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OBITUARY





GO SILENT FRIEND, YOU SHALL WITH GOD REMAIN ...

1 06 May 21 - Air Mshl P M Ramachandran

PVSM AVSM SC VM

2 07 Jun 21 - Lt Col T Prakash

3 19 Jun 21 - Col James Joseph





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DURING THE PRESENTATION QUESTIONS MAY PLEASE BE PUT IN THE CHATBOX.



AFTER EACH PRESENTATION, IT IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION. PLEASE UNMUTE AND SPEAK.



AGENDA POINTS WILL BE OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AFTER THE SECRETARY READS OUT AND EXPLAINS THE POINT.



MC & EC

- Air Mshl S Varthaman PVSM AVSM VM VSM
- Air Cmde K Rajaram VSM
- Wg Cdr S Harshavardhan
- Gp Capt K Balasubramanian
- Wg Cdr C Ravishankar

- Col A Krishnaswami VrC VSM & Bar
- Brig S Muthulaxmy
- Cmde Vijesh Kumar Garg VSM

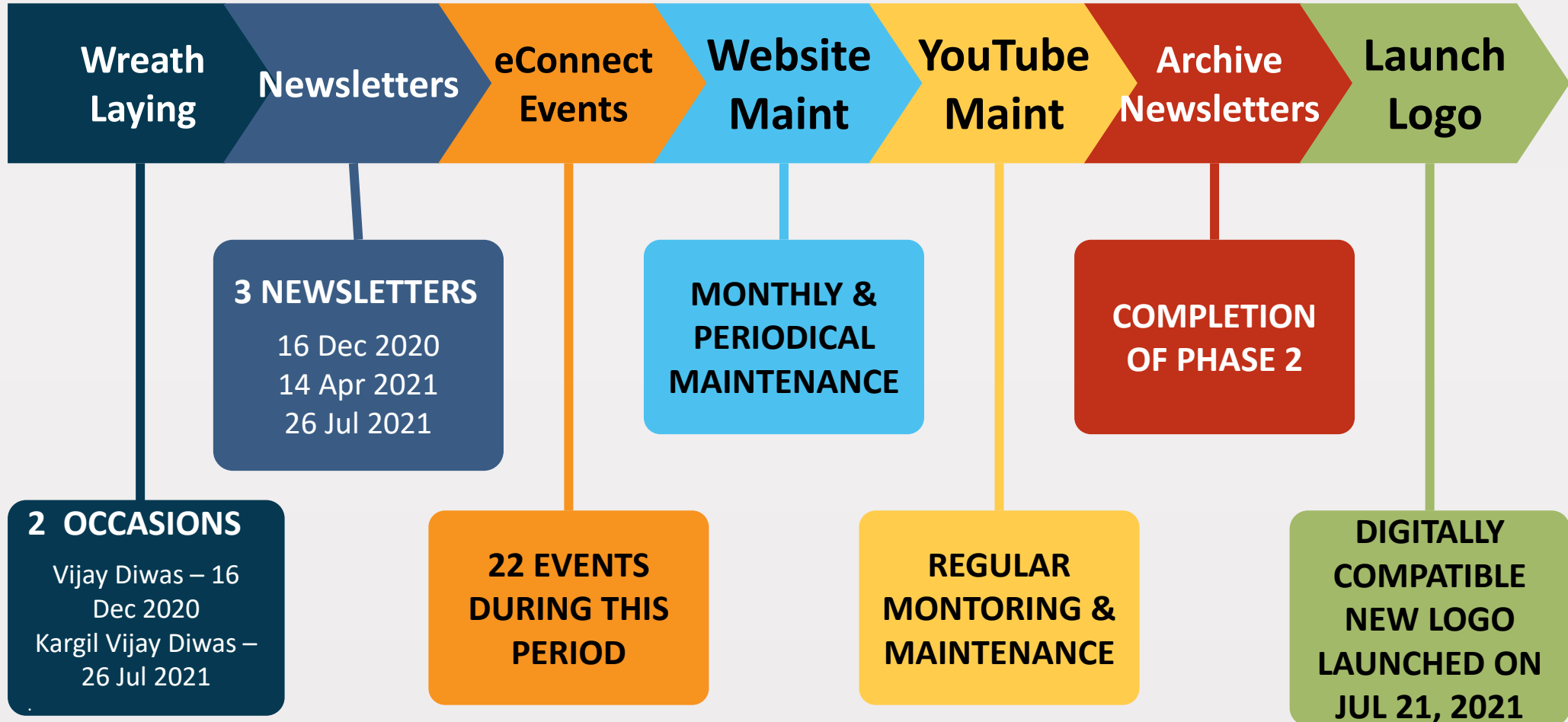


ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT

Air Mshl S Varthaman PVSM AVSM VM VSM



History Timeline (06 Dec 2020 – 22 Aug 2021)





SECRETARY's REPORT

Wg Cdr S Harshavardhan



Bi-MONTHLY MEETINGS



No Bi-Monthly Meetings conducted during this period due to lock down restrictions and also to adhere with the COVID protocols



AFVOA eConnect Series



We continued to stay connected with our members by conducting our virtual talk shows as part of eConnect series



We have held 22 online talk shows during this period



22 Talks X 90 minutes / session = 33 hours of healthy discussions and members meeting virtually



Viewership average is 40+ of members and spouses





Eminent Speakers (Slide 1 / 2)

16 Dec 2020

20 Dec 2020

10 Jan 2021

31 Jan 2021

07 Feb 2021

21 Feb 2021

28 Feb 2021



14 Mar 2021

28 Mar 2021

04 Apr 2021

18 Apr 2021

25 Apr 2021

16 May 2021

23 May 2021



Eminent Speakers (Slide 2 / 2)

06 Jun 2021

20 Jun 202`1

04 Jul 2021

25 Jul 2021

08 Aug 2021





Birth Centenary Celebration of Col G T Thampi

- Turned 100 on 29 Apr 21
- Celebrated virtually by members
- Capt D P Ramachandran, Col A Krishnaswami,
- Col N Viswanathan, Wg Cdr Ravi Mani and
- Maj Joy Koruthu fondly remembered and shared their thoughts about Col G T Thampi
- Shawl and Bouquet presented.
- Col Thampi addressed the members and conveyed his blessings.





AFVOA Whatsapp Group

Formed to ensure instant passing of information and updates

Group was activated on 22 Oct 19



As on date 214 members are part of this group

Under Admin Control to keep group free of unwanted posts and forwards



GREETINGS BIRTHDAY & WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

1. Practice of wishing members on their birthday and wedding anniversary continues

4. Also wishes flashed on our website



2. Wishes sent through email & WhatsApp post

3. Wishes restricted only to those who have given consent and have shared their details with us



WREATH LAYING

• Wreath laying ceremonies were held at the Victory War Memorial in Chennai on the following occasions:

- (a) 16 Dec 20 – Vijay Diwas
- (b) 26 Jul 21 – Kargil Vijay Diwas



• Few members of our association and Veernaris attended these events and placed wreaths.



New Logo of AFVOA

- Current Logo though well designed not adaptable to digital manipulation.
- M C felt the need to replace the current logo with a trendy digital design.
- Services of professional logo designers sought to design a new logo.
- New Logo launched on 21 Jul 21 by our President.





ANNUAL PICNIC

Annual picnic not conducted in Dec 2020 due lockdown restrictions that were in place



OBITUARY

- (a) 06 May 21 - Air Mshl P M
Ramachandran PVSM AVSM SC VM
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NEW MEMBERS - 4

- (a) Sqn Ldr M R Nathan
- (b) Wg Cdr S Shankaran
- (c) Sqn Ldr R Vijay
- (d) Wg Cdr N Senthil Nathan.





AFVOA -SUMMARY OF MEMBERS

CATEGORY	ARMY	NAVY	AF	TOTAL
OM	31	4	19	54
LTM	146	13	38	197
TOTAL	177	17	57	251

STATUS OF
MEMBERSHIP



Collection of Annual Subscription

01

No of Ordinary Members :
63

02

Annual subscriptions from all members collected

03

This is second year in row that we achieved 100 %

04

This is a major achievement

SUBSCRIPTION COLLECTION



FOR A SECOND YEAR IN SUCCESSION





Digital Money Transfer

**Committee
impressing upon
members to adopt
to digital mode for
all transactions**

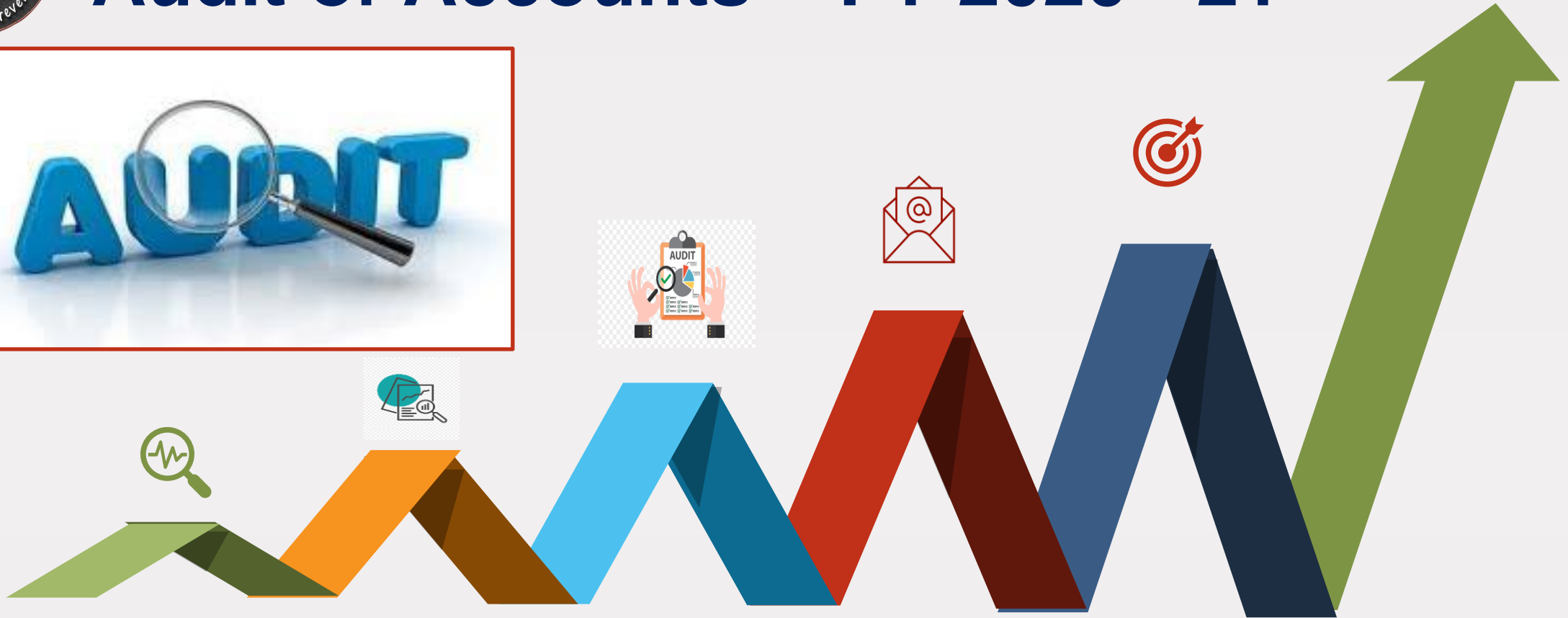
**Have received
tremendous
support from our
members**



**95 % of our
payments today are
made online**

**Saving of paper,
labour, postage and
avoidance of visiting
the bank during the
pandemic**

Audit of Accounts – FY 2020 - 21



Audit of accounts for the FY 2020 – 21 completed

Internal audit by our Member, Wg Cdr S K John who is a Cost and Management Accountant and a Company Secretary

External audit by M/S Narayanan & Sridhar, our Chartered Accountants

Audit report circulated to our members via email on 30 Jul 21

No major observations in maintenance of our books of accounts



PASSING OF MINUTES OF LAST AGM





PASSING OF MINUTES OF LAST AGM – 06 DEC 2020

- **Minutes of last AGM circulated to members on 10 Dec 20.**
- **These minutes were also placed in our website www.afvoa.in.**
- **No observations received.**





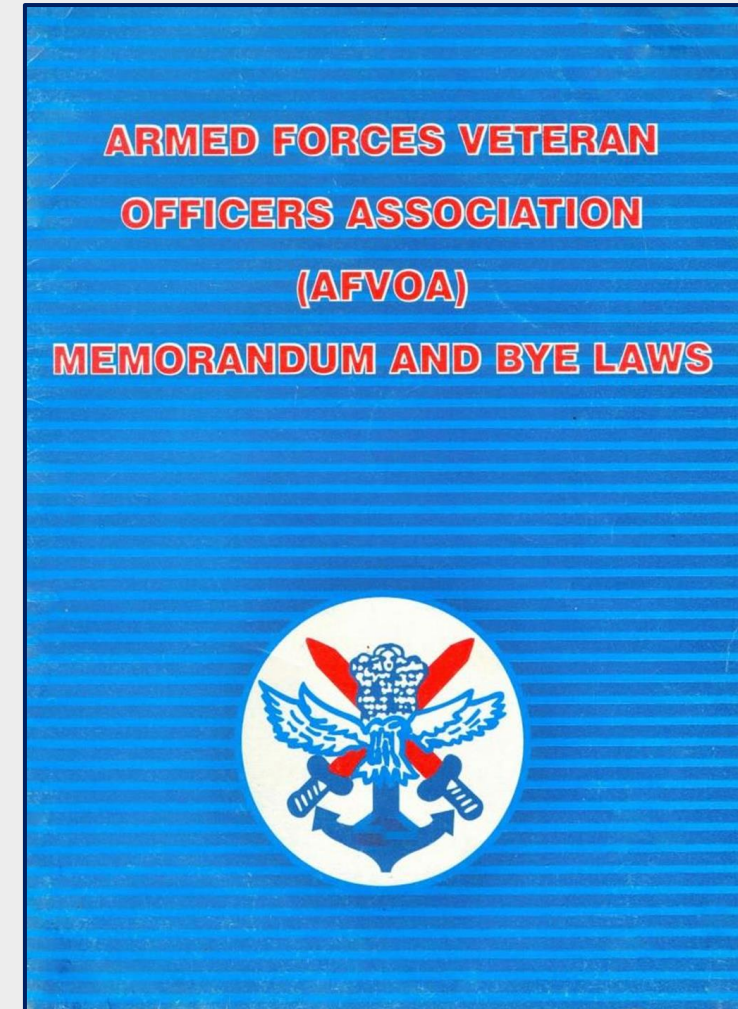
Passing of the Revised Bye Laws of AFVOA





REVISION OF BYELAWS OF AFVOA

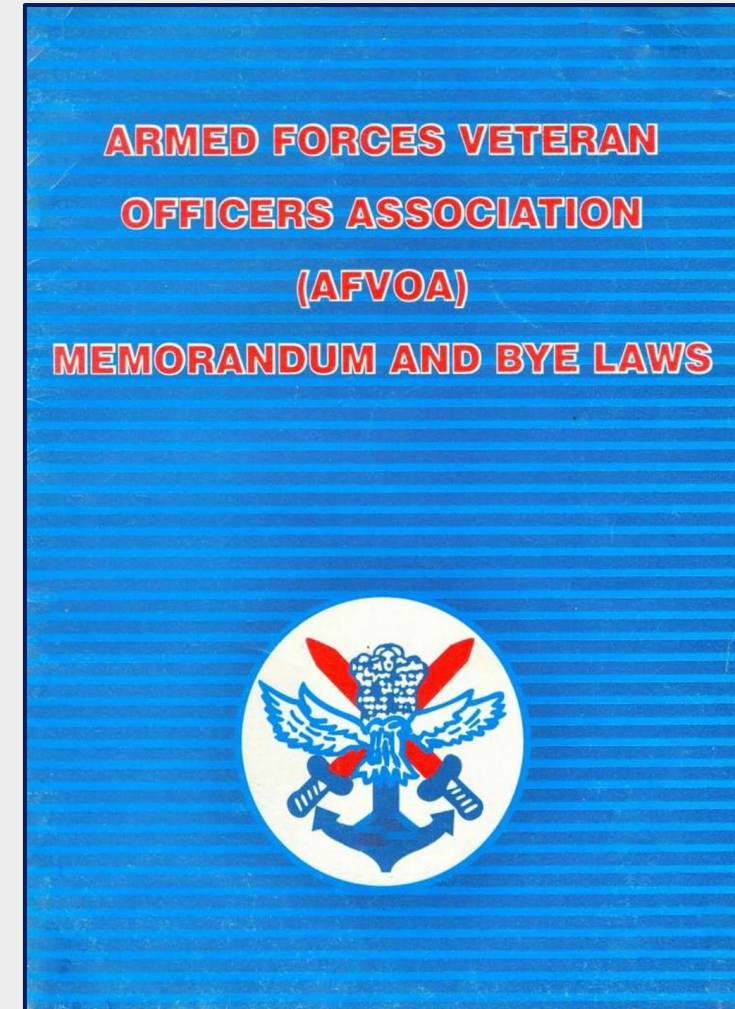
- During last AGM members agreed that revision of our Byelaws is necessary.
- Committee formed comprising of
 - Col Bhupinder Singh – Presiding Officer
 - Brig K Muthulaxmy
 - Col R S Varadhan
 - Col C M Unnithan
 - Surg Capt R V Natarajan
- All members were requested to forward suggestions vide mail dated 20 Apr 21





REVISION OF BYELAWS OF AFVOA (Cont'd)

- Suggestions received from members were forwarded to the committee.
- Committee has submitted its final report incorporating all suggestions.
- We sincerely appreciate and acknowledges the support of this committee.





REVISION OF SUBSCRIPTION

Report of Maj Gen R
Karthikeyan



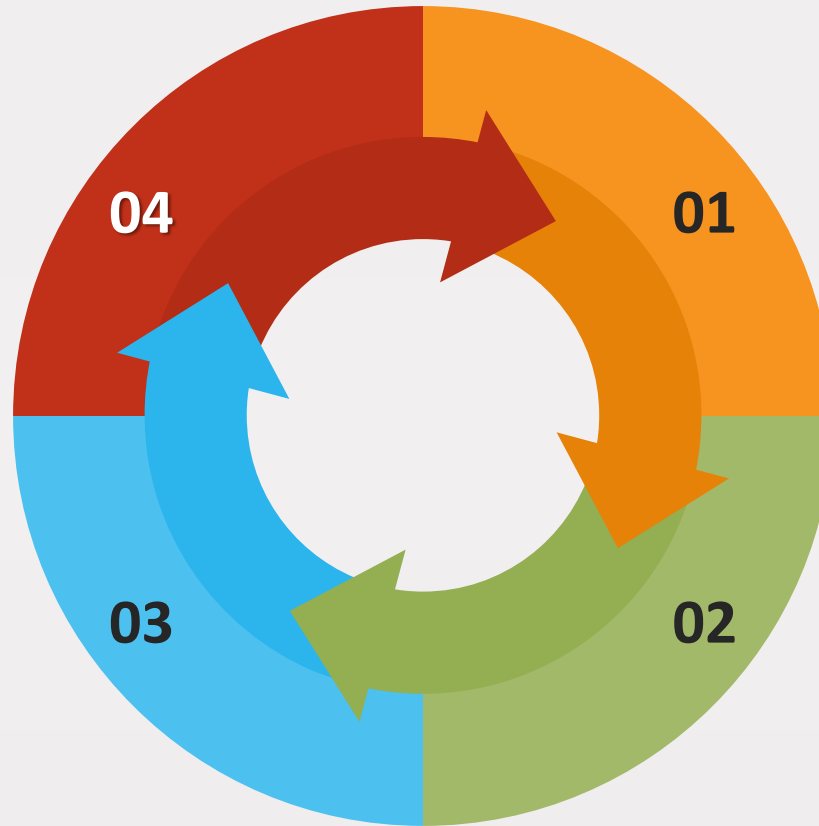


Background

We have since received his report



President requested Maj Gen R Karthikeyan to study the revision and make his recommendation



During the last AGM, a proposal was received to revise the Annual Subscription and Life Time Subscription



It was decided to form a committee to study the need to revise the subscriptions and make recommendations



Markers for Evaluation

01. Impact of Cost of Living

03. Financial health of AFVOA

05. No I T Liability since associated on Principle of Mutuality



02. Brand Image of AFVOA

04. No maintenance expenditure on immovable assets

06. Neither chartered for nor having major perspective plans requiring immediate or long term financial outlays

Recommendation based on Analysis



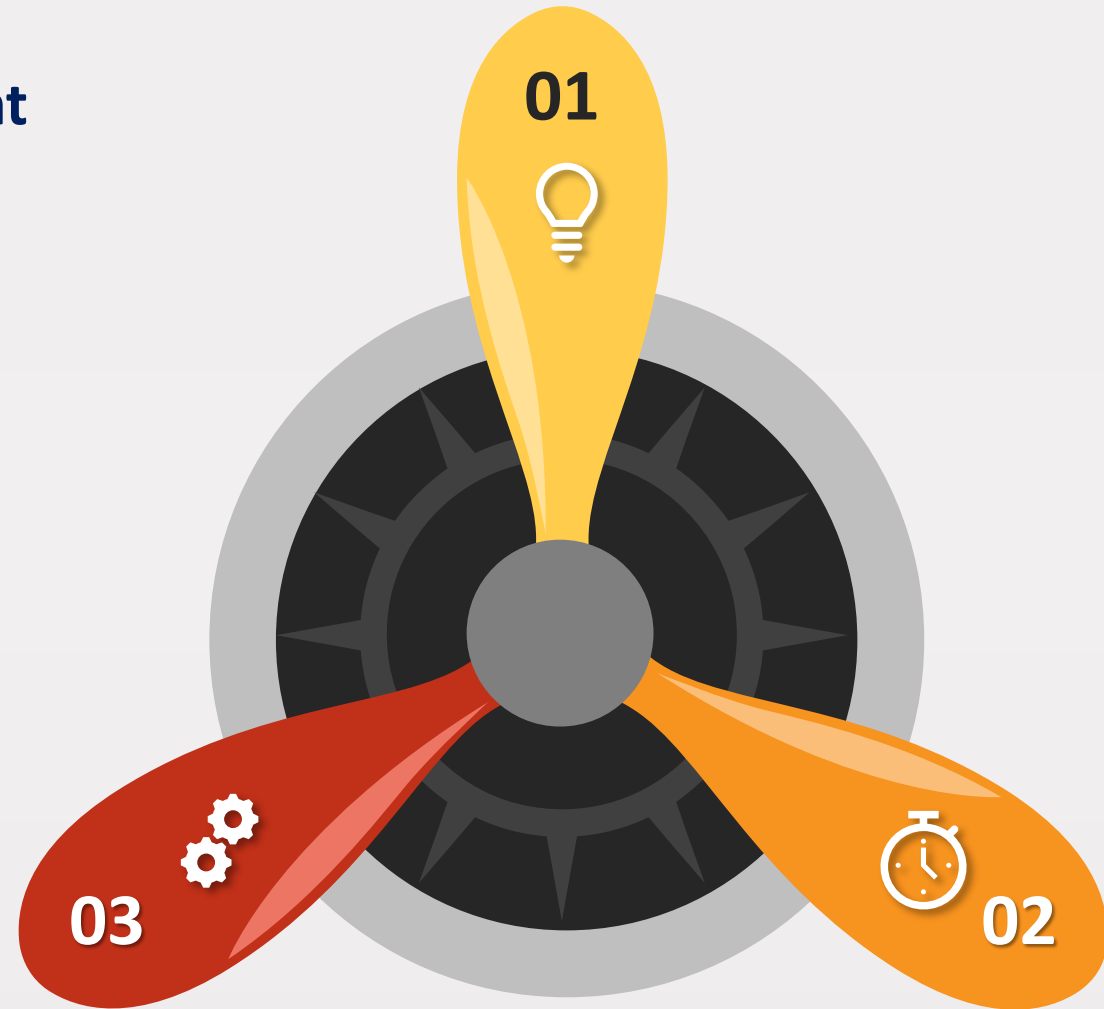
There is no need at present for any major or sizeable revision of subscription except markers 1 & 2



Impact of Marker 1 (Cost of Living) is negligible and our present growth can absorb the same



Impact of Marker 2 (Brand image of AFVOA) will defy unilateral quantification





Queries / Clarifications



IT CONSULTANT'S REPORT

Wg Cdr C Ravishankar



Vision & Mission – Adoption of Technology



“To make AFVOA future ready by making all-out efforts for seamless adoption of contemporary technology for the larger benefit of members, keeping current digital trends in mind”



AFVOA : The Universe of IT Initiatives

Website

Website launched on Aug 07, 2020 to coincide with AFVOA's 26th Raising Day

Release of Newsletters

Three more Newsletters released in last one year – Vijay Diwas (Dec 16, 2021), Tamil New Year (Apr 14, 2021) and Kargil Vijay Diwas (Jul 26, 2021)

Tech Support for eConnect

Archiving and live streaming of events in YouTube



YouTube Channel

Launched during Sep 2020. 250+ Subscribers. Comprises 45 archived records as on date. 9,000+ Visitors.

Digitization of Old Newsletters

72 out of 80 old Newsletters (90%) digitized for online access.

Digitization of Personal Records

All personal records of members digitized, obviating the need for dependence on old and tattered physical documents.

Digitization of "Hello Veterans"

The Veterans Directory "Hello Veterans" digitized and made available as part of the Website (under privileged data)



AFVOA Website Performance – Highlights

Website Launched on Aug 07, 2020

Wide Digital Footprint & Credible Address



Ready Reference & Access to Privileged Data



Bye-Laws, Membership Database, Financials, Directory.

Online Platform for Newsletters – New & Old



Very Secure Platform



No loss of data nor any security threats ever.

Low Maintenance Cost



Insignificant Downtime



Just 60 hours of downtime in 380 days. Less than 0.1 %.

Regularly accessed from most part of the world. 9,800+ visitors so far

5 New and 72 Old Newsletters

Expenditure only for Web Infrastructure. Nil expenses on maintenance.



Release of Newsletter eBooks



Vijay Diwas Issue

Dec 16, 2020
168 Pages



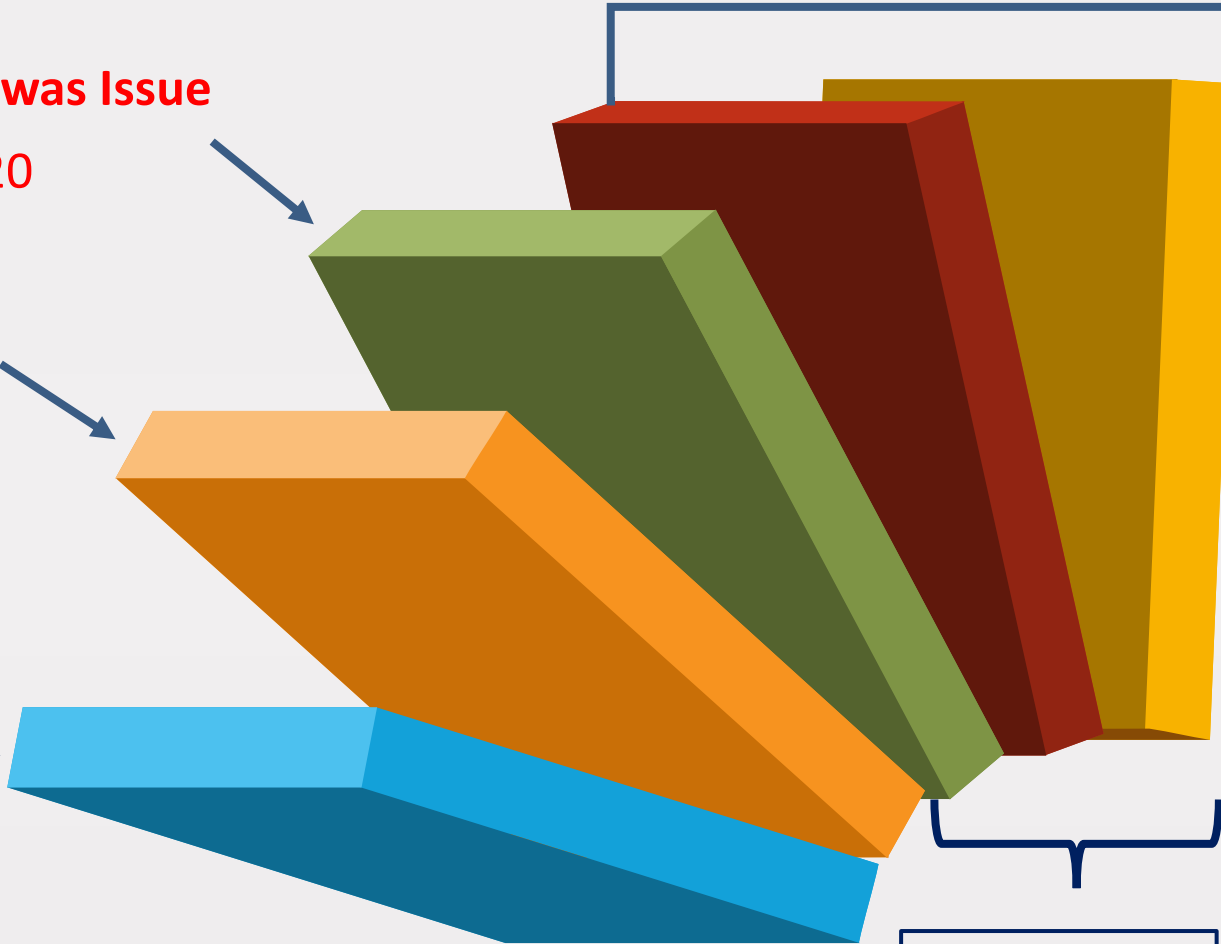
Independence Day Issue

Aug 15, 2020
237 Pages



Lockdown Issue

May 03, 2020
101 Pages



Tamil New Year Day Issue

Apr 14, 2021
124 Pages



Kargil Vijay Diwas Issue

Jul 26, 2021
333 Pages



Released since the last AGM (3)

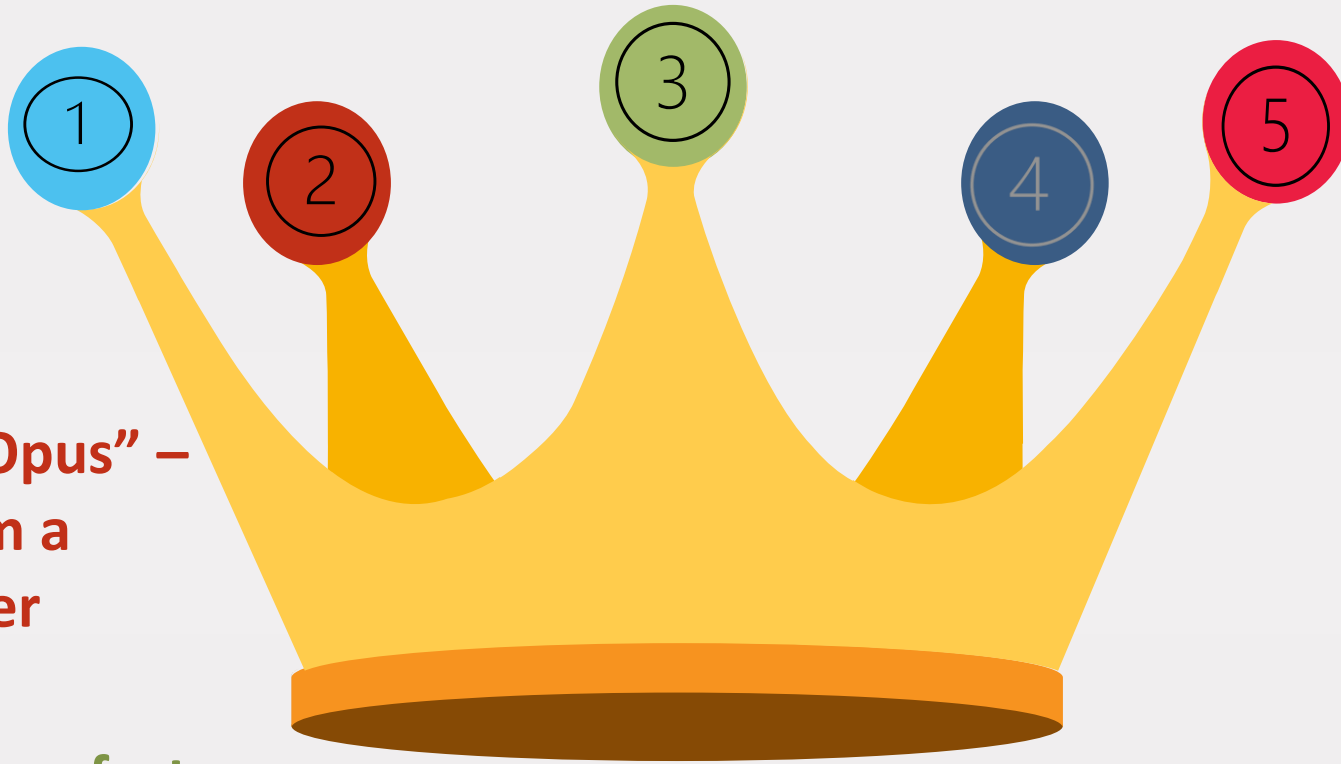
- Generous contributions from members and their spouses
- Contributions also from non members from all over the globe
- All eBook Newsletters are available online in our website www.afvoa.in
- Truly humbled by appreciation from members



Other than sharing the common web hosting environment, this is a NIL investment project



Newsletter 02 Of 2021 – A Winner All the Way !



1. Bumper Issue – 333 Pages

2. “Magnum Opus” – Feedback from a senior Member

3. Hailed as a perfect ‘Coffee Table Book’

4. Members & Non-Members shown interest to own hard copy

5. 8 x Orders received as on date on AFD basis

AFVOA Chennai
Camaraderie Forever

Chennai Veterans' Vibes (CV²)

A Publication of the Armed Forces Veteran Officers' Association, Chennai

In this Issue

For the first time, hear the first hand account from the battle field of a decorated war hero (Audio Book)....

Read all about the Special Heli Borne Operations to ferry troops across Meghna River (1971)....

Diary of Action of a frontline Air base during 1971 Ops....

Our usual features of Memoirs and Panorama....

AFVOA adopts a new Logo on Jul 21, 2021 ...

AFVOA adopts Tally for accounting....

KARGIL
Victory Day

5
स्वर्णिम वरश
GOLDEN JUBILEE

Kargil Vijay Diwas

SWARNIM VIJAY VARSH

Veterans of Chennai celebrate Kargil Vijay Diwas and Swarnim Vijay Varsh with a bumper issue filled with stories of valour and courage

Kargil Vijay Diwas Issue
July 26, 2021
Newsletter CV² - 02/2021

www.afvoa.in **YouTube** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFP7FmIL5yCdfv1ByQgeEA>

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YouTube Channel Management & Tech Support for eConnect Events



Setting Up of Livestreaming between Zoom and YouTube

Activate Recording, Livestreaming & Monitoring through the event (including transmitting of questions to Moderator)

Ensure Archiving of Events, including Standalone Events outside Zoom Meetings

Help Improve Subscriber Base of YouTube and facilitate base for eventual Monetization

Our YouTube Channel has 250+ Subscribers

NIL Investment Venture

9,000+ Visitors to the Channel as on date

Has 45 Archived Events as on date

More than 75% Subscribers are non Members

Archived Events available online 24x7 forever




Digitized & Archived Record of Old Newsletters

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Phase 1

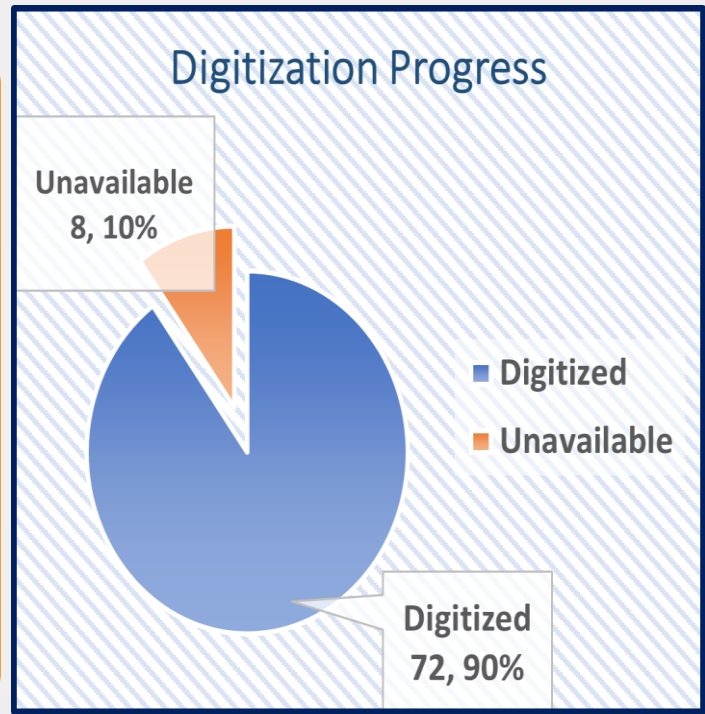
Number of Old Newsletters Digitized = 35

2
Phase 2

Number of Old Newsletters Digitized = 37


Missing

Number of Missing Newsletters = 8



Total Expenses incurred for Digitized Archiving of Old Newsletters = Rs 17,486
Total Number of Old Newsletters Released Between Year 2000 and 2014 = 80



Digitization of Members' Personal Records



- The data in the hard copies of the members' personal records, many of them as old as the Association itself, needed to be retrieved and archived digitally for long term retention.
- 155 records have now been digitized and are now available for reference digitally.
- The data in respect of new joinees are captured digitally even at the time of admission.
- 88 records were not available. The special drive launched by the Secretary AFVOA could reconstruct 15 of them. There is a net deficiency of 73 physical records.



Summary Score Card – As on Aug 22, 2021

YouTube Channel

- 1. Has 250+ Subscribers
- 2. Has 45 archived events as on date
- 3. 9,000 + visitors

Tech Support

- 1. Effective interfacing of Zoom and YouTube
- 2. 40+ Events
- 3. All events archived digitally from Sep 2020

Newsletters

- 1. 5 x Newsletters in eBook format released
- 1. 963 edited pages published
- 2. Accessible online 24/7

Website

- 1. Visitors 9,800+
- 2. Accessed from most part of the globe
- 3. Downtime less than 0.1%
- 4. Wide digital footprint and reach



Digitization of Old Newsletters

- 1. 72 Newsletters out of 80 digitized
- 2. 90% Completion
- 3. 1,020 pages of digitization of content

Digitization of Personal Records

- 1. 173 records digitized

Digitization of Directory

- 1. The entire directory of “Hello Veterans” digitized
- 2. Offline updates are facilitated



Recommendations from IT Consultant

1

Website

Hosting Services and SSL Certificate to be renewed in Feb and July every year respectively with GoDaddy.com.

2

eBook Newsletters

We now have a template in Word for compiling the eBook Newsletter. The tradition of quarterly or four monthly release of Newsletter to be maintained.

3

Tech Support

The process of extending tech support for Zoom and YouTube inter connectivity is well documented. We recommend that the new M C gets familiar with the same.

4

YouTube Channel

YouTube Channel doesn't require much effort for maintenance. The Channel needs to be monitored regularly though.

5

Digitization of Missing Newsletters

The missing 8 old Newsletters need be traced and digitized at the earliest.

6

Keeping Up with Technology

It is important to have a tech savvy member as part of the M C.



Queries / Clarifications



TREASURER'S REPORT

Gp Capt K Balasubramanian



Income from Annual Subscription and Life Time Subscription

SOURCE	Ledger Folio	TOTAL
SUBSCRIPTION ANNUAL	S A	36,700.00
SUBSCRIPTION LTS	S LTS	30,000.00



Income from Bank Interest – SB A/C & FDs

SOURCE	Ledger Folio	Amount
BANK INT SAVINGS BANK AC	B	5,282.00
BANK INT FIXED DEPOSIT AC		1,62,721.00



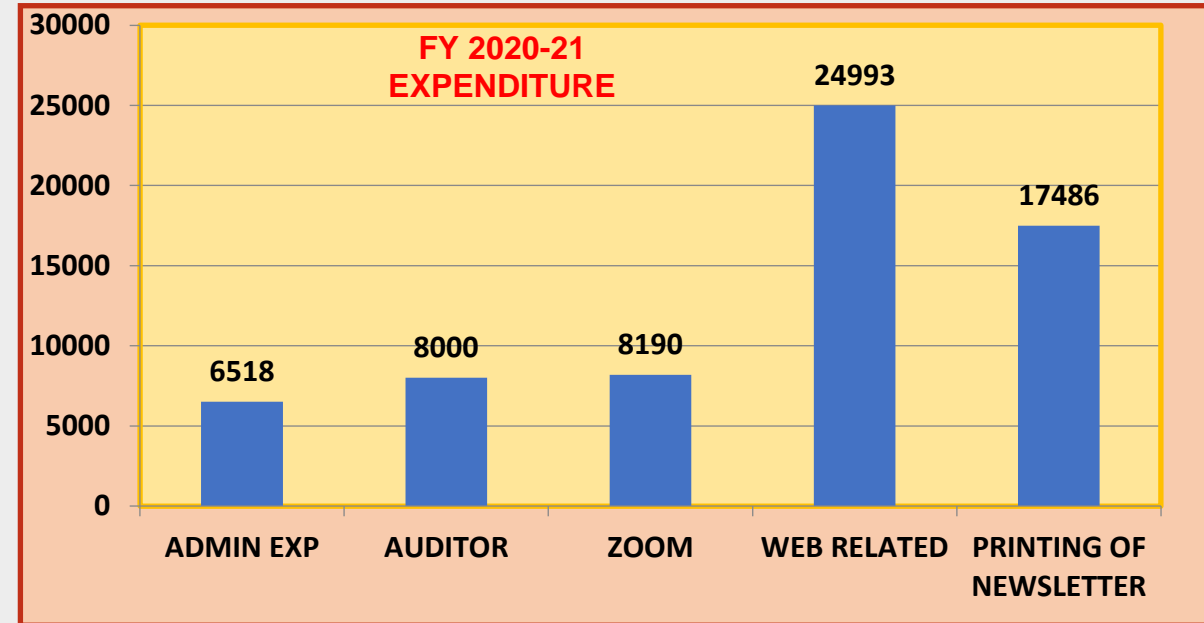
Details of Interest Received on Fixed Deposits & SB A/C

BANK DETAILS	Opening Balance of FD as on 01.04.2020	Fixed Deposit Interest Accrued	Closing Balance of FD as on 31.03.2021	TDS	Savings Bank Interest
SBI	15,59,094	87,536	16,46,630	6,567	1,606
ICICI	12,35,642	75,185	13,10,827	5,639	3,676
TOTAL	27,94,736	162,721	29,57,457	12,206	5,282



Expenditure : FY 2020 - 21

HEAD	AMOUNT (Rs)
ADMIN EXP	6,518
AUDIT FEE	8,000
ZOOM	8,190
WEB RELATED	24,993
PRINTING OF NEWSLETTER	17,486
TOTAL	65,187





Financial Health

- **Surplus of Income over Expenditure of Rs 1,59,516 for F Y 2020 – 21 when compared with loss of Rs 20,994/- in 2019 – 20.**
- **Present Financial Health of AFVOA is very good.**



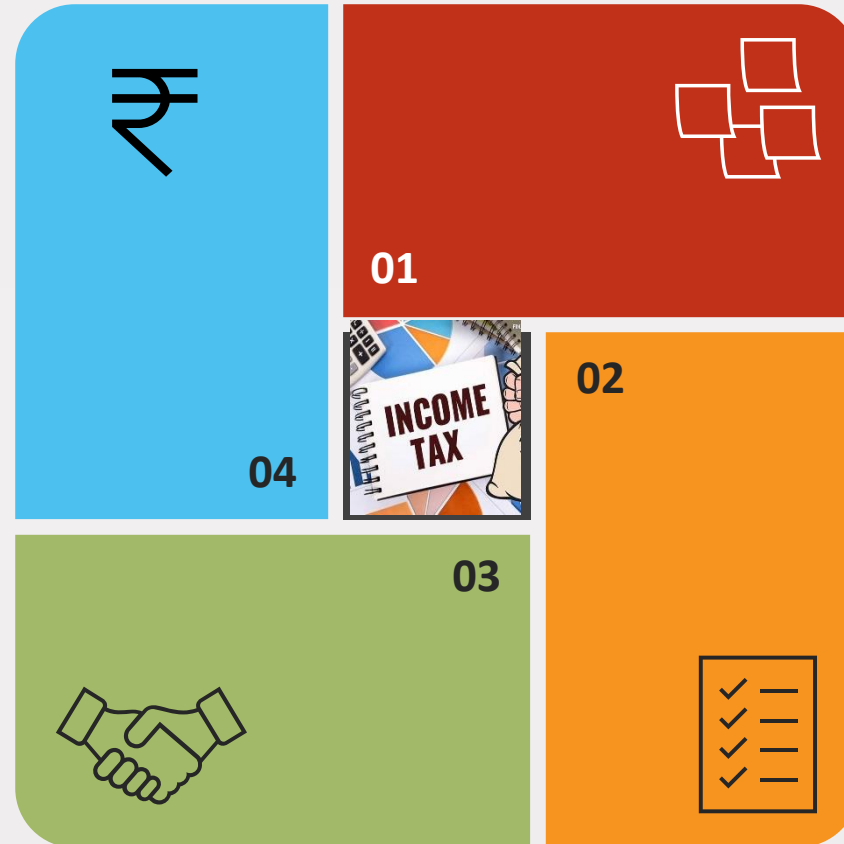
Income Tax Imbroglio

Refund for Rs 18,160 authorized by IT Dept which includes interest of Rs 90

04

Our IT return was approved by IT Dept within six days

03



01 - Income Tax return not filed in last 26 years

02 - The maiden Income Tax return of AFVOA for FY 2019-20 filed on 24 Mar 21. Refund of Rs 18,070 claimed.

Digitization of Books of Accounts

2. MC felt the need to digitize our accounts



3. After due diligence it was decided to opt for Tally which is a global leader in Accounting software

1. Books of Accounts of AFVOA maintained manually since inception

4. Our books of accounts of FY 2020 – 2021 and 2021 – 2022 have been migrated to Tally



Recommendations from Treasurer



1. All Members must quote their Membership Numbers in all transactions with the Association



2. The Association must opt for activating digital payments through our Website



3. Both Bank Accounts of the Association should have Net Banking facility



Queries / Clarifications



PASSING OF ACCOUNTS 2020 – 21





Passing of Accounts 2020 – 21

- **Audited Statement of Accounts for FY 2020 – 2021 were circulated among members on 30 Jul 21.**
- **Observations received – Nil**



APPOINTMENT
OF AUDITORS
FOR FY
2021-22

**M/S Narayanan Sridhar & Co
have consented to act as
Statutory Auditor of AFVOA
for FY 2021-2022**



Budget for FY 2021 -2022



AFVOA - BUDGET FOR FY 2021-22

Income	Budget	Actual	Expenditure	Budget	Actual
Item	Amount	Amount	Item	Amount	Amount
Annual Subscription (50x400) (Presently we have 63 Ordinary members. We are hopeful that 13 will opt for LTM. So balance 50 ordinary members)	20,000	20,800	Admin Charges	2,000	1,500
LTM (13 x 4000) (LTM subscription varies with age. Average age group taken as 60-65 for which subscription is Rs 4000/-)	52,000	33,000	Postage & Printing	1,000	0
New Members (20x700)	14,000	701	AFVOA Website hosting	12,000	
Interest on FD's	180,000	147,276	AFVOA Website maintenance	5,000	3,634
Refund of TDS	18,000	12,206	Wreaths	2,000	600
Tambola Profit	1,000	0	Auditor Fees	4,000	4,000
99 LOGO Bill (sponsored)	6,000	6,000	99 LOGO Bill (sponsored)	6,000	5,899
			Purchase of Tally	0	20,500
			Hiring of projector etc. for meetings	6,000	0
			Purchase of External hard disk	6,000	5,299
			Printing of Newsletters	5,000	2,498
			Col Thampi Birth Centenary Celebrations	2,000	1,550
			Subscription to Zoom for eConnect	18,000	0
Total	291,000	219,983	Total	69,000	45,480
			Excess of income over expenditure	222,000	174,503
Grand Total	291,000	219,983	Grand Total	291,000	219,983

Note: For meetings at PGOI the charges towards lunch, PGOI hiring charges, incentive to staff etc. will be met from the charges levied to members attending the meet.





DISCUSSION ITEMS RECEIVED FROM MEMBERS



Item No 1 – Maj Gen Jose Manavalan

<u>Suggestion</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Executive committee for AFVOA for the next term ending August 2024 – Provisions of Para 9.5 of Bye laws be waived as an exceptional case for the President to continue for another term of two years.	(a) M C thanks Maj Gen Jose Manavalan for his sincere words of appreciation. (b) There are many more members who can take AFVOA to greater heights and they must be given an opportunity. (c) As we pass the baton to the next MC, we assure them of our hand holding till the time they require our support.

Item No 2 – Maj Gen Jose Manavalan

Suggestion

Comments

Decisions of the Executive committee need not await approval at an AGM.

MC sincerely supports this proposal

Item No 3 – Lt Cdr L Radhakrishnan, Lt Col C G Manickam & Col EJJ Isaacs

Suggestion

Comments

New Logo of AFVOA

- **Process followed to be discussed & and approved in AGM**
- **Suitability & Reasons for change**
- **MC has no authority to make such changes**
- **Present stock of lapel pins**
- **Motto clashes with OTA Alumni Association**

Item-wise responses from the M C will be in the form of a short, automated presentation

Item No 4 – Lt Col C G Manickam

Suggestion

Comments

WhatsApp Group of AFVOA be open to all Members instead of using only for Broadcast as most of the time it is unutilized and the main purpose for which this was formed is not been achieved.

**(a) The main purpose of forming this group was to instantly pass on information relating to AFVOA.
(b) We also aimed at keeping the group free of clutter with unwanted forwards.
(c) We have achieved both.
(d) Many members have appreciated our aim to keep the group under Admin control only.**

Item No 5 – Lt Col C G Manickam

Suggestion

Comments

AFVOA Newsletters being sent by E Mail is not read by many Members due eye problem and not Computer Savvy as it contains too many pages. Suggest a smaller Version may be on monthly basis as it was done earlier be followed and copies sent by post.

**(a) Our Newsletters are published as eBook and in PDF format.
(b) Our efforts have been appreciated by one and all.
(c) Till date we have not received any complaints from members regarding the readability or size of newsletters.**



OVER TO ELECTION OFFICER

Col A Krishnaswami Vr C, VSM & Bar



ELECTION OF NEW MANGEMENT COMMITTEE

Declaration of Election Results by the
Electoral Officer

Col A Krishnaswami Vr C, VSM & Bar



A F V O A

Chennai



ACCEPTANCE SPEECH BY THE PRESIDENT ELECT & INTRODUCTION OF NEW MANAGING COMMITTEE MEMBERS



OPEN DISCUSSION WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR





VOTE OF THANKS

Wg Cdr C Ravishankar



We are grateful to.....



Members Participated in Discussions

Members Sharing Old Newsletters

The Patron

Previous Committee

Managing Committee

Articles Contributors for Newsletters

Executive Committee

Members' Support

Regular and Casual Attendees of eConnect Events

Maj Gen R Karthikeyan

All Members Present Today

Col Bhupinder Singh & Team



NATIONAL ANTHEM





Thank You All

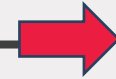
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Please Count on our Support

The outgoing
Managing
Committee
would like to
thank all
members for
their support

The
Committee
wishes the
incoming
Members the
very best
during their
tenure

Please count on
our support
anytime, all
through your
tenure



JAI HIND

