THE HIMALAYAN APPLE GROWERS SOCIETY, INDIA.

DRAFT MINUTES

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All Members	Absentees;	
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1	 Welcome of members and Approval of Agenda. Brief introduction of the Society and its Origin. It was reiterated that the society is a non political, non profit and non partisan entity. The society seeks to represent Apple growing farmers and their interests and issues. 	Rajeev Chauhan
2	 International Agri Food Network (IAFN) and HAGS being invited to be a member. The society shall facilitate and nominate members who wish to attend any conferences and seminars being organised by IAFN, World Farmers Organisation (WFO) or any other International Organisation of repute. 	Rajeev Chauhan
3	 Completion of 2 year term of the Executive Committee. All members felt that the existing committee should continue. However, there were some changes made to the Working Committee and a new Executive Committee of 22 members was formed. The working and Executive Committees' would have a term for 3- years. 	All Members
4	 The issue of Standardization of Apple cartons was discussed at length. All members were of the opinion that the Govt. need not interfere in this and leave it to the Farmers to decide whats best for them. The Govt. should instead focus on more fundamental issue such as Road infrastructure, Cold chain infrastructure and Marketing yard facilities etc. ,which are more pressing issues concerning the Apple economy. 	All Members

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5	 Theog – Kharapather – Hatkoti – Rohroo (TKHR) Road. It was agreed that this road remains as the single most worrisome and troubling issue for the Apple growing farmers as well as the public at large. The society will hold at silent protest on 17th April 2015 (11.00 am) at Hatkoti. The same day a memorandum will be presented to SDM, Rohroo to demand and update on the road development under various criteria. All members felt this issue needs to be kept alive and all relevant data should be collected to highlight the condition of the road. 			
6	 An update was given on finances of the society by the treasurer. The society had come a long way since its formation and is now in a comfortable financial position. It was also discussed that the society will not charge any membership fee and all voluntary contributions are welcome. The society will also make T Shirts, Caps and Car stickers with its logo and sell to members at a nominal profit. Our bankers have also been changed from UCO Bank to HDFC Bank. 	Hardev Thakur		
7	 Wrapup and conclusion of meeting. Thanked all members for the attending and making the meeting a success. Lunch. 	All Members		