Lt Gen Kalwant Singh's Personal File

List of Documents.

- 1. Item no IX **undated.** Subject: a) Establishment of School model of Doon with endowment of 39lacs from PWSR Fund. Site and selecting a headmaster .Prospectus etc. and Appointment of a special sub-committee .Undated part of another document.
- 2. Letter from KS to HS Achreja, Secy., PWSR Fund and governor and member of Sainik School Sub Committee. Subject: visit to RIMC, Dehra Dun and ?why Kapurthala and Malerkotla in addition to Nabha as choice of site for School since other two places do not have suitable buildings. Syllabus. (11 august 1959).
- 3. Minutes of the first meeting of the Sainik School sub-committee dated: (5 sept 1959), where different aspects of school were discussed.(HM, Site, syllabus, Advertisement, visit to schools etc.)
 - a) The Sainik School Nabha regulations Appendix I. (Scanned Copy)
 - b) The rules of The Sainik School, Nabha Appendix II. (Scanned copy)
- 4. Letter to Jt. Secy. Defence HC Sarin for permission to visit RIMC, Dehradun. (September 1959).
- RIMC under Ministry of defence therefore their permission required for visit.
 Joint Secy. HC Sarin informed. Need of a recommendation for a good headmaster
 from Martyn (Doon) and HM Gibson of Mayo College and Major Som Dutt of
 Lawrence School, Sanawar.
 Lt Gen Kalwant Singh to HS Achreja (13 Sept 1959)
- 6. Letter from Mr. Achreja to KS (Oct 24, 1959) applications of 40 candidates for HM post, Kairon's suggestion of Kunjpura Old Police Children's school, Maj Bhagat suggesting Kandaghat near Shimla and inspection of Nabha buildings after informing Patiala DC.
- 7. Letter from HS Achreja to Major Som Dutt ,Headmaster , Lawrence school Sanawar . Subject Release/ deputation of Mr. JK Kate as he had been selected by the committee. **Dated : 20-11-59**, copy to Lt. Gen. Kalwant Singh and a copy to Mr. JK Kate
- 8. A loose undated document from Lt Gen Kalwant Singh's file. It gives brief report cum sum up of events till November 1959. Reference to A letter dated: 3rd **August 1959**. Subject approval of school, Site of school, Punjab Govt offer by

- Kairon. Selection of JK Kate with HS Kashyap waiting second. Support of CM recognised. Excerpts from meeting **Dated: 25/7/59**
- 9. Letter dated: **December 7, 1959**, from LT Gen Kalwant Singh to Mr. HS Achreja suggesting Mr. Kate should join by 1st Jan,1960 so that he can get some staff to start the School. **Extract from meeting of 30th Nov, 1959:**Loose page 4. Kate's release from Sanawar. In case Kate unwilling HS Kashyap of DPS Delhi 1000 pa. GOC for recognition of the school from Defence Ministry to get usual benefits.
- 10. Minutes of the meeting of the Committee appointed to take preparatory steps to start Sainik School. Different decisions taken. Signed Lt Gen KS Chairman. **Dated: 29 Jan 1960.**
- 11. Governor Gadgil's letter of pleasure to Lt-Gen. Kalwant Singh to preside over the opening day of school i.e.,14th April,1960.
- 12. Speech draft hand corrected of Gen Kalwant Singh delivered on **14 April**, **1960** first day of school.
- 13. Minutes of board meeting, dated: 19-7-1960
- 14. Letter (dated: 21st October,1960) of Raghuvendera Singh to Gen Kalwant Singh for opening more school on lines of Nabha.
- 15. Minutes of PWSR meeting, **dated:13-11-62.** Item no XII. Grant of stipends to sons of the serving officers out of PWSR Fund.
- 16. Board meeting **dated:2-5-1963**, HM accident, Money for Johri, air fare for Mr. Vodden, approval of Mr. GS Punia's appointment etc.
- 17. ITEM no II Request for Grant of Loan of Rs 3.00 lacs to PPS at 4 ½ % interest from PWSR Fund (Annexure A, Item No 5 and Annexure C item no 5) dated: 2nd May, 1963
- 18. Minutes of the Meeting dated: 10-12-1964.
- 19. Life sketch of Lt-Gen. Kalwant Singh

Document No. 1 (Undated and loose paper)

Item No. IX (Establishment of a School or College on the model of Doon School; involving an initial outlay of Rs. 39 lacs from the Punjab PWSR Fund to be set aside as Endowment Fund of the School).

The Scheme for a Sainik School as formulated by the G.O.C.-in-Chief, Western Command was approved in principle. A sub committee of the undermentioned individual, was appointed for the purpose of (a) selecting a suitable location for the School out of three places viz., Nabha, Malerkotla and Kapurthala, (b) choosing a competent Headmaster as early as possible (c) preparing a detailed prospectus and curricula for the school in consultation with the Headmaster – designate and (d) finalizing other details of the Scheme:-

(1)	General Kalwant Singh	Chairman
(2)	Col. Naunihal Singh Mann	Member
(3)	Nominee of the C.M. Punjab	
	(most likely to be a representative of the	
	Education Department of the Punjab Govt.)	Member
(4)	Nominee of the G.O.Cin-C, Western	
	Command (most likely to be G.I. Education).	Member
(5)	Honorary Secretary Punjab PWSR Fund	` Member

Secretary to Governor.

Letter to Mr. HS Achreja, dated: 11, August 1959

Thank you for your DO No. 9376 dated 7 Aug 1959.

I have always understood that our intention was to start a school on the lines of the Sainik School, Dehradun, which was formerly known as Prince of Wales's Royal Military College

I would suggest that the first meeting of the Sub Committee takes place at Chandigarh.

As you and I are both in Chandigarh, I feel that the bulk of the work will have to be done by us. I suggest we should meet some time next week after I return from Delhi on the 19th.

I pretty well know the accommodation in the Punjab. I do not think there is suitable accommodation for a school at Kapurthala or Malerkotla. I have asked HQ Western Command how they come to suggest Kapurthala and Malerkotla in addition to Nabha.

I suggest after you and I have had a preliminary meeting, we should visit the Sainik School at Dehradun and see for ourselves the accommodation which will be required and discuss with the Principal the syllabus etc. I consider that the meeting of the full Sub Committee should be held after that.

I am available after the 20th and upto the 30th August for a meeting either here or at Nabha. I would, however, suggest that the first meeting takes place here.

With best wishes,

Yours,

K.S.

Shri H.S. Achreja, Secretary, Post War Reconstruction Fund, Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh.

Proceedings of the first meeting of the Sainik School Sub Committee of the Post War Services Reconstruction Fund held at Chandigarh on the 5th September 1959,

Present :-

4.

 Lt Gen Kalwant -Chairman
 Lt Col Naunihal Singh Mann -Member
 Major J.B. Bhagat Officiating SOI (Edn), HQs Western Command Simla -Member

Shri H.S. Achreja, IAS -Member Secretary

(Secretary to Government, Punjab, Education Department, who had been nominated as his representative by the Chief Minister, Punjab was unable to attend).

2. The Chairman gave an account of his recent visit to the Lawrence School at Sanawar. He also handed over to the Secretary three pamphlets relating to the School, viz...

i) Memorandum of Association and Regulations;

ii) Rules;

and

iii) Prospectus.

After some discussion, it was decided that these might be utilized for guidance when similar document in respect of the proposed Sainik School would have to be prepared but that this work could not be undertaken until the selection of a Headmaster designate who would, from the date of his appointment, take over the functions of the Secretary of the Sub Committee.

- 3. It was decided that the standard of education to be adopted for the school should be the "Higher Secondary" course of the Punjab University. This course has already stared in some schools and has to replace the present Matriculation Examination in all others by 1962 at the latest. Similarly, the Senior Cambridge course is also to be given up by educational institutions in India after some years. The Sub Committee was of the view that we should from the very beginning impart education in the type of course which is ultimately to prevail so that no problems of switching over from one course to the other have later on to be faced.
- 4. The Sub Committee decided that the proposed Sainik School will not be a coeducational institution and admission will be restricted to boys only with a view to train them especially for a career in the Defence Forces of the Country.

- 5. It was decided that the scale of pay of the Headmaster should be Rs. 800-1000/50-1500 with free furnished house. This is the scale of the Headmaster of the Lawrence School at Sanawar, who is, however, also getting Rs. 100/- p.m. as Entertainment Allowance. This should not be necessary in the case of the Headmaster of the Sainik School because the necessity for it was felt mostly on account of parents / guardians of girl students paying frequent visits to the institutions.
- 6. It was further decided that the qualification of the Headmaster should be as follows:-

A. Essential:-

- i) M.A. / M.Sc. of any recognized Indian University or equivalent foreign degree.
- ii) Proficiency in Games and sports upto membership of a College or University team.
- iii) At least ten years experience of teaching in a college or a public school.

B. Desirable.

- i) Foreign qualifications in addition to the essential minimum qualifications from an Indian University.
- ii) Education in a Public School.
- iii) Membership of a recognized Scouting Organisation, N.C.C., A.C.C., Auxiliary or Territorial Force or of the Regular Service.

C. Age.

40-50 years on first appointment.

- 7. The Sub Committee decided that a suitable advertisement to invite applications for the post of Headmaster should be inserted at a very early date in five leading English dailies of the country, namely:-
- i) The Tribune, Ambala Cantt.
- ii) The Hindustan Times, Delhi
- iii) The Times of India, Delhi and Bombay
- iv) The Statesman, Delhi & Calcutta
- v) The Hindu, Madras.

The advertisement should appear twice in each paper with a gap of two or three days but at least one insertion should appear in a Sunday issue. The Chairman should, moreover, invite recommendations from the Chairman of the Public Schools Association, (Mr. J.T.M. Gibson of Mayo College, Ajmer) and the Director of Military Training (Major General Moti Sagar),

- 8. As regards the location of the School, Secretary read out a list of the buildings which had been suggested by the Deputy Commissioners, Patiala, Sangrur and Kapurthala. It was observed that except in the case of Nabha, none of the buildings belonged to the Government and the position about Malerkotla was doubtful. Since it was not the intention of the Punjab Post-War Services Reconstruction Fund Committee to purchase any property for running the School it appeared that the choice was restricted to Nabha only. The Sub Committee felt that there will be no harm in making further enquiries from the Deputy Commissioner concerned regarding the approximate prices at which the private owners would be prepared to sell their property for the use of the School. Detailed enquiry regarding the built-up area, the number and dimensions of various rooms, and the open space available for playgrounds etc. should also be made. It is possible that an ex-ruling prince might be persuaded to dispose of his property at a concessional rate with a view (i) to get over his own maintenance costs and (ii) to raise the importance of his former capital city. Major J.R. Bhagat pointed out that some buildings at Kandaghat belonging to the Maharaja of Patiala could also be available. It was decided that further enquiries regarding these should be made from the Deputy Commissioner, Simla, on the same lines as from other Deputy Commissioner.
- 9. The Sub Committee was unanimously of the view that before finally deciding the location of the School, the Sub Committee should visit the Sainik School at Dehra Dun and see for themselves the class rooms, laboratories, hostels, and play grounds, etc., so as to have a clear idea about the extent and type of accommodation actually required. The visit to Dehra Dun should take place between the 12th to 14th October, 1959. The Secretary was authorized to make suitable arrangements for the stay of the members at Dehra Dun. The Chairman was requested to correspond with the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Defence with a view to ensure all facilities regarding the inspection of the Sainik School, Dehra Dun premises etc., by the members of the Sub Committee

Kohli; 16.09.1959

1. The Sainik School Nabha Regulations Appendix I. (Scanned

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APPENDIX I

THE SAINIK SCHOOL, NABHA.

REGULATIONS .

Governing Body.

The Governing Body of the School to which the management of its effeirs is entrusted, shall be called the Board of Governors, The Sainik School, Nabha, hereinefter referred to as the Board.

- 2. (a) The Board shall be composed of :-
 - (1) The Governor, Punjab ... Chairman,
 - (2) All members of the Committee of Administration of the Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund. ... Members.
 - (3) The Honorary Secretary of the Fund ... Treasurer.
 - (4) Five Members nominated by the Chairman of the Board.
- (b) The Headmaster, Sainik School, Nabha, shall be the Secretary, but not a member of the Board.
- (c) The members of the Board nominated under clause (a) (4) above shall hold office for a period of three years subject to the provisions of clause (d) below. A member on the expiry of his/her term of office shall be eligible for re-nomination.
- (d) A member of the Borrd shall cesse to be a member if he/she dies, resigns, becomes of unsound mind or insolvent or is convicted of a criminal offence involving moral turpitude or is removed by the Chairman from the membership of the Board.

Resignation

3. A member other than an ex-officio member may resign his office by a letter addressed to the Chairman and such resignation shall take effect as soon as it has been delivered to the latter.

Filling up vacancies.

4. Any vecency in the Board shall be filled by nomination by the Chairmen.

The Board shall function notwithstanding any vacciney in its body and notwithstanding any defect in the nomination of any of its members, and me act or proceedings of the Board shall be invalid merely by resen of the existence of a vacciney or vaccines in the body or of any defect in the mamination of any of the members.

Powers of the Brand

- (1) The Board shall have all powers which may be necessary or expedient for the proper management and adminis ration of the school.
- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of powers conferred on the Board by clause (1) above, the Board shall have the following powers:-
 - (i) to carry on the management of the Sainik School, Nabha, hereinafter called the 'School'.
 - (ii) to regulate the expenditure and to manage the accounts of
 - (iii) to receive grants, subscriptions and donations for the purpose of the School, provided that no subscriptions or donations shall be accepted if they are accompanied by conditions inconsistent or in conflict with the satisfactory running of the School;

- (v) to make rules and regulations for the conduct of meetings and affairs of the Board and to adopt and vary them from time to time;
- (vi) to purchase, take on lease or accept as gift or otherwise any land which may be necessary or convenient for the purposes of the School and on such terms and conditions as they may think fit and proper;
- (viiite construct, purchase, take on lesse or accept as a gift or otherwise any building or buildings which may be necessary or suitable for the purpose of the School and on such terms and conditions as they may think fit and proper;
- properties of the School, moveable or immoveable, on such terms as they may think fit and proper;
- (ix) to execute conveyances, transfers of Government securities, re-conveyances, mortgages, leases, bonds and agreements in respect of property, moveable or immoveable, belonging to the School or to be acquired for the purposes of the School.
- (x) to give up and cease from the running of the School;
- (xi) to reise and borrow money on bonds, mortgages, promissory notes or other obligations or securities founded or based upon all or any of the properties and assets of the School or without any securities and upon such terms and conditions as they may think fit;
- (xii) to invest the funds of the School in or upon such securities as they may deem fit and from time to time transpose any investment;
- (xiii) to make such grants as they may think fit for the benefit of any employee or employees of the School.
- (xiv) to make such rules and bye-laws as they may, from time to time, consider to be necessary for regulating the management of the School and the affairs of the Board;
- (xv) to delegate all or any of its powers to the Headmaster of the Sch ol or to any committee or sub committee or to any one or more members of its body or its officers; and
- (xvi)to do all such other acts and things as may be requisite in order to further the objects of the School.
- Powers and duties 6. (i) The Chairman shall have power to convene meetings of the of the Chairman Board at any time when he considers it necessary;
 - (ii) In an emergency, which, in the opinion of the Chairman, requires that immediate action should be taken, the Chairman shall take such action as he deems necessary but he shall report his action to the Board at its next meeting:
 - (iii) The Chairman shall exercise such other powers as may be prescribed by the Rules;
 - (iv) In the absence of the Chairman at any meeting of the Board, the members present shall elect one of themselves to preside at the meeting.

owers and unctions of he Treasurer.

- 7. The powers and functions of the Treasurer shall be as follows, viz.,
- (i) To examine and scrutinize the budget of the School proposed by the Headmaster and to make recommendations to the Board;
 - (ii) to consider the sudit note and to make recommendations thereon.
 - (iii) to review the finances of the School from time to time;
 - (iv) to give advice and to make recommendations to the Board on any financial question affecting the School, either his on own initiative or at the instance of the Board or the Headmaster.

owers and functions of secretary.

- (i) The Secretary, subject to the control of the Board, shall be the Chief administrative officer of the School. He shall be responsible for seeing that the orders of the Board are carried out.
- (ii) Subject to the powers and functions of the Treasurer as defined by the Board, the Secretary shall be responsible for seeing that all moneys are expended on the purpose for which they are granted or allotted.
- (iii) He shall prepare and submit to the Board for their approval annual statement of accounts and budget estimates.
- (iv) He shall keep the records of the meetings of the Board.
- (v) He shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be delegated or assigned to him by the Board generally or specifically.

Meetings of the Board.

- (i) The Board shall meet at least once in every four months and a copy of the proceedings of each meeting shall be furnished to the Chairman as soon as possible after the Meeting.
- (ii) The quorum for the meetings of the Board shall be four.
- (iii) The Chairman, if present, shall preside over the meetings of the Board. In his absence the members present shall elect one of themselves to preside.
- Non-official members of the Board will be reimbursed by the School their travelling allowance in respect of the journeys undertaken to attend the meetings of the Board or any committees or sus committees or in connection with the business of the School as may be provided in the rules to be made in this behalf by the Board.
- 11. The Board shall cause regular accounts to be kept of all its moneys and properties and to have them audited by qualified auditors.
- 12. Such other matters as have not been provided for above will be regulated by the bye-laws to be made by the Brard.

2. The Rules of Sainik School, Nabha Appendix II. (Scanned copy)

RULES SAINIK SCHOOL, NABHA.

1. SCHOOL BUDGET .

(1) The Headmaster shall each year forward to the Treasurer his proposals concerning the budget for the following year four months before the beginning of the ensuing year. While forwarding the proposed budget estimates for the ensuing year, together with the reasons for veriations of expenditure between the current year's original budget and the revised budget as well as between the current year's revised budget and the proposed budget for the next year, he shall also furnish a statement showing :-

- (i) the actual expenditure of the preceding year;
- (ii) the original budget estimates of the current year; and
- (iii) the revised budget estimates together with actuals for the first six months of the current year.
- (2) The Board shall frame the Budget after taking into consideration the observations and recommendations of the Treasurer.

2. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

- (i) The Headmaster shall be responsible for the proper maintenance of the accounts of the School.
- (ii) An annual statement of accounts of the School shall be prepared by the Headmaster and placed before the Board as soon as after the close of the year as possible.
- (iii) All moneys received for and on behalf of the School shall be paid into the appropriate account in the Bank approved by the Board.
- (iv) The account of the School shall be audited once every year by the auditors appointed by the Board. The copy of the Audit Report, with the Headmaster's remarks, shall be submitted to the Board, through the Tressurer.

3. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE HEADMASTER.

- (1) The Headmaster shall be appointed by the Board in such manner and such terms and conditions as the Board may decide.
- (2) Subject to the general control of the Board of Governors, the Headmaster shall have the sole authority and responsibility for all matters connected with the teaching, management and discipline of the School. He shall be the chief executive and academic officer of the School and shall be responsible to the Bard for the proper administration of the School.

- (a) The powers and duties of the Headmaster shall be as follows, viz:-
 - (i) to create temporary posts on a pay not exceeding Rs. 300/- p.m., subject to the funds being available, for a period not exceeding beyond the current year;
 - (ii) to make appointments to all posts except those of Senior Master and Bursar, or as may otherwise be directed by the Board;
 - (iii) to grant extension of service to members of the staff of the sthicl who fall within his powers of appointment beyond the age of superannuation. Such extention will not be granted for more than one year at a time and will be subject to cont ·ed physical and mental fitness of the person concerned and ution to the School is specience of

provided his contribution to the School is considered of

substantial value

- (iv) to impose penalties upon any member of the staff in accordance with the rules;
- (v) to grant leave to the members of the staff as provided under the rules;
- (vi) to exercise the powers of the Controlling Authority for purposes of travelling allowance in respect of staff employed under him:
- (vii) to incur expenditure upto the extent of provision made for each budget head during the year;
- (viii) to authorise within the limits of the budget provision, repairs to roads and buildings of the School as well as construction of new works;
- (ix) to sell trees, grass or other garden produce in the School estate and condemned stores of the School. The proceeds of such sale be credited to the funds of the School; and
- (x) to do all other things, subject to these Rules, which may be necessary for the discipline and welfare of the students.
- (b) Action taken by the Headmaster under item (i), (ii) and (iii) shall be reported by him to the Board at its next meeting.
- (c) As soon after the close of the academic year as possible, the Headmaster shall prepare a report on the working of the School and place it before the Board,

4. GENERAL CONDITIONS OF SERVICE OF THE STAFF.

- (i) Appointments to posts of Senior Master and Bursar shall be made by the Board either by promotion or direct recruitment. Officiating appointments of these posts may be made by the Chairman of the Board.
- (ii) All posts except those of Senior Master and Bursar, shall be filled by the Headmaster by promotion or by direct recruitment at his discretion.
- (iii) Every member of the staff shall, on appointment, be supplied with a memorandum regarding conditions of his appointment, and he shall sign a receipt for it and state that he accepts those conditions.
- (iv) The scale of pay of the posts and other conditions of service shall be prescribed by the Board. The details of the sanctioned posts and their present scales of pay are given in the attached Schedule.
- (v) The Board of Governors has the right to alter, at any time, the scale of pay of any post.
- (vi) All appointments to the staff shall ordinarily be made on probation for a period of one year which may, at the discretion of the Headmaster, or the Chairman in the case of members of the staff appointed by the Board, be extended upto two years. The appointee, if confirmed, shall continue to hold office till the age of 58, except as otherwise provided in these rules. Every appointment shall be subject to the condition that the appointee is certified

- (vii) The Headmaster, or the Chairman in the case of members of the staff appointed by the Board, may terminate the services of any member of the staff by giving him three months' notice, or three months' pay in lieu thereof, if on medical grounds his retention in service is considered undesirable. Such cases shall be reported to the Board at its next meeting.
- (viii) The Headmaster may terminate the services of any permanent member of the staff on grounds of retrenchment or continued unsatisfactory performance of duties by giving him three menths' notice in writing. No such notice shall, however, be given without provious approval of the Board. Any person whose services are thus terminated shall be allowed to take the sarned leave due to him, in addition to the notice period.
- (ix) A permanent member of the staff, may, at any time, resign his post after giving three months' notice in writing to the Headmaster.
- (x) During the period of probation, the services of any member of the staff appointed by the Headmaster under his own powers may be terminated after giving one month's notice in writing without assigning any reason. The services of the staff appointed by the Board shall, during the period of probation, be terminated either by the Board or the Chairman after giving one month's notice in writing. Staff on probation shall be required to give one month's notice of resignation or pay an amount equal to one month's salary together with all allowances.
- (xi) The Headmaster may, with the approval of the C'airman of the Board, dismiss any member of the staff from service, without notice or compensation, on grounds of misconduct which is considered so grave as to render his continuance in service seriously detrimental to the interest of the School. Pending the Chairman's orders, the Headmaster may suspend him. The person so dismissed shall have the right of appeal to the Board whose decision will be final. If the appeal is upheld by the Board, he shall be reinstated in service on such terms as the Board may decide. During the period of suspension, he shall receive a subsistence allowance amounting to half his pay.
- (xii) In special cases, an allowance may, at the discretion of the Board, be paid to any member of the staff for extra work done in addition to his normal duties.

5. PENALTIES AND APPEALS.

- (16 The following penalties may, for good and sufficient reason, be imposed by the Headmaster on the members of the Staff of the School, viz;
 - (i) Censure.
 - (ii) Withholding of increments.
 - (iii) Reduction in rank.
 - (iv) Suspension,
 - (v) Removal from service.
 - (vi) Recovery from pay of the whole or part of any pecuniary loss caused to the School by negligence or breach of orders.

- (2) No penalty under (v) above in the case of any member of the staff, except those whose monthly emoluments are Rs. 100/- or less, or under (ii) or (iii) above in the case of members of the appointed by the Board, shall be imposed except with the approval of the Chairman.
- (3) The Headmaster shall, before passing an order of punishment and subject to these Rules, call upon the person concerned to explain his conduct or institute an enquiry himself or by an officer deputed by him or by a Committee constituted by him. Such explanation or report of enquiry shall form part of the record.
- (4) An employee on whom any punishment is imposed shall have the right of appeal to the Board which may, at its discretion, allow him a personal hearing. The Board's decision shall be final.
- (5) All appeals must be submitted through the Headmarter who shall append his remarks before placing it before the Chairman of the Board.

6. SEAVE FOR STAFF.

- (1) All members of the staff shall be divided into two categories, viz: those belonging to Vacation Department and those belonging to non-Vacation Department, as follows:
 - (a) Vacation Department Staff.
 - (i) All members of the teaching Staff.
 - (11) Matrons/Stewards.
 - (b) Non-Vacation Department Staff.

All other members of the Staff.

- (2) Members of the staff, both permanent and temporary, who belong to the Vacation Department and have to continue in service after the vacations shall be eligible for pay and allowances at full rates during the period of vacation.
- (3) Ordinarily an employee of the Vacation Department shall be allowed to avail himself of the full period of the vacation. If, however, the exigencies of service so require, the Headmaster may restrict the period of the employee's vacation and call upon him to remain on duty at the School for such period of the vacation as he may consider necessary. The Headmaster may also recall to duty at the School a member of the staff who has proceeded on vacation. In such cares, the person concerned shall be entitled to earned leave on full will pay and allowances in such proportion of thirty days as the number of days of the vacation not availed of bears to the full vacation. Such carned leave shall be granted only at such time as is convenient to the School. If this leave is refused during the ensuing year, the employee will be permitted to credit such leave to his earned leave account. Such leave may not be accumulated beyond a maximum of 180 days, except with the provious approval of the Board.
- (4) Staff belonging to the non-vacation Department shall be entitled to earned leave on full pay at the rate of 1/11th of the period actually spent on duty. Earned leave may not be accumulated beyond a maximum of 180 days, except with the previous approval of the Board.
 - (5) Leave on half pay on private affairs or medical grounds shall be admissible for fifteen days for each completed year of

Service in the case of all employees. This leave may not be accumulated beyond 180 days without the permission of the Board.

- (6) Casual leave to all members of the staff may be granted by the Readmaster to the excent of ten days in a year, subject to the limit of six days at a time except in the case of illness.
- (7) Maternity leave on full pay may be granted to women employees of the School, on the recommendation of a competent medical authority, for a period upto three months from the date of its commencement or upto the end of six weeks from the date of confinement, whichever be earlier.
- (8) The Headmaster shall have the power to sanction all kinds of leave to the members of the Staff.

. TRAVELLING AND HALTING EXPENSES.

(1) Members of the Staff of the School travelling on duty be intitled to travelling and halting expenses as follows :-

Actual exponses including travel at following rates subject to any special orders in a particular case.

Headmaster lst class Rail fars.

Members of the Staff drawing a pay
of Rs. 200 p.m. & above. - do
Members of the Staff drawing a pay
between Rs. 80/- and 199/- p.m. ... 2nd class Rail fare.

Members of the staff drawing a pay
below Rs. 80/- p.m. ... 3rd class Rail fare.

(2) The Headmaster shall be the Controlling Authority for puroses of travelling allowance to all members of the staff. In the ase of the Headmaster, the Chairman of the Board shall be the ontrolling Authority.

. CONCESSIONS TO THE STAFF.

All members of the Staff shall be provided with free quarters

n the School premises, if available. If residential accommodation annot be provided by the School to any member of the Staff, he shall e paid a house rent allowance at the rate of 10% of his pay.

- (b) Free Furniture. Quarters will be partly furnished according o the scale laid down by the Board.
- (c) Free Food. All members of teaching staff, wives and children f Housemasters, Matron/Stewards and Nursing sister will be entitled o free food during term time if taken with the boys. Bursar and ffice Staff will have free lunch and tea during term time.
 - (d) Educational concessions to Children of Staff.
 - (1) Children of members of the staff may be admitted as day students on payment of Fees of Rs. 25/- per term.
 - (ii) If any member of the staff wishes to enter his son as a boarder, he shall pay a concessional fee of Rs. 300/per term.
- (e) Medical facilities. Members of the staff of the School and he dependent members of their families shall receive free medical reatment as available at the School Hospital. The Medical Officer hall visit them free of charge, if they are unable to attend the ospital. Medicines not in stock in the School shall have to be paid or by the members of the staff themselves. Such facilities as are not available in the School may be arranged for the members of the saff, if they so desire at their own cost.

9. PROVIDENT FUND.

- (1) A compulsory Provident Fund shall be constituted for all permanent employees of the School.
- (2) The rules for the said Provident Fund will be framed by the Board separately, and the Board may from time to time, amend, alter or vary these rules.
- (3) The rate of contribution to be made by the School to the Fund shall be 8% of the pay.

10. STAFF BENEFIT FUND.

- (1) There shall be instituted a Staff Benefit Fund to provide for cases of distress among the staff of the School. Subscriptions to the Fund at the rate of & Naya Paisa per rupee of his pay, subject to a maximum of Rs. 3/- p.m., shall be made monthly by every member of the staff.
- (2) The sums withheld under the Provident Fund Rules and donations received, if any, for this specific purpose, shall as also be credited to this Fund.
- (3) The Fund shall be administered by a Committee consisting of the Headmaster, the Bursar and one of the members of the staff nominated by the Headmaster.
- (4) All applications for relief from the Staff Benefit Fund shall be made to the Headmaster.
- (5) No grant from the Staff Benefit Fund shall be made to a member of the staff or his family until the Committee is satisfied that the carcinatance are such that the relief is necessary to the member of the staff or his family.
- (6) A grant or a loan free of interest according to circumstances may be made to a member of the staff.

11. OMISSION IN THESE RUCES

If any omission is in future found to exist in these Bules it shall be filled by reference to the Board and the additions thus made shall be final and binding upon the members of the staff on such terms and in such manner as the Board may decide.

Sept, 1959

You might have heard that there is a proposal to set up a sort of a Sainik School in the Punjab. I am Chairman of a Sub Committee consisting of among others Col Nau Nihal Singh Mann and Achreja which is to put up recommendations to the Governor in his capacity as Chairman of Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund.

I feel that the Sub Committee should, before it starts thinking of the Syllabus etc. visit the Sainik School, Dehra Dun. I hope you will have no objection to our doing so.

We propose visiting the Sainik School, Dehra Dun on 13 -14 Oct. I hope these dates will suit the Principal also.

I would appreciate an early reply labus etc.

With best wishes,

Yours,

K.S.

HC SARIN, Esq, ICS, Joint Secretary labus etc., Ministry of Defence, New Delhi.

13 Sept 1959

Thank you for your DO letter No. 604 dated 11 Sept 1959 and the draft of the minutes of the meeting held on 5 Sept.

I agree with the draft and am enclosing it herewith.

As the Sainik School is under the Ministry of Defence and not Army HQ, I had already written to the Joint Secretary Shri H.C. Sarin.

I have also written to Gibson, Principal, Mayo College, Ajmer and Martyn Headmaster, Doon School, Dehra Dun to suggest a suitable and well qualified person as the first Head Master of the School.

With best wishes,

Yours,

K.S.

Sardar H.S. Achreja.

October 24, 1959

My dear General Kalwant Singh,

Since our return from Dehra Dun I have contacted Shri C.D. Kapur, Education Secretary, Punjab Government, on 'phone and obtained his concurrence to the procedure adopted by us for dealing with applications of various candidates for the post of Headmaster of our proposed Sainik School. I have also consulted you regarding more applications received since then and issued letters to all the forty applicants as shown below:-

- 'A' Those called for interview
 (vide copy of letter enclosed) ... 16

 'B' Those who have been informed that they might be considered for Master's post on a later date, if necessary.
 (vide copy of letter enclosed). ... 12

 'C' –Those who have been informed that it will not be possible to select them /
 (vide copy of letter enclosed). ... 12
- 2. As I am proceeding to Delhi tomorrow in connection with Governors' Conference and other work and will not be back until the 2nd November 1959, necessary action on other applications will have to wait till then. In case, however, a candidate appears to come up to the standard, I shall invite him telegraphically for the interview. In the case of others, the usual letter could go.
- 3. As I mentioned to you yesterday during our meeting, Chief Minister has suggested Kunjpura (near Karnal) as a possible venue of our School. There used to be a Police Children School at that place which has now been closed down, and the buildings and play-grounds, etc., are available. As

suggested by you and approved of by the Governor, I shall be visiting Kunjpura on 30th of this month to inspect the place.

4. I got a ring from Major Bhagat from Western Command today. He say that Mr. Jaijee, Deputy Commissioner, Simla has contacted him and agreed to show us the palace and grounds at Kandaghat, which might serve our purpose. I have accordingly fixed a programme for inspection of this place on the 6th November, 1959, accompanied by Lt. Col Naunihal Singh Mann and Major Bhagat as originally decided by us at Dehra Dun. Again, on Sunday, the 8th November, 1959, we may have to go to Nabha after breakfast and come back by the evening after seeing the available places there. I am writing separately to Deputy Commissioner, Patiala, about this and hope that Lt. Col. Naunihal Singh Mann will arrange for the lunch with S. Gurbhajnik Singh Mann as promised by him.

With best regards,

Yours Sincerely,

(H.S. Achreja)

Lt. General Kalwant Singh,

4 D, Sector 5,

Chandigarh.

(Appointment of Mr. J.K. Kate)

RAJ BHAWAN SIMLA

From :-Shri H.S. Achreja, IAS, Secretary to Governor and Honorary Secretary, Committee of Administration, Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund.

To Major R.Som Dutt, ABC, M.A. (Cantab), Headmaster, Lawrence School, Sanawar (Simla Hills).

Dated Chandigarh, the 20th November, 1959.

Subject: Headmaster Sainik School.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 22nd October 1959, forwarding application of Shir J.K. Kate, for the post of Headmaster, Sainik School, I am desired to inform you that the Committee of Administration of the Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund, on recommendation of the Sainik School Sub Committee, have decided to appoint the applicant as the first Headmaster at a salary of Rs. 1300/- in the grade of Rs. 800-40-1000/50- with free furnished residential accommodation. It was further decided that Shri Kate should be asked to take charge of his office from the 1st of January 1960, and to arrange to draw up the prospectus and the connected literature of the School by the 31st January, 1960, as also to take further steps for the renovation and equipment of buildings, recruitment of staff, etc., so as to start the School from April, 1960. I am, therefore, desired to request you kindly to obtain his release / deputation and make his services available to the Sainik School Sub Committee on the 1st January, 1960, so that the programme laid down by the Committee is carried out without any delay. Shri Kate may be asked to report for duty to the undersigned at Chandigarh, where his Headquarters will be located for a few days before shifting to Nabha which has been selected as the site for the School.

Yours faithfully, Sd/

Secretary to Governor and Honorary Secretary, Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund.

No.: PWF/954 dated 20.11.1959

A copy is forwarded to Lt. General Kalwant Singh, 4 D, Sector 5, Chandigarh, for information, with the request that as decided by the Committee of Administration in their last meeting, he may take up the matter with the Chairman of the Board of Governors of Sanawar School for Shri Kate's release/deputation at an early date.

Secretary to Governor and Honorary Secretary, Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund.

(P.T.O.)

A copy is forwarded to Shri J.K. Kate, Lawrence School, Sanawar (Simla Hills) for information.

Sd/ Secretary to Governor and Honorary Secretary, Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund.

(Loose document paper in the file, date not clear. It sums up the progress made till at least November ,1960. Probably part of a Letter giving a report of progress, dated post 9th, November 1959?)

3.In para 13 of my letter No. F.N. 11/59, dated 3rd August 1959, I made a mention of the quarterly meeting of the Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund held on the 25th July, A copy of the agenda and proceedings of that meeting had also been enclosed for your information. One of the main decisions taken in that meeting was to set up a **Doon type** school for which a sum of **Rs. 39 lakhs** was to be endowed by the Fund. A Sub Committee with Lt. General Kalwant Singh as Chairman had been appointed to decide where the school should be located and to select a suitable Headmaster. The Sub Committee considered several alternative sites in capitals of former Princely States as well as Kunipura near Karnal and finally recommended that the school should be located at Nabha. For this purpose, they suggested that the New Secretariat building as well as the Guest House and the land attached to it will be required. This recommendation has been unanimously approved of by the Committee of Administration of the Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund in their meeting held on the 9th of November. The Chief Minister, Punjab, who is a member of this Committee has made a commitment on behalf of the Punjab Government that the required buildings will be placed at our disposal by the 1st of January next. As for the post of a Headmaster, the Sub Committee interviewed over 20 candidates out of nearly 80 who applied in response to an advertisement in leading newspapers of Ambala, Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras. The Sub Committee has recommended the names of Sarv Shri J.K. Kate, at present Bursar of the Lawrence School at Sanawar and H.S. Kashyap, Vice Principal of the Delhi Public School in the same order of preference. The Committee of Administration have approved of the selection of Shri J.K. Kate and a request is being made to the Chairman, Board of Governors of the Lawrence School, Sanawar (Shri K.G. Saiyidan, Secretary, Ministry of Education, Government of India) for permission to Shri Kate to take up this appointment. I am glad that this ambitious scheme is showing promise of early fruition mainly due to the enthusiastic support of our Chief Minister and the initiative, energy and drive of Lt. General Kalwant Singh who has evinced very zealous interest in carrying out this scheme.

December 7, 1959

Thank you for your No. PWF/991/93, dated the 30th November, 1959, and the extracts from the Minutes of the tenth meeting of the Committee of Administration of the PWSR Fund held on 9th November, 1959.

I understand Kate has accepted our offer to be the first Headmaster of the proposed school. In order to ensure that the School starts on 1st April 1960, the Headmaster designate will have to be allowed some staff, with effect from 1st January, 1960. Kate will shortly be putting up proposals in this respect.

With best wishes,

Yours, Lt. General Kalwant Singh.

Shri H.S. Achreja, Secretary to Governor, Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh.

Extract 10th meeting of PWSRF held on 9th November, 1959:-

In case Shri Kate was unwilling or unable to join for any reason, whatsoever, the post of Headmaster may be offered to Shri H.N. Kashyap, Vice Principal of the Delhi Public School, New Delhi, at a salary of Rs. 1,000/- per annum plus free furnished quarters, as recommended by the Sub Committee.

The G.O.C.-in-Chief Western Command, was asked to take up the matter with the Ministry of Defence for recognition of the School for the purpose of getting usual benefits attached to such schools under that Ministry. Lt. Gen Kalwant Singh was also authorized to pursue this matter on personal level with the appropriate authorities.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee Appointed to take Preparatory Steps to Start the Sainik School:-

The following were present at the meeting held at 11 a.m. on 29th January 1960 at the Chairman's House.

- 1. Lt. General Kalwant Singh.
- 2. Shri H.S. Achreja
- 3. Shri J.K. Kate.
 - 1. The Minutes of the last meeting held on 15th January 1960 were approved.
 - 2. The Committee resolved to advise all parents to get the clothes made in the School to achieve uniformity or shades of colour style etc.
 - 3. The Committee approved of the Headmaster's plan of starting the school initially in the Guest House without any alterations in the building except the temporary provision of baths and lavatories in the four kitchen rooms in the Court Yards.
 - 4. The Committee decided that all items of bedding should be provided by the School.
 - 5. The Committee was of the opinion that the formal opening of the School should take place some time in October or November 1960 when the Secretariat building will be ready for shifting the School.
 - 6. It was resolved that the condition of "Primary Pass" for awarding scholarship to sons of serving and Ex-servicemen be waived and the Presidents of Solders' Sailers' and Airmens Boards be informed accordingly by the Secretary of the Administration Committee of the Post-War Services Reconstruction Fund.
 - 7. The Committee approved of Headmaster's suggestion to charge Registration Fee of Rs. 10/- which should be refunded in case a boy was not offered vacancy.

Lt. General Kalwant Singh Chairman.

RAJ BHAWAN, CHANDIGARH

April 3, 1960

Dear

I have your letter of 1st April, 1960. I am glad that you have agreed to preside over the function in connection with the commencement of the School on 14th April, 1960.

Yours sincerely,

N.V. Gadgil

Lt. Gen Kalwant Singh, 4-D, Sector 5, Chandigarh.

(SPEECH BY LT. GEN KALWANT SINGH on day first formal day of PPS 14th of April, 1960. The type written paper and had handwritten corrections was found in the file. Speech printed in the chronicle of June 1960 was slightly different.)

I am here today, at the request of and on behalf of the Chairman, Board of Governors of the School – The Governor of the Punjab to preside at the beginning of this term – which is really the start of this School.

A year ago, our Chief Minister, at a meeting of the Post War Reconstruction fund at Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh, suggested the starting of a School in the Punjab on the lines of the Doon School. I fully supported him. I was asked to formulate a Scheme to start this School. I gladly accepted this undertaking as I felt there was a definite requirement for a School, run on Public-School Lines for the sons of serving officers, J.C.Os., and O.Rs. as also the Retired officers, J.C.Os and O.Rs.

I was particularly interested in the Scheme as the bulk of the money which has been set aside for this School by the P.W.R.F Committee had been put into a Fund during Second World War for the collective benefit of the O.Rs. who had served during that War or their dependents. It is, therefore, in the fitness of things that this School should be started as a sort of a memorial to those belongings to the Punjab and who served during the Second World War.

I mentioned earlier that a year ago the decision was taken to start the School. It is no ordinary achievement I must express our gratitude to the Chief Minister and the Punjab Government who had given the School these palatial buildings as also the Guest House. My successor in Western Command – Lt. Gen. P.N. Thapar is to be thanked for getting the Scheme for the establishment of the School worked out. I had given the outline plan only to the S.O.I. Education – Col. Mukand. He worked out the plan in detail. I am so happy that I have been able to implement it. I was assisted by my old friend Col. Sardar Naunihal Singh Mann, Mr. Achreja, Secretary to Governor, and Major Bhagat, officiating S.O.I Education in selecting the Headmaster, to select the site. and buildings and in the preparation of the prospectus and Rules and Regulations.

The choice of the Headmaster has fallen on Mr JK Kate whom I first met at Sanawar ,who is an educationist with a vast experience of Public-School Administration. That the School has actually started functioning is due in no small measure to Mr. Kate who starting virtually single handed has accomplished a truly formidable task in an incredible short time.

(We owe it to him (Mr. JK Kate) and of his staff who have been here since 1 Jan who have been assisting him to get the show going. I know the amount of work he has put in, to start with single-handed, to start the school. For example, he has had to get each and every bit of furniture, that we are using today. I would like to thank him very much indeed for what he has achieved in such a short time with a limited number of staff.)

The strength of the school will in the first instance be restricted to 200, of which number 120 vacancies will be reserved for the sons of ex-servicemen as well as of serving personnel of the Indian Army, Navy and Air Force, belonging to the Punjab. It is intended to indicate that joining the NDA will be compulsory. Boys must work hard and make the fullest use of the opportunity afforded to you, for India is in dire need of young men of character and initiative to help in the development of the country. I wish the school all success and hope that it may produce such men of sterling character as the country, with its newly found freedom so badly needs.

(Now the AIM of the School. It is to provide a Public-School education to deserving sons of ex-servicemen, serving personnel of the Defence Services and civilians, with a view to developing them in body, mind and character and preparing them academically for entry to the National Defence Academy or for any other suitable career. Another object of the School is to instill in its students a spirit of loyalty, devotion and partrotic service to the country, and to inculcate qualities of leadership, personality, discipline and team – spirit.

Military bias is intended to indicate that joining the NCC is compulsory for all boys. We will prepare you to take your place among the leaders of the future and will try to equip you for the Battle of Life. You are free to choose a Military Career if you want to.

You, my young friends, especially those who have been awarded scholarships, to work hard and take full advantage of the opportunity, you have been given. In our country there is a great requirement for young men to come forward and help in the development plans being initiated by our Government. We have given as per the Headmaster's report given 35scholarships. I would have liked more scholarships, since funds are limited we can not at present increase the number

I hope you will have a pleasant stay here and you will take full advantage of the facilities being made available not only as far as studies are concerned but also hobbies, games and outdoor activities.

Finally, a word of advice for the staff. You must all work together as a team and not individually for the benefit of the school.

I wish you all success and may this school grow from strength to strength and produce young men of character and ability which our country with our new found freedom needs.)

Thank you very much, Mr. Kate for the welcome you have given to my wife and myself.)

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Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors, The Sainik School, Nabha held at 12:00 noon on 19th July 1960 at Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh.

The following were present

1.	Shri N.V. Gadgil	Chairman
2.	S. Gurdian Singh Dhillon	
3.	Lt. General Kalwant Singh	
4.	Lt. General P.N. Thapar	
5.	Shri E.N. Mangat Rai, ICS	
6.	Dr. A.C. Joshi	
7.	Brig. Gurkirpal Singh	
8.	Lt. Col. Naunihal Singh Mann	
9.	Lt. Col. F.A. Von Goldstein	
10.	Rao Bahadur Choudhary Lal Chand	
11.	Shri V.P. Gautama, IAS	
12.	Shri J.K. Kate	Secretary

The following main decision was taken in the meeting:-

Vide Item 8 : The Board decided to charge non-refundable registration fee of Rs. 5/- per boy.

Vide Item 9: The Board considered the scholarship scheme submitted by the Headmaster and appointed a Sub Committee consisting of the following members to finalise the scheme:-

- 1. Lt. General Kalwant Singh
- 2. Shr. E.N. Mangat Rai
- 3. Dr. A.C. Joshi
- 4. Shri J.K. Kate

Vide Item 11: The Board decided to appoint M/s A. Ferguson & Co. as School Auditors provided they did not charge more than Rs. 1000/- as Audit fees.

Vide Item 12: The Board Decided to Change the name of the School from "The Sainik School" to "The Punjab Public School".

Sd/- J.K. Kate Secretary Sd/ N.V. Gadgil Chairman

DLF Housing and Construction Private Ltd.

21st October 1960

My dear General Sahib,

Thanks for your kind letter. I entirely agree with you that opening of more schools on the lines of Nabha School would be helpful both to the ex-soldiers and the Government. I am told that the latter is not getting the required stuff for the N.D.A.

I will certainly be able to give my advice with regard to the suitable location of the School, when we meet next.

All the ex-soldiers and serving soldiers will be grateful to you for your foresight and help in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Raghuvendra Singh,

Lt. General Kalwant Singh, 4D, Sector 5, Chandigarh.

ITEM No. XII

Subject : Grant of stipends to the sons of serving Officers out of the Punjab PWSR Fund.

In its last meeting, held on <u>13.11.1962</u>, the Board of Governors of the Punjab Public School, Nabha, passed the following resolution:-

"Lt Gen Kalwant Singh suggested that five scholarships should be given every year to the sons of serving officers.

After due consideration, the Board decided that it was not advisable to give the scholarships to sons of serving officers out of the funds earmarked for giving scholarships to the sons of JCOs., NCOs. and other ranks. Consequently it was decided to approach the Committee of Administration of the Punjab PWSR Fund for extra allocation of funds from the interest of which thirty five scholarships (five scholarships every year for a duration of seven years) could be granted."

In the light of the above decision of the Board of Governors the Headmaster of the School approached the Secretary to Governor and Honorary Secretary of the Punjab PWSR Fund to spare funds to the extent of Rs. 7,500/- for continuous seven years for awarding 5 scholarships annually to the sons of serving officers (one scholarship is equal to Rs. 1,500/- per annum).

- 2. The committee of administration in its meeting held on 02.02.1960 decided that instead of placing a sum of Rs. 39 lacs under endowment fund for the Punjab Public School, Nabha, it may be given an annual grant of Rs. 1.20 lacs payable in two half yearly instalments. Since then Rs. 1.20 lacs are being given to the School annually. According to the prospectus of the Nabha school the stipends are being awarded to the sons of serving and ex-service JCOs from this grant which is contrary to the provisions of the scheme. Although the details of expenditure of the annual grant of Rs. 1.20 lacs are not furnished to the fund, it is possible that this grant is also being utilized for purpose not covered by the fund scheme.
- 3. According to the scheme the Punjab PWSR Fund can be utilized for the benefit of those ex-servicemen who served during Second World war and who joined the Armed Forces thereafter but were subsequently released from the Army. Officers and JCOs are not eligible to any benefit out of the Fund. If any amount is made available to the School from the PWSR Fund for awarding scholarships to the sons of serving officers it will be against the principles governing the administration of the Fund. The Committee of Administration may therefore, express its inability to the Board of Governors of the

Nabha School from providing Rs. 7,500/- per annum for the grant of Scholarships to the sons of officers.

4. The matter is placed before the Committee for its consideration and decision.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors, The Punjab Public School, Nabha held on 11:00 a.m. on 2nd May 1963, at Raj Bhawan Chandigarh.

The following were present:-

Shri Patton Thanu Pillai Sardar Partap Singh Kairon Shri Prabodh Chandra Lt. General Kalwant Singh Major General Chanshyam Singh Lt. Col. Naunihal Singh Major Ch. Raghuvendra Singh Shri P.L. Sondhi Shri J.K. Kate Chairman

.... Secretary

- Lt. General Daulat Singh, Shri G.S. Kahlon, Dr. A.C. Joshi and Lt. Col. F.A. Von Goldstein regretted their inability to attend the meeting.
- 1. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.
- 2. The Board received the report of the Headmaster on the action taken on the minutes of the last meeting.
- 3. The Board received the report of the Headmaster on the changes in the staff.
- 4. The Board received the Headmaster's report on the progress of the construction works and noted the following decisions taken by the Buildings sub-committee.
- a) The old secretariat building with necessary additions and alterations costing approximately Rs. 50,000/- be used for accommodating two houses.
- b) New sewers costing approximately Rs. 50,000/- be laid
- c) Only one new boarding house costing approximately Rs. 2,00,000/- be built.
- d) One of the Boarding Houses will remain in the new Secretariat.
- e) Four staff quarters costing approximately Rs. 1,00,000/- be built.
- f) The Swimming pool costing approximately Rs. 1,00,000/- be constructed.
- 5. The Board decided to request the committee of administration of PWSRF for a loan of Rs. 3 lacs refundable in six annual installments of Rs. 50,000/- each. The Board also agreed to pay simple interest @ $4\frac{1}{2}$ % per annum.
- 6. In order to enable the School to pay back this loan and meet any likely increase in the cost of the running of the school, the board decided to raise the fees from Rs. 1600/- to 1800/- per year and continue the rebate of Rs. 100/- per annum for lumpsum payment of fees and Rs. 100/- per annum as brother's concession.

- 7. The Board approved of the Headmaster's proposal to pay Mr. M.H.D. Voden return air-passage from England to India and back in order to enable him to come and work in the second term of the academic year 1964.
- 8. a) The Board agreed to increase the provision for electricity from Rs. 8,000/- to Rs. 25,000/- and for games from Rs. 4,000/- to Rs. 6,000/- in the budget allotment for 1963.
 - b) The Headmaster withdrew the proposal of raising the budget provision for maintenance of buildings from Rs. 10,000/- to Rs. 20,000/-, as the Board agreed to provide Rs. 50,000/- for the new Sewerage Scheme under non-recurring expenditure.
- 9. The Board authorized the Headmaster to sign the lease deed as desired by the Government of Punjab under Regulation No. 5 (2) (xv) of the Regulations framed by the Board of Governors.
- 10. The Board reviewed the question of admissions to class V, the lowest class in the School and decided that the Scholarship Committee should interview such boys as have secured positions on the merit list prepared on the basis of results of the written test and the number of vacancies available. The Board further authorized the Scholarship committee to interview such boys as have not secured the positions in the merit list but deserved consideration on other grounds. From among these boys the committee may select not more than three sons of the defence personnel and two of non-defence personnel provided such cases strongly justified special consideration.
- 11. The Board approved the Headmaster's proposal to appoint Mr. G.S. Punia as Bursar with a starting salary of Rs. 360/- per month in the scale of Rs. 300-20-600-25-750 on probation for one year.
- 12. Lt. General Kalwant Singh suggested that Mr. J.K. Kate, The Headmaster, who was involved in a serious care accident on 16th February, 1963, while on duty be reimbursed with the expenses connected with his medical treatment, not exceeding Rs. 2,000/- as a special case. The Board agreed to the suggestion.

Sd/- J.K. Kate Secretary sd/- Pattom Thanu Pillai Chairman

ITEM NO. II.

Subject: - The Punjab PWSR Fund - Grant of Loan of Rs. 3 lacs to the Punjab Public School, Nabha.

The Board of Governors of the Punjab Public School, Nabha vide item no. 5 (at Annexure 'A' below) decided in its meeting held at Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh, on the $2^{\rm nd}$ May 1963 that the Committee of Administration of the Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund may be requested for a loan of Rs. 3 lacs refundable in six annual installments of Rs. 50,000/- each. The Board also agreed to pay simple interest @ $4\frac{1}{2}$ % per annum.

2. Financial assistant in the form of grant or loan out of the Punjab PWSR Fund can be given only to the beneficiaries of the Fund. As the Nabha School is not a beneficiary of the Fund no loan can ordinarily be advanced to it out of the Punjab PWSR fund. Since a number of children of ex-servicemen / servicemen study in this school, the proposal of the Board of Governors was placed before the Committee of Administration in its last meeting held on 13.06.1963 and it was decided that the matter may be postponed till the next meeting. Accordingly, the proposal is again being placed before the Committee for consideration and decision.

ANNEXURE 'A'

ITEM NO. 5.

The Board decided to request this Committee of Administration of the Punjab PWSR Fund for a loan of Rs. 3 lacs refundable in six annual installments of Rs. 50,000/- each. The Board also agreed to pay simple interest @ 4½ % per annum.

2.In order to enable the school to pay back this loan and meet any likely increase in the cost of the running of the school, the Board decided to raise the fees from Rs. 1600/- to 1800/- per year and continue the rebate of Rs. 100/- per annum for lumpsum payment of fees and Rs. 100/- per annum as brother's concession.

ITEM NO. IV

Subject : The Punjab PWSR Fund – Grant of Loan of Rs. 3 lacs to the Punjab School, Nabha.

The Board of Governors of the Punjab Public School, Nabha vide item no. 5 (at Annexure 'C') decided in its meeting held at Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh, on the 2^{nd} May 1963 that the Committee of Administration of the Punjab Post War Services Reconstruction Fund may be requested for a loan of Rs. 3 lacs refundable in six annual installments of Rs. 50,000/- each. The Board also agreed to pay simple interest @ $4\frac{1}{2}$ % per annum.

2. Financial assistant in the form of grant or loan out of the Punjab PWSR Fund can be given only to the beneficiaries of the Fund. As the Nabha School is not a beneficiary of the Fund no loan can ordinarily be advanced to it out of the Punjab PWSR fund. Since a number of children of ex-servicemen / servicemen study in this school, the proposal of the Board of Governors is placed before the Committee of Administration for consideration and decision.

ANNEXURE 'C'

Item No. 5

The Board decided to request this Committee of Administration of the Punjab PWSR Fund for a loan of Rs. 3 lacs refundable in six annual installments of Rs. 50,000/- each. The Board also agreed to pay simple interest @ $4\frac{1}{2}$ % per annum.

2. In order to enable the school to pay back this loan and meet any likely increase in the cost of the running of the school, the Board decided to raise the fees from Rs. 1600/- to 1800/- per year and continue the rebate of Rs. 100/- per annum for lumpsum payment of fees and Rs. 100/- per annum as brother's concession.

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THE PUNJAB PUBLIC SCHOOL, NABHA

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors held at Raj Bhawan, Chandigarh at 11:30 a.m. on 10th December 1964.

The following were present:-

1. Hafiz Mohammad Ibrahim

Chairman

- 2. Shri Ram Kishan
- 3. Shri Harbans Lal
- 4. Lt. General Kalwant Singh
- 5. Lt. General Harbakhsh Singh
- 6. Shri Gian Singh Kahlon
- 7. Maj. General S.N. Bhatia
- 8. Lt. Colonel Sardar Naunihal Singh Mann
- 9. Lt. Colonel Chaudhary Raghuvendra Singh
- 10. Lt. Colonel F.A. Von Goldstein
- 11. Shri P.L. Sondhi
- 12. Shri J.K.Kate

Secretary

Shri A.C. Joshi expressed his inability to attend the meeting.

- 1. The minutes of the meeting held on 16th March 1964 were confirmed.
- 2. The Headmaster's report on the action taken on the minutes of the last meeting was received.
- 3. The Board received the report of the Headmaster on the change in the staff.
- 4. The Headmaster's proposal to confirm Mr. G.S. Punia in his appointment as Bursar with effect from 01.08.1964 was approved.
- 5. With reference to the letter received from the Secretary of Education Department, the Board members were of the opinion that the Government should raise the amount of scholarship from Rs. 1500/- to Rs. 1700/- per annum commensurate with the increase in fees. The Chief Minister also agreed with this view as he felt it was a reasonable proposal. However, he asked the Headmaster to send him the figures of the additional amount required, (if the amount of scholarship was raised from Rs. 1500/- to Rs. 1700/-) to enable him to expedite the decision of the Government on this issue.
- 6. The Board approved the Headmaster's suggestion that the balance of the school contribution to the provident fund in respect of the staff who leave the service of the school before completion of five years should be credited to the school account instead of staff benefit fund.
- 7. The budget estimate for the year 1964 and the budget proposal for the year 1965 were approved by the Board.

- 8. Lt. General Kalwant Singh suggested that religious teaching should be introduced in the School. The Headmaster, however, mentioned that the school already lays emphasis on the moral teaching every morning at the school assembly and celebrates Budha Jayanti, Guru Nanak Jayanti, Gandhi Jayanti etc. in a befitting manner. The formal religious teaching to different religious groups would create factions in the school community which was not at all desirable. The Board accepted Headmaster's view and decided not to introduce such religious teaching.
- 9. Lt. General Kalwant Singh suggested the formation of a Finance Sub-Committee under the Chairmanship of the Chairman of the Board to review the financial position of the School from time to time and advise the Board accordingly. This proposal to form the Committee was approved by the Board and it was decided that the Committee should meet once a quarter.

The Chairman of the Board, however, regretted his inability to be the Chairman of this sub-committee, whereupon Lt. General Harbakhsh Singh suggested the name of Maj General S.N. Bhatia to be the Chairman of this Sub-Committee. The Headmaster supported this proposal as Major General S.N. Bhatia was already the Chairman of committee entrusted with similar work in two Sainik Schools in the Punjab. The Board approved this proposal and appointed the Committee of the following persons:-

1. Major General S.N. Bhatia

Chairman

- 2. Lt. General Kalwant Singh
- 3. Lt. Colonel S. Naunihal Singh Mann
- 4. Lt. Colonel Ch. Raghuvendra Singh
- 5. Shri P.L. Sondhi
- 6. Shri J.K.Kate

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Bio-Data of Lt. General Kalwant Singh



Lt. General Kalwant Singh was born on 23 April 1905 at Rawalpindi.

He is the son of the Late Sardar Bahadur Sardar Sant Singh, of village ZAFFARWAL, Tehsil RAYA, District SIALKOT now SHRI KHUPURA District West Pakistan. Sardar SANT SINGH joined the Punjab Civil Service in 1890 and had a very distinguished career. His outstanding work was as E.A.S.O., during the RAWALPINDI Settlement, as Assistant Colonisation Officer, LYALPUR and as President Council of Regency, KALSIA State. He died in 1919. He was keenly interested in the education of the Sikhs, was a prominent member of the Chief Khalsa Dewan and was a member of the Court of the Hindu University, BENARAS. He was granted the title of Sardar Bahadur in 1913, and a Sword of Honour in 1918. He premature death in 1919 was a great loss to the Govt and the Sikh Community.

In 1923, Lieut General KALWANT SINGH was selected by the Govt of India for the Royal Military College, SANDHURST.

He was commissioned in 1925 and was attached for one year to 1st Bn, The Gordon Highlanders at SECUNDERABAD, DECCAN.

In 1926, he was posted to 2nd Bn 1st Punjab Regt. At KOHAT, NWFP.

In 1935, he took the Staff College entrance examination and secured a competitive vacancy thus having the distinction of being the first Indian to have passed into the Staff College, by competition. He was the youngest Officer in his division at the Staff College. He did the Prewar two year course. During the first year of the course the Chief Instructor at the Staff College, QUETTA, was Colonel B.L. MONTOGOMERY (Now Field Marshal VISCOUNT MONTGOMERY of EL Alamain K.G.). Col. MONTGOMERY's uncle Colonel J.A.L. MONTGOMERY CSI, at one time Financial Commissioner in the Punjab was an old and great friend of General KALWANT SINGH's family. Col. BL MONTGOMERY, therefore, took more than the usual interest in General KALWANT SINGH's training while at the Staff College.

In 1937 he passed out of the Staff College and after a few months service with his Bn – 2nd Bn 1st Punjab Regt at Multan he was appointed as a staff officer at Bannu, NWFP. For his work at BANNU he was recommended for accelerated promotion to Brevet Major. The Area Commander in his recommendation said, "Capt Kalwant Singh is exceptional amongst officers of his age and seniority".

In 1938, he was appointed Staff Captain to the newly raised Brigade at THAL, Kurram NWFP.

In 1939, he got married to a daughter of Sardar Bahadur S.S. GYANI Indian State Railways.

In 1940, he was promoted Brigade Major of the same Brigade. At the time when he was Brigade Major, during World War II, there was a threat of invasion of India by the Germans, coming through AFGHANISTAN and the Kurram valley N.W.F. and therefore, extensive defences were prepared in the Kurram Valley. General Kulwant Singh as Brigade Major took a prominent part, in the planning and sitting of these defences. His work as Brigade Major was appreciated by the then GOC-in-C and the then Governor of the NWFP.

In Jul 41, he was selected to be an Instructor at the Staff College, QUETTTA. He added another 'First' as he was the first Indian Instructor at the Staff College.

In 1943, he had a serious riding accident and was placed in low medical category for almost a year. On leaving the Staff College, therefore, he was appointed Assistant Quarter Master General (Operations) HQ Northern Army, RAWALPINDI. After a few weeks in that appointment he was asked for by name to be Assistant Quarter Master General (Plans) Indian Expeditionary Force, a special Combined Operations Army which was raised for the recapture of BURMA under General Sir GEORGE GIFFARD, GCB. But as General Kalwant Singh was keen to see active Service, as soon as he was medically fit, he applied to revert to regimental duty. He asked for a Battalion of his own Regiment in Burma but was given command of 7th Bn 1st Punjab Regt at RAZMAK, NWFP. After commanding the battalion for 1 ½ years, he was specially selected by the then C-in-C for training in Jungle Warfare in Burma, with a view to early promotion to the rank of Brigadier.



In May 1945, whilst serving in BURMA he was recalled to serve as a member of any Enquiry Committee appointed by the then C-in-C to look into the grievances of ex P.O.W. Viceroy's Commissioned Officers from ITALY.

In July 1945, after two terms of training attachments in ARAKAN and BURMA he was appointed Second – in – Command (Colonel) of 114 Indian Infantry Brigade (7 Indian Infantry Division) in Burma.

In Sep 45, as officiating Brigade Commander he took this Brigade by Air RANGOON to BANGKOK, SIAM. In SIAM he was Commander of the troops in BANGKOK and in addition to the task of commanding the troops, he was entrusted with the disbandment of the Japanese 18th Area Army which he did very well.

In Nov 45, he was posted as Deputy Director Resettlement, Welfare General's Branck at General Headquarters, SIMLA. In Jan 1946, he was given command of 20 Indian Infantry Brigade (10 Indian Infantry Division) at Rawalpindi. Shortly afterwards his

Brigade was selected to be the first experimental Brigade to recommend new organization and equipment for troops to fight in the Mountains against guerrile enemy. In December 1946 he was ordered to take his Brigade to OGHI, District HAZARA, NWFP to punish the Black Mountain tribesmen who has raided OGHI and BATAL and had burnt, looted and kidnapped non-muslims from those places. His Brigade Group consisted of 17 units – the biggest command given to any Indian Officer so far. On the successful conclusion of this operation his work was appreciated by the NWFP Govt. The Government of NWFP asked the GOC-in-C Northern Command, RAWALPINDI to convey their thanks to "The Brigade Commander and the troops who participated in quelling the disorders and restoring confidency".

In March 1947, his Brigade Headquarters was moved form WAH, District CAMPBELLPUR to NOWSHERA, NWFP where the Pir of Manki Sharif was trying to create trouble. By his firm handling of the Internal Security situation at NOWSHERA, he saved that town and the Cantonment.

In May 1947, he was appointed to the very important appointment of Brigadier General Staff, Northern Command, RAWALPINDI, adding yet another 'First' as an Indian had never held such as appointment before.

On attainment of Independence, he was appointed Director of Military Training at Army Headquarters, NEW DELHI. A good deal of pressure was put on him to stay on in the PAKISTAN Army but as Lord BIRDWOOD in his Book "A Continent Decides" on page 88 says "Had he remained he would certainly not have been alive today".

In October 1947, General KALWANT SINGH was appointed officiating Chief of the General Staff, Army Headquarters vice General K.M. CARIAPPA, on leave. It was at this time that raiders sacked DOMEL and were advancing on SRINAGAR. The Government of India decided to go to the aid of the Maharaja of J&K on 27 Oct 1947. General Kalwant Singh as Offg Chief of the General Staff had to organize the dispatch of troops by air to SRINAGAR. Theere was no previous plan to send any troops to the aid of the Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir. It, therefore, required organizational ability and capacity and he carried it out, as is well known, very successfully.

On 1st November 1947, he was to take over as GOC UP Area but was appointed GOC JAK Division instead. This was a new Divisional Headquarters raised for Jammu and Kashmir.

On 4 November, he was ordered by the Govt of India to go to KASHMIR and to recapture BARAMULA. He went to SRINAGAR without a proper HQ and a few staff officers only. On arrival in SRINAGAR after studying the situation he decided to go on to the offensive immediately and clear KASHMIR Valley of the raiders. On 7 November, he fought the battle of SHELATANG, the most decisive battle of J&K Operations. Having served for so many years on the North West Frontier he understood the tribesmen and their characteristics extremely well and was best qualified to deal with them. He had, in a written appreciation for the then C-in-C General Sir R. LOCKHART started that

knowing the tribesmen as he did, he felt that they would spend 24 - 48 hours in looting BARAMULA which would help us to send sufficient troops to KASHMIR and thereby save SRINAGAR. He received the appreciation of the Prime Minister and others. General BUCHER the then C-in-C placed on record his high appreciation of the very great military qualities possessed by Major General KALWANT SINGH. The appointment in Jammu and Kashmir was literally thrown at him when the military situation there was indeed serious.

The Prime Minister of Jammu and Kashmir in his farewell address to General KALWANT SINGH said "In bidding farewell to you today, we are sorry to part with a friend who came amidst us at a time when the enemy was battering at the gate of SRINAGAR And no sooner had you set your foot on our soil then the situation compelled you to go into action.

The enemy was driven back; PATTAN and BARAMULA were re-captured and the front advanced to URI. This is an achievement of which you, your officers and men under your command may justly feel proud etc etc."

The Public Relations hand out in 1949 about General KALWANT SINGH says "was the organizing genius of the JAMMU and KASHMIR force that stemmed the first treacherous assault of the raiders".

Mr. V.P. MENON, on page 411 of his book "The Integration of Indian States" says "Major General Kalwant Singh left KASHMIR on 1 May 1948 to take the appointment of Chief of General Staff. Before his departure, the Jammu and Kashmir Force was spilt into two divisional commands. The six months of Major General Kalwant Singh's command were perhaps the most crucial in the history of KASHMIR operations. He had to handle an extremely difficult situation, which he did with the utmost skill and credit leaving a secure and stabilized military position for his successors".

Lord BIRDWOOD in his book "Two Nations and KASHMIR' on page says "this fine officer in May 1955 had moved on to take charge of India's Western Command with his Headquarters in SIMLA".



Mrs Kalwant Singh who became member of the Board of Governors of PPS after Gen. Kalwant Singh's demise. She served on the board till her last.

Shri PRABODH CHANDRA in his book "Pilgrims Progress" on page 44 says "Maj Gen KALWANT SINGH, GOC J&K Force had to build up a fighting machine from scratch, even while he fought a well prepared and resolute enemy. Now he gradually geared that machine for planned offensive operations".

The Sikh and Hindu refugees of POONCH at a Dewan in the Gurdawara at JAMMU presented General KALWANT SINGH with an address and a sword.

His name was mentioned in Despatches for "distinguished and gallant services rendered as Commander JAK Force during operations in 1947-48".

In May 1948, he was appointed Chief of the General Staff, Army Headquarters at a very difficult period in the history of the Indian Army. J and K operations were still on. During this tenure as C.G.S. the Indian Army was re-organised. The Hyderabad Police action was planned and mounted during the summer of 1948, the protection of the border in East Punjab, was put on a better basis and the integration of the State Forces with the Indian Army was carried out.

In 1950, he was selected for command of a Corps, with the rank of Lieut General. He raised the Corps in 1950 and trained it. The C-in-C held Exercise VIJAY, in May 1953 for his Corps. It was the biggest exercise ever held East of Sues. Over 50,000 troops took part in it. At the conclusion of the Exercise the C-in-C publicly congratulated General KALWANT SINGH for his tactical skill and administrative knowledge and ability and for so well handling the Corps.

In 1950, he was appointed a member of a Government of India Committee and again in 1952 on the Reorganisation Committee set up by the then Defence Ministger in 1952.

In 1955, he was appointed General Officer Commanding – in – Chief Western Command, the most important operational Command in INDIA.

General KALWANT SINGH is Colonel of the Dogra Regiment and Colonel Commandant of the Army Ordnance Corps. He is a member of the Himalayan Club being very much interested in Mountaineering.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **14 Apr59-** Chief Minister at a meeting of Post War Reconstruction Fund at Raj Bhavan suggested to start a school in Punjab on the lines of Doon School(Draft, speech of Gen Kalwant Singh). *Perhaps meaning Prince of Wales Royal Indian Military College, Dehradun*.
- **Undated** Scheme of Sainik School was formulated in detail by GOC-in—C Western Command, Lt Gen PN Thapar (Draft ,speech of Gen Kalwant Singh)
- 25th July meeting PWSRF meeting.
 - 1)The model of School given by Gen PN Thapar accepted.
 - 2) The PWSRF planned to make Rs39 lacs as endowment for the said school
 - 3) A subcommittee headed by Lt Gen Kalwant Singh formed. It included Col Naunihal Singh Mann, Secy. to Governor(chairman) HS Achreja, IAS, A representative of Western Command (education) Major JB Bhagat and Nominee of CM ,most likely from Education department of Govt of Punjab. Their mandate was to find a) suitable **location**.
 - b) Secondly to find a suitable Headmaster.
 - c) Thirdly to preparing a detailed **prospectus and curricula** for the school in consultation with the Headmaster designate and lastly finalizing <u>other details</u> of the scheme.
 - 4) Chief Minister, Punjab offered to make buildings available by 1st of Jan 1960.
- **05**th Sep,59: First meeting of Sainik School Sub Committee of the Post War Services Reconstruction Fund held at Chandigarh.

The Sub Committee was of the Opinion not to purchase property for running the school as there was no provision for funds for it with the PWSRF. Since other locations (Malerkotla, Kapurthala, Kunjpura and even Maharaja Patiala's properties at Kanda ghat) had financial implications the choice was getting restricted to Nabha, where govt buildings were available..

- It was also decided that the standard of Education to be adopted for the school be Higher Secondary of Punjab University since it maybe future in India and also have Senior Cambridge but to do away with matriculation.
- The school will not be Coeducation. It will be only for Boys with a view to train them especially for a career in the defence forces of India.
- That the members will visit Sainik School Dehradun between 12-14 October to see for themselves classrooms, laboratories, hostels and play ground etc. Permission for same was

to be sought from Ministry of Defence. KS wrote to HC Sarin defence secretary in September. For permission to visit the school on 13-14th Oct.

09TH **of November:** PWSRF meeting, Committee of administration approved the recommendation of Subcommittee for the selection of New Secretariat and Guest House and the land attached to it for the school.(Undated loose document).

It also approved the selection of Sarvshri JK Kate by the committee after interviewing nearly 20 of the over 80 applicants after placing an advertisement in leading papers of Ambala, Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras, HS Kashyap Vice Principal was second choice in case Mr. Kate refused the offer or could not join. Chairman of Board of Governors Lawrence School Sanawar Shri KG Saiydian , Secretary, Ministry of Education , Govt of India was requested to release Mr. JK Kate.

A letter was written on **20**th **Nov** to Major Som Dutt, Headmaster Lawrence school Sanawar informing him of Mr. JK Kate's selection and requesting his release or Deputation.

- 20th Nov,1959-Mr J K Kate was appointed as the First Head master of the School with a Salary of Rs 1300/- in the grade of800-40-1000/50-1500 with free furnished accommodation. Asked to take charge of his office by 1st Jan 1960(Authority-Shri H C Achreja, IAS, Secy. to Governor, Hony. Secy., of Punjab Post War Reconstruction Fund letter dated 20 Nov 1959.)
 - Kate asked to draw up the Prospectus & literature of school, renovate buildings, arrange equipment and recruit staff etc by 31 Jan.1960 and get school started by April 1960. For first few days he was to report to HS Achreja Secy. to Governor before moving to Nabha..
- **02 Feb1960**-The committee of Administration decided instead of placing Rs 39 lacs under 'Endowment Fund' to the School it is better to give annual grant ofRs1.20 lacs payable in two halves yearly installments. This according to Mr. Kate was the interest earned on the full amount of 39 lacs annually (Pride of Punjab by JK Kate).
- **14 April1960**-Commencement of School. Letter of Governor NV Gadgil to General Kalwant requesting him to preside over the opening Day of the School.
- **April 3,1960** Kalwant Singh's letter, on agreeing to preside over the opening function of school on his behalf (Governor).
- **19 July1960**-Name of School changed from Sainik School to Punjab Public School. Nabha in a meeting held by the Board of Governors. (minutes of the School board meeting).
- **01Aug1964-**Mr G S Punia Appointed as the First Bursar of the school.

26th Sept 1969 The governing body registered as "The Punjab Public School Society" nunder the Societies Act XXI of 1860

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