

To be added (*New clause*):

18. ELECTION TO THE OFFICES AND COUNCIL OF THE ASSOCIATION

K. Non-receipt of nomination for a post in the category of “Officer of the Association

- i. In the event of no nomination for a post of “Officer of the Association” being received by the returning officer before the last date for nominations, the last date shall be extended for a further period of two weeks, and the same shall be communicated to all members by the secretary, requesting once more for a nomination.
- ii. If no nomination is received even after the extension period, the Secretary shall call for members to come prepared with nominations of eligible candidates to be made from the floor of the house at the Annual General Body Meeting.
- iii. Where the nominations are made from the floor of the house, the election of such a person shall be announced only after the Returning Officer has verified the eligibility of the candidate for the post.
- iv. If after the *post-facto* verification the Returning Officer finds the nomination invalid for reason of *non-eligibility*, the election shall be rendered *null*.
- v. For the post(s) not filled despite procedure under **18(K)(i) to (iv)** above, they shall be filled at a Special General Body meeting convened for the purpose during any of the scientific activities of the Association conducted during the year but prior to the next Annual General Body Meeting.
- vi. For purposes of calculation of term of office in this case, the term of the officer shall end on the date it would have ended had the officer been elected during the Annual General Body Meeting at which the post was to be filled originally.