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Notice for Extra-Ordinary General Body Meeting

Under the constitutional provision of Part II Article XX Section 35 and Part III Article IX Section 32, on the requisition of the Executive Council, the Extra-Ordinary General Body Meeting of the Indian Psychiatric Society is being convened **on 26 November 2024, Tuesday from 07:00 pm at Zoom** Meeting Room of Indian Psychiatric Society.

Agenda:

1. AMENDMENTS TO MEMORANDUM, RULES AND BYE-LAWS.

All members of IPS are requested to attend this EOGB meeting.

Topic: IPS Extra-Ordinary General Body Meeting
Time: Tuesday, November 26, 2024 07:00 PM India

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87691394029?pwd=BWNznaA4OxBYV83YWV5YhEmKfPHsyJ.1

Meeting ID: 876 9139 4029
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Long live IPS!

(Dr. Amrit Pattojoshi)
Hon. General Secretary,
Indian Psychiatric Society

Enclosed: Draft amendments

Kindly Note the followings:

1. The purpose of this meeting is to make some changes in the constitution which are mandatory to get re-registration completed and to get 80G and 12A for the IPS and are suggested by the lawyer.
2. To remove overlapping constitutional changes.
3. Kindly go through the draft in advance and come prepared for any suggestions to have a productive meeting.

INDIAN PSYCHIATRIC SOCIETY

Proposed Amendments

Existing clause	Proposed clause	Explanation
Part I: Memorandum of the Society Article-I Name The name of the Society shall be "Indian Psychiatric Society" hereinafter called the "Society" **and its activities shall extend to whole of India**	The name of the Society shall be "Indian Psychiatric Society" hereinafter called the "Society"	Reference to the activities only in India is irrelevant as we can have many International collaborations also.
ARTICLE-II Aims and Object 2. To promote and advance the subject of Psychiatry and allied sciences in all their different branches and to promote the improvement of the mental health of the people and mental health education. 3. To promote prevention, control, treatment, relief and awareness of all psychiatric disorders and disabilities. 4. To formulate and advice on the standards of education and training for medical and auxiliary personnel in psychiatry and to recommend adequate teaching facilities for the purpose. 5. To promote research in the field of psychiatry, mental health and allied fields. 6. To propagate the principles of psychiatry and current development in psychiatric thought. 7. To deal with any matters relating to mental health concerning the country and to do all other things as are cognate to the subjects of the Indian Psychiatric Society. 8. To safeguard the interest of Psychiatrists and fellow professionals in India. 9. To promote ethical standards in the practice of psychiatry in India.	The Society may promote, sponsor, support, undertake, pursue, engage in, or deal in otherwise from time to time any or all of the aims and objects of the Society as it may deem fit in any part of the territory of India, and/or in any region/territory beyond the territory of India; subject to the compliance of all applicable laws of India and such region/territory beyond India 2. To create awareness in any form and manner regarding importance of sound mental health in overall health and well being of an individual and also of the people collectively, and also of the community at large. 3. To engage in research, education, training, facilitation, development of mental health sciences; including but limited to Psychiatry, by encouraging, sponsoring, supporting, pursuing, participating in, organizing, managing, conducting, governing, monitoring research projects, experiential exercises, camps, lectures, seminars, conferences, symposiums; whether on ad-hoc basis as one time events or by establishing, supporting, sponsoring, running, managing, monitoring establishments like schools, colleges, universities, research centers, learning/training development centers, experiential centers, publications; whether in printed form or digital form, for advancement of mental health sciences. 4. To promote, sponsor, support, establish, undertake, organize, operate, conduct, manage, engage in efforts for providing correctional, relief and remedial measures, facilities (including establishments), and services for preventing, monitoring,	The detailing & clarity of the aims & objects is required from futuristic point of view. This is also required if plan to have 12A & 80G registration in future In today's changing world there is no reason to limit the activities of the Society to the territory of India especially when we have many MOUs with various International bodies & Organizations.

	improving, and facilitating overcoming of various mental health disorders, mental health disabilities, and psychological challenges. 5. To undertake efforts for promoting, developing, improving, adapting, adopting existing or new principles, practices, procedures, protocols, methods, techniques, instruments, devices in the field of mental health sciences. 6. To provide consultancy and advisory services to any person concerning or in relation to any aims and objects of the Society as mentioned in this Memorandum of Association. 7. To propagate, secure, safeguard the interests of Psychiatrists, Persons with mental illness & caregivers 8. To engage in any activities, whether on its own or in jointly in collaboration with any establishment, that would facilitate accomplishments of any of the aims and objects of the Society. 9. To promote ethical standards in the practice of psychiatry in India 10. To join any other person/s as a co-promoter, co-founder in setting up or in establishing any other organization of any nature, kind and description having aims and objects similar to the aims and objects of this Society or become a subscription member or otherwise of any organization having aims and objects of this Society. 11. To nominate, constitute and appoint from time to time any member of this Society or any employee of this Society as an authorized representative of this Society to represent this Society of any organization of which this Society is a co-founder, co-promoter, member.	
Part II: RULES OF THE SOCIETY 3. (a) The **permanent** office of the Society is at Plot 43, Sector 55, Gurugram, Haryana. (b) The offices of the President, Vice-President, Honorary General Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Editor shall be located at their	 3. (a) **The registered office of the Society is at C/o. Davis Family Trust, First Floor, Kanke Block, Boreya Road, P.O. & P.S.- Kanke Dist: Ranchi, Jharkhand - 834006.** (b) The **communication** office of the Society: Plot 43, Sector 55, Gurugram, Haryana – 122003.	 It is necessary to have office at the place of registration. Also there is need to drop the word ‘permanent’

respective places of work **or at the permanent office of the Society**.	(c) The office of the President, Vice-President, Honorary General Secretary, Honorary Treasurer & Honorary Editor shall be located at their respective place of work.	
ARTICLE-IV Register of Members 4. There shall be a Register in which the names of all Members of the Society shall be entered with their qualifications and addresses. The Register shall also show the Zonal branch of the Society where applicable, to which the member is attached. The General Secretary shall enter the name of the newly elected member in the Register and inform the fact of such entry to the member concerned and to the Zonal, State and Local branches, if applicable. The Member shall be deemed to have been elected from the date of his election by the Council. The Category of membership shall be determined by the Council at the time of election of the Member. The names of all existing Members of the Society, who have paid their subscription up **to the last calendar year**, shall be published by **30th June** every year for the information of Zonal, State and Local branches and for all members of the Society. Membership directory of the Society **shall be a priced publication.**	 4. There shall be a Register in **digital form** which the names of all Members of the Society shall be entered with their qualifications and addresses. The Register shall also show the Zonal branch of the Society where applicable, to which the member is attached. The General Secretary shall enter the name of the newly elected member in the Register and inform the fact of such entry to the member concerned and to the Zonal, State and Local branches, if applicable. The Member shall be deemed to have been elected from the date of his election by the Council. The Category of membership shall be determined by the Council at the time of election of the Member. The names of all existing Members of the Society, who have paid their subscription up **till date**, shall be published by **31st August** every year for the information of Zonal, State and Local branches and for all members of the Society. Membership directory of the Society **will be available on the website**	 Change of period & dates is necessary due to change in dates of election
ARTICLE-VII Termination of Membership 11. A person shall cease to be a member of the Society if his name is removed from the register. The name of the person shall be removed from the register by the Council a) on his death, or b) on his resignation. The resignation of any member from the Society shall be in writing addressed to the Honorary General Secretary and shall be accepted by the Council provided he has paid up all his dues to the Society. c) Non-payment of outstanding subscription arrears. **All Annual Fellows, Annual Ordinary Members, Annual Associate Members shall upgrade their annual membership to Life membership for their respective categories on payment of their outstanding dues plus the prevailing subscription fee of the respective category. If the total outstanding amount is more than the current subscription fee of that category, the**	 11. A person shall cease to be a member of the Society if his name is removed from the register. The name of the person shall be removed from the register by the Council a) on his death, or b) on his resignation. The resignation of any member from the Society shall be in writing addressed to the Honorary General Secretary and shall be accepted by the Council provided he has paid up all his dues to the Society. c) Non-payment of outstanding subscription arrears.	 It is Irrelevant as there is no category of Annual Members in the list Members.

total outstanding amount shall be considered to be equal to the subscription fee, i.e. they shall have to pay the amount equal to double of the current subscription fee.		
ARTICLE-XIII Branches 19. For better attainment of the Society, the Members of the Society shall, whenever possible, group themselves into separate Zonal, State and Local bodies styled as Zonal Branch, State Branch and Local Branch of the Indian Psychiatric Society. **(a)** Zonal Branch: There shall be five Zonal Branches in India to be known as Eastern, Western, Northern, Southern and Central Zonal Branches. Each Zonal branch shall have a jurisdiction to be determined by the Society. **v)** The Local, State and Zonal branches shall not have any claims on the assets and liabilities of the Society. 24 (a) The Local Branches shall submit their Annual Activities report including the 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 by 31st of July** each year. If there is no state branch the local branch will send the report directly to the Zonal secretary. 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**. (b) 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 30th September each year.	19. For better attainment of the **aims & objects of the** Society, the Members of the Society shall, whenever possible, group themselves into separate Zonal, State and Local bodies styled as Zonal Branch, State Branch and Local Branch of the Indian Psychiatric Society. **The branches shall have their own constitution in accordance and not conflicting with the constitution of the society.** (a) Zonal Branch: There shall be five Zonal Branches in India to be known as Eastern, Western, Northern, Southern and Central Zonal Branches **or as assigned by the charity commissioner or register of societies** Each Zonal branch shall have a jurisdiction to be determined by the Society. **(d)** The Local, State and Zonal branches shall not have any claims on the assets and liabilities of the Society. 24 (a) The Local Branches shall submit their Annual Activities report including the 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 **the form of soft copy by 30th of September** each year. If there is no state branch the local branch will send the report directly to the Zonal secretary. The Hony. Secretary of State Branch shall keep one such copy in his office after noting his observation of the activities report of the said Local Branch and the Hony. State Secretary shall send **the notified copy** 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 **soft copy**. (b) 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 30th September each year. (c) The Zonal Secretary on receipt of such Activity reports shall note his observation	The branches must be appeared to work independently, yet as per the norms laid down by the constitution of the Society. The rule of the land must be followed wherever applicable. Change of number In the digital era all the required information can be sent easily and quickly through digital modes and there is no need to keep the papers. So no copies in triplicate or duplicate are required and soft copies are sufficient

(c) 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 proceedings of all Formal Meetings to the office of the Honorary General Secretary by 30th November each year.	on both the reports of Local Branch and State Branch, keep **a** copy of each of the reports in his office and send **the** copy of each of the Annual Activities report including Audited Statement of Accounts with copies of proceedings of all Formal Meetings to the office of the Honorary General Secretary by 30th November each year.	
ARTICLE-XVII Powers and Functions of the Executive Council 32. (b) The decision of the Council of the Society in all matters pertaining to the Society shall be final subject to ratification by the General Body at its Annual General Meeting. (d) The Council shall have the power to appoint sub-committees and fix their terms of reference as and when necessary. Any such sub-committee may co-opt as Members thereof such persons who have experience in matters to be dealt by it. Any member of the Society may be co-opted as Member of a sub-committee. The chairman of the each sub-committee shall be elected by the Council for a period of **two years**. The members of the sub-committee shall also serve a term of **two years**. **(f)** The Council shall have power to appoint or remove salaried officers and servants of the Society	32. (b) The decision of the Council of the Society in all matters pertaining to the Society shall be final subject to ratification by the General Body at its Annual General Meeting **or EOGBM.** (d) The Council shall have the power to appoint sub-committees and fix their terms of reference as and when necessary. Any such sub-committee may co-opt as Members thereof such persons who have experience in matters to be dealt by it. Any member of the Society may be co-opted as Member of a sub-committee. The chairman of the each sub-committee shall be elected by the Council for a period of **one year**. The members of the sub-committee shall also serve a term of **one year**. **(h)** The Council shall have power to appoint or remove salaried officers and servants of the Society **(i) The Council shall have the power to constitute any other Committee required or mandated by the Law of the Land**	General body must have the powers to ratify the decisions of the council at any of its meetings and not necessarily at Annual meeting only. This has been a practice since long. When the tenure of an Executive Council is one year, then all the appointments done by it should also be for one year. In view of the developments occurred in recent times it is necessary to be prepared for handling complicated issues
ARTICLE-XX Amendment to Memorandum, Rules and Bye-Laws 35. Amendment to the Memorandum, Rules and Bye-laws of the Society may be made at the Annual General Meeting or at an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting after adequate notice (which shall not be less than 30 days) is given. The voting shall be confined to the Life Fellows of the Society and any amendment to be carried, shall have at least **two-thirds** majority of voters attending the meeting.	35. Amendment to the Memorandum, Rules and Bye-laws of the Society may be made at the Annual General Meeting or at an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting after adequate notice (which shall not be less than 30 days) The voting shall be confined to the Life Fellows of the Society and any amendment to be carried, shall have at least **three-fifth** majority of voters attending the meeting. **Amendments should be inconformity with the corresponding Rules of Society**	As per Societies Act .

	Registration Act 21, 1860 and Jharkhand Society Rules.	
	ARTICLE -XXI **Inspection of records:** **36. All the records of the Society will keep safely in the office of the Society in custody of the Hon. General Secretary. Any member/ Government official can inspect the records with the prior permission of the Hon. General Secretary.**	New Article needs to be included for registration purpose
	ARTICLE-XXII **Legal Proceedings** **37. The society may sue or be sued in the name of the Hon. General Secretary.**	New Article needs to be included for registration purpose
ARTICLE-**XXI** Tribunal 37. (a) There shall be a Tribunal consisting of five Members who shall be Past-Presidents of the Society and nominated by the Council at its **Annual** Meeting each year to deal with any appeal against a decision of the Council or of the Annual General Body of the Society. The senior most member shall be the Chairman of the Tribunal. (b) The Tribunal shall have inherent power to pass any interim order or to take any decision it may deem fit and proper and its decision is binding on all parties. No appeal shall lie against the verdict of the Tribunal in any Court of Law. (e) Except under special circumstances, which shall be recorded in writing, the Council shall not refer any dispute to the Tribunal without bringing it to the notice of the **Annual** General Body.	ARTICLE-**XXIII** 37. (a) There shall be a Tribunal consisting of five Members who shall be Past-Presidents of the Society and nominated by the Council at its **meeting** each year to deal with any appeal against a decision of the Council or of the Annual General Body of the Society. The senior most member **(by post of President)** shall be the Chairman of the Tribunal. **If the senior most refuses be chairman then next in seniority will be appointed in chronological order.** (b) The Tribunal shall have inherent power to pass any interim order or to take any decision it may deem fit and proper and its decision is binding on all parties. **If there is no uniformity in the decision of different members of the tribunal, then majority decision shall be the Verdict.** No appeal shall lie against the verdict of the Tribunal in any Court of Law. (e) Except under special circumstances, which shall be recorded in writing, the Council shall not refer any dispute to the Tribunal without bringing it to the notice of the General Body.	Change in number There is no mention of Annual Executive meeting in the Constitution, so the word Annual needs to be dropped Seniority must be clearly defined The Tribunal may come across certain issue where there may not uniformity in decision making so to conclude about the Verdict Majority decision is logical solution. Sometimes in some unforeseen circumstances some disputed issues make come up for referral to Tribunal and approval from General Body is also required then Council should have the power to call up EOGBM and refer the matter to the Tribunal
ARTICLE-**XXII** Asset after Dissolution 38. In the event of dissolution or winding up of the Society, the assets re-maining as on the date of dissolution shall under no circumstances be distributed among the Members of the Managing Committee / Members of the Governing Body but the same shall be transferred to another charitable	ARTICLE-**XXIV** Asset after Dissolution 39.**(a) If there is need of winding up or merger or dissolution of Society, resolution to this effect is first passed in a Governing Body and then this resolution will be forwarded to the General Body meeting specially convened by the President of the Governing Body. Majority of 3/5th members of the**	Change in number

Society, association or institution whose objects are similar to those of this Society.	**General Body take a decision in this matter and the society will be dissolved after a second special meeting with the majority of 3/5th members of the General Body.** (b) In the event of dissolution or winding up of the Society, the assets remaining as on the date of dissolution shall under no circumstances be distributed among the Members of the Managing Committee / Members of the Governing Body but the same shall be transferred to another charitable Society, association or institution whose objects are similar to those of this Society. **or shall be given to the Government of Jharkhand by the majority of 3/5th members of the society.** (c) **In the matter of dissolution/merger Article-35 and 36 of the Societies Registration Act-21, 1860 shall strictly be followed.**	
PART III: BYE LAWS ARTICLE-II Subscriptions 2. For member other than International Life Fellow and International Life Member, the Subscription for various classes will be i) Life Fellow **– Rs. 17000/-** ii) Life Ordinary Member **– Rs 11000/-** iii) Life Associate Member **– Rs. 11000/-** iv) Upgrading Life Ordinary Member to Life Fellow **– Rs. 6000/-** 3. For International Life Fellow, International Life Ordinary Member (now onwards treated as International Life member), the Subscription will be as follows. International Life Fellow **– $ 600 in equivalent Indian Rupees.** International Life Member **– $ 500 in equivalent Indian Rupees.** (The rate of subscription is subject to change from time to time after approval by the general body of the Society)	2. For member other than International Life Fellow and International Life Member, the Subscription for various classes will be i) Life Fellow ii) Life Ordinary Member iii) Life Associate Member iv) Upgrading Life Ordinary Member to Life Fellow 3. For International Life Fellow, International Life Ordinary Member (now onwards treated as International Life member), the Subscription will be as follows. International Life Fellow International Life Member (The rate of subscription is subject to change from time to time after approval by the general body of the Society)	There is no need to put up Subscription fees in the Bye-Laws as it is one time and subject to change over the period of time. The rates are to be included in the Finance Code
ARTICLE-III Office Bearers the Society 4. The Society shall have the following office-bearers. (a) President (b) Vice-President (c) Hony. General Secretary (d) Hony. Treasurer (e) Hony. Editor	4. The Society shall have the following office-bearers. (a) President (b) Vice-President (c) Hony. General Secretary (d) Hony. Treasurer (e) Hony. Editor	There is contradiction with PART II, ARTICLE XVI, Clause 31 (A), which does not mention Assistant Secretary, Treasurer or Editor as part of Office Bearer.

(f) Hony. Assistant Treasurer **(g) Hony. Assistant Secretary** **(h) Hony. Assistant Editor**	**(f) Imm. Past President** **(g) Imm. Past secreatry** **(h) Imm. Past Treasurer** **(i) Imm. Past Editor**	
ARTICLE-IV **Duties, Powers and Terms of Office-Bearers** 5. The President (b) He shall be the Chairman of all the General Body, Extra-Ordinary •and Executive Council Meetings and, when appointed, of any other Committee. 8. The Honorary Treasurer **(c)** Shall sign the receipts and prepare statement of receipt and expenditure of the Society duly audited by an auditor appointed by the Annual General Body of the Society each year and shall present the same and Balance sheet at the Annual General Meeting. The Hon. Treasurer shall also furnish at the Annual General Body the copy of acknowledgement of the Income Tax Return filed with the Income Tax department for the financial year preceding the Annual General Body meeting. **(d)** Shall have power to make payments not exceeding Rs. 1000 without consent of the Hony. Secretary. **(e)** Shall open an account with a Nationalised Bank approved by the Council and shall have the authority to operate this account for the expense of the Society. **(f)** Shall submit to the Returning Officer and Election Officer, an up to date statement of dues form the Fellows.	ARTICLE-IV **Duties, Powers and Terms of Office-Bearers** 5. The President (b) He shall be the Chairman of all the General Body, Extra-Ordinary **GBM** and Executive Council Meetings and, when appointed, of any other Committee. 8. The Honorary Treasurer **(c) In case of taking foreign grant or donation, due permission shall be taken from the Home Department of Govt. of India.** **(d**) Shall sign the receipts and prepare statement of receipt and expenditure of the Society duly audited by an auditor appointed by the Annual General Body of the Society each year and shall present the same and Balance sheet at the Annual General Meeting. The Hon. Treasurer shall also furnish at the Annual General Body the copy of acknowledgement of the Income Tax Return filed with the Income Tax department for the financial year preceding the Annual General Body meeting. **(e) Shall upload the audit report once a year with the consent of the general meeting to the Registrar of the Societies, Jharkhand.** **(f) Shall keep a provision for audit by the Inspector General of Registration at the expense of the Society.** **(g)** Shall have power to make payments not exceeding Rs. 1000 without consent of the Hony. Secretary. **(h)** Shall open an account with a Nationalized Bank approved by the Council and shall have the authority to operate this account for the expense of the Society. **(i) The funds to be withdrawn on the joint signatures of Hon. Treasurer and Hon. General Secretary or President.** **(j)** Shall submit to the Returning Officer and Election Officer, an up to date statement of dues form the Fellows.	 New clauses added as per requirement for Registration

(g) When retiring, shall hand over cash, account books and other papers and documents connected with works of the Treasurer of the Society to newly elected Hony. Treasurer within three weeks after the election. **10.** Duties of the Assistant Secretary, Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Editor	**(k)** When retiring, shall hand over cash, account books and other papers and documents connected with works of the Treasurer of the Society to newly elected Hony. Treasurer within three weeks after the election. **10. (A) Duties & term of Immediate Past President, Immediate Past Secretary, Immediate Past Treasurer and Immediate Past Editor.** **(b) Their term will be One Year for Immediate Past President and two years for Immediate Past Secretary, Immediate Past Treasurer and Immediate Past Editor** **(c) Their duties will be to give Advice, opinion and suggestions to their present post holders.** **(d) They can participate in all the meetings of the executive Council and shall have the Voting powers.** 10.**(B)** Duties of the Assistant Secretary, Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Editor	
ARTICLE-V Duties, Power & Terms of Office of the Direct Council Members & Representatives from the Zonal Branches to the Society 11. (c) Zonal Representatives will co-ordinate between the National body and the Zonal Branches and will look after the entire activities of the concerned Zonal Branch as well as those of the State/Local branches falling under the concerned Zonal areas.	11. (c) Zonal Representatives will co-ordinate between the National body and the Zonal Branches and will look after the entire activities of the concerned Zonal Branch as well as those of the State/Local branches falling under the concerned Zonal areas. **They can also be EC Coordinators for different Sub-committees, Specialty Sections and Task forces like Direct Council Members and be assigned similar duties**	Every year New subcommittees get added and to have better coordination between subcommittees and EC there is need for more people to be engaged so Zonal Representatives are traditionally also be assigned with these duties.
ARTICLE-VI Election of Office Bearers and Executive Council Members 14.(a) The Hon. General Secretary/Treasurer of the Society shall provide the list of fellows of good standing (electoral rolls) as on 31st August to all members of the election commission by the **15th** September. The Honorary General Secretary shall inform the CEC by **15th July** about the posts for	14.(a) The Hon. General Secretary/Treasurer of the Society shall provide the list of fellows of good standing (electoral rolls) as on 31st August to all members of the election commission by the **5th** September. The Honorary General Secretary shall inform the CEC by **31st August** about the posts for which election	Change of dates as mandated by the amendments done in the election reforms

which election is to be held. The Hon General Secretary shall inform the CEC about the date of AGBM **by 15th September.** (c) Canvassing by **mobile/telephonic calls is only permitted. No other means are permitted for canvassing**. If found the breech, the contestant shall be disqualified.	is to be held. The Hon General Secretary shall inform the CEC about the date of AGBM **immediately once finalized** (c) Canvassing by **any means like telephonic or mobile calls, WhatsApp messages, Emails, SMS where the recipient has the option of blocking or rejecting is permissible. Messages in groups and recorded voice calls are not permitted.** No other means are permitted for canvassing. If found the breech, the contestant shall be disqualified.	This is more practical solution to the problem faced by the candidates as the number of voters has increased a lot and its difficult to reach each voter by telephonic contacts only.
17. (b) The software shall generate a separate ballot for individual voter on-line and all the voters shall have the right to cast their votes on-line by visiting the Election Commission of IPS website. The details of the website shall be intimated by CEC. The entire data that has been entered by the voters during the complete process of e-voting shall be preserved in the form of back-up files, after declaration of results, for a period of **nine** months. The said entire data shall be in the custody of President of the Society.	17. (b) The software shall generate a separate ballot for individual voter on-line and all the voters shall have the right to cast their votes on-line by visiting the Election Commission of IPS website. The details of the website shall be intimated by CEC. The entire data that has been entered by the voters during the complete process of e-voting shall be preserved in the form of back-up files, after declaration of results, for a period of **six** months. The said entire data shall be in the custody of President of the Society.	This amendment was already done in 68thAGBM held in Bhopal, but correction was not done in the constitution.
18. Electronic Voting (g) Disputes: - I. If a contestant is not satisfied with the election process, the matter shall be referred to the President who shall give his decision before commencement of AGBM. If, however, the complainant is still not satisfied with the decision of the President, **the result of that post shall be withheld and the matter shall be referred** to the tribunal as per Article –XXI clause 37 a) of rules of the Society. In all such cases the tribunal shall give **it's** verdict as quickly as possible, which in no case shall exceed 90 days. II. Non-declaration of result of any post in no way shall affect the transfer of office of other posts and functioning of Society. **III. Till the verdict of tribunal, council may nominate a member having experience of that post to discharge the duties of the said office.** **IV**. Delayed installation of any office in no way will extend the tenure of the said office. **V**. Under extra-ordinary circumstances, the CEC in consultation with Election Commission members, President and Secretary of IPS may adjourn the	18. Electronic Voting (g) Disputes: - I. If a contestant is not satisfied with the election process, the matter shall be referred to the President who shall give his decision before commencement of AGBM. If, however, the complainant is still not satisfied with the decision of the President, the **contestant may appeal** to the tribunal as per Article –XXI clause 37 a) of rules of the Society. **However the results of all the posts for which election were conducted including the post, the complaint is received shall be declared by the election commission and none of the election result shall be withheld.** In all such cases the tribunal shall give its verdict as quickly as possible, which in no case shall exceed 90 days. II. Non-declaration of result of any post in no way shall affect the transfer of office of other posts and functioning of Society. **III**. Delayed installation of any office in no way will extend the tenure of the said office. **IV**. Under extra-ordinary circumstances, the CEC in consultation with Election Commission members, President and Secretary of IPS may adjourn the election proceedings of e-Voting for a particular	A loosing contestant may not be satisfied with the result so can look for excuses of his defeat and the functioning of the executive council cannot be stopped , so there is need to make changes in the clause. This becomes irrelevant as the results are not withheld.

election proceedings of e-Voting for a particular post in interest of the Society or to maintain harmony. This is no way will affect the election process of other posts or normal functioning of Society. **VI**. Such vacancy will be filled up in post AGB council meeting as per Article **XVII**, clause 33 a) of rules of Society. 19. Expenses for the conduct of the Election:- (a) The Election Commission members attending the any meeting related to election matter shall be paid travel allowances **by IInd class AC for journey by train and economy class airfare for air travel and other** actual incidental expenses. (d) **Rupees two lacs will be handed over from Indian Psychiatric Society as advance to CEC for meeting the expenses relating to election every year latest by 31st of May. This amount shall be transferred to account opened by CEC for this purpose in any nationalized bank** **(e) CEC shall submit the audited account of election expenses to Treasurer Indian Psychiatric Society latest by 15th March every year.** 20. (f) If the audited accounts of any ANCIPS or any **Mid-Term CME** of the Society have not been submitted to the Council within one year of the conclusion of the event; the Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer of the Organizing Committee of the event will not be eligible to hold any elected post of the Society for a period of three years and if Life Fellow is already elected, he shall be disqualified. 22. The newly elected office-bearers and Members of the Council shall assume office immediately after their election. Zonal representatives to the Council shall assume office **after their elections have been notified to the Honorary. General Secretary along with a copy of the proceedings of the Zonal meeting at which the election was held.**	post in interest of the Society or to maintain harmony. This is no way will affect the election process of other posts or normal functioning of Society. **V**. Such vacancy will be filled up in post AGB council meeting as per Article **XVIII**, clause 33 a) of rules of Society. 19. Expenses for the conduct of the Election:- (a) The Election Commission members attending the any meeting related to election matter shall be paid travel allowances **as per the** actual incidental expenses **with maximum cap of Rs. 20000 per meeting.** (d) **CEC shall submit all the bills generated while carrying out the election process to the Hon. Treasurer**, **Indian Psychiatric Society who will reimburse the bills within one month after scrutiny** 20. (f) If the audited accounts of any ANCIPS or any **Mid-Year Conference** of the Society have not been submitted to the Council within one year of the conclusion of the event; the Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer of the Organizing Committee of the event will not be eligible to hold any elected post of the Society for a period of three years and if Life Fellow is already elected, he shall be disqualified. 22. The newly elected office-bearers and Members of the Council shall assume office immediately after their election **as declared in the Annual General Body Meeting**. Zonal representatives to the Council shall assume office **after the Annual General Body Meeting along with other newly elected members.**	Practical solution to remove the ambiguity
ARTICLE-VII Meeting of the Executive Council 25. Quorum (a) Quorum for ordinary or special meeting shall be **four** including the office bearers.	ARTICLE-VII Meeting of the Executive Council 25. Quorum (a) Quorum for ordinary or special meeting shall be **at least 50% + 1** including the office bearers.	

(b) Quorum for requisition meeting shall be **seven and three fourth** of the requisitions must be present at the meeting.	(b) Quorum for requisition meeting shall be **50% + 1** of the requisitions must be present at the meeting.	
ARTICLE -VIII Calling of the Annual General Body Meeting 31. Quorum - The quorum of the General Body Meeting shall be **10%** of the Fellows of the Society in India. The Annual General Body Meeting shall be adjourned if a quorum is not present. The adjourned meeting will be called to order after **half an hour with** same agenda and the members present whatever be their number shall form the quorum and carry on the business	ARTICLE -VIII Calling of the Annual General Body Meeting 31. Quorum - The quorum of the General Body Meeting shall be **at least 50% + 1** of the Fellows present. The Annual General Body Meeting shall be adjourned if a quorum is not present. The adjourned meeting will be called to order after **30 minutes. This meeting will have** same agenda items and the members present whatever be their number shall form the quorum and carry on the business.	
ARTICLE-IX Extra-Ordinary General Body Meeting 32. An extra-ordinary General Meeting may be called at any time of the year on the requisition of the Executive Council or **20%** of the Fellows of the Society. (a) **Nothing except the business for which it is called shall be discussed at this meeting.** (c) The quorum for the meeting shall be **15%** of the Fellows of the Society	32. An extra-ordinary General Meeting may be called at any time of the year on the requisition of the Executive Council or **1/3rd majority** of the Fellows of the Society. (a) **All IPS related business needing urgent attention can be discussed at this meeting.** (c) The quorum for the meeting shall be **at least 50% +1** of the Fellows present of the Society.	IPS carries out many activities for which affirmation from General Body is desirable. So IPS cannot carry out its business smoothly with only one AGBM. Many issues may come up simultaneously. So utilizing the platform of EOGBM this clause of single point agenda needs to be changed
ARTICLE-X **Appointment of Auditor** **33.** A competent registered Auditor, shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Society every year for auditing the accounts of the Society and whose duties shall be as follows: - **(a)** shall audit the accounts at the end of the year and shall certify to their correctness. **(b)** shall give suggestions for the keeping of accounts as required.	ARTICLE-X **Audit of accounts:** **33 (a)** A competent registered Auditor, shall be appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Society every year for auditing the accounts of the Society and whose duties shall be as follows: - **(i)** shall audit the accounts at the end of the year and shall certify to their correctness. **(ii)** shall give suggestions for the keeping of accounts as required. **(b) Hon Treasurer will keep the records of accounts (income and expenditure) and made it audited every year by the auditor appointed by the General Body.** **(c) If Inspector General of Registration desires to audit the account of the society, he can appoint any recognized auditor and the fee for the same will be borne by the society.**	
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(a) The Honorary Secretary shall keep an imperest account not exceeding Rs. 20,000/- and shall recoup the amount spent from the Treasurer on production of vouchers. Expenditure exceeding Rs.10,000/- at a time, except on printing and postage, shall be incurred only with the permission of the Council. **(b)** The Hony. General Secretary, the Hony. Treasurer and the Hony. Editor may keep clerks for the Society's administrative work. The remuneration of such staff shall be decided by the Council from time to time, depending on availability of such personnel and the volume of work involved.	**bank account:** 34 **(a) Fund received from the different sources will be deposited in the account of the society in Nationalized Bank or Post Office.** **(c) Treasurer and General Secretary or President, will jointly operate the Bank Account of the society, in which Treasurer's signature is must.** **(c) The account of the society shall be audited annually by the auditor appointed by the General Body.** **(d) The audited statement of accounts should contain income and expenditure statement, receipts and payments, assets and liabilities, balance sheet and utilization certificate, etc.** **(e)** The Honorary Secretary shall keep an imperest account not exceeding Rs. 20,000/- and shall recoup the amount spent from the Treasurer on production of vouchers. Expenditure exceeding Rs.1,00,000/- at a time, except on printing and postage, shall be incurred only with the permission of the Council. **(f)** The Hony. General Secretary, the Hony. Treasurer and the Hony. Editor may keep clerks for the Society's administrative work. The remuneration of such staff shall be decided by the Council from time to time, depending on availability of such personnel and the volume of work involved.	
ARTICLE-XII Funds of the Society 35. Income - The funds or income of the Society shall be derived from the following sources: -	ARTICLE-XII Funds of the Society 35. Income - The funds or income of the Society shall be derived from the following sources: - **(h) Grants made by or through the Central/State Government, Private sector, any individuals and other legal sources**.	
CERTIFICATE This is certified that the foregoing is a true copy of the current memorandum of association; rules and bye-laws of the Indian Psychiatric Society adopted in 1947 and amended up to **1st January, 2020 i.e. updated till.**	**CERTIFICATE** This is certified that the foregoing is a true copy of the current memorandum of association; rules and bye-laws of the Indian Psychiatric Society adopted in 1947 and amended up to **21st January, 2024.** **The Society shall apply for mandatory registration on the NGO-DARPAN portal of NITI-Aayog within four weeks of getting the registration certificate.** **The provisions will be maintained to meet future criteria set by the Indian / State Government.**	

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