# Article of Association 

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[RRIGATION ASSOCIATION OF INDIA

## RULES AND REGULATIONS OF IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION OF INDIA INTERPRETATION

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a) "The Association" Means Irrigation Association of India registered under the provision of the Public Trust Act.
b) "Members" Means only Regular \& Premium members under the Article 3A of the Rules and Regulations of the Association and who will be members as per the meaning of the Public Trust Act.
c) "General Meeting" means a General Meeting of the association.
d) "The President "Means the President of the Association elected from and amongst the members of the committee.
e) "Vice President" means the Vice - President of the Association elected from and amongst the members of the committee.
f) "The Committee" Means the Executive Committee of the Association elected under these rules.
g) "The Hon. Secretary" means the Hon. Secretary of the Association.
h) "The Office" means the registered office of the Association for the time being.
i) "Financial Year" means the 12 calendar months commencing from $1^{\text {st }}$ April and ending $31^{\text {st }}$ day of March or such other date fixed by the Executive Committee and as may be permissible by law.
j) "In writing" means handwritten or printed or partly written and partly printed. Words imparting singular member shall include the plural and vice versa.
k) "Irrigation" Means supply of water from a source like pond, well, river, canal, or dam to a standing crop by conveying it from sources using manual, assorted or mechanical means.

## MEMBERSHIPS

2) The Association shall consist of every person representing the firm, or company that shall be admitted as a member of the Association in accordance with these rules.
3) There shall be following categories of memberships
a. Regular Member
i. Ordinary Members
ii. Prime Members (Silver, Gold, Platinum)
b. Associate Members.
c. Honorary Members.
d. Technical Members.
e. International Subscribing Members.
f. Affiliate Organisation Member.

## a) REGULAR MEMBER

Regular Membership shall be available to a person, firm or company actually engaged in the manufacture of the major components of Micro Irrigation systems like Drip, Sprinkler, and Pressurized System with ISI mark (BIS) and supplies whole irrigation system with survey, design, installation, and servicing.
i) On payment of an entrance fee of Rs.3000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only)
ii) On payment of an Annual Subscription fee for the financial year at the rate for the time being in force and
iii) On complying with the conditions mentioned in Rule 4 hereof.
iv) Regular member will be of two categories 1) Ordinary members, 2) Prime members, on the basis of turnover of the companies.

## EXPLANATION

i) The word "Person" in this context refers to a sole proprietor of unit which manufactures components as stated in ( A ) above.
ii) A member / representative must be an Indian citizen or person of Indian origin and a resident of India.

## b) ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Associate membership shall be available to a person, firm or company other than one qualifying for regular membership. The person, firm or company must be engaged in the business of manufacturing only component or in the business of serving the industry as suppliers of raw materials, consultancy with respect to engineering designing, layout, usage or application of irrigation, drainage erosion control equipment, and
a) On payment of an entrance fee of Rs.3000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only).
b) On payment of the Annual Subscription fee, for the financial year at the rate for the time being in force, and
c) On complying with the conditions mentioned in Rule 4 hereof.

## Explanation

i. A word "Person" in this context refers to a sole proprietor of a unit which manufactures one / more major components of Irrigation.
ii. A Member / Representative must be an Indian Citizen or person of Indian Origin and a Resident of India.
iii. If a member of the Association which is a firm, is converted into a company with limited liability or shall transfer all its business and the assets and liabilities to a company with limited liability, then on the joint application of such firm and such company and subject to the approval and consent of the Executive committee, such company may be admitted as a member in place of the firm without payment of any admission fee or any additional subscription for the year in which such change take effect.

## c) HONORARY MEMBER

Honorary membership, not to exceed two in any one year may be extended to any person upon an affirmative vote of the majority of the members entitled to vote at any regular or special meeting of the members of the Association. The numerical limitation of two shall not
apply in the case of past president of the Association, retired or no longer actively employed in the industry.

## d) TECHNICAL MEMBER

Technical Membership shall be available to University and Government persons engaged in the research in Irrigation, Interested in engineering design, Layout, use or application of Irrigation equipment. The membership and the duration of this membership may be approved by a majority vote of the members entitled to vote at any regular or special meeting of the members of the association.

## e) INTERNATIONAL SUBSCRIBING MEMBER

International subscribing membership shall be available to any firm or company outside India engaged in the manufacturing and sale of Irrigation, Drainage and erosion control equipments. International Subscribing Membership may be extended to such firms / companies irrespective of whether they sell their component in India or not, both the membership and the duration of the membership shall be through affirmative vote by the majority of the members of the Association.

## f) AFFILIATE ORGANISATION MEMBER

Affiliate Organisation Membership shall be available to any association or society, functioning in India or Abroad to promote the interest of the Irrigation Industry on a local level. The membership $s$ well as its duration of this membership may be decided upon affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the Association.
4) Every Regular Member or every Associate member shall be admitted as a member of the Association on fulfilling and complying with the following procedures.
a. An application shall be made to the Association in the prescribed form giving the details mentioned in the prescribed form propose and seconded by existing members.
b. The entrance fee and the subscription fee, as may be applicable is paid along with the applicable form.
c. On receipt of the application, same is to be placed before Executive Committee and shall be dealt with in such manner as the executive committee may deem fit, the member shall be binding and conclusive on all the Association.

## 5) ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION \& ENTRANCE FEE

a) The entrance fee and the annual subscription of various categories shall be as below:

| S.no | Category | Entrance <br> Fee | Subscription Fee |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Regular Member |  |  |
|  | a) Ordinary Membership | $\mathbf{3 0 0 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 0 0}$ |
|  | Turnover Upto 50 Cr |  |  |
|  | b) Premium Membership |  |  |


|  | i) Turnover above 50 Cr. upto 100 <br> Cr. (Silver) | $\mathbf{3 0 0 0}$ | 50000 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  | ii) Turnover above $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ Cr. upto 200 <br> Cr. (Gold) | $\mathbf{3 0 0 0}$ | 75000 |
|  | iii) Turnover above 200 <br> Cr.(Platinum) | 3000 | 200000 |
| 2 | Associate Member | 1000 | 50000 |
| 3 | Honorary Member | Nil | Nil |
| 4 | Technical Member | 1000 | 1000 |
| 5 | International Subscribing Member | USD 1000 | USD 1500 |
| 6 | Affiliate Organization Member | 3000 | 10000 |

b) The Annual subscription shall be payable on or before $30^{\text {th }}$ June. But even if the membership is taken any-time after that during the financial year, the member should pay full membership subscription fees.
6) If a member of the Association which is a firm is converted into a company with limited liabilities or shall transfer all its business and assets and liabilities to a company with limited liabilities then on the joint application of such firm and such company and subject to the approval and consent of the Executive Committee, such company may be admitted as a member in the place of the firm without payment of any admission fee or any additional subscription for the year in which such changes takes effect.
7) In the case of the firm applying for membership of the Association the limited liability partners of the firm must subscribe to the membership, individually.
8) Every member desiring to resign from membership of the Association shall give to the Director General / Secretary written notice in that behalf. The Executive Committee shall take note of the resignation at its first meeting after the receipt of the notice. No member shall on resignation be entitled to the refund of the Entrance and Subscription fee paid by him for the then current financial year or any part thereof. Every member shall pay to the Association all subscription and other amounts due and payable by him before his resignation shall take effect.
9) Honorary Members shall be exempted from the payment of the Entrance fee and yearly subscription and will not be eligible to be elected to the Executive Committee. The above category members shall be entitled to attend and speak at the Annual General Meeting of the Association but shall not be entitled to votes at any such meeting. They may be invited to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee but shall not be entitled to vote's subject above, they shall have the same rights and privileges and be subject to the objection as the Regular member of the Association.
10) A. The rights and privileges of membership may, in the case of a firm or a company, be exercised by any partner in such firm or by any person authorised by any partner in such firm or "by any person authorised by power of attorney or letter of procreation or to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee to sign the name of the firm or to sign such name per procreation any may, in the case of a company or other corporation elected in their
corporate name a member of the Association be exercised by a Director, Manager, Secretary or any other responsible officer of the company or corporation or a person authorised by Power of authority to exercise the same or any other person, who in the opinion of the Executive Committee, is competent to exercise the same on behalf of the company or corporation, subject nevertheless to be following reservations, namely-
i. Every representative of a firm, company or other corporation entitled to exercise the rights and privileges of membership must have his name registered in the books of Association in order to exercise the aforesaid right and privileges.
ii. For each act of exercise of the rights and privilege of the membership by a firm / company or other corporation member, only one representative shall vote with respect to his membership voting rights
B. Every firm and every company which is member of the Association shall by intimation in writing given to the Director General / Secretary, from time to time, Nominate a representative who shall be eligible for election as the President or Vice- President or Hon. Secretary of the Association or as the Member of the Executive Committee and for appointment on any Regional Committee or any other committee or subcommittee of the association and shall further intimate which of the such representatives is authorised to vote on behalf of the firm at General Meeting of the Association. No firm which is a member shall at any time have more than three representatives on the executive Committee, however voting rights will be as per the membership category.
C. If any representative of a firm or a company which is a member of the association shall cease to be a partner of the firm or a director or other representative of the company or his nomination as representatives shall for that or any other reason cease to be in force, or if the firm or company shall cease to be a member, and if as such representative he shall be the President or Vice-President or a member of the executive committee of any other committee, he shall forthwith cease to hold such office.
11) A member of the Association shall cease to be a member on the happening of any of the following events.
a. If he resigns by notice in the manner provided in article 8 above.
b. If he fails to pay subscription outstanding for a financial year and / or any other some due by him to the association for the period of one month after the notice shall be given to him by the Executive Committee in that behalf and such a defaulting member shall not be eligible for election or have a right to vote, notwithstanding, the fact that notice as above might not have been served on such a member.
c. If he being an individual is adjudicated insolvent.
d. If a member is a firm is dissolved or any partner thereof is adjudicated insolvent.
e. If a member is a company or an Association is taken into liquidation voluntary or compulsory.
f. If a member being an individual is adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind or is convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude.
g. If he is expelled or his membership is terminated under the provision of these rules.

## VOTING RIGHTS

12) Members of the Association shall have voting rights as per their categories.

| S.no | Category | Voting Rights |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| 1 | Regular Member |  |  |
|  | a) Ordinary Membership |  |  |
|  | Turnover Upto 50 Cr | $1 \quad$ Vote |  |
|  | b) Premium Membership |  |  |
|  | Turnover above 50 Cr. upto 100 Cr. (SILVER) | 3 | Votes |
|  | Turnover above 100 Cr. upto 200 Cr. (GOLD) | 5 | Votes |
|  | Turnover above $\mathbf{2 0 0}$ Cr. (PLATINUM) | $10 \quad$ Votes |  |
| 2 | Associate Member | $1 \quad$ Vote |  |

Only one representative from Member Company can exercise the voting right on behalf of the member company.

The members of the Executive Committee should be elected from amongst the category of Regular members only and associate members cannot offer themselves for election as EC Members.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

13) The Executive committee members shall not be less than 10 and shall not be more than 21.
14) The regular affairs of the Association shall be managed by the office bearers, which shall consist of the following:
a. OFFICE BEARER
i. The President 1 Person.
ii. Senior Vice President

1 Person
iii. Regional Vice President

4 Persons.
iv. The Hon. Secretary

1 Person.
v. Past Presidents as the Ex-Officio members.
b. Balance Member shall be elected by the Meeting of the Association at the Annual General Meeting as hereinafter provided.
c. Office Bearer will select State Chapter President of IAI who should also be elected in the IAI State Chapter General Meeting.

## TENURE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

15) Executive Committee members and the Office Bearers shall hold office for two years. No member shall continue to be member of the Executive committee beyond two years without election by General Meeting.
16) No person shall hold the office of President for more than two consecutive terms. A person who shall have been President shall be eligible for election as a Senior Vice President or as
member of Executive Committee and shall be eligible for election again as President after the lapse of a year or more. Subject thereto the President, the Senior Vice President, the Vice Presidents, the Hon. Secretary, and the members of the Executive Committee shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.
17) Four Vice - Presidents shall be from 4 region as below:
i. Western Region - Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Goa, Chhattisgarh.
ii. Southern Region - Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Pondicherry.
iii. Northern Region - Jammu \& Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi, Uttarakhand
iv. Eastern Region - West Bengal, Orissa, Jharkhand, Assam, Tripura, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur.
18) The Executive Committee shall fill casual vacancies in the office of the President or office bearers from the elected members of the Executive Committee. Every such casual vacancy shall be filled from among the members of the Association who shall be qualified for the election in AGM/EGM thereto for the said office.
19) The Assigned Committee (Advisory \& Nomination Committee) will select the Office Bearers from amongst the elected Executive Committee members. Falling unanimity on same the election shall be held by voice vote failing which election by secret ballot shall be held and the manner of committee member's indication their preference votes for each candidate shall be adopted. Thus, first preference votes shall be the highest and the last preference vote shall be the least.
20) All the above office of the Executive Committee shall be honorary.
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a. The President and failing him Senior Vice President and failing him the Hony. Secretary and failing him the Senior Most "Vice President" shall preside over meetings of Executive Committee. Failing the President and Vice President the members present shall elect a Chairman for the meeting.
b. If personally the President, Vice- President, or any member of the Executive Committee shall fail to attend three consecutive meetings of the Committee or from all meetings within three months except with leave of absence previously obtained from the Committee he shall cease to hold the office.
c. The Executive Committee shall meet as and so often as they shall think fit but at least once in every three calendar months.
d. The Quorum for a meeting of the Executive Committee shall be $1 / 3$ (one third) of the total strength for the time being of the Committee, or 5 members of the Committee whichever is lower. The President, Senior Vice President and Vice-Presidents shall also be counted for the purpose of the quorum. If a Meeting of the Committee could not be held for want of quorum then the meeting shall stand adjourned till the same day in the next week at the same time and place or if that day is a public holiday, till the next succeeding day which is not a public holiday, at the same time and place. If at the adjourned meeting also there is no quorum, provided that the Executive

Committee may also fix some other day as they deem fit after giving a fresh notice in that behalf before the adjourned meeting takes place.
e. Executive Committee can conduct its Meeting through Video- Conferencing or other Audio-Visual Means as permissible under the applicable Statutes.
"Video Conferencing or other means audio visual electronic communication facility employed which enables all the persons participating in the meeting to communicate concurrently with each other without an intermediary and to participate effectively in the meeting".
22) The Executive Committee may appoint Executive Director / Director General or an Executive Secretary on such remuneration and other terms and conditions as the Executive Committee shall think fit to supervise and oversee the affairs of the Association under the supervision, direction and control of the Director General / Executive Director or Executive Secretary and appoint such other person in his place. The Director General / Executive Director/ Executive Secretary shall perform such acts or duties of the Association as may be directed by the Executive Committee as Key Managerial Person (KMP) of the Association.
23) The Executive Committee shall have full power to do such acts as they may deem necessary and conducive or incidental to the attainment and promotion of any of the objectives of the association, and shall have full control of the all the activities and functions of the Association as laid down $n$ the By-laws and shall have full control of the staff, funds and property of the Association, and power to transact all business of the Association and to incur all the necessary expenditure. The Executive Committee shall also have power to appoint and from time to time remove such (KMP) Executive Secretary, Executive Director, Clerk, and other servants as the Committee may think fit and to fix, determine their remuneration and terms and conditions of service.
24) The Executive committee as per Operational Guidelines of the Association may from time to time appoint Sub Committee for Special or particular purpose and shall have power to coopt on any such Sub-Committee any member of the Association or the representative of any member which shall be a firm, Association or Company who shall not be a member of the Executive Committee and may delegate to any such committee the functions and powers of the Executive Committee relating thereto to be exercised subject to report to and approval of Executive Committee.

## IAI-STATE CHAPTERS

25) The Executive Committee may whenever they think necessary constitute or cause to be constituted an IAI-State Chapter for any state and can abolish the same from time to time as decided by the EC.
a) Any Member Companies of Irrigation Association of India working in more than one state shall automatically become a member of those State Chapters where they are working without paying any additional membership fees and they will have voting right in Irrigation Association of India as per their company's membership category.
b) i) Any Micro Irrigation Company eligible to be a member of IAI can pay its Annual Membership fees at IAI Headquarter as per the revised fees' structure indicated in MOA-AOA.
ii) Fees collection and Sharing of Expenses: Irrigation Association of India Registered Office shall reimburse the State Chapter the amount for its operational expenses every year, at actuals.
iii) From the fees collected from members working in only one state where its registered office is situated, $33 \%$, will be liable to be reimbursed by IAI HQ to the State Chapter towards meeting State Chapter expenses, subject to a maximum of Rs1.5 Lakhs annually.
iv) Fees collected from Companies working in multiple states need not be bifurcated to any particular state.
v) State Chapter President will have authority to approve the expenses of State Chapter.
vi) In the State where there are very negligible local manufacturers and more of all Indian Companies are working, IAI Central body will suitably provide financial support to cover local (meeting) expenses of the State.
c) State Chapters may maintain only one petty cash account of IAI and the operations of this account will ultimately form a part of IAI central balance sheet and Income \& Expenditure Account. IAI President or Director General or any designated person will authorize two of State Chapter Executive members to maintain the State Chapter petty cash account and submit the financials to IAI registered office.
26) Any such IAI-State Chapter shall exercise such power and perform such functions as may be delegated to it by Executive Committee of the Association from Time to time. Such IAIState Chapter shall be guided by state Committees consisting of
a. All the members of the Executive Committee of the Association (IAI) belonging to the State.
b. Members of the IAI-State Chapter Committee elected by all IAI members of the state. The state chapter Committee shall function under the control of Executive Committee of the Association.
27) Every IAI-State Chapter Committee referred in Rules 26 to 27 shall function primarily with a view to look after affairs of that particular state with the help of the Association (IAI) and shall provide secretarial services of IAI in that State, in coordination with IAI headquarters (HQ) Secretariat.

## 28) ELECTION PROCESS

A) In every two years, not less than six weeks before the date fixed for Annual General Meeting, the Director General / Secretary shall send nomination forms to eligible regular members of the Association. The regular members shall nominate its representative who shall desire to stand for election as a member of the Executive Committee for the ensuing year and send duly filled form of nomination to the Director General/ Secretary. Ordinary Members can nominate 1 (One) person in Executive Committee and Premium Members can nominate 2 (Two) persons in Executive Committee. Only Indian national individuals shall be nominated. Every such nomination shall be signed by the person who shall so desire to be elected and shall proposed by one member and seconded by another member of the Association. Every
such nomination shall reach Director General/ Secretary not less than 4 weeks before the day fixed for the Annual General Meeting.
B) A candidate may thereafter withdraw his "candidature by notice" in writing to the Director General / Secretary. Such notice of the withdrawal shall be signed by the candidates himself and should reach the secretary within 7 days at the latest from the date of the list of nominations received by the Director General/ Secretary. Immediately on receipt of nominations as per Sub Rule (a) above, the Director General / Secretary shall send the final candidature and the respective members list to the Assigned Committee (Advisory \& Nomination Committee) for screening and selection. The selected candidates will be eligible to stand for election in the ensuing Annual General Meeting.
C) STATE ELECTION PROCESS

The Election at States as well, shall follow the above process created for Central Body. The MII Manufacturing Companies having presence in the State shall be entitled to elect State Chapter President and other Executive Committee Members of the State Chapter. The companies shall be represented by owners, MDs, CEOs of the companies or their duly approved senior representative for participation in such election.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

29. The Financial year of the Association shall be from the $1^{\text {st }}$ April to $31^{\text {st }}$ March or such other date fixed by the Executive Committee as may be permissible by law and the account of the Association shall be balanced unto the end of the financial year.
30. a) The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held every year within six months from the date of closing accounts required by law on the date as the Executive Committee may decide, at the Registered Office of the Association or at such place in India as the Executive Committee may decide subject to the provision of the applicable statutes for the purpose of transaction of the following business. Annual General Meeting can be conducted through Video- Conferencing or other Audio-Visual Means as permissible under the applicable statues.

## Ordinary Business- Ordinary Resolution

i. To consider the Annual Report of the Association and the Audited Statement of Accounts.
ii. To elect Members of the Executive Committee as the case may be.
iii. To appoint an auditor or auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.

## Special Business- Special Resolution

iv. To consider and decide on any business other than Ordinary business and shall require special resolution which may be duly submitted to the meeting as hereinafter provided.
b) A statement shall be annexed to the Annual Report giving a break- up of the income under significant heads due to the association in the financial year and / or the past financial years
and which have not been received during or by the end of the financial year of the Annual Report.
31. a) Every member of the Association shall be entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Association either in person or by any one of his nominees and the Auditor of the Association shall have right to attend and to be heard at any Annual General Meeting on any part of the business which concern him as auditor.
b) All the members who have their office outside the state where registered office of IAI is situated as per the records of the Association shall be entitled to exercise their rights to vote for the election of the members of the committee by post or in person.
c) The Association shall at least 14 days prior to the date of Annual General Meeting send to such members a ballot paper' setting out the names of the persons whose nominations have been received and screened for the election to the committee. Such members may fill in the ballot paper, seal it in an envelope, write a forward letter or note duly signed by the authorised representative of the member firm. The ballot paper shall not be signed. The sealed envelope containing the ballot paper only and the forwarding letter shall be enclosed in another envelope and sent by registered AD to the Secretary of the Association. The ballot papers sent by post and not received at least twenty-four hours prior to the date of election shall not be considered for voting.
d) No resolution other than the resolution relating to the adoption of the Annual Report and Accounts, the election of the members of the Executive Committee and the appointment of the auditors shall be moved at the Annual General Meeting unless a notice in writing signed by the members who proposed and second it setting out the resolution shall be sent to the secretary not less than four weeks before the time appointed for holding such meeting.

## AUDIT

32. The accounts of the Association shall be audited by duly qualified Auditor or Auditors who shall be appointed by the members at each Annual General meeting for the then ensuing financial year and their remuneration fixed. A vacancy occurring in the course of the year shall be filled by alternate Auditors to be nominated by the Executive Committee.

## EXTRA- ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

33. 

a. An Extra-Ordinary General Meeting may be called by the Executive Committee at any time as they desire.
b. Upon a requisition by members in accordance with the provisions of rule an ExtraOrdinary General Meeting shall be called by the Executive Committee in accordance with rules.

## GENERAL MEETINGS (NOTICE)

34. Notice of every Annual or Other General Meetings specifying the place, the day and the Hour of the meeting, and a statement of business to be transacted at the meeting, shall be given to all members not less than fourteen clear days before the day fixed for holding such meeting in a manner hereinafter mentioned. Such notice shall specify the date unto which notices of resolutions and other notices and voting lists are to be sent to members. But the accidental omission to give notice to or the non-receipt of notice by, any member shall not invalidate the proceedings at any meeting. If all the members that are firms, associations, or companies, shall by letter or telegram give their consent in that behalf, the annual or any other general meeting may be held on such shorter notice as may be agreed to.
35. At all Annual General Meetings or Special General Meetings, the President of the Association shall preside. Failing the President, the Senior Vice President, failing him the Hony. Secretary and failing him the senior most Vice President shall preside, failing the above, the members present shall elect a Chairman for the meeting.
36. 

a. At all General Meetings the quorum of the members shall be five.
b. If within half an hour from the time appointed for any General Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting if converted upon the requisition of members shall be dissolved. In any other case, it shall stand adjourned to the day to be decided at the next meeting of the Executive Committee. At such adjourned meeting the members then present shall dispose of the work which was to have been placed the original meeting and the members present shall form a quorum.
c. At every General Meeting every member of the Association which is a firm, Association or Company shall be entitled to be represented by its representative. Every ordinary member who being an individual shall be present in person and every ordinary member which being a firm, Association or company shall be represented by one representative shall have vote as per the category of the membership (such vote being given in the case of a firm, association or company only by the representative specially authorised in that behalf and every such firm, association or company having irrespective of the number of its representatives present cast vote as per the category of the membership only under rule 12.
d. Voting shall (except in the case provided for or covered by Rule 37 or of a special Resolution) be by a majority of votes and on an equality of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

## EXPULSION

37. 

a. The Association shall be entitled at any time to expel any member of the Association or to terminate his membership (whether such member be an individual, firm, association or company) if he will be found guilty of conduct which the Association regards as rendering him unfit to be a member of the Association.
b. No such expulsion or termination a member shall be valid or effective.
i. Unless the proposal is considered at a Special General Meeting of the Association called on a notice in which the proposition to considered and the reasons which have prompted the proposal are set out in full.
ii. Unless the member concerned is given not less than 10 days notice and an opportunity to attend the meeting and is heard by the members assembled at the meeting, the members concerned being entitled to appear, in case of a firm, association or representative or representatives specially authorised in that behalf and
iii. Unless the proposal is passed by a majority of not less than three fourth of the members present at the meeting whether voting or not.
c. On a member being expelled or his membership being terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Bye-laws shall cease to be member and he shall have no right or claim against the Association or any member thereof for damages, compensation or otherwise howsoever.

## FUNDS

38. 

a) The funds of the Association shall be deposited in approved banks and such part thereof as shall not be required for current expenses may at the discretion of the Committee, be invested in any investments for the time being authorised by the law in India for the investment of Trust Funds and such investments shall not be sold or dealt with except at the direction of the Executive Committee. The Accounts with banks shall be operated upon by means of cheque signed by two office bearer i.e the President or Senior Vice President or one Vice President or Hon. Secretary or Director General or Executive Secretary or member of the Committee specially authorised by the President in this behalf.
b) Similarly the State Chapter can operate a current bank account after obtaining Executive Committee approval on the similar lines as in Rule 26 (c) for specified signee authority.

## SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS

39. Any document or resolution on behalf of the Association shall be deemed to be valid, if signed by any two Office Bearers or jointly by one Office Bearer and the Director General of IAI.

## GENERAL NOTICE

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a. A notice may be given by the Association to any member either personally or by sending it by post to such member to his registered address or (if he has no registered address in India) to the address if any within India provided by him to the Association for the giving of notice to him.
b. In case of members who is a firm, association, or company the notice shall be given to the firm, association, or company or to the principal officer of the firm, association, or company.
c. Where a notice is sent by post service of the notice shall be deemed to be affected by properly addressing prepaying and posting a letter containing the notice and unless the contrary is provided to have been affected at the time at which the letter would be delivered in ordinary course of the post except where otherwise stated.
41. If a member has no registered address in India and has not provided to the Association an address within India for the giving of notices to him, notice addressed to him and advertised in a newspaper circulating in the neighbourhood of the Registered Office of the Association shall be deemed duly given to him on the day on which the advertisement appears.
42. No matter of Association shall be subject to any liability beyond payment of the subscription and except as provided by the By-Laws of the Association.
43. The Rules of Association shall not be altered or amended unless the proposal to make alter or amend is passed by a majority of the members of the Association present, voting either in person or by postal ballot at a General Meeting of the Association of which notice shall be given at least 14 clear days before the date of meeting giving particulars of the proposed enactment, alternations, or amendments.

