from	Friends & Board members	Complete

	<p>FOJSS UK was able to visit JSS Bilaspur this year.</p> <p>SG1 updated that the Corona pandemic situation has improved significantly at Bilaspur since the last AGM and the hospital and the primary health care program are working well.</p> <p>Dr Yogesh Jain and Rachna Chatterjee have resigned and moved out of JSS Bilaspur. Concerns were raised (KJ) that this may affect our fund raising capabilities as many of our donations/support were based on personal friendships and loyalties to YJ.</p> <p>SG1 informed the board that despite previous assurances there have been no further updates from JSS Bilaspur on Governance and decision making matters of the organisation. SG2 raised genuine concerns regarding JSS future once the current senior management retires, due to weak organisational structure. He also suggested an observer ship status for FOJSS board on JSS management structure which was approved.</p> <p>SG2 suggested supporting some of our charity work closer to home in UK. SG1 confirmed this would not be possible currently, due to the objectives of FOJSS, which is on record with the charity commission of England. Any such change of direction in our work would need a change in our objectives and constitution.</p>	<p>congratulated JSS for their hard work during these challenging times and expressed their whole hearted support to JSS.</p> <p>Board to reassure donors that there is no change to current priorities & health related programs at JSS Bilaspur.</p> <p>SG2 to liaise with JSS and update the FOJSS board.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
8.6.1	<p>Fund raising proposals for the year FY 22-23 were discussed.</p> <p>Given the current pandemic it is unlikely that any major funding charity event could be organised in the FY 22-23. It was therefore agreed to redouble our efforts on regular direct debit donations.</p> <p>SG2 proposed a Thames Walk and pub lunch with friends and family on Easter Sunday 2022 for fund raising which was agreed by all. (Subject to Govt advisory on social distancing at Easter time).</p>	<p>SG2 to take lead</p>	Ongoing

	<p>SG2 also suggested a concessional tariff for his upcoming holiday lodge at Snowdonia for FOJSS friends and supporters. In return one day out of every 3 days rent would be donated to FOJSS.</p> <p>Dr Shiv Singh offered to conduct teaching courses on Critical care, Life Support and Regional Anaesthesia at Bilaspur with a view to raise funds.</p>	<p>SG2 to publicise accordingly</p> <p>SG1 to liaise with JSS regarding their interest and logistics.</p>	
8.7.1	<p>SG1 detailed the completion report on the support to NCD (Non Communicable diseases) health program at JSS Bilaspur for the FY 20-21. The detailed progress report is now appended to our website.</p> <p>For the FY 21-22 FOJSS has been supporting 'Phulwari project' (village Creche) for 55 villages in the command area. This is progressing well and a formal progress report will be appended to our website in due course. A sum of 20,000£ has been transferred to JSS so far for this project.</p> <p>In view of ongoing pandemic it was proposed and agreed to continue support to 'Phulwari project' for the FY 22-23.</p>	<p>Trustees expressed their approval for the FY 22-23 funding proposal. SG to release funds accordingly.</p>	Ongoing
8.8.2	<p>Dr Ashish Narula expressed his desire to relinquish from the charity board with immediate effect which was accepted by the board. Friends and board members expressed their thanks and gratitude to Dr Narula for his Stirling fund raising efforts especially during the pandemic.</p>	<p>Friends and board to continue with fund raising activities till a suitable replacement is found.</p>	Ongoing
7.9.1	<p>Date and venue for the next AGM (FY 22-23) to be decided in due course subject to the state of Covid pandemic.</p>	<p>SG1 to update</p>	
7.10.1	<p>No other AOB was raised.</p>		