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In the matter of Public Trust\* INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF

CARDIOVASCULAR AND THORACIC SURGEDNS. - Indian Medical Association House, 16, K. Khadye Marg, bombay-400 034.

I Dr. Kananjar Raghuram Shetty

be of the above named public trust, hereby apply under section 18 of the Bombay Public Trust, Act 1950, he Registration of the said public trust.

I submit the following necessary particulars :--

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(ai) the designation by which the public trust is or shall be known.(Name of the Public Trust)

INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF CARDIOVASCUAND THORACIC SURGEONS.

(i) Name of the trustees and managers with their addresses.

List of first Managing Committee is enclosed herewith.



(11) Mode of succession to the trusteeship and managership.

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(iii) Objects of the trust :-

To encourage and advance the study and practice of the science and are of General Thoracic Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery and allied fields and to associate together who are actively practicing, to hold scientific meetings and to encourage scientific research and experimental work in General Thoracic ANG cardiac and/or vascular surgery, to publish journals, broughers, periodicals etc., to establish and maintain reference libraries, to provide for instructions and constant to provide for instructions. to provide for instructions and education for the promotion and advancement of General Thoracic Cardiac and/or vascular surgery etc.

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(iv) (a) Particulars of documents creating the Memorandum of Association and Rules and Regulations dt. 12-6-91. (Copy enclosed herewith)

- (b) Particulars other than documents about the origin or creation of the trust.
- (  $\nu$  ) Particulars of the scheme, if any, relating Nil to the trust (attach copy).



(vi) Movable property with estimated value of each class of such property.

(Note: Entries should be made by broad description of classes of such property, e.g., furniture, books, etc., rather than of each individual article. Entry regarding cash should be made only if such cash forms part of the capital of the trust. In the case of scripts give particulars of each security, stock, share and debenture including the number which it bears.)

Nil

- (vii) (a) Details of immovable properties showing the village or town where situate, along with C. S., Municipal or survey No., area, assessment or Judi & description of the tenure on which held (attach certified copies of the entries in the Record of Rights, city survey record or municipal record relating to the properties).
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(b) Estimated value of each immovable property:—



(viii) Sources of income of the trust.

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# INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF CARDIOVASCULAR AND THORACIC SURGEONS

#### MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

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- The name of the Society shall be 'The Indian Association of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons'.
  - The Office of the Association shall be located in the State of Maharashtra, and for the time being the official address of the Association shall be Indian Medical Association House 16 K Khadye Marg, Bombay 400 034.
  - 3. The objects of the Association shall be :
    - a) To encourage and advance the study and practice of the science and are of General Thoracic Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery :
    - b) To associate together in one corporate body all qualified workers actively practising or interested in the science and are of General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery and allied fields;
    - c) To hold scientific meetings
    - d) To encourage scientific research and experimental work in General Thoracic, Cardisc and/or Vascular Surgery;
    - e) To publish journals, proceedings, brothures, periodicals, abstracts and/or any other literature pertaining to General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery;
  - To advance the Association of Surgeons of India on all matters affecting General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery and on publication of articles, proceedings, abstracts and similar other items in the Indian Journal of Surgery;

- g) To establish contact with other professional Societies or Associations in India or abroad and to exchange scientific information and collaborate with them for the furtherance of matters of common interest;
- h) to establish and maintain reference libraries of books, journals, other publications and audiovisual materials relating to General Thoracis, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery;
- To provide for instructions and education for the promotion and advancement of General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery;
- j) To watch and mission on legislation affecting General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery and allied subjects;
- Central or State Government/Medical Conjudit of India or State Medical Councils/Universities or other benefide state Medical Councils/Universities or other benefide teaching or training centres on matters affecting the interest and development of General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery, including teaching and training of medical students (undergraduates and paramedical workers in the speciality and aliled fields, on matters pertaining to research in General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery, and regarding standardisation of instruments, implants and prosthetic or biological appliances pertaining to the aforementioned specialities; and
  - 1) To organise any other activity or do all such other things as may be incidental to or conducive to the furtherance of the interests of the Association.

The full names, addresses, age, nationality, occupation and designations of the office bearers and members of the Executive Committee to whom the Management of the Association is entrusted as per Rules and Regulations of the Association.

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We, the undersigned members of the Executive Committee of the Indian Association of Cardio Vascular and Thoracic Surgeons, do hereby declare that we are desirous of forming the Society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 and with a view to register the same under the said Act we have subscribed our signatures to this Memorandum of Association.

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51.No.	Name	<u>Designation</u>	BEGINE COL
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Superintendent (Certified Copy) Public Trust Registration Office

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# RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF CARDIOVASCULAR AND THORACIC SURGEONS

## Article No. 1

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#### General:

- Association of Cardiovascular and Regulations, the Indian Association of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons shall be termed simply 'Association'. The 'Journal' shall mean the Indian Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery and generally, unless repugnant to the context, the singular shall include the plural and masculine the feminine and vice-versa and writing shall include print, lithograph or other substitute for writing.
- b) The Association shall inherit the ordine membership and properties and funds of the Association of Thoracto and Cardiovascular Surgeons of India.
- to IACTS, but for the sake of easy pronunciation and brevity, the abreviation used on the certificates of fellowship shall be "F.I.A.C.S." for the fellow of the Association.

## Article No. 2

#### Membership ;

a) Membership of the Association shall be open to those who

i) have acquired a recognised qualification in General Thoracic and/or Cardiac and/or Vascular surgery exclusively after having acquired a recognised qualification in surgery, or

- ii) are engaged in the practice of or research pertaining to General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery exclusively after having acquired a recognised qualification in surgery, or
- iii) are undergoing postgraduate training in General Thoracic and/or Cardiovascular Surgery or are engaged in the practice closely allied to General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery, or
- iv) are men of distinction, including laymen residing in India and abroad who have made outstanding contribution to the progress of General Thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular Surgery.
- b) A post graduate degree/diploma in Cardiac or Vascular or Thoracic Surgery and/or combination of the foregoing three subjects shall be the recognised qualification for the membership of the Association Commission.
- c) Membership shall comprise of seven caregories, namely :
  - i) Fellow:
    A Life Member of the Association who has completed five years as a member/life member, shall ordinarily be elected as a Fellow of the Association by the Executive Committee and upon the election shall be conferred a Certificate of Fellowship.
  - An Honorary Fellow may be directly elected by the Executive Committee unanimously, from amongst those who qualify for the membership and upon his election he shall be conferred a Certificate of Honorary Fellowship.



#### iii) Life Member:

A member of the Association of at least one year's standing who contributes the minimum stipulated subscription for Life Membership may be elected by the Executive Committee as Life Member.

#### iv) Member:

A person shall be called a member of the Association only when he is so elected by the Executive Committee after having qualified for the membership and pays the prescribed membership subscription.

#### v) Associate Member:

A person shall be called an Associate Member of the Association only when he is so elected by the Executive Committee, after having qualified for the membership and pays the prescribed membership subscription, provided that the executive Committee, elect unanimously an Associate Member of five years' standing on application accompanied by the prescribed subscription for Life Membership.

#### vi) Overseas Member:

A person resident abroad shall be called an Overseas Member only when he is so elected by the Executive Committee after having qualified for membership and pays the prescribed subscription in U.S Dollars, and

vii) Overseas Life Member:

An overseas Member of the Association of the least one year's standing, who contributes the minimum stipulated subscription for Overseas Life Membership 18 U.S Dollars may be elected by the Executive Committee as an Overseas Life Member.

d) The rates of subscription and initiation fees for the different categories of membership shall be as follows:

	Subscription	Initiation Fees
Fellow		
Honorary Fellow	Nil	Nil
Life Member	Nil	Nil
Member	Rs.1,000/-	Nil
	Rs.100/-	Rs. 200/-
Associate Member	Rs.50/-	Rs. 100/-
Overseas Member		Rs. 200/-
Overseas Life Member	Rs. L. 000/-	Nil

- e) Any change in the rate of subscription or of the initiation fee for the different categor is of the membership shall take effect only from the date of adoption or amendment of these Rules by the General Bod of the association and shall not presently or in future affect the status of or apply to the Honorary Fellow, Fellows, Life Members and Overseas Life Members on the roll of the Association or of the Association of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgeons of India on the date such change is brought into force.
- f) The Secretary shall scrutinize every application for membership and he may alter satisfying himself regarding the eligibility of the applicant for election to the appropriate category of membership, issue a letter to the applicant with a view to conferring on the latter the limited privilege of participating in the scientific meetings of the Association until such time as when a final decision is reached on the application.
- g) There shall be no numerical limit to the membership under any of the categories cited above.
- h) Fellows, Life Members and Members shall be referred to as "Full Members" of the Association.

- and Honorary Fellows shall be made on an official form supplied for the purpose. Every proposal shall be stamped by at least one full Member of the Association, and forwarded to the secretary who shall place it before the Executive Committee for consideration.
- j) The Executive Committee may in their discretion and without assigning any reason therefor, decline or refuse to elect any person or persons to any of the categories of membership.
- k) Elections to the different categories of membership other than to the category of fellows and Honorary Fellows shall ordinarily be ratified by a simple majority of the Annual General Body Meeting of the Association.
- 1) The decision of the Executive Committee with regard to the election of Fellows and Honorary Fellows shall be final.
- m) At the time of submission of the application for membership an Initiation Fee shall be paid by the prospective member/
  Associate Member/Overseas Member.
- n) The Initiation Fee shall be equal to twice the Annual Subscription for the category of membership for which the application is submitted and upon election of the applicant to the desired category of the membership, fifty percent of the Initiation Fee shall be considered as his membership subscription for the current year and other fifty percent shall be credited to the consolidated fund of the Association. Provided that, in the event of the application for the membership being unsuccessful, the Initiation Fee shall not be refunded and instead all of it shall be credited to the consolidated fund of the Association.
- o) The membership subscription for different categories of membership shall be as follows:

- i) The annual subscription rate for Members, Associated Members and Overseas Members shall be as stipulated in the Rules and Regulations.
- ii) A Life Member and an Overseas Life Member shall be required to pay in a single instalment, ten times the Annual Subscription of a Member and of an Overseas Member respectively.
  - iii) Fellows and Honorary Fellows shall office required to pay any membership subscription.
  - iv) The annual subscription from Members Associated Members and Overseas Members shall fall due on the dist April each year and is payable in advance. The amount so collected shall be credited to the General Account of the Association.
  - v) Fifty percent of the subscription paid by the Life Members, Overseas Members and Overseas Life Members shall be credited to the Account of the Indian Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery and the other fifty percent to the General Account of the Indian Association of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery.

#### Article No.3

## Privileges of Members :

a) The full members of the Association shall have the privilege of participating in all the activities of the Association including the right to attend the General Body Meeting, the right to vote, the right to take part in the elections to the Executive Committee of the Association and the right to propose the names for the membership of the Association.

- b) The Honorary Fellows, Associate Members, Overseas Members and Overseas Life Members shall have the privilege of participating in the scientific meetings and social events organised by the Association and of engaging in scientific discussions and educational programmes conducted by the Association, after paying the requisite fees, if any. However, they shall not have the right to attend the General Body Meetings or the right to vote or to take part in the elections to the Executive Committee of the Association or to propose the names for the members.
- c) Everyone belonging to any of the categories of membership of the Association shall reveive free of cost a copy the Indian Journal of thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, as and when it is published.
- d) A member or Associate Member or Overseas Member, whose membership subscription to the Association is in arrears for three consectutive years and remains unpaid after three reminders sent through certified post at monthly intervals to his address listed in the records of the Association, shall automatically lose all the privileges of membership and, unless corrective steps are taken by him before the 31st December of the year in which the reminders have been sent, his name shall be deleted from the records of Membership of the Association by the Executive Committee.
- e) Privileges of Membership may also be withdrawn from a person, whose continued membership, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, is detrimental to the interest of or is likely to bring disrepute to the Association. However, before taking this step on such grounds, the person concerned shall be given an opportunity to explain his conduct either in person or in writing and, before deleting his name from the records of Membership of the Association, the approval of the General Body by a simple majority of Full Members present and voting, shall have to be obtained.

- f) Any person, who ceases to be a member of the Association from any cause whatoever, shall immediately lose all the privileges of membership and he shall not be entitled to refund of the Membership Subscription paid by him to the Association.
- g) Corrective steps in the context of defaulting Members,
  Associate Members and Overseas Members shall mean full
  payment of all the arrears of Membership Subscription due
  from the concerned person.
- h) Recommendation of withdrawal of the privileges of Membership can be made by the Executive Committee only when the decision to that effect has been reached by the majority opinion of the entire Executive Committee and not merely by the majority opinion of the members of the Executive Committee participating in the process of voting.
- i) Any person from any of the categories of Membership may resign his membership of the Association. Upon acceptance by the Executive Committee, such resignation shall be immediately effective and the concerned person shall no longer enjoy any of the privileges of the Membership including the right to use the abbreviation F.I.A.C.S. after his name.
- j) All the properties and funds of the Association shall belong to the Association collectively and no individual Fellow, Honorary fellow, Life Member, Associate Member, Overseas Member or Overseas Life Member shall have any property right over any of the said properties or funds.

## Article No.4

## Officers of the Association

a) The Officers of the Association shall be a President, a Senior Vice-president, a Junior Vice-President, a Secretary and a Joint Secretary cum Treasurer. b) All Officers shall be honorary.

#### c) President:

- i) The tenure of the President shall be from the day of his installation to the day of installation of his successor.
- ii) He shall preserve, protect and uphold the Constitution and shall guide the other Officers in the discharge of their duties.
- iii) He shall preside over the General Body Meetings, the meetings of the Executive Committee and of the Editorial Board, and over any function organise by or on behalf of the Association.
- iv) He shall chair the scientific session when any of the Orations of the Association is delivered.
- v) He shall be an ex-officio member of all the Committees and Sub-Committees of the Association.
- vi) He shall have the honour of delivering, before laying down his office, a Presidential address at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Association.

#### d) Senior Vice-President:

- i) The tenure of the senior Vice-President shall be one year at the end of which he shall be installed as President in the Annual General Body Meeting without any formal election.
- ii) He shall be the ex-officio Chairman of the Scientific Programme Committee of the Scientific Meetings of the Association and shall be primarily responsible for giving the scientific programme of the Scientific Meetings their final shape and content in conformity with the guidelines laid down by the Executive Committee.

- He shall be the Returning Officer for the election to the Executive Committee, and declarations by him regarding the validity of the nominations and votes, and regarding the results of elections shall be binding unless reverted by the President.
- iv) He shall discharge and the littles of the President in the latter's absence and shall substitute the President on the Editorial Board of the Journal until such time as when the President sames his duties or the new President is installed, whichever is earlier.
- v) In the event of the death of the Junior Vice-President or of the Junior Vice-President relinquishing his office before the end of his tenure, the Senior Vice-President shall additionally function as the Consulting Editor for the Indian Journal of Surgery.

## e) Junior Vice-President:

- A Junior Vice-President shall be elected by the General Body at the Annual General Body Meeting each year.
- ii) He shall remain the Junior Vice-President until the next Annual General Body Meeting after which he shall automatically become the Senior Vice-President.
- iii) He shall be the Consulting Editor for the Indian Journal of Surgery and shall advise regarding the suitability for publication in that journal of any article or abstract pertaining to General Thoracic, Cardiac or Vascular Surgery.
- iv) He shall discharge all the duties of the Senior Vice-President in the latter's absence until such time as when the Senior Vice-President resumes his office or he (the Junior Vice-President) is installed as the Senior Vice-President, whichever is earlier.

In the event of the death of the Senior Vice-President or of the Senior Vice-President relinquishing his office before or at the end of his tenure, the Junior Vice-President shall become the Senior Vice-President of the Association and prior to his installation as the President of the Association, the offices of the Junior Vice-President as well as the Senior-Vice President shall be filled through elections. Provided that he shall continue to be the consulting Editor for the Indian Journal of Surgery Intil Such time a new Junior Vice-President is duly elected.

#### f) Secretary:

- i) The Secretary shall be elected by the General Body at the Annual General Body Meeting for the tenure of three years and in no case for more than two consecutive tenures.
- ii) He shall be the principal executive officer of the Association and shall sign and execute all contracts, deeds or other instruments in the name of the Association, as directed by the Executive Committee.
- iii) He shall manage the day to day affairs and implement all the policies and programmes of the Association, in consultation with the President, and shall place his reports thereon at the meetings of the Executive Committee.
- iv) He shall present an Annual Report on the activities and affairs of the Association at the Annual General Body Meeting, after getting the said report approved by the Executive Committee.
- v) He shall prepare and keep the minutes of all the Meetings of the executive Committee and of the General Body.

- vi) He shall be the custodian of all the assets, documents and papers and of the rights and properties other than the funds of the Association.
- vii) He shall be an ex-officio member of all the Committees and sub-committees of the Association.
- viii)He shall discharge the duties of the Treasurer in the latter's absence until such time as when the Treasurer resumes his duties or a new Treasurer is elected, whichever is earlier
- ix) He shall have, for the discharge of his duties, the authority to spend money from the 'Secretary's Contingency Fund', the size of which shall be as determined by the Executive Committee from time to time.

Provided that the Secretary shall maintain proper accounts of the money spent from the 'Secretary's Contingency Fund' and shall submit the same to the Treasurer for auditing by the Auditors appointed by the General Body.

- x) The Association shall sue or be sued through the Secretary. Provided that any such suit shall be filed/ defended by the Secretary after consulting and in accordance with the direction given by the Executive Committee of the Association.
- xi) In the event of the death of the Secretary or of the Secretary relinquishing his office before the end of his tenure, the Joint Secretary cum Treasurer shall additionally function as the Secretary of the Association.

- g) Joint Secretary cum Treasurer:
  - i) He shall be a resident of the city/town/village where the registered office of the Association is located and shall manage the office under the direction of the Secretary.
  - ii) He shall be elected by the General Body at the Annual General Body Meeting for a tenure of three years.

    Ordinarily, he shall not be re-elected for a second consecutive tenure.
  - iii) He shall keep the accounts of the Finances of the Association including those of the Journal and shall get all the accounts audited by the Auditors appointed by the General Body.
  - iv) He shall present the annual audited accounts for the previous fiscal year and the unaudited accounts upto and inclusive of the 31st December of the current fiscal year before the Executive Committee and thereafter in the Annual General Body Meeting of the Association.
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- ii) excercise general control and supervision over the Officers and Committees of the Association and over the Managing Editor of the Journal,
- iii) scrutinize all proposals for membership of the Association and shall elect, if it deems bit any person to an appropriate category of membership as per the provisions of Article No.4,
- iv) recommend, from time to time, the rate of subscription for different categories of membership of the Association and shall take appropriate steps to get the revised rates entered in the by-laws of the Association,
- v) determine the sizes of the 'Secretary's Contingency Fund' and the 'Managing Editor's Contingency Fund' and
- vi) lay down guidelines for the functioning of the Editorial Board of the Journal.
- f) The Executive Committee may withdraw the privileges of membership of the Association from a person in accordance with Article No.3 e).
- g) Without prejudice to the authority of the General Body of the Association the Executive Committee may also exercise the powers as under:
  - i) to appoint Committees, Commissions and Sub-Committees and delegate certain functions and powers to them as it may deem necessary.

- ii) to nominate from amongst the Full Members of the Association, three members to the Editorial Board of the Journal and to choose the Consulting Editors for the Journal.
- iii) to co-opt any Life Member, Member, Associate Member or any othe rperson to any committee/sub-committee,
- iv) to nominate delegates to represent the Association at Conferences in India and abroad,
- to purchase, build or otherwise acquire and hold land, buildings, machineries, plants, furnitures, vehicles, books and other equipment that may be found necessary in furtherance of the functions and duties of the Association, for and in the name of the Association.
- vi) to receive donations and benefaction for and in the name of the Association or the Journal,
- vii) to constitute Trusts/Foundations or to create Endowments for specific activities of the Association, and
- viii) to authorise disbursement from the General Account of the Association and the Account of the Journal,
- ix) to issue certificates, diplomas, or to give prizes/ awards, or to confer honours, if and when deemed fit by the Association.
- h) The Executive Committee, with the approval of the General Body may borrow, guarantee, raise or otherwise procure money on security of movable, immovable or other assets of the Association if the need arises.

i) Except as herein otherwise specifically stated, the decision of the Executive Committee on matters of the Association including those of the Journal shall be final, subject only to an appeal to the General Body;

Provided that any action legally taken by the Executive Committee in good faith shall not be reversed by the General Body with retorspective effect.

j) The Executive Committee shall meet at least once during each of the Scientific Meetings organised by the Association so that they meet ordinarily type furing a financial year of the Association.

Provided that at least one meeting of the Executive Committee shall be held within twentyfour hours prior to the commencement of the Annual General Body Meeting of the Association.

- k) The Executive Committee may, without meeting together transact business by mail, telegraph, telex or telefax by voting upon matters transmitted to the members of the Executive Committee by the Secretary with the approval of the President.
- 1) In the event of two or more vacancies occuring in the office of the Officers of the Association, through any cause whatsoever, during the period between two consecutive Annual General Body Meetings, the remaining Members of the Executive Committee, at their next meeting or through voting by mail, telegraph, telex or telefax shall fill the vacancies by co-opting any of the Full Members of the Association until the next Annual General Body Meeting of the Association.
- m) Further, the event of any of the prsons, selected by the General Body to deliver the Orations instituted by the Association, being unable to deliver the said Oration, on any account whatsoever, the Executive Committee shall ordinarily nominate a suitable replacement through a process of voting, if sufficient time is available for the nominee to prepare for the Oration.

- n) Should any dispute arise between the Officers of the Association or between the Managing Editor of the Journal and any of the Officers of the Association or between any two members of the Executive Committee relating to their respective duties or to any alleged breach of the provisions of the Constitution or By-laws or on any account whatsoever which cannot be satisfactorily settled under the procedures already provided or agreed to, then the President shall arbitrate and his recipilate shall be binding on all parties.
- o) The Secretary, ubject to the superintendence and general control of the Executive Committee and directions and guidance given by the General Endy shall have full administrative control over the working of the Association in all its spheres of activities and functions and it shall be his duty and responsibility to translate into action the objects of the Association and the resolutions passed by the General Body of the Association.
- p) The Managing Editor, subject to the superintendence of the Secretary and general control of the Executive Committee shall have full administrative control over the publication of the Journal.
- q) The Executive Committee shall be the Governing Body of the Association to whom by the rules and regulations of the Association the management of its affairs is entrusted.
- r) The Executive Committee shall have full power to exercise control over the properties of the Association and to engage such officials or other staff/persons, paid or honorary, or may be found necessary for the proper conduct or management of the affairs of the Association in keeping with its objects.

s) The Executive Committee or any of its members shall not be held responsible for the damage to or loss of any property or fund of the Association incurred as a result of any action taken in good faith.

#### Article No.6

#### Election:

- a) The election for filling up the vacancies in the Executive Committee shall be held annually at the Annual General Body Meeting after due notice to Fifth Members on the roll of the Association.
- b) The Secretary shall call for nominations for the impending vacancies, and for the existing vacancies, when there are any, in the Executive Committee by sending to each of the Full Members a notice at least six weeks before the Annual General Body Meeting.
- c) The last date and time for filling a nomination paper shall be the date and time of the meeting of the Executive Committee which immediately precedes the Annual General Body Meeting of the Association.
- d) All valid nominations shall be duly proposed and seconded by at least one Full Member each on the roll of the Association.
- e) Withdrawal of nomination can be made on the floor of the house at the time of the Annual General Body Meeting or earlier in writing.

Provided that the President shall have the power to call for fresh nominations from the house at the time of the Annual General Body Meeting in the event of a valid nomination getting nullified by the withdrawal of the candidature by the person

whose name had been proposed or if there is no valid nomination left in the field for filling up any of the vacancies in the Executive Committee.

- f) Voting shall take place if there are more than one nomination for any one vacancy and the winner shall be declared on the basis of the simple majority of the number of valid votes cast.
- g) The new President shall be installed immediately after the declaration of the results of the elections and the reconstituted Executive Committee shall be deemed to have taken over alongwith the installation of the President.
- h) Ordinarily the Senior Vice President shall be the Returning Officer for the elections.
- i) The members of the Executive Committee, in their individual capcity may propose and second nominations for the election to the Executive Committee, but no such nomination shall be proclaimed to be of the Executive Committee.
- j) In the event of the decision of the Returning Officer for the elections to the Executive Committee with regard to the validity of the nominations and votes and the result of the said elections, being reversed or set aside by the President, the General Body shall immediately appoint a sub-committee of three members chosen from those attending the said General Body. The President shall then adjourn the Annual General Body meeting for 15 minutes or, if required, longer at the end of which the said sub-committee shall give their verdict which shall be binding on all parties, the Secretary shall be one of the members of this sub-committee.
- k) Voting for the elections to the executive Committee shall be by secret ballot to be held during the Annual General Body Meeting transacting the business of such elections.

#### Article No.7

# Publication :

- The official organ of the Association shall be the Indian Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery. a)
- The frequency of publication of the Journal shall be half yearly unless and until altered by the Executive Committee. b)
- The Editorial Board of the Journal shall consist of : Commission c)

Managing Editor Associate Editor

Members President of the Association Immediate Past Presidents (available and willing)

Secretary of the Association

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- A limited number of Consulting Editors from India and abroad may be co-opted provided that they agree to function as a) reviewers of articles for the Journal.
- Whereas the Managing Editor shall have to be duly elected in an Annual General Body Meeting, the Executive Committee shall e) nominate the three Ordinary Members of the Editorial Board, and also choose the Consulting Editor.
- Managing Editor : f)
  - He shall enjoy full freedom regarding the selection of the two Associate Editors belonging to any of the categories i) of Membership of the Association, to assist him in getting the Journal published.
  - ii) He shall also have the freedom regarding the choice of articles to be published, and regarding the format and the size of the Journal.

- Assistants or one Administrative Assistant and another staff member of his choice to aid him in the discharge.
- iv) He shall have, for the discharge of his duties, authority to spend money from the 'Managing Editor's Contingency Fund' the size of which shall be as determined by the Executive Committee from time to time.

Provided that the Managing Editor shall maintain proper accounts of the money spent from the 'Managing Editor's Contingency Fund' and shall submit the same to the Treasurer for auditing by the auditors appointed by the General Body.

v) In the event of the death of the Managing Editor or the Managing Editor relinquishing his office before the end of his tenure, the Executive Committee shall nominate any of the other members of the Editorial Board of the Journal to function as the Managing editor until fresh elections are held to fill the office of the Managing Editor.

#### Article No.8

#### Finances :

- a) The Financial Year of the Association shall run from the 1st April, of one calendar year to the 31st March of the following calendar year both days inclusive. The books of the Association shall be kept and audited on this basis.
- b) All property and money of the Association shall be vested and held in its name, while the specific fund alloted to the Journal by the Executive Committee, shall be vested and held in the name of the Journal.

- c) The amount realised from the Initiation Fees shall be placed in a special fund called the Consolidated Fund of the Association, while the specified portions of the Membership Subscription shall be credited to the General Account of the Association and to the Account of the Journal.
- d) The Consolidated Fund of the Association shall be held in reserve for meeting extraordinary expenses, as determined by the General Body of the Association.
- e) The income from the Consolidated Crund and all other sources shall be credited to the general Account of the Association.

  Disbursal from this General Account shall be made as per the decision of the Executive Committee unless otherwise specified.
- f) The accounts of the Association and of the Journal shall be maintained in the names of the Association and the Journal respectively at a bank or banks authorised by the Executive Committee.
- g) The Treasurer shall operate and maintain the Consolidated Fund and the General Account of the Association as well as the account of the Journal, and shall operate the bank accounts thereof.
- h) The accounts of the Association and of the Journal shall be audited annually by the officially appointed auditors and the audited reports of the previous fiscal year along with the unaudited accounts upto and inclusive of the 31st December of the current fiscal year shall be placed before the Executive Committee and thereafter at the Annual General Body Meeting.

#### Article No. 9

#### Meetings ;

- a) Scientific Meetings :
  - i) There shall be at least one scientific meeting, otherwise

referred to as Conference, organised by the Association during one financial year and this shall be called the Annual Scientific Meeting, or simply Annual Conference, of the Association.

- ii) The Annual Conference shall ordinarily commence on the 26th February and conclude on the 28th February of each year, but in no case before the 15th February or later than the 15th March of that year.
- iii) The second scientific meeting, if and when held, shall ordinarily be held in the month of September but in no case before the 1st August or later than the 15th October of each year.
- iv) Each scientific meeting shall have a Scientific Programme Committee headed by the Senior Vice President, and have as members, the local Organising Secretary of the Meeting and another local person drawn from othe Membership of the Association. The Secretary of the Association shall be the ex-officio member of the programme committee.
- v) For the benefit of members of any other professional Association or Society, the Association shall organise, if so requested by the said Association or Society, symposia or Panel discussions or Continuing Medical Education Programme, pertaining to General thoracic, Cardiac and/or Vascular surgery, but not a regular scientific meeting.

## b) Executive Committee Meetings:

- i) The frequency of the Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be as per Article No7 j).
- ii) Five members shall form the quorum at a Meeting of the Executive Committee.

iii) Each meeting of the Executive Committee shall confirm the minutes of the immediately preceding Executive Committee Meeting, before transacting other business.

# c) General Body Meeting:

- i) A meeting of the General Body of the Association shall be held on the second day of the Annual Conference of the Association. This Meeting shall be designated the Annual General Body Meeting and shall ordinarily be conducted as the afternoon session of the Conference that day, preceded only by one or two Guest Lectures or an Oration, if needed.
- ii) An Extraordinary General Body Meeting shall be called by the Secretary, if so decided by the Executive Committee unanimously or requisitioned in writing by not less than one fifth of the total number of Full Members on the rolls of the Association.
- iii) Only Full Members of the Association are eligible to attend a General Body Meeting
- iv) The quorum for the Extraordinary General Body Meeting shall be one-eighth of the total number of Full Members eligible to attend the said Meeting.
- v) The quorum for the Annual General Bodow Meeting shall be one-tenth of the total number of Members eligible to attend the said Meeting.

Provided that, if there is no quorum then the Meeting shall be adjourned for fifteen minutes and if at such adjourned General Body Meeting too, the required quorum is not available then the Full Members, with the right

to vote, present in the Meeting shall constitute the quorum and this meeting shall go through the already circulated agenda with a view to transacting the routine business of the Annual General Body Meeting.

vi) The quorum for the General Body Meeting discussing Amendments of the Constitution of the Association shall be one-seventh of the total number of Full Members eligible to the said Meeting.

Provided that if there is no requisite quorum, then the meeting shall be adjourned for fifteen minutes. If after this period of adjournment there is still no quorum but the Secretary reports that more than one-seventh of the eligible Full Members of the Association have returned the proxy vote, forms duly signed, then the President may declare that the requisite quorum is present and proceed with the business of the meeting.

- vii) The Extraordinary General Body Meeting shall be convened by the Secretary on the date decided by the Executive Committee to that effect or within eight weeks from the date of receiving the written demand to that effect from the required number of requisitionists of the same.
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- ix) Notice for the Annual Gneral Body Meeting Extraordinary
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  through certified post by the Secretary to all the eligible
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  the scheduled date for the Annual General Body Meeting/
  Extraordinary General Body Meeting.
- d) Any decision other than those pertaining to the amendments of the Constitution or dissolution of the Association taken at the

meeting of the Executive Committee or the General Body, which which is duly convened and held and where there is a requisite quorum, shall be deemed to have the same effect as that which is passed under the signature of all the Members of the respective bodies, unless otherwise specifically stated elsewhere in this Constitution.

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  - i) the copies of the proposed amendment/new provisions/
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    of the Association having the right to vote, at least
    six weeks ahead of the date of the General Body Meeting.
  - ii) the proposed amendment/new provisions/special resolution shall be moved at the Annual General Body Meeting or at an Extraordinary General Body Meeting specifically convened for the purpose.

- iii) the quorum for this General Body Meeting shall be as stated in Article 9 c(vi) and
- iv) more than fifty percent of the total eligible Full Members on the roll of the Association vote in favour of the amendment/new provision/special resolution, either in person or by proxy, including at least two-thirds of the members present at the said General Body Meeting.

Provided that any affirmative proxy vote shall be counted either when it is duly signed by an eligibe Full Member on the roll of the Association or if a Full Member does not reply within four weeks from the date of mailing the proxy vote form to his address listed in the records of the Association, thereby indicating his approval of the proposed amendment of the Constitution/New provision in the Constitution/Special Resolution.

- f) All the Full Members of the Association who, as on the date of the General Body Meeting, are not in arrears for more than two consecutive years in respect of payment of their subscriptions to the Association and whose membership privileges have not been withdrawn, shall be eligible to validly constitute the General Body.
- g) In the absence of the requisite quorus an Extraordinary General Body Meeting shall not be valid and consequently while such a General Body may discuss the already circulated agenda, any of the decisions taken at this meeting shall not be construed as anything more than a mere suggestion for further consideration.
- h) The Annual General Body shall transact, among other things, the following routine businesses:

- Approval of the minutes of the immediate previous Annual General Body Meeting;
- ii) Consideration of the report of the Secretary;
- iii) Consideration of the audited accounts and appointment of the auditors for the current year;
- iv) Selection of candidates for the various travelling
   Fellowships (Betts Fellowship, Ethicon Fellowship etc.)
- v) Selection of candidates for the Orations instituted by the Association (Dr. C.S. Sadasivan Oration and Dr.G.S. Karai Oration etc);
- vi) Selection of the venues for the forthcoming Conference of the Association;
- vii) Admission of new members to various categories of memberships;
- viii) Elections to the Executive Committee;
- ix) Installation of the new President; and
- x) Vote of thanks

## Fellowships, Orations and Awards

- a) Reeve H. Betts Fellowship :
  - i) Each year this Fellowship shall be awarded to ony one candidate who shall be a Member or Life Member of the Association
  - ii) The age of the candidate shall be at least 35 years at the time of submitting his application for the Fellowship and he shall be attached to a Cardiovascular and/or Thoracic Surgical Unit where he returns to at the end of his visit.

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- iii) The duration of this travelling fellowship shall be upto six weeks but not less than four weeks and the candidate shall be required to submit to the Association a detailed report of his visit within two months of the completion of his visit.
- iv) A candidate for the Fellowship shall get his application forwarded by his Head of the Department unless he himself occupies that chair, and shall clearly state, among other things, the purpose of his applying for the Fellowship indicating how, in his opinion, it may influence his future work.
  - Body shall submit to the executive Committee a detailed programme of his proposed visit alongwith copies of the letters indicating that he would be accepted as a Fellow by the Cardiovascular and/or Thoracic Surgical centres of his choice within the country. for the duration stipulated by him.
    - vi) In the event of the Fellowship, in a given year, is either not awarded or not availed of by the selected candidate, the Fellowship amount shall be added to the corpus of the Fellowship.

## b) Starr-Ahmad Fellowship :

- i) Each year, this Fellowship shall be awarded to ony one cardiac surgeon or a cardiologist alternatively.
- ii) A candidate for this Fellowship shall be a Member or Life Member of his respective professional society (the Association in case of the cardiac surgeon and the Cardiological Society of India in the case of the Cardiologist).

- iii) The age of the candidate at the time of submitting his application for this Fellowship shall be between 35 and 45 years and he must be in possession of a valid passport.
- iv) The candidate must be attached to a Cardiac Surgical Unit or Cardiology Unit, depending upon his profession, and shall be required to get his application forwarded by his respective Head of the Department unless he himself occupies that chair.
- v) The candidate must himself give an undertaking and shall enclose with his application a certificate from the Head of his Institute/Centre to the effect that he shall be returning to his job in the Institute/Centre at the end of his Fellowship period.
- vi) A candidate for this Fellowship in his application must clearly state, among other thins, the purpose of his applying for the Fellowship indicating how, in his opinion, it may help his future work.
- vii) The candidate must also state in he application if he has visited any country or countries in the past for an aggregate period of three months or more and, if indeed he has, then he must furnish the particulars of the duration and purpose of his visits abroad.
- viii) The Secretary of the Association shall scrutinise the applications and prepare a short list of 10 candidates who shall be asked to appear at a personal interview, before a committee consisting of the President and Secretary of the Association and Dr.P Shatapathy and Dr. K. M. Cherian, during the Annual Conference of the Association.
- ix) The aforesaid committee shall further shortlist three candidates in order of merit and this list shall be sent

to Dr. Aftab Ahmad at Portland, Oregon, U.S.A. for selection of the successful and an alternate candidate.

- The duration of the Fellowship shall ordinarily be for x) three months to be spent at the Heart Institute of the St. Vincent Hospital & Medical Centre, Portland, Oregon, U.S.A.
- Dr. C. S. Sadasivan Memorial Oration: d)
  - This Oration shall ordinarily be delivered during the i) Annual Conference of the Association and shall carry an award and a citation.
  - The subject of the Oration shall pertain to Cardiac ii) Surgery.
  - iii) The nominee for the Oration shall ben's Meane /Life Member/ Overseas Member/Overseas Life Member of at least seven years' standing
  - A nomination paper for the Oration must least two Full Members of the Association iv) enclose the following :
    - a detailed curriculum vitae of the nominee ;
    - : a brief note, not exceeding 500 words, regarding the contribution of the nominee towards the advancement of Cardiovascular & Thoracic Surgery; and
    - : an indication from the nominee regarding his willingness to deliver the Oration, if selected.
  - The President of the Association shall be one of the Chaipersons of teh session in which the Oration is delivered. v)
  - In the unusual event of no selection being made in a given year or the selected candidate failing to deliver the vi)

Oration, the cash award normally given to the Orator shall be added to the corpus of the Memorial Fund.

- e) Dr. Godrej Karai Memorial Oration:
  - i) This Oration shall be delivered during the Annual Conference of the Association and shall carry an award and a citation.
  - ii) The subject of the Oration shall pertain to General Thoracic and/or Vascular Surgery.
  - iii) Other rules governing the Oration shall be as per Dr. C. S. Sadasivan Memorial Oration.
- f) The selections for the above cited Orations and Fellowship excluding the Starr-Ahmad Fellowship, shall be made by the Executive Committee subject to ratification by the General Body.
- g) The guidelines for the Dr. Parsuram Memorial Award or any other award or travelling fellowship shall be laid down by the Executive Committee taking into consideration the wishes of those Institutions giving such award or travelling fellowship.

#### Article No.

#### Conference :

a) Each Conference shall ordinarily be restricted to three days while the Continuing Medical education (C.M.E.) Programme, if any, may be conducted in the evenings of the first and second day of the Conference.

Provided that the inauguration of the Conference may be held during the evening previous to the day when the scientific sessions commence.

- b) At least one meeting of the Scientific Programme Committee of the Conference shall be held before finalising its scientific programme. The Ordanisers of the said Conference shall host this meeting and shall reimburse the travelling expenses of and provide local hospitality to the outstanding members of the Scientific Programme Committee headed by the Senior Vice President of the Association.
- c) The Orations of the Association shall rank next only to the Presidential address in importance and shall be accordingly assigned pride of place in the programme of the Conference.
- d) Choice of chaipersons or repporteurs, for the scientific sessions, shall be confined to persons belonging to any of the categories of membership of the Association.
- e) The registration fee for the Conference, as far as possible, should only cover the cost of organising the scientific deliberations, providing tea and snacks during mid-session breaks and of meeting such other expenses as are essential to holding the Conference.
- f) A separate registration fee may be charged in participation in the C.M.E. programme.
- g) Meals coupons for the duration of the conference may be supplied at a price, but ordinarily the charges for the meals shall not be included in the Registration Fee for the Conference.
- h) The organisers of the Conference, if they can raise enough funds, may arrange entertainment programme following the inauguration of the Conference, and following the valedictory function, and/or may host dinners during those evenings.
- i) The organisers of teh Conference shall be required to give an undertaking to get the accounts of the Conference audited

by recognised auditors within six months of the conclusion of the Conference and to submit to the Secretary of the Association a copy of the auditors'certificate to that effect.

j) Surplus income, if any, from the Conference shall be handled as under:

Thirty percent of the surplus income from each Conference shall be credited to the Consolidated Fund of the Association another twenty percent shall be credited to the Account of the Journal and the remaining fifty percent shall be handed in a manner determined by the Organisers of the said Conference.

- k) The Executive Committee shall evolve within three years detailed guidelines for the scientific programme of the Conferences.
- 1) A paper to be considered for presentation during the scientific sessions of a Conference shall have as its co-author at least one person belonging to any of the categories of membership of the Association or shall be sponsored by a Life Member of the Association.
- a) Only the General Body may arend, delete, substitute or add to the provisions of the existing by-laws as fend when considered necessary.
- b) The procedure to be followed for amending the existing by-laws or to frame new by-laws shall be as laid down in the Article 12 e) of the Constitution of the Association, except that the quorum for the said General Body Meeting shall be at least one-tenth of the eligible Full Members on the roll of the Association.

In the event of a contingency arising which has not been provided for either in the Constitution or in the by-laws, the President of the Association shall determine the procedure to be followed in dealing with that contingency.

#### Article No.15

## Dissolution of the Association :

- a) The procedures to be followed for dissolving the Association shall be the same as those laid down for amending the Constitution (Article 12 e) except that the decision regarding dissolution shall be valid only if at least two-thirds of the total eligible Full Members on the roll of the Association vote in favour of the resolution with the preson or by proxy.
- b) If, upon dissolution of the Association here remains, after clearance of all its debts and liabilities, and fund or property whatsoever the same shall not be transferred to the names of or distributed, in cash or kind, among the members of the Association; but instead, the said property or fund shall be given or transferred to one or more Societies or Institutions having objects similar to all or determined by the affirmative votes of not less than two-thirds of the members participating personally in a General Body Meeting held at or before the time of the dissolution.

Provided that if for any reason whatsoever, effect cannot be given to the aforesiad provision then the said fund or property shall be given or transferred to some other charitable Society or Institution.

#### Indemnity:

- a) Neither any member of the executive Committee nor any of the members of the Association shall be answerable or held responsible for the loss of or damage to any property or loss of any fund of the Association incurred as a result of any action taken in good faith, nor for any error in judgement or mere indiscretion on his part in the prformance of his duties or otherwise except for willful negligence or fraud.
- b) Legal heirs, executors or administrators of the properties of any memeber of the executive Committee or of the Association shall at all times be indemnified and saved harmless out of the properties and funds of the Association.

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#### Miscellaneous:

- of one calendar year to the 31st March of the sext calendar year, both days inclusive, but the new executive Committee shall replace the old one and commence functioning from the time the new President is installed at the Annual General Body Meeting of the Association.
- b) The income and properties of the Association whensoever derived shall be applied solely to the promotion of the objects of the Association as set forth in the Memorandum of Association and no portion thereof shall be paid to individual members or officers of the Association as dividend, bonus or gift or compensation other than by way of reimbursement of actual expenses incurred for managing the affairs of the Association.

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