

Minutes of the 18th Meeting of VSHFA held on 27th November 2025 at 09.15 pm sharp at Zoom.

The meeting called to order by National President Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani at 09.15 and he welcome each and every one present.

Following were present

1. Shri Shankar Lalwani (MP)
 2. Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani
 3. Dr. Pitambhar Dhalwani
 4. Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani
 5. Shri Manohar Mamtani
 6. Shri Rajaram Bhagwani
 7. Shri Ishwar Jhamnani
 8. Shri Pawan Kumar Sindhi
 9. Shri Satendra Kumar Bhawnani
 10. Dr. Raju V. Manwani
- Feedback for the meeting held on 23 November 2025 has been collected, and mixed reactions have been observed. It was decided that experiences of core committee members will be discussed informally , later on, in person , so that we can organise program in better way

- All officers participated in a discussion regarding the future actions listed below.
1. The associations, trusts, and panchayats can now be invited as soon as possible to become members of VSHFA.
 2. The four important points—such as the Jhanki on 26th January at Kartavya Path, the Janagana activities, minority status to sindhi hindu managed educational institutions, cultural council under ministry of culture—will be coordinated and followed up with the Prime Minister’s Office and the concerned ministers.
 3. For a serious discussion on the issue of caste census of the Sindhi community by the Government of India, the application forms submitted for citizenship received under the CAA should be collected
 4. In the meeting it is also discussed about the Karachi Halwa Part Two Andolan, but it is kept on hold at the request of Hon. Shankar Lalwani ji, as a positive reply from the concerned ministry is expected.
 5. It is also suggested that the NCPSL full team will complete its term on 23rd January 2026. It has been advised that a delegation may meet the concerned ministers and recommend suitable names for the Director, Vice Chairman, and team members on behalf of VSHFA.
 6. As mentioned in the Vigyan Bhawan meeting, Hon’ble Shekhawat sir informed that he has sent the note from the Cultural Department of his ministry to the PM Office, and we are expecting a positive reply from there.

7. It is also suggested that state-wise sub-committees can be formed to take care of state-wise membership of the association, trusts, and Panchayat etc. VSHFA team. It has been decided that within a week, the names for each state may be suggested, so they can be appointed and requested to help make VSHFA stronger and more systematic.
8. It is also requested that a draft of the minutes can be prepared for the 23rd November 2025 meeting at Vigyan Bhavan, so that a summary can be kept for future reference.
9. The membership for VSHFA by the associations should be time-bound until 28th February, so that in the month of March, during the new elections, everyone can participate in a significant way.
10. It was also suggested that federations, such as the Federation of South India, can be contacted, as many associations are already members under them. Similarly, in every state, suitable federations can be approached so that a large number of associations, panchayats, and trusts can become part of our VSHFA.
11. It was also suggested that, in the membership form, since the bank account is now opened, the bank details should be added so that members can directly pay their fees there.
12. It was further requested that those who have still not paid the fifty thousand rupees to the VSHFA account should transfer the amount, as the bank account is active now.

13. Youth organizations can be added to VSHFA ,through sports activities, which will make the future of VSHFA brighter and more result-oriented.
14. President, Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani, suggested that if the membership process is completed by February 2026, a AGM of the members can be organized in March 2026 at a location decided by the core team. At this AGM, the new team of VSHFA will be elected.
15. It was suggested that the VSHFA website and app be created as soon as possible. National General Secretary, Dr. Raju Manwani, informed that the work is currently in progress and that further updates will be provided by next week.
16. The core team requested that Mr. Lachman Ludhani be contacted by the National President, Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani, or the National General Secretary, Dr. Raju Manwani, to see if he can contribute in any way, as he has been given an important platform at Vigyan Bhawan.
17. Letters can be sent to NCPSSL, informing them about the success of this meeting, thanking them, and inviting them to participate in future VSHFA programs.
18. It was discussed that for the Linguistic Minority Status appropriate action be taken at Central Government level looking to the special circumstances of settlement of the displaced Sindhi Hindu Community in all over India and for protection of their fundamental rights of Language, Litature and Culture under Article 29 and 30 of the Constitution of India

specific Notifications in this regard be issued under Section 2(c) of The National Commission for Minorities Act,1992 and Section 2(f) of The National Commission for Minorities Educational Institutions Act,2004 to include Sindhi Hindu Linguistic Minority therein. It was decided that with reference to previous request, for appropriate Social Justice to the Community these requirements be brought to the attention of the Minister of Law, Hon'ble Arjun Meghwal ji.

19. All core team members have been invited to the 31st Gold Award on 12th December at the Mukesh Patel Auditorium in Mumbai, starting from 6:30 PM. The VSHFA logo will also be displayed, and everyone is invited to participate.

20. National President, Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani, gave the concluding remarks and requested everyone to continue working with the same positive spirit.

21. Vote of thanks given by Shri Pawan Kumar Sindhi

22. The meeting adjourned by Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani 10:15 PM.