

# INDIAN PSYCHIATRIC SOCIETY

Constitutional Amendments as passed in AGBM Raipur on 07<sup>th</sup> January 2017

## PART II: Rules of the Society

### ARTICLE III:

#### OFFICE

Constitution before Amendment	Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur
<p>3. Office of the Society shall be located at the place of the work of Honorary General Secretary. The office of the Treasurer and Editor shall also be located at their respective place of work.</p>	<p>3 (a) The permanent office of the Society is Plot 43, Sector 55, Gurgaon, Haryana.</p> <p>3 (b) The office of the President, Vice- President, General Secretary, Treasurer &amp; Editor shall be located at their respective place of work.</p>

### ARTICLE V:

#### CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS

Constitution before Amendment	Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur
<p>5. There shall be seven classes of membership namely Life Fellows, Ordinary Members, Associate members, Honorary Fellows, Corresponding Fellows and Corporate Members. The Membership status of a member shall be determined only by the council of the Indian Psychiatric Society.</p> <p>(a) Fellowship : Registered Medical Practitioners under Schedule I or II or Part II of Schedule III of Indian Medical Council Act (1956), or who have any other recognized medical qualification which is considered equivalent to the above by the Council of the Indian Psychiatric Society, who have obtained a recognized postgraduate qualification in psychiatry and are engaged in whole-time practice in Psychiatry for more than 5 years after obtaining postgraduate qualification shall be eligible for Fellowship. (For the purpose of election to Fellowship, recognised post-graduate qualification in psychiatry will be when a candidate has undergone at least 2 years training in psychiatry and has obtained D.P.M. or M.D. (Psychiatry) or MRC Psych. or Dip. Psych. from any university in India or any commonwealth country or any Royal College of U.K. and Ireland or is a Diplomate of American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology or any other post-graduate qualification of any other university or examining body considered equivalent to above by the Council provided a minimum of 2 years training in psychiatry has been undertaken by the candidate for that qualification).</p> <p>(b) Life Fellowship : Those who are eligible to be fellows can become Life Fellow by paying the prescribed subscription.</p> <p>(f) Corresponding Fellowship : Eminent psychiatrists of other countries who are well-known for their contributions or services in the field of psychiatry and mental health are eligible for Corresponding fellowship.</p>	<p>5. There shall be seven classes of membership namely Life Fellows, Life Ordinary Members, Life Associate Members, Overseas Life Fellows, Overseas Life Ordinary Members, Honorary Fellows and Corporate Members. The membership status of a member shall be determined only by the Executive Council of Indian Psychiatric Society.</p> <p>(a) Fellowship : Registered Medical Practitioners under Schedule I or II or Part II of Schedule III of Indian Medical Council Act (1956), or who have any other recognized medical qualification which is considered equivalent to the above by the Council of the Indian Psychiatric Society, who have obtained a recognized postgraduate qualification in psychiatry for more than 5 years after obtaining postgraduate qualification shall be eligible for Fellowship. (For the purpose of election to Fellowship, recognised post-graduate qualification in psychiatry will be when a candidate has undergone at least 2 years training in psychiatry and has obtained D.P.M. or M.D. (Psychiatry) or D.N.B. (Psychiatry) or MRC Psych. or Dip. Psych. from any university in India or any commonwealth country or any Royal College of U.K. and Ireland or is a Diplomat of American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology or any other post-graduate qualification of any other university or examining body considered equivalent to above by the Council provided a minimum of 2 years training in psychiatry has been undertaken by the candidate for that qualification).</p> <p>(The already existing Fellow Members shall continue their membership status as before though they will be requested to convert their status to Life Fellows by paying the requisite membership fees.)</p> <p>(b) Delete</p> <p>(e) Overseas Fellowship : Registered Medical Practitioners under Schedule I or II or Part II of Schedule III of Indian Medical Council Act (1956), or who have any other recognized medical qualification which is considered equivalent to the above by the Council of the Indian Psychiatric Society, who have obtained a recognized postgraduate qualification in psychiatry and are engaged in whole-time practice in Psychiatry for more than 5</p>

<p>(g) Corporate Membership : Voluntary societies whose aims and objects or work touches upon the subject of mental health shall be eligible for Corporate Membership.</p>	<p>years after obtaining postgraduate qualification shall be eligible for Fellowship. (For the purpose of election to Fellowship, recognised post-graduate qualification in psychiatry will be when a candidate has undergone at least 2 years training in psychiatry and has obtained D.P.M. or M.D. (Psychiatry) or D.N.B. (Psychiatry) or MRC Psych. or Dip. Psych. from any university in India or any commonwealth country or any Royal College of U.K. and Ireland or is a Diplomat of American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology or any other post-graduate qualification of any other university or examining body considered equivalent to above by the Council provided a minimum of 2 years training in psychiatry has been undertaken by the candidate for that qualification) residing outside India including SAARC Countries.</p> <p>(f) Overseas Life Ordinary Membership: Registered Medical practitioners under Schedule I or II or part II of Schedule III of Indian Medical Council Act (1956), or who have any other recognized medical qualification which is considered equivalent to the above by the Council of the Indian Psychiatric Society, who are actively engaged in the pursuit of the aims and objects of the Society shall be eligible for Life Ordinary Membership residing outside India including SAARC Countries.</p> <p>(g) Corporate Membership:-Representative of Voluntary Societies/ Pharmaceutical Industries whose aims and objects or work touches upon the subject of Mental Health shall be eligible for Corporate Membership on payment annually.</p>
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ARTICLE-VI

Election of Office Bearers and Executive Council Members

Clause 14

<b>Constitution before Amendment</b>	<b>Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur</b>
<p>14 (b) By the 15th of August every year CEC shall address a communication to all the eligible fellow members (voters) of the Society (as per the electoral roll given to the Election Commission) residing in India, Under Certificate of Posting and to the fellows residing overseas by air mail and/or through official website of the Society from where it can be downloaded, informing them of the vacancies due to occur in the ensuing year and inviting nominations on a nomination form supplied, for the posts to which elections are to be held.</p>	<p>14 (b) By the 15th of August every year CEC shall address a communication to all the eligible fellow members (voters) of the Society (as per the electoral roll given to the Election Commission) residing in India and abroad through Society's official website from where the nomination form and other requisites can be downloaded, informing Fellow members of the vacancies due to occur in the ensuing year and inviting nominations on the prescribed nomination form supplied in the website, for the posts to which elections are to be held.</p>

Clause 20

<b>Constitution before Amendment</b>	<b>Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur</b>
<p>20. a. Any Fellow of the Society may be nominated for election to any of the posts of the Society, with posts of Vice-President cum President-elect and Honorary General Secretary requiring additional qualification as given below, if his nomination is proposed by a Fellow and seconded by another Fellow, provided the Fellow so nominated has expressed his consent in writing to be nominated for the said post.</p> <p>b. The person nominated for the post of Vice-President-cum-President-elect must be a fellow of the Society for at least 10 years.</p> <p>c. The person nominated for the post of Honorary General Secretary must be a Fellow of the Society for at least 5 years and must have served for at least one term as member of the Council.</p>	<p>20. a. Any Fellow of the Society may be nominated for election to any of the posts of the Society, with posts of Vice-President cum President-elect, Honorary General Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, and Honorary Editor requiring additional qualification as given below, if his nomination is proposed by a Fellow and seconded by another Fellow, provided the Fellow so nominated has expressed his consent in writing to be nominated for the said post.</p> <p>b. The person nominated for the post of Vice-President-cum-President-elect must be a fellow of the Society for at least 10 years and must have served for at least one full term as member of the Executive Council of Indian Psychiatric Society.</p> <p>c. The person nominated for the post of Honorary General Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, and Honorary Editor must be a Fellow of the Society for at least 5 years and must have served for at least one full term as member of the Executive Council of Indian Psychiatric Society.</p>

ARTICLE – IX

Privileges of the Members

15. Each member shall have the right:

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New Introduction	15 (f) Each Member will receive one Photo Identification Card from the Society after acceptance of Membership in the Society. 15 (g) Each Member willing to stay at the Guest House in the Headquarters in Gurgaon may apply in advance for staying there subject to availability after paying requisite fees.

ARTICLE – XIII

Branches

Constitution before Amendment	Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur
24. The zonal, state and local branches shall submit their annual reports along with a copy of the proceedings of all meetings to the Hony. General Secretary of the Indian Psychiatric Society for information.	<p>24 (a) The Local Branches shall submit their Annual Activities report including Audited Statement of Accounts with copies of Proceeding of all Formal Meetings to the concerned State Branch's (if any) Hony. Secretary's office in triplicate. The Hony. Secretary of State Branch shall keep one such copy in his office after noting his observation on all three copies of the activities report of the said Local Branch and the Hony. State Secretary shall send other two copies to the office of the Zonal Secretary's office along with the Annual Activities report including Audited Statement of Accounts with copies of Proceeding of all Formal Meetings of his State Branch in duplicate.</p> <p>The Zonal Secretary on receipt of such Activity reports shall note his observation on both the reports of Local Branch and State Branch, keep one copy of each of the reports in his office and send one copy of each of the Annual Activities report including Audited Statement of Accounts with copies of Proceeding of all Formal Meetings of both Local Branch and State Branch to the office of the General Secretary of the Society along with the Annual Activities report including Audited Statement of Accounts with copies of Proceeding of all Formal Meetings of his Zonal Branch.</p> <p>24 (b) The Local Branch shall send their Annual Activities report including Audited Statement of Accounts with copies of Proceeding of all Formal Meetings to the office of the Hony. State Secretary by 31<sup>st</sup> July of each year.</p> <p>24 (c) The State Branch Shall send their Annual Activities report including Audited Statement of Accounts with copies of Proceeding of all Formal Meetings to the office of the Hony. Zonal Secretary by 30<sup>th</sup> September each year.</p> <p>24 (d) The Zonal Branch. Shall send their Annual Activities report including Audited Statement of Accounts with copies of Proceeding of all Formal Meetings to the office of the General Secretary by 30<sup>th</sup> November each year.</p>

ARTICLE – XV

Management

Constitution before Amendment	Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur
30. The General management of the Society shall be vested in the Executive Council, which shall not exceed 24 in number.	30. The General management of the Society shall be vested in the Executive Council, which shall not exceed 26/27 in number.

ARTICLE – XV

Composition of the Executive Council

Constitution before Amendment	Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur
<p>31. The Council shall be composed of the following Members of the Society.</p> <p>(A) Ex-Officio Members</p> <p>i) The President ii) The Vice-President iii) The Hony. General Secretary iv) The Hony. Treasurer v) The Hony. Editor, vi) The Immediate Past-President vii) The Immediate Past Hony. General Secretary</p> <p>(B) Elected Members</p> <p>i) Two representatives from each of the five Zonal Branches.</p> <p>ii) Seven Direct Members (out of which one is reserved for defence personnel), elected by the General Body of the Society at its Annual General Meeting.</p>	<p>31. The Council shall be composed of the following Members of the Society.</p> <p>(A) (i) The President (ii) The Vice-President (iii) The Hony. General Secretary (iv) The Hony. Treasurer (v) The Hony. Editor, (vi) The Immediate Past-President, (vii) The Immediate Past Hony. General Secretary, <b>(viii) The Immediate Past Hony. Treasurer.</b></p> <p>(B) Elected Members</p> <p>i) Two representatives from each of the five Zonal Branches.</p> <p>ii) Nine Direct Members (out of which one is reserved for defence personnel as per their recommendation), elected by the General Body of the Society at its Annual General Meeting of which two Lady members will be mandatory. If the stipulated number of Lady member do not contest or are not available, then the Executive Council will have the power to nominate required number of Lady member for a period of one year.</p>

PART III: BYE LAWS

ARTICLE – V

Term of Office of the Executive Council Members

Constitution before Amendment	Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur
<p>Term of Office of the Executive Council Members</p> <p>11. Members of the Council whether elected directly by the Annual General Body or by the Zonal branches shall hold the office for three years and shall be eligible for re-election at the end of this period.</p>	<p>Duties, Power &amp; Terms of Office of the Direct Council Members &amp; Representatives from the Zonal Branches to the Society</p> <p>11. (a) Members of the Council whether elected directly by the Annual General Body or by the Zonal branches shall hold the office for three years and shall be eligible for re-election at the end of this period.</p> <p><b>11. (b) The Direct Council Members shall assist the President and General Secretary as and when required and they shall hold the responsibility to look after the activity of different Sub-Committees, Specialty Sections and Task Forces as suggested by the President and General Secretary and inform the progress of works of the Sub-Committees, Specialty Sections and Task Forces in Executive Council Meeting.</b></p>

ARTICLE – XI

Salaries or Remuneration

Constitution before Amendment	Constitution after Amendment passed in AGBM Raipur
<p>34. The Hony. Secretary shall keep an imprest account not exceeding Rs. 1500/- and shall recoup the amount spent from the Treasurer on production of vouchers. Expenditure exceeding Rs.500/- at a time, except on printing and postage, shall be incurred only with the permission of the Council.</p>	<p>34. The Hony. <b>General</b> Secretary shall keep an imprest account not exceeding <b>Rs. 25,000/-</b> and shall recoup the amount spent from the Treasurer on production of vouchers. Expenditure exceeding <b>Rs.10,000/-</b> at a time, except on printing and postage, shall be incurred only with the permission of the Council.</p>