



ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN UROLOGISTS

(South Zone Urological Society of India)

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members,

Greetings to all of you in the midst of a blazing summer! This being the season of exams for so many aspiring to good careers, the heat seems even more oppressive than usual. For those appearing for their Urology exams, and those appearing for various entrances, wish you all the very best in your endeavours.

As we enter the final quarter of the annual ASU calendar there are some compelling, recurring thoughts that I must share with all of you. These are the gains from serving on this council for 4 years now, and from having represented the ASU on the USI council for the last three quarters. Members who aspire for bigger roles in our society are sure to benefit from these.

Firstly, there is an urgent need to bring the affairs of our local, state, zonal and national bodies in line with legal and statutory requirements. A clear, unambiguous constitution & rules of business that adhere to the requirements of the Registrar of Societies (or Charity commissioner as the case may be); necessary registrations with the Income Tax authorities permitting these bodies to collect funds (and be eligible for Tax-exemptions if they so desire); up-to-date books of accounts duly audited; minutes of all meetings duly approved and filed; bank books, deposit certificates, registers & other records of activity; and formal communication to all statutory authorities indicating a change in office-bearers or to the constitution whenever such change occurs. This is the bare minimum compliance expected by law today, but it is quite shocking to see that nearly all bodies have fallen short to varying degrees over the years. It is quite

acceptable, even desirable, for us to aspire for offices and posts; but it is incumbent upon office-bearers to familiarise themselves with their responsibilities and duly discharge them. I am hopeful that the ASU and its affiliated State units will look into their affairs and set them right. We are quite meticulous about these matters in our personal lives; we should bring the same diligence to bear on the offices we hold.

The second issue that has been engaging me is of conferences. Our membership numbers have grown, and expectations keep growing. We need conference venues that can accommodate the required numbers, and with infrastructure that meets contemporary technical standards for display, communication and engagement of delegates. This places great responsibility on prospective organisers to ensure that the venues they have in mind are ready, all infrastructure requirements are in place and delegates are assured of a certain degree of comfort before, during and in-between sessions. I am stating this pointedly here because we are growing rapidly in numbers and venues will become a major constraint when choosing the hosts for future conferences.

The third issue is of expenditure on conferences. This is something that every one of us talks about without tangible reforms being effected. The competitive urge to host "the most gala, memorable and enjoyable conference ever that will remain etched in memories" has set us on a hamster's wheel; not only is the hamster tiring, the wheel too seems to be getting larger by the year. Organisers have to resort to either high registration tariffs or coercive sponsorships that risk unethical dalliances. As individuals, we complain about both bitterly. As organisations, we plead helplessness. I exhort every member to reflect on this at length, resolve to stop this downward spiral. Please support moves to rationalise conference expenditure from this year by eliminating freebies and waste. In the environment of

deprivation and drought that we see around us, we will be perceived as being cynically wasteful and let us not give an opportunity for that.

Finally, I have some thoughts on office-bearers and aspirants for various posts. It is natural for each one of us to aspire to offices and climb up the ladder of professional societies. Such of us who do will also do well to remember that these offices and posts are positions of responsibility that we have volunteered for. We should contribute effectively to the work of our associations and societies. The very basic, first step would be to attend all meetings. Participation in the deliberations not only brings our wisdom to bear on decisions, it also ensures that we are abreast of the happenings around us. As we step up from one office to another, our regular participation in

meetings gives us a good understanding of course our association or society has taken. It also helps us to mentor newer members about the background of past decisions and facts that may otherwise not be obvious to them. This is equally applicable to local units, state units, zonal units as well as the national society. It is such a joy to have meetings attended by all members, robust discussions on issues and decisions taken out of collective wisdom!

Let us catch up at the SZUSICON 2016 in Puducherry, and bring cheer to the hard-working organising team there. In the meantime, best wishes to all of you.

Dr. A. Mohan
President, ASU

FROM THE DESK OF HONORARY SECRETARY



This is my last ASU Newsletter as Secretary of our esteemed society. I feel proud to publish the 6th issue of Newsletter after you entrusted me with this job; this is in addition to the 6 earlier publications we had in 2008-2010 during my earlier stint in the same post. Needless to say, I had an enjoyable time, compiling the activities

of our society, publishing and circulating the same to our members.

The last two years at the office, was probably the golden era in my professional life, having had the opportunity to work and collaborate with some of the key figures and think-tanks of Urology in our country. The innumerable number of official and unofficial meetings of the ASU Council witnessed discussions of high calibre, setting goals, pursuing the same and achieving them with gratitude. Every single decision in the Council was first discussed and re-discussed in the Council, the legalities being checked with the official authorities and circulated among the members for further suggestions. The Council has been trying their level best to carry out the activities in a democratic manner and invitations for various academic activities were made open to all members to apply and make suggestions. There have been good suggestions from our members; however some of the criticisms were

painful and probably evolved out of ignorance, wilfully forgetting the pains taken by the Council and members to draft these. I had the full support of each Council member in every activity, which was probably the sheer motivation for striving for success. The timely advice and suggestions of our beloved President, was the icing on the top of the cake. The achievements of the present set of office bearers are included in this Newsletter, which are nothing but amazing. A variety of other information are also being published especially on the proceedings of the forthcoming SZUSICON 2016 at Puducherry. Another Annual Conference of high social and academic calibre is planned and let us make this conference a big success. It is now time for the present set of office bearers to make way for the new bunch of visionaries. They are sure to take our society to higher terrains. Let us all wish them all the best in their endeavours.

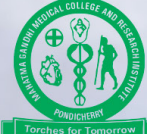
Thank you once again for your timely advices and valuable support. Hope I lived upto your expectation, from the time I controversially took over as the Secretary of ASU

Dr.H.Krishna Moorthy
Hon. Secretary, ASU



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Scientific Program Grid

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TIME	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C	HALL D
08.30-13.00	Live Workshop			
13.00-13.30	Working Lunch			
13.30-17.30	URO-UPDATE USI BOE Program	URO-UPDATE USI BOE Program		
20.00	Welcome Dinner			

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TIME	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C	HALL D
08.00	Registration			
08.30-09.30	Video Session 1 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr.Nebu Issac Mammen, Tiruvalla; Dr.Ashok Pandit, Mangaluru</i> ID 24, 51, 62, 101, 118, 129, 140	Podium Session 1 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr.Prakash Prabhu, Mysuru; Dr.Sanel Varghese, Kochi</i> ID 20, 21, 27, 32, 39, 124, 190	Podium Session 2 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr.Nazar M, Alappuzha; Dr.Chandramohan, Hyderabad</i> ID 46,49,52,56,60,61,77	Podium Session 3 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr.Dilip C Dhanpal, Bengaluru; Dr.Biju S Pillai, Kochi</i> ID 59,78,79,100,103,116,139
09.35-09.50	Guest Lecture <i>Chairs: Dr.Suresh Bhat, Kottayam; Dr. Prasanna Venkitesh, Bengaluru</i> PSMA PET with MR HYBRID FUSION in Ca Prostate Dr.Chengalvarayan, Chennai			
09.55-10.15	Prof.HSB Oration <i>Chairs: Dr.Mohan A, Bengaluru; Dr.Krishna Moorthy H, Kochi</i> Deceased Organ Donation and Transplant – A Long Way to Go Dr.PVLN Murthy, Hyderabad			
10.20-11.05	Khivraj Symposium <i>Nocturia-Wake up to a Serious Problem</i> Convenor: Dr.Suryaprakash V, Nellore 1. Evaluation of a patient with Nocturia - Dr Ganesh Kamat, Chennai 2. Management of Nocturnal Polyuria - Dr Sanjay Sinha, Hyderabad 3. Management of Nocturia due to Small Bladder and Global Polyuria - Dr Santosh Kumar, Vellore			

11.10-12.25	Bangalore Urology Society Video Prize Paper Session (6 videos, 12 min each) <i>Chairs: Dr.Madhu Agarwal, Agra;</i> <i>Dr.Keshavamurthy R, Bengaluru</i> <i>ID 40, 41, 47, 48, 110, 123</i>			
12.30-13.20	Dr.Jeyasekharan's Medal for Ideas & Innovations Session (5 papers, 10 min each) <i>Chairs: Dr.Syam K Ramesh, Thiruvananthapuram;</i> <i>Dr.Ramesh D, Bengaluru</i> <i>ID 74, 95, 98, 119, 120</i>			
13.20-14.00	Lunch			
14.00-14.15	Video Conference 1 <i>Chairs: Dr.Nagaraj HK, Bengaluru; Mallikarjuna Reddy, Hyderabad</i> Dr.Subramonian, UK			
14.20-15.35	Prof.V.Ravindranath Best Paper Prize Session (6 papers, 12 min each) <i>Chairs: Dr.Vijayasankaran N, Puducherry; Dr.Eswar Gaud, Hyderabad</i> <i>ID 10,25,68,184,187,11</i>			
15.40-16.40	Video Session 2 (7 videos; 8 min each) <i>Dr.Kim Jacob Mammen, Ludhiana; Laxman Prabhu, Mangaluru</i> <i>ID 13, 16, 17, 50, 66, 127, 159</i>	Invited papers from state conferences (4)+Podium Session 4 (2) (4 papers, 10 min each + 2 Papers 8 min each) <i>Chairs: Dr.Mossadeq, Puducherry;</i> <i>Dr.Chodisetty Subbarao, Visakhapatnam</i> ID 94,117	Podium Session 5 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr.Jayaganesh R, Chennai; Dr.Kishore TA, Kochi</i> ID 29,45,88,152,176,185, 200	Podium 6 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr. Sanjeevan KV, Kochi; Dr.Gauthaman C, Nagercoil</i> ID 87,107,125,142,153, 156,178
16.45-17.15	Uro Quiz Quiz Master: Dr.Darwin Therattil, Thrissur			
17.15		AGM		
19.00	Inauguration, Banquet			

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TIME	HALL A	HALL B	HALL C	HALL D
8.00-9.00	Best Poster Session (15 posters) <i>Chairs: Dr.KSN Chary, Guntur; Dr.Antony Devasia, Vellore</i> ID 18, 22, 28, 35, 63, 70, 75, 81, 83, 86, 90, 93, 113, 164, 195	Podium Session 7 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr.Mallikarjuna C, Hyderabad; Dr.Girish Nelvigi, Bengaluru</i> ID 57,85,111,136,155,162,167	Podium Session 8 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr.Ranganath, Mysuru; Dr.Sivaramakrishnan P, Thiruvananthapuram</i> ID 69,82,135,145,151,166,173	Podium Session 9 (7) <i>Chairs: Dr.Manohar T, Bengaluru; Dr. Prabhakar M, Erode</i> ID 80,84,89,112,137,148,157
9.05-9.25	Prof. PB Sivaraman Endowment Guest Lecture <i>Chairs: Dr.Krishnasamy Kannan, Tiruchy; Dr.Krishna Moorthy H, Kochi</i> <i>Successful Scientific Publications – The Inside Story</i> Dr.Rajeev Kumar, New Delhi			
9.30-10.00	ASU-NU Hospitals, Bengaluru Paediatric Urology Debate <i>Is Surgery An Option for Treatment of VUR?</i> Moderator: Dr.V.Sripathi, Chennai Debators: Dr.Sanjay Bhat, Kochi; Dr.Chandra Singh, Vellore			
10.05-11.55	<u>Consultant's Forum</u> <i>Convenors: Dr.Ganesh Gopalakrishnan, Dr.Venkatesh Krishnamurthy</i> <u>Proposed Topics:</u> <i>Videos on Tips & Tricks; How I do it; Problems & Solutions; Case Discussions; Black Pearls</i>	<u>Resident's Forum</u> <i>Convenors: Dr.Nitin Kekre, Dr.Mohan A</i> <u>Proposed Topic:</u> <i>Urothelial Cancer</i>		
12.00-12.15	Video Conference 2 <i>Chairs: Dr.Nerli RB, Belgaum; Dr.Ramalingam R, Coimbatore</i> Dr.Vipul Patel, USA			
12.20-13.00	Dr.Nalini Venugopal CPC Moderator: Dr.Arun Chawla, Manipal			
13.00	Valedictory Function Presentation of Awards/Prizes			
13.30	Lunch			
Unmoderated Posters: ID 26, 30, 31, 36, 43, 44, 53, 55, 58, 64, 65, 71, 72, 91, 109, 115, 131, 132, 133, 141, 147, 149, 163, 165, 171, 174, 179, 180, 186, 193, 194, 196, 197, 198				

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INVITATION

Suggestions are invited from members regarding the topic for ASU-HSB Mid Term Workshop at Puttaparthi in Nov 2016, Prof.H.S.Bhat Orator, 2017 and Prof.P.B.Sivaraman Endowment Guest Lecture Speaker, 2017. Please see the website for Guidelines for these sessions

A JOB WELL DONE

ASU acknowledges with gratitude the services of Dr. (Mrs.) Meenakshy Krishnamoorthy who coordinated the MS-CMT program for submission, evaluation and selection of papers for presentation in SZUSICON 2016. ASU also thank Drs. Joseph Thomas, Chengalvarayan, Suryaprakash, Suresh Bhat, Sanjay Sinha, Darwin Therattil, Chandra Singh and Prasanna Venkitesh, who were the reviewers for the abstracts submitted for SZUSICON 2016. All of them did a commendable job in quick time with utmost obligation to our society

OBITUARY

Prof.C.L. Ashok Kumar, Chennai



Prof. C. L. Ashok Kumar was born on 3rd September 1939. He had his schooling at various institutions in Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. His father was a district magistrate and mother, a home maker. He did his MBBS, MS (Gen Surgery) as well as MCh (Urology) from the prestigious and premier institution Madras Medical

College, Chennai. His special area of interest was Renal Transplantation for which he went for training to UK in the late 1960s, on a Commonwealth scholarship. Along with the support of his seniors, co-workers and staff at GGH, Renal Transplantation was done with great success amidst limited resources. He had a stint in Madurai where he was heading a combined Nephro-Uro unit. He retired as Head of department of Urology at MMC and GGH and was serving at TN Dr. MGR Medical University as Academic Officer. He served as the President of ASU in 1993-94. He is survived by his wife, Dr. A. K. Mrunalini, Anesthetist, who has been with him throughout his Urological career. He has one son, Dr. A. Shiv Kumar, Surgeon and Urologist. Prof. CLA was an illustrious teacher and he was instrumental in training the next generation of Urologists in the field of Renal Transplantation. We lost him on the 5th of April 2016. In his passing, the country has lost a great teacher and an extraordinary individual.

Prof.Vasanth Krishna, Hyderabad



PD Dr Ratnagiri Vasanth Krishna was born on the 04th of April 1940 to Sri Venugopala Chary and Smt Krishnaveni in Hyderabad. His father was a Professor of Mathematics in the prestigious Nizam's college and his mother was a homemaker. In spite of his professed interest in mathematics, Dr Vasanth bowed to his father's

wishes and chose the field of medicine and thus, gave the field of Urology a leading academician and a brilliant surgeon. He joined MBBS in Osmania Medical College in 1957 and cleared all the subjects with flying colours. After completing his house surgeonship in Gandhi Hospital and being impressed by the inimitable surgeon, Dr Ramesh Pai, Dr Vasanth Krishna joined the MS (General Surgery) course under him in the year 1964. Immediately after completing his post-graduation and

compulsory rural service, he came under the influence of the one person who was to be his guide and mentor lifelong, Dr A Ranganadha Rao. Taking his advice, Dr Vasanth Krishna applied for and was selected for the M Ch (Urology) course in CMC, Vellore in 1972-73 under the charismatic Dr HS Bhat. He returned to Kurnool as an Assistant Professor in Government Service, and subsequently came to Osmania General Hospital as Professor and Head of the Department of Urology. He also served in the capacity of Head of the Department of Urology in Gandhi Hospital. Dr.Vasanth Krishna was the past Council Member of ASU.

He had multiple lectures in various academic fora and many publications in journals and textbooks to his credit. He was also a brilliant teacher who emphasised on the need to understand the concepts behind the disease and its treatment. His extremely thorough knowledge of anatomy and pathology was a terror to many an M Ch student! He was known for his empathy towards patients and never hesitated to drive all the way from his residence to the hospital in the middle of the night, to tackle any emergency. He was a meticulous surgeon who craved perfection in his surgeries and woe betide the assisting nurse who did not know the names of the instruments!

Dr Vasanth Krishna was a voracious reader of books on all subjects especially on religion, philosophy and spiritualism. Music was his other passion and he built up an extensive collection of LP records, cassettes, CDs and DVDs.

His wife, Dr Sulochana (retired Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology), was the strength behind the man and was always with him through thick and thin. His elder son, Ram Ratnagiri is a leading R&D official in DuPont International, Delaware, USA. His second son, Dr Ranganath R is a Surgical Oncologist and is at present working as an Assistant Professor in the Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad.

He passed away on 25 April 2016. May his Soul Rest in Peace.

Prof .M.Jyothi Reddy



We were deeply saddened by the sudden death of great teacher Prof .M.Jyothi Reddy on Friday 06.05.2016 who had given bright life to many Urologists with his knowledge and training. Dr.Jyothi Reddy has done MBBS & MS from JIPMER, Pondicherry, MCh from PGI Chandigarh; worked as Asst Professor in Osmania and Gandhi Hospital. He later worked in the

Kurnool Medical College and Osmania Medical College and trained many urologists. He served many poor in his public service in Govt Hospital. He was a life member of ASU. May his heart and soul find peace and comfort

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICE BEARERS 2016 - 2018

NO	POST	NOMINATIONS
1	President Elect	Dr.C.Mallikarjuna, Hyderabad
2	Secretary	1.Dr.Chengalvarayan G, Chennai
		2. Dr.Laxman Prabhu, Mangaluru
		3.Dr.Mallikarjuna Reddy, Hyderabad
3	Treasurer	Dr.H.Krishna Moorthy, Kochi
4	Council Member	
	Andhra & Telangana	Dr.Surya Prakash V, Nellore
	Karnataka	1.Dr.Dilip C Dhanpal, Bengaluru
		2.Dr.Shivalingaiah M, Bengaluru
	Kerala	Dr.Vinod KV, Thiruvananthapuram
	Tamil Nadu	Dr.Prabhakar, Erode

Elections will be held during SZUSICON 2016 at Puducherry,
and information regarding the procedure will be informed to you soon

GOALS, ACHIEVEMENTS AND GRATITUDE

A BRIEF REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF ASU COUNCIL 2014-2016

The Association of Southern Urologists is currently 1100 plus strong association with very high reputation and values amongst the Urology community in India, having an asset of more than a Crore rupees. The Association is strong by-laws, operational guidelines, work-force, valid Registration upto 2015-16, 12AA Exemption and 80G Exemption under the Charitable Trust Act of India. The Council of ASU has met and re-met to discuss and execute precision activities to strengthen the society and fill up all deficiencies, to make it one of the best professional bodies in India. The milestone achievements of ASU during this period are highlighted

1. The registration of ASU has been renewed upto and including 2015-2016, after submission of all official records, Minutes of Annual General Meetings, List of Governing Body, Audited statement of Accounts and other relevant documents.
2. The 12 AA and 80 G Exemptions have been validated to date
3. The entire existing guidelines of activities of the society has been updated and new guidelines have been laid down for the new activities
4. The corpus of the society has been reorganised; separate corpuses has been created to utilise the income from them for specific purposes, as per the directions of the Charity Commissioner
5. The state-wise allocation of membership number has been avoided. A consolidated new membership directory has been created and a unified number has been allotted to each membership, mentioning the category of his/her membership
6. The website has been revamped and contains all informations about the society. A new Picture Gallery has been included; all old publications have been archived
7. Old un-renewed Endowed Honours of the society has been discontinued or renewed; New Endowed Honours have been instituted. Specific guidelines have been laid down for institution/renewal of Endowed Honours of ASU.
8. The Executive Council of ASU has met 10 times during the period of two years – testimonial to the commitment of the office bearers for leading the society
9. The entire office works of ASU has been paperless
10. 6 E-Newsletter have been published and circulated
11. Monthly communication of the Secretary with the members through website for co-ordination of activities
12. Academic support for conduct of conferences/CME at regional levels; financial support for conduct of Research Projects by Associate Members of ASU
13. Conduct of Theme oriented, self-supported ASU-HSB Midterm Workshops
14. Compilation and publication of South Indian Consensus for Management of GUTB
15. Conduct of unique Annual Conferences of very high standards like
 - a. Green Conferences with the motto Reduce, Reuse and Recycle, completely avoiding plastics, mementos, un-necessary booklets, compliments etc
 - b. Academic contents of high calibre, including master classes from stalwarts like Prof. Studer
 - c. Video Conferencing from UK, USA and part of India
 - d. LED wall projection
 - e. Abstract submission, evaluation and information to authors through Microsoft-CMT program.
The comments of the referees made available to the authors. The abstract submission was made mandatory only for those who were ASU members, registered for the conference and only the presenting author was permitted to present papers. Selection of papers for best prize sessions were made based on the rank list available from the preliminary evaluation of abstracts. Submission of full papers for prize paper sessions made mandatory. Papers presented in previous conferences were not permitted to be submitted and an undertaking in this regard was sought during abstract submission. Only a maximum of two papers were permitted to be presented by a single author (in any format) throughout the entire conference
 - f. Dedicated invited paper session to include the best papers from state conferences
 - g. 2 hour academic sessions for Consultants and Residents separately
 - h. Theme based USI-Board of Education program for half a day on the pre-conference day. Unique pre-conference CME/Workshops
 - i. Abstracts, full papers and award winning papers made available in the website
 - j. Announcement and distribution of all prizes during the Valedictory Function itself
 - k. E-posters with prior submission of the material by the authors
 - l. MCI Credit points for ASU conferences
 - m. Honouring all past office bearers during the Silver Jubilee Conference; Publication of Silver Jubilee Conference Souvenir (TREASURE) with interesting articles
 - n. Personalised certificates for presenters
16. Formulation of proposed Amended Constitution incorporating the suggestions of all members, with prior concurrence from the Registrar of Societies and IT Commissioner, to be submitted during the AGM in 2016 for final approval. Proposal for creation of new posts of Secretary-elect, detailed guidelines for various categories of membership, conduct of elections, protocols, guidelines etc included

AMENDED CONSTITUTION PROPOSED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN UROLOGISTS

PROPOSED BY

1. DR.MOHAN A

2. DR.H.KRISHNA MOORTHY

SECONDED BY

1. DR.KRISHNASAMY KANNAN

2. DR.CHENGALVARAYAN G

EXISTING CLAUSE	EXISTING BY-LAW	AMENDMENT WITH CLAUSE
2	REGISTERED OFFICE The office of the Association shall be determined from time to time by the Council of the Society.	1. REGISTERED OFFICE The Council of the Association shall determine the location of the office of the Association from time to time.
3	OBJECTIVES b. To associate together in one corporate body all scientific personnel actively interested in practice of Urology in Southern states namely Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Pondicherry. i Nil j Nil k Nil l.	2. OBJECTIVES b. To associate together under one Association all scientific personnel actively interested in practice of Urology in the states of South India, namely Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Union Territories of Andaman & Nicobar islands, Lakshadweep islands and Puducherry. i To represent the interests of the members in the affairs of the Urological Society India and to serve as the South zone affiliate of the same. j. All activities of the Association shall be charitable in nature and not motivated by profit. k. The benefit of objects would be available to the general public irrespective of caste, creed, religion or sex. l. In the event of any reorganisation of the above states & union territories in accordance with law, the newly created entities shall also be included provided the Urologists therein form a registered body of their own.
4	MEMBERSHIP There shall be following category of members a. Full Members Full members shall be qualified Urologists engaged in active practice of urology in South India. These full members who migrate places other than South India will go in to a category of affiliated members. b. Associate members: Associate members shall be Urology post graduates undergoing training at recognized institution in South India. Other registered medical practitioners of Modern	3. MEMBERSHIP There shall be following category of members. a) Full Members i. Full Members shall be qualified Urologists engaged in active practice of urology in South India, and whose urological qualifications have been registered with the state medical Council of one of the states in the jurisdiction of the Association of Southern urologists. ii. Their membership shall commence after they have paid the membership

	<p>Medicine (Allopathy) who are interested in fostering relationship and furtherance of Urological progress in South India.</p> <p>c. Affiliated members Affiliated members shall be qualified Urologists engaged in active practice of Urology in areas other than South India.</p>	<p>fee stipulated from time to time, and after the General Body of the Association has approved their full-member status at the Annual General Body meeting.</p> <p>iii. Their membership shall be for life, unless the General Body of the association, following due process for the same, has terminated the same.</p> <p>Note: Full Members who transfer their medical Council registration to any state other than those stated in No. 2b above, or outside the territory of India shall be placed in the category of “Affiliate Members”; in the event of their returning to practice in any of the states of South India, they shall be reverted to “Full Member” status on submitting proof of their return. Their status as “Full Members” in such a case shall become effective from the first day of the month succeeding the one in which the application is made, proof submitted, and the application is found to be in order by the executive Council.</p> <p>b) Associate Members</p> <p>i. Associate Members shall be Postgraduate residents registered for the M.Ch or DNB course in Urology, <i>or</i>.</p> <p>ii. Non-postgraduate residents working in the Urology department of an institution recognized for the M.Ch or DNB course in Urology provided they possess postgraduate qualifications meeting eligibility criteria for enrolment into the DNB or M.Ch courses in Urology.</p> <p>iii. Their membership shall commence after they have paid the membership fee stipulated from time to time, at the conclusion of the Annual General Body Meeting at which their membership has been approved.</p> <p>iv. Their membership shall be for life, unless the General Body of the Association, following due process for the same, has terminated the same <i>or</i> their status has been changed to “Full Member” on their speciality qualifications in Urology being duly registered in their one of the State Medical Councils in the states of South India, or “Affiliate Member” following the prescribed procedure for such change.</p> <p>c) Affiliate Members</p> <p>i. Affiliate Members shall be specialists qualified in the modern system of</p>
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		<p>medicine who are registered with the Indian Medical Council or one of the State Medical Councils in the territory of functioning of the Association, engaged in the practice of a speciality other than Urology but having a keen interest pursuing common interests in Urology (<i>for e.g. Radiologists, Pathologists, Microbiologists, etc.</i>), or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Scientists with Ph.D. in any field of science or a degree in Engineering who are actively engaged in applied aspects of their disciplines with relevance to the study and practice of Urology. iii. They shall have formally applied for the Affiliate Membership of the Association following due procedure laid down from time to time. iv. Their applications shall be scrutinised by the Council and presented to the General Body if found in order. v. The General Body alone shall be competent to approve such applications for Affiliate Membership. vi. On such approval being granted, the Secretary shall convey such approval to them in writing. vii. Their membership fee shall be the same as for Full Members, and the membership shall be for life, or until they have terminated their membership on their own, or the General Body of the Association has terminated the membership following procedure laid down for the same. viii. Their membership shall commence after they have paid the membership fee stipulated from time to time and after the conclusion of the Annual General Body Meeting at which their membership was approved. ix. They may be qualified Urologists engaged in active practice of Urology in areas other than South India.
5	<p>RIGHTS OF MEMBERS</p> <p>Only full members have the right to vote.</p> <p>Only full members shall become office bearers of the Association.</p> <p>All classes of members shall have the right to attend any scientific proceedings of the Association.</p> <p><i>Amendments, 2004</i></p>	<p>4. RIGHTS OF MEMBERS</p> <p>a) Full Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. They shall have the right to participate in the scientific deliberations of the Association, and present papers, posters or videos at the same provided such papers, posters or videos have been selected following the process laid down for the same. ii. They shall have the right to attend the General Body meetings of the

5a. All the authors of papers to be presented at the Annual Conference should be members of ASU except non-Urologists.

5b. Papers at South Zone conference will be presented only by member of the South Zone chapter. Outsiders will have to become Affiliated Members if they have to present paper and participate in the Conference. This will apply to qualified Urologists only.

Association and take part in the deliberations at the same.

- iii. They shall have the right to participate in the selection process for fellowships, prizes, awards and other honours for which they are eligible.
- iv. They shall have the right to submit contributions to the newsletter, website and publications of the Association subject to editorial judgement on the matter submitted.
- v. They shall have the right to exercise their vote on matters put to vote at the General Body meetings.
- vi. They shall have the right to vote at the election of office bearers of the Association.
- vii. They shall have the right to contest for offices of the Association, on fulfilling the required criteria for eligibility.
- viii. They shall have the right to be nominated or elected for any of the offices of the Association, or to any committees or sub-committees of the Association, as per the procedure laid down for the same.

b) Associate Members

- i. They shall have the right to participate in the scientific deliberations of the Association, and present papers, posters or videos at the same provided such papers, posters or videos have been selected following the process laid down for the same.
- ii. They shall have the right to participate in the selection process for fellowships, prizes, awards and other honours for which they are eligible.
- iii. They shall have the right to submit contributions to the newsletter, website and publications of the Association subject to editorial judgement on the matter submitted.
- iv. They shall not have the right to contest for any office, attend the General Body meeting or vote at any of the meetings of the Association.
- v. They shall not have the right to be nominated/co-opted for any of the offices of ASU or any committee or sub-committees of the ASU as per the procedure laid down for

		<p>the same.</p> <p>c) Affiliate Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. They shall have the right to participate in the scientific deliberations of the Association, and present papers, posters or videos at the same provided such papers, posters or videos have been selected following the process laid down for the same. ii. They shall be eligible to participate in any quiz, contest or award competition conducted specifically for, or open to, the category of Affiliate Members. iii. They shall have the right to submit contributions to the newsletter, website and publications of the Association subject to editorial judgement on the matter submitted. iv. They shall not have the right to contest for any office, attend the General Body meeting or vote at any of the meetings of the Association. v. They shall not have the right to be nominated/co-opted for any of the offices of ASU or any committee or sub-committees of the ASU as per the procedure laid down for the same.
6	<p>CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Any member may resign from his membership at any time by serving a notice in writing to the Secretary. Such resignation shall not relieve the member from the responsibility to pay any dues to the Association prior to ceasing to be a member. b. The Council shall have the right to terminate the membership or alter the class of any individual member even after election, if it is subsequently found that material facts supplied in the application were incorrect. c. The Council shall have the powers to terminate the membership of any member <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Who have been found guilty of unprofessional behaviour or of working against the interest of the Association provided that members concerned is offered full opportunity to present his case to the Council and provided that in 	<p>5. CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A member, in any category, may resign from membership at any time by serving a notice in writing to the Secretary. Such resignation shall not relieve the member from the responsibility of paying any dues or amounts outstanding to the Association prior to cessation of membership. b) The resignation will be deemed to be effective from the date recorded on such written communication, if accepted c) The Membership may also be terminated, after initial acceptance and approval by the General Body, if it is found that material facts pertaining to eligibility for membership supplied in the application were incorrect, whenever such inaccuracy comes, or is brought, to the notice of the Council. Such a step shall be taken after the member concerned has been given reasonable opportunity to produce original documents to support his claim to membership. d) The Council may similarly change the membership category of a member from full

	<p>case of termination of membership, the latter is confirmed at the Annual General Body Meeting by two third majority of members present.</p> <p>ii. Who have defaulted in paying the Association dues for over a period.</p>	<p>to associate, full to affiliate or associate to affiliate for the reason in 6(c) above.</p> <p>e) The Council may terminate the membership of any member in the following circumstances:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. A member has been found guilty of professional misconduct by the Indian Medical, or any state medical Council resulting in the member being struck off the rolls of the Council. ii. A member is found guilty of conduct that brings to serious and lasting disrepute to the Association, its office bearers or other members, provided that such a member has been given reasonable opportunity to present his case to the Council, and provided that in case of termination of membership, the latter is confirmed at the Annual General Body Meeting by a two thirds majority of members present. iii. The membership will cease from the time of conclusion of the Annual General Body meeting at which such action has been approved by the General Body.
	Nil	<p>6. SUSPENSION FROM MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>a) A member may be suspended from membership if the Council has prepared a recommendation for termination of membership to be presented to the General Body; such suspension shall commence from the date of the Council meeting at which the recommendation for termination was approved by the Council; the Secretary shall convey such a decision in writing to the member concerned.</p> <p>b) A member may be suspended for a stated period as a penalty for professional or personal misconduct which is less serious than the misconduct referred to in 5 (c) (ii), but which has resulted in loss of reputation to the Association, its office bearers or any member; such suspension shall come into force after approval by the General Body at the annual General Body meeting.</p> <p>c) The period of such suspension shall be as recommended by the Council and approved by the General Body.</p> <p>d) A member may also be suspended if he or she has been suspended from the register of Medical Practitioners by the Indian Medical Council, or State Medical Council. In such an event, the suspension shall be from the date of suspension from the Medical Register and shall be contemporaneous with the duration of suspension from the register. Suspension</p>

		under these circumstances shall not require a separate ratification from the General Body.
	Nil	<p>7. APPLICATION FOR FRESH MEMBERSHIP AFTER EARLIER CESSATION</p> <p>a) A past-member whose membership was terminated under 5(c) above may apply for membership at a later date; such an application shall be made in the manner prescribed at that time, and shall be processed as laid down in the procedure for approval of new membership.</p> <p>b) A past member whose membership was terminated under 5(c) above may apply in similar manner provided the member expresses regret, deficiencies that led to the earlier termination have been corrected and documentary proof of the same is submitted; the Council shall process such an application in the same manner as for approval of new membership and present the same to the General Body for approval as per procedure.</p> <p>c) The Council shall have the right to reject such applications if it is not satisfied that all the earlier deficiencies have been remedied, and shall intimate the General Body about the same.</p> <p>d) All other stipulations pertaining to fresh membership, including the payment of membership fees, shall apply.</p>
7	<p>SUBSCRIPTION</p> <p>The subscription shall be as follows:</p> <p>Full Members (Life Subscription) Rs. 200.00 Affiliated Members (Life Subscription) Rs. 200.00 Associate Members (Annual) Rs. 50.00</p> <p><i>7a. (Amendment, 2006). With effect from 2006, the membership fee is Rs.2,000.00 for all categories of members</i></p>	<p>8. SUBSCRIPTION</p> <p>a) The membership subscription shall be determined by the Council and approved by the General Body. At the present time the subscription shall be Rs. 5000/- (Rupees five thousand only).</p> <p>b) The subscription for all categories of membership shall be the same.</p> <p>c) The subscription shall be a one-time fee, and shall be non-refundable.</p> <p>d) The subscription may be paid in cash against due receipt, by cheque from authorised banks, or through inter-bank transfer to the account of the Association.</p> <p>e) Subscriptions shall be routed through the Treasurer in order to facilitate up-to-date book keeping.</p> <p>f) The subscription shall be submitted along with the application form for new</p>

		<p>membership in any category.</p> <p>g) The money received as membership subscription shall not be utilised for any expenditure but shall be deposited into the main corpus of the Association.</p> <p>h) The subscription shall be revised every three years to compensate for inflation and higher operational costs of the Association's activities after due approval by the General Body.</p>
9	<p>BANK ACCOUNT</p> <p>The Bank Account shall be operated by the Treasurer in the name of the Association. All cheques shall be signed by the Treasurer of the Association.</p>	<p>11. FUNDS & BANK ACCOUNT</p> <p>a) The funds of the Association would be utilized only towards the objectives and no portion of it would be distributed in any manner to the trustees or persons defined in section 13(1) of the Income Tax Act, 1961.</p> <p>b) The accounts of the Association shall be in nationalised banks only.</p> <p>c) The funds of the Association shall be held in these accounts, or in approved government bonds & securities as mandated in the Income Tax Act as amended from time to time.</p> <p>d) The funds shall be utilised only for purposes approved by the General Body of the Association, and in accordance with the provisions of the Income Tax Act as amended from time to time.</p> <p>e) Not more than 5% of the income of the Association would be applied for any religious purposes or given to religious institutions. Any such transactions would be only on the approval of the General Body.</p> <p>f) The Treasurer shall operate the bank accounts in the name of the Association. The Treasurer of the Association shall sign all cheques.</p>
10	<p>OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION</p> <p>Officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The officers shall be elected at Annual General Body Meeting from the list of suggested nominations submitted to the Council</p>	<p>12. OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION</p> <p>a) All officers of the Association shall be elected by the General Body at the Annual General Body meeting of the Association as per procedure laid down for the election of office-bearers.</p> <p>b) No office Bearer of the Association shall be eligible for re-election for the same post for a second time.</p> <p>c) The following shall be deemed officers of the Association:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The President ii. The President-elect iii. The Secretary iv. The Secretary-elect

		v. The Treasurer
10 (a)	<p>President</p> <p>The Vice President for the given year will automatically become the President for the next year. He will hold the Office for one year. Election for the post of the President will be held only if the Vice President of the previous year does not wish to or is not available to take over the Office of the President. The President shall hold Office from the day following the termination of Annual General Body Meeting at which he is installed to the termination of the next Annual General Body Meeting.</p>	<p>13. TERM OF OFFICE OF OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION</p> <p>a) President</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The person elected as President-elect for a given year shall automatically become the President for the following year. The President will hold the Office for one year. The President shall hold Office from the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the annual conference at which he is installed to the installation of the new President at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the succeeding annual conference. In the event of the incumbent President-elect being unwilling or unavailable to assume the office of President, the President shall be elected at the commencement of the Annual General Body meeting, and shall be installed in the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the conference; The President so elected shall hold office till handing over to the incoming President at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the Annual Scientific Meeting of the following year. <p>b) President-elect</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To be eligible for election to this post, the member should have completed one full term as Council member, Secretary or Treasurer of the Association. Consequently, a member who is elected mid-term, or has demitted office without completing a full term, shall not be eligible to contest merely on the grounds of having completed a part of the term. The President-elect shall be elected during the Annual General Body Meeting of the Association. The President-elect shall hold office from the time of installation at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the Annual Scientific Meeting at which the election has taken place until installation as President at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony
10 (b)	<p>Vice President</p> <p>Vice President shall be elected for a period of one year. He will automatically become the President of the following year. The Vice President shall hold the Office from the day following termination of Annual General Body Meeting at which he is elected to the termination of the next Annual meeting.</p> <p><i>B₁ (Amendment, 2000). The Vice President is renamed as President-Elect</i></p> <p><i>b₂ (Amendment, 2000). An ASU member can apply for nomination to the post of President Elect only if he/she has completed a tenure of two years as Council Member / Secretary / Treasurer in the Association of Southern Urologists.</i></p>	
10 (c)	<p>Secretary</p> <p>Secretary shall be elected for a period of two years. He will hold the Office from the day following termination of Annual General Body Meeting at which he is elected to the termination of the Second Annual meeting.</p>	

	<p><i>state of ASU.</i></p> <p>e. No officer of the Association shall be eligible for re-election for the same post.</p>	<p>elected shall hold office till handing over to the incoming Secretary at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the Annual Scientific Meeting of the following year.</p> <p>e) Treasurer</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> To be eligible for election to this post, the member should have completed one full term as Council member/Secretary The Treasurer shall be elected at the Annual General Body meeting of the Association from among eligible members. The Treasurer shall hold office for a period of two years. The Treasurer's term shall commence from the time of installation at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the Annual General Body meeting at which the election has taken place and shall conclude on installation of the next Treasurer at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the Annual General meeting at which the new Treasurer has been elected
11	<p>DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> President shall preside over all the meetings of the Association. The Vice President shall perform all duties of the President in his absence or at his request. The Vice President shall have such other powers and functions as may be assigned by the Council. The Secretary shall look after the day to day affairs of the Association under the directions of the council. He shall be responsible <ol style="list-style-type: none"> For summoning all meetings of the Association For preparing the agendas and keeping minutes of the proceedings For all files, documents, books and other papers of the Association. 	<p>14. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS</p> <p>a) President</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The President shall preside over all official events of the Association The President shall chair meetings of the Executive Council of the Association. The President shall preside over and conduct the Annual General Body meetings and other General Body meetings of the Association. The President shall represent the Association on the Council of the Urological Society of India during the term of office of the President. The President shall preside over any sub-committee constituted by the Executive Council for any purpose.

	<p>iv. For maintaining a register of members.</p> <p>v. For formulating the annual report to be presented to the Council and Annual General Body Meeting.</p> <p>d. The Treasurer shall be responsible for receiving all subscriptions and other dues from the members, for paying all bills and for preparing an audited statement of accounts and Balance Sheet annually to the Council and General Body Meeting. He shall keep true and accurate records of all financial transactions of the Association. On request from the Secretary he shall pay authorized bills of the Association. He shall be responsible for notifying all members regarding their dues to the Association.</p>	<p>b) President-elect</p> <p>i. The President-elect shall perform all duties of the President in the absence of the President or upon the request of the President.</p> <p>ii. The President-elect shall have such additional responsibilities as may be assigned by the Council or the President from time to time.</p> <p>c) Secretary</p> <p>The Secretary shall look after the day-to-day affairs of the Association under the directions of the Council. In addition, and specifically, the Secretary shall:</p> <p>i. Summon all meetings of the Association, the Council and Sub-committees (<i>if any</i>) on the advice of the President.</p> <p>ii. Prepare the agenda for such meetings in consultation with the President.</p> <p>iii. Record minutes of the deliberations and circulate them to the concerned members</p> <p>iv. Maintain and update all files, documents, registers, books and other records of the Association.</p> <p>v. Maintain an up-to-date register of members. Update membership database, update change of membership status (after due ratification by General Body) and ensure periodic publication of the Membership database.</p> <p>vi. Formulate the annual report to be presented to the Council and Annual General Body Meeting.</p> <p>vii. Prepare reports for statutory submissions and present them to the Council for approval prior to submission.</p> <p>viii. Correspond with various statutory bodies, Urological Society of India, State associations, other professional associations and such other</p>
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		<p>entities as may be required in the discharge of the Secretary's responsibilities.</p> <p>ix. Prepare the list of Prize winners & Award winners for announcement at the appropriate events and meetings</p> <p>x. Prepare the citations to be presented to Orators & faculty delivering named lectures.</p> <p>xi. Prepare the Schedule for all scientific meetings and events conducted by the Association including the scientific sessions of the Annual Conference and ASU-Prof. HSB Workshop.</p> <p>xii. Correspond with and guide the local organising committees of meetings and Annual conferences in order to ensure smooth and efficient conduct of the same.</p> <p>xiii. Prepare and circulate the Newsletter of the Association.</p> <p>xiv. Invite at appropriate time, applications for various prizes/awards, nominations for various posts like chairpersons, moderators, convenors etc. and nominations for various office posts of ASU</p> <p>xv. Correspond with the invited faculties and guests for the Annual Conference and the Midterm workshop and inform them regarding their allotted scientific schedules and also inform the local organizers regarding their travel schedule to make necessary arrangements for accommodation and local transport.</p> <p>xvi. Maintain & update the Handbook of the Association with contents addressing all activities of the Association.</p> <p>xvii. Maintain, update and whenever required upgrade the website of the Association as per requirements of members and decisions of the General Body</p>
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		<p>or Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">xviii. Work in co-ordination with the Treasurer to ensure that all statutory obligations of the Association to the regulatory authorities are discharged in time, and effectively.xix. Preparing the Financial budget and planning the conduct of charitable activities.xx. Filing of the Society documents annually to Registrar of societies for continuation of Registration within three months of the conclusion of Annual General Body Meetingxxi. Filing of Income Tax Returns through the Auditorxxii. Making arrangements for the conduct of elections to the various posts of ASUxxiii. Running ASU office during annual conferencesxxiv. Preparing and maintaining an archive of biographies, historical material, photographs and such other artifacts so as to capture and perpetuate the history of the Association, its founding members, past office bearers and those who brought laurels to the Association through their academic and professional achievements. <p>d) Secretary-elect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. The Secretary-elect shall assist the Secretary in all functions of the Secretary.ii. The Secretary-elect shall stand-in for the Secretary during the latter's absence for any reason. <p>e) Treasurer</p> <p>The Treasurer shall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Receive all subscriptions and other dues from the members.ii. Make payments for all approved expenditure on receiving communication about them from the Secretary, obtain receipts for the same and keep
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		<p>the book of accounts updated promptly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii. Prepare and present an interim summary of accounts at the meetings of the Council iv. Prepare the Annual Financial report consisting of the Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Statement and a Summary of accounts in conjunction with the approved auditor and obtaining the auditors' certification for the same. v. Present the audited Financial report to the Council, and obtaining its approval for presentation of the same to the General Body vi. Present the audited Financial report to the General Body and addressing queries and providing clarifications to members. vii. Keep true and accurate records of all financial transactions of the Association. viii. Notify members & sponsors of dues in a timely manner and collect the outstanding dues from them. ix. Represent the Association along with the approved auditor at any statutory inquiries pertaining to the finances of the Association. x. Advise the Council in judicious use of its finances in order to ensure compliance with statutory obligations and optimise their utilisation to further the activities of the Association.
12	<p>COUNCIL</p> <p>The Council of the Association shall consist of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Office bearers elected as per rule 10, two immediate past Presidents, and 4 members elected in the Annual General Body Meeting from the list of suggested nomination submitted representing each state of South India. <p><i>a₁. (Amendment, 2005). Office bearers elected as per rule 10, immediate past</i></p>	<p>15. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (<i>referred to as "Council" for simplicity</i>)</p> <p>The Council shall assist the officers of the Association in the conduct of the affairs of the Association. The General Body of members shall determine the composition of the Council from time to time. At the present time the General Body has determined that the Council shall comprise of the following members:</p> <p>a) Members of the Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The President

	<p><i>President and immediate past Secretary and 4 Members elected in the Annual General Body Meeting from the list of suggested nominations submitted representing each state of South India.</i></p> <p><i>a₂. (Amendment, 2013). Office bearers elected as per rule 10, immediate past President, immediate past Secretary and the Presidents of the member state associations of the ASU.</i></p> <p>b. No member of the Association shall be eligible for election as member of the Council unless he has completed 2 years as a member of the Association at the time of election.</p> <p>c. The Council members shall be elected for a period of 3 years.</p> <p><i>c₁. (Amendment, 2013). The Council members shall be elected for a period of 2 years</i></p>	<p>ii. The President-elect</p> <p>iii. The Secretary</p> <p>iv. The Secretary-elect</p> <p>v. The Treasurer</p> <p>vi. The Immediate Past-President</p> <p>vii. One member from each of the State units under the jurisdiction of the Association, duly elected by the General Body of ASU, provided such a member has been a full member of the Association of Southern Urologists for a period of at least five calendar years. They will hold the office for two years from the time of installation at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the Annual General Body meeting at which the election has taken place and shall conclude on installation of the next Council Member at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony of the Annual General meeting at which the new Council Member has been elected</p> <p>viii. The Presidents of the State units under the jurisdiction of the Association, for a period contemporaneous with their term of office, shall be “<i>ex-officio</i>” members</p>
13	<p>DUTIES OF THE COUNCIL</p> <p>a. The Council shall constitute the executive authority of the Association in all scientific, business and financial activities.</p> <p>b. The Council shall be responsible for arrangements for the business and scientific parts of the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>c. The Council shall have the powers to decide to convene such other scientific meetings besides the annual one as it deems desirable.</p> <p>d. The Council shall have the powers to invest money of the Association with due regard for all existing laws.</p> <p>e. The Council shall meet at least twice a year.</p> <p>f. The Council shall have powers to appoint any sub committee for any special purpose or any aspect of functioning.</p> <p>g. Such sub committee shall be under the direction of the council and the report of</p>	<p>15 b) Responsibilities of the Council</p> <p>i. The Council shall constitute the executive authority of the Association</p> <p>ii. The Council shall determine and plan scientific, business and financial activities as mandated by the General Body of members.</p> <p>iii. The Council shall meet to deliberate on activities of the Association and any other matter requiring executive consideration</p> <p>iv. The Council shall meet at least once in every quarter of the calendar year.</p> <p>v. The Council shall mandatorily meet immediately prior to the Annual General Body meeting to approve the agenda for the Annual General Body meeting, and to approve the audited financial statement for presentation to the General Body.</p> <p>vi. The Council shall be responsible for arrangements for the business</p>

	<p>such sub committee shall be incorporated in the report of the council & submitted to the Annual Meeting.</p> <p>h. <i>(Amendment, 2000). If a duly elected Council Member fails to attend two consecutive Executive Council meetings in a year (the Mid Term and the Annual), he should forfeit his post and a member be elected again by the Executive Council/GB.</i></p>	<p>and scientific parts of the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>vii. The Council shall be responsible for the investment of monies of the Association with due regard to legal stipulations regarding such investments, and in accordance with the expressed wish of the General Body regarding the same.</p> <p>viii. The Council may appoint sub committees for specific tasks requiring exclusive attention or specific expertise.</p> <p>ix. The Council may appoint members to the sub-committee from amongst themselves, or from the general membership of the Association; however, anybody who is not a Full Member of the association may only participate in such a sub-committee as an invitee, and shall have no role in decision making.</p> <p>x. Such a sub committee shall work under the direction of the Council.</p> <p>xi. The work allocated to such a sub committee shall be completed in a time-bound framework, and a written report submitted to the full Council for discussion and approval.</p> <p>xii. Such sub committee reports shall be incorporated in the annual report of the Association after approval by the Council, and presented at the Annual General Body meeting.</p>
	Nil	<p>15 C) Deliberations & Decision Making at Meetings of the Council & Sub-committees</p> <p>i. All meetings shall be conducted according to the agenda prepared and circulated to members in advance.</p> <p>ii. Matters on the agenda shall be deliberated first and decisions taken before matters not on the agenda but requiring discussion are taken up with the permission of the Chairperson.</p> <p>iii. Decisions shall be taken by a consensus as far as possible.</p> <p>iv. If a consensus is not forthcoming on any matter, the Chairperson shall put the matter to vote, and record the number of members voting for and against the matter,</p>

		<p>without mentioning names; in such voting the decision of a simple majority shall be final.</p> <p>v. In the case of a tie, the Chairperson of the meeting shall have a “Casting vote” which shall determine the outcome of the voting; the “casting vote” shall not be used to alter any decision already arrived at by a majority vote.</p> <p>vi. The decisions taken at Council meetings shall be recorded and signed by the Chairperson at the end of the meeting, and incorporated in the minutes of the meeting by the Secretary.</p> <p>vii. The Secretary shall circulate the minutes within seven working days of the conclusion of these meetings for comments & amendments from members.</p> <p>viii. If no comments are received within one week from the date of circulation of minutes, the minutes shall be deemed to have been passed and shall be duly incorporated in the permanent records.</p> <p>ix. All communications pertaining to the meetings of the Council, the agenda for meetings, the minutes of meetings and any other matters under the consideration of the Council shall be sent to members in the electronic format to their E-mail addresses recorded by members in the official register or directory of the Association.</p> <p>x. Members shall, in turn, transmit all communications from their side in similar electronic format.</p>
		<p>15 d) Cessation of Membership of Council and Replacement of Vacancies</p> <p>i. A non-officer member of the Council elected by the General Body is normally expected to complete the full term of membership; in the event of any member being unable to do so, the same shall be conveyed in writing to the Secretary.</p> <p>ii. The Secretary shall communicate the same to the Secretary of the respective state unit, with a request for the State unit to send a new member as replacement; the</p>

		<p>concerned state unit shall adopt an official resolution naming a fresh member who meets the criteria of eligibility for Council membership, and send a copy of the resolution duly signed by the President & Secretary of the state unit.</p> <p>iii. The suggested name shall be circulated to the members of the ASU Council after the Secretary has ascertained that the proposed alternate member is eligible to serve in the Council.</p> <p>iv. Such an alternate member shall serve as a member of the Council until the next Annual General Body meeting at which the General Body shall elect a new member to the Council from that state; the term of such an elected alternate/new member shall be a full term commencing from the date of the installation at the Valedictory Function/Ceremony at the end of the Annual Conference.</p> <p>v. If the vacancy arises less than 3 months from the date of the next Annual conference, the vacancy shall only be filled as per procedure in (iv) above, and no alternate member shall be co-opted or nominated.</p> <p>vi. An elected member of the Council who fails to attend two consecutive meetings of the Council (<i>with the exception of any emergency or extraordinary meetings</i>) without good cause & prior intimation shall be deemed to have stepped down from the membership; the position shall automatically fall vacant, and shall be filled by following the procedure laid down in (ii) to (v) above.</p> <p>vii. A member demitting office under (vi) above shall automatically stand disqualified from contesting for any office of the Association or election to the membership of the Council for a period of two years from the date of conclusion of the succeeding Annual General Body meeting.</p>
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<p>i.e., Business and Scientific, to be held during the II Saturday and Sunday of July every year.</p> <p>The agenda for the Annual General Meeting shall be</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. To receive the report of the Council. b. To receive the report of the Treasurer and the audited statement of accounts and balance sheet. c. To approve new members of the Association as recommended by the Council. d. To elect office bearers and members of the Council. e. To consider other business as the Council may determine. f. To consider any resolution or amendments to the rules submitted by members in accordance with rule. g. Quorum at Annual General Meeting shall be constituted by fifteen full members. If no quorum is formed the meeting is dissolved. Another meeting shall be called as per decision of the Council. h. Resolution: Any member desirous of moving a resolution at the Annual General Meeting shall notify the same in writing to the Secretary at least six weeks before the date of such meeting. 	<p>parts – a <i>Scientific meeting</i>, to be referred to as the Annual Conference and a <i>Business meeting</i>, to be referred to as the Annual General Body Meeting.</p> <p>a) The Annual Conference</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The Annual Conference shall be held over two-and-a-half days over the second weekend in the month of July every year, except in unusual circumstances. ii. The scientific programme for the conference shall be finalised by the Council, and the Secretary shall be responsible for the conduct of the same. iii. The format of the scientific programme, including the fixed sessions, shall be available on the website of the Association in the form of E-book that can be downloaded by members. iv. The protocol for the scientific programme, the Inaugural ceremony, fixed sessions and the Valedictory Function/Ceremony shall be available on the website of the Association in the form of E-Hand Book that can be downloaded by members. <p>b) The Annual General Body Meeting</p> <p>The Annual General Body Meeting shall be the annual business meeting of the Association.</p> <p>1) Date & Venue</p> <p>The Annual General Body meeting shall be held on the penultimate day of the Annual Conference, at the conclusion of the scientific sessions on that day.</p> <p>2) Notice of the Meeting</p> <p>The Secretary shall send notice of the meeting indicating time, venue and agenda at least four weeks in advance of the date of the meeting. The notice shall be sent electronically to the registered E-mail address of all members as registered in the official records/members directory.</p> <p>3) Agenda for the Meeting</p> <p>The Secretary shall circulate the agenda for the meeting along with the notice of the meeting. The meeting shall mandatorily take up the following matters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approval of the minutes of the previous Annual General Body meeting ii. Discussion of the report of the
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		<p>Council presented by the Secretary and its adoption.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> iii. Discussion of the financial report presented by the Treasurer and its adoption. iv. Approval of the Audited Financial statement and Accounts of the preceding financial year. v. Approval of list of new members recommended by the Council. vi. Announcement of results of the elections for the incoming office-bearers of the Association. vii. Approval of venue for various forthcoming academic events and future conferences. viii. Approval of orators, and faculty for named lectures of the Association at the next conference. ix. Approval of convenors for respective academic sessions at the next conference. x. Discussion on duly presented Constitution amendments, if any, and approval of the same following due procedure. xi. To discuss any resolution placed by the Council or moved by individual members following due procedure. xii. Discussion of any other matter brought up for discussion with the permission of the Chair <p>4) Quorum</p> <p>One Third of Full members shall constitute the Quorum for the meeting. If the required number is not present in the hall at the designated time, the President shall adjourn the meeting for 30 minutes and reconvene the same as Adjourned General Body Meeting. The members present at the reconvened session shall be deemed to form the quorum for proceedings to be conducted.</p> <p>5) Presenting Resolutions for Adoption at the Annual General Body Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Members wishing to bring resolutions for discussion to the meeting may do so by sending the full resolution duly seconded by another member to the Secretary at least six weeks before the date of the Annual General Body meeting. ii. The Secretary shall circulate the resolutions to all members at least 4 weeks prior to the General Body Meeting. iii. The resolution will be considered first by the Council, before presenting in the General Body Meeting iv. The Secretary will then place the same before
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		<p>the General Body along with the recommendations of the Council.</p> <p>v. The President will put the resolution to vote in case no consensus is reached on the resolution after sufficient discussion.</p>
	Nil	<p>17. VOTING ON RESOLUTIONS & PROPOSALS AT THE GENERAL BODY MEETINGS</p> <p>A. Voting on matters at the General Body meetings shall ordinarily be by voice vote.</p> <p>B. In the event of disagreement about the outcome of the voice vote, the President shall call for votes by a show of hands, or a physical count taken after the members take sides on either side of an aisle to represent the group of “Ayes” and the group of “Nays” distinctly.</p> <p>C. The decision of a simple majority of those present and voting shall be deemed to have been carried.</p> <p>D. The President shall not cast a vote, and shall use the casting vote only to resolve a tie on numbers.</p>
15	<p>ELECTION</p> <p>a. Notification of nomination to various posts will be done by Secretary 3 months before Annual General Meeting.</p> <p><i>a₁. (Amendment, 2014). Notification of nomination to various posts will be done by Secretary 5 months before Annual General Meeting.</i></p> <p>b. All nominations will be proposed and seconded by two full members of the Association with written consent of the candidate.</p> <p>c. All nominations shall reach the Secretary not later than 8 weeks before the date of Annual General Meetings.</p> <p><i>c₁. (Amendment, 2014). All nominations shall reach the Secretary not later than 12 weeks before the date of Annual General Meetings.</i></p> <p>d. After scrutinizing the nomination the final list of nomination will be circulated by the Secretary to the full members of the Association 4 weeks before Annual General Meetings.</p> <p><i>d₁. (Amendment, 2014). After scrutinizing the nomination the final list of nomination will be circulated by the Secretary to the full members of the Association 6 weeks</i></p>	<p>18. ELECTIONS TO THE OFFICES AND COUNCIL OF THE ASSOCIATION</p> <p>Elections will be held during the Annual General Meeting. The Secretary shall circulate the list of vacant posts and call for nominations at least five months prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>a) Nominations</p> <p>i. Nominations shall be submitted in the prescribed format circulated on behalf of the Association by the Secretary.</p> <p>ii. Each nomination must be proposed by two Full Members in good standing, and seconded by another two Full Members in good standing.</p> <p>iii. The candidate shall be solely responsible for any infirmity or accuracy in the details furnished in the nomination form.</p> <p>iv. The mandatory declaration form duly signed by the candidate must accompany nominations.</p> <p>v. Nominations must reach the Secretary before 5 p.m. on the last date for filing nominations as announced in the election notice.</p> <p>vi. Nominations shall close twelve weeks before the date of commencement of the Annual</p>

	<p><i>before Annual General Meetings.</i></p> <p>e. Canvassing of any sort for the election of office bearers and Council members is not permitted.</p> <p>f. The election shall be held by secret ballot at the time of Annual General Meeting.</p> <p><i>f₁. (Amendment, 2014). The election shall be held by electronic voting online two weeks prior to the AGM and also during the annual conference on the day of the AGM for members who have not voted during the online voting process.</i></p> <p><i>The results would be declared by the Returning Officer (President Elect) only after both the online and on site voting is completed. The results have to be ratified by the AGM after announcement by the Returning Officer</i></p> <p>g. For any casual vacancy that may occur, the Council shall be empowered to appoint a successor who shall hold office till Annual General Meeting.</p>	<p>General meeting; any nominations received after that time shall not be accepted.</p> <p>vii. Nomination forms that are incomplete in any respect shall be rejected after scrutiny.</p> <p>viii. Nominations <i>not submitted in the prescribed form</i> shall be rejected.</p> <p>ix. No change in deadline dates shall be permitted even when the delay in the nomination form reaching the Returning Officer is due to postal delays, poor courier delivery service or <i>force majeure</i> events. A candidate is expected to take all these possibilities into consideration and ensure that the nomination form is despatched well in time.</p> <p>x. A member can contest only for one post at a time.</p> <p>xi. A member can propose or second only one name per post.</p> <p>i. A member contesting for a post may propose or second another member for any post other than the one being contested by the proposing/seconding member.</p> <p>b) Returning Officer, Scrutiny of Nominations, Withdrawal of Candidature & Conduct of elections</p> <p>i. One of the Past Presidents of the Association in good standing, nominated by the Executive Council, shall be the Returning Officer for the elections.</p> <p>ii. The Scrutiny of nominations shall take place within 48 hours of the time for closure of nominations.</p> <p>iii. The Returning Officer shall scrutinise the nomination papers, verify the accuracy of the information provided in respect of the membership status of the candidate, the proposer and the seconder, and then accept all papers that are in order.</p> <p>iv. The Returning Officer shall reject any incomplete, inaccurate or inappropriate nomination. This rejection shall be conveyed <i>after scrutiny of all nomination forms</i> to the candidate by the Returning Officer in writing, along with the reasons for the rejection.</p> <p>v. The Returning Officer is not authorised to communicate any infirmity or error in the nomination papers to a candidate under any circumstances. It is expected that</p>
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		<p>against each post in writing to the President for entering in the official records.</p> <p>xiii. The votes polled by the candidates shall not be disclosed in this written document handed over to the President.</p> <p>xiv. The President may announce the list of elected candidates during in the course of the General Body meeting at the appropriate time, or may request the Returning Officer to announce the names of the elected candidates.</p> <p>h) Retention of Ballots Cast</p> <p>i. In the case of electronic voting, the raw data shall be encrypted and retained on the server for a period of one month from the time of conclusion of the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>ii. The database shall be securely deleted after this period on the receipt of permission from the Returning Officer to do so.</p> <p>iii. The ballot papers cast in the election shall remain in the custody of the Returning Officer in a sealed box for one week from the date of the General Body Meeting.</p> <p>iv. At the end of this period, the Returning Officer shall shred the ballot papers in order to avoid any leakage of the same.</p> <p>v. On completion of the shredding process, the Returning Officer shall convey information of the same having been completed in writing to the Secretary.</p> <p>vi. Challenge to the Outcome of the elections & Recount of Ballots Challenge to the results in the case of electronic voting shall not be maintained as the scope for human error in counting is non-existent.</p> <p>vii. Challenges will only be entertained in the case of physical ballots.</p> <p>viii. Any aggrieved candidate may challenge the results in writing before 10 p.m. on the day the results are announced.</p> <p>ix. If such a challenge is laid, the votes cast for the specific post that the challenger contested for shall be recounted in the same fashion as was done for the original counting but in the presence of all the candidates contesting for that post, or their duly nominated representatives, in order to</p>
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		<p>ensure transparency and finality.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x. The Returning Officer shall obtain the signatures of all the candidates on the result sheet of the recount, and hand the same over to the Secretary. xi. The returning officer shall convey the outcome of this recount in writing to the President. xii. In the event the outcome of the election has changed after the recount, the President shall announce the new outcome prior to the commencement of the plenary sessions the next day.
17	<p>AMENDMENTS TO RULES</p> <p>Notice to any proposal to repeal, amend or add to the existing rules shall be forwarded to the Secretary in writing not later than six weeks before the date of Annual General Meeting. All the amendments to rules suggested by the member or by the Council shall be circulated to the members by the Secretary at least two weeks before the meeting. The proposal shall appear on the agenda of the meeting in the form of resolution duly proposed and seconded. No proposal shall be considered as passed unless it is carried by a majority of at least three fifth of the member present by voting.</p> <p><i>18. Amendments, 2008</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>The activities of the association would be purely charitable in nature and not motivated for profit.</i> b. <i>The funds of the institution would be utilized only towards the objects and no portion of it would be distributed in any manner to the trustees or persons defined in section 13(1) of the Income Tax Act, 1961.</i> c. <i>The benefit of objects would be available to the general public irrespective of cast, creed, religion or sex.</i> <p><i>Not more than 5% of the income of the association would be applied for any religious purposes or given to religious institutions.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) AMENDMENT TO THE RULES AND BYLAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION Amendments to the rules and bylaws may be proposed either by the Council of the Association, or by individual members. b) Where the Council proposes such amendments, the proposal shall be accompanied by a resolution of the Council containing the precise wording of the proposed amendment, the Section, Clause & Sub-clause it is applicable to, the wording of the existing clause and the reasons for proposing the change. c) Where it is for insertion of a new rule, the Section or Section and Clause under which it is to be inserted must be indicated. d) Where an individual member proposes such amendments, the proposal shall be seconded by at least 5 other Full Members of the Association e) The proposal shall contain the precise wording of the proposed amendment, the Section, Clause & Sub-clause it is applicable to, the wording of the existing clause and the reasons for proposing the change. f) Where it is for insertion of a new rule, the Section or Section and Clause under which it is to be inserted must be indicated. g) In either case, the amendment shall be submitted to the Secretary at least six weeks before the date of the Annual General Meeting. h) The Secretary shall circulate the same to all members at least four weeks prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting. i) The proposal shall be included in the Agenda of Annual General Meeting in the form of a Resolution duly proposed and seconded

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> j) No alternate amendments shall be proposed in respect of the proposed amendment, except minor modifications to remove ambiguity or provide clarity. k) Amendments shall not be entertained at any time after the stipulated period. l) Amendments proposed shall be considered clause by clause. m) If there is consensus on the amendment, the same may be accepted as unanimously adopted. n) If no consensus is reached after a reasonable time for discussion, the President will put the amendment(s) to vote. o) For the amendment to be carried, not less than three-fourth of the Full members present should vote in favour of the amendment; in the event of the number turning out to be a fraction below the three-fourths figure, the nearest integer shall be determined by the casting vote of the President.
16	<p>DISSOLUTION</p> <p>Any member not less than three-fifth of the members of Association may determine that the Association shall be dissolved and there upon it shall be dissolved forthwith, or at the time then agreed upon, and all necessary steps shall be taken for the disposal and settlement of property of the Association, its claims and liabilities. If upon dissolution of Association or termination shall remain after discharge of all debts and liabilities any property or funds whatsoever they shall be given or transferred to an institution or institutions having similar objectives as the Association which shall be determined by the votes not less than three fifth of the members of the group at the meeting at the time of dissolution.</p>	<p>20. DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION</p> <p>A proposal for dissolution of the Association shall be brought through a resolution signed by not less than three-fourth of the Full members on the rolls of the society at the time the proposal is raised.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The resolution shall be discussed at a General Body Meeting convened specially for this purpose. b) The resolution for dissolution shall be carried in the event of not less than three-fourth of the Full members present vote in favour of dissolution. c) Upon such a resolution being adopted, the Association shall stand dissolved forthwith, and a liquidator appointed to settle assets and liabilities. d) All steps shall be taken to discharge all verified claims and liabilities on the books of accounts of the Association. e) If residual assets remain after all liabilities have been discharged, they shall be transferred to an institution or institutions having similar objectives; the institution(s) that the assets will go to shall also be determined (at the meeting that effects the dissolution) by not less than three-fourth of the Full members present. f) In all of these, the Association shall comply with the laws and regulations of the land in force at the time.