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# IFSMN CONSTITUTION

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## MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

- 1. NAME: The name of the society shall be "Indian Federation of Small and Medium Newspapers", abbreviated as IFSMN, hereinafter referred to as the "Federation".
- 2. REGISTERED OFFICE: The Federation shall be located in Delhi. At present it is at A-1/151 Inderpuri New Delhi 110 012. Any change of address will be properly notified. The legal jurisdiction shall be Delhi.
- 3. AIMS AND OBJECTS: The main purpose of the Federation shall be to undertake all such activities that are aimed at promoting healthy practices in professional journalism and management of news media establishments. In furtherance of this purpose, the Federation shall undertake ....
  - 1. To identify and unite such persons/establishments who are engaged in any regular and objective news media.
  - 2. To identify such persons for the conferment of honorary membership of the Federation who stand committed to national causes and can be helpful in meeting the Federation objectives.
  - 3. To promote, safeguard, sustain and defend the professional, social and economic interests of members.
  - 4. To ensure a status of members in the profession.
  - 5. To zealously guard the freedom of the press with responsibility
- 6. To seek or give affiliation and establish and maintain contact with like bodies in India and abroad

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  - 7. To organise professional programmes and depute members to seminars, conferences, exchange programmes.

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- 8: To support all such activities aimed at preservation and development of art and culture.
- 9. To construct Akhbar Bhavan in Delhi for effectivly carrying out IFSMN activities and to setup, maintain and promote reading room/library for members and for general public
- 10. To undertake research and surveys.
- 11. To promote welfare activities for members, their associates and employees.
- 12. To institute fellowships and awards.
- 13. To initiate and support all such activities aimed at eradication of social evils in India and abroad.
- 14. To support and initiate programmes for maintaining healthy democracy in all parts of the co
- 15. To create awareness amongst Government, semi-government, non-government and private bodies or persons,

representatives and their parties about the importance and necessity of small and medium press and seek their

cooperation in the interest of members/Federation.

16. To undertake all such steps to realise the Federation's objectives.

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4. INCOME: All the incomes, earnings, moveable or immoveable properties of the society shall be solely utilised and applied towards the promotion of its aims and objects only as set forth in the memorandum of association and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividends, bonus, profit or in any manner whatsoever, to the present or past members of the society.

## RULES AND

## REGULATIONS

A. NAME:

Indian Federation of Small and Medium Newspapers abbreviated as IFSMN.

## B. MEMBERSHIP:

Members will be classified in following five categories:

1. Honorary member: Distinguished persons/bodies/establishments of repute who stood for national causes and

may be helpful in the fulfilment of Federation's objectives. All such members will be non-voting.

2. Patron member: Individuals/corporate bodies efc. can be enrolled as

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3. Media Bodies: District level or State level media bodies pursuing similar objectives can be enrolled as

affiliated members. Such a Unit will be represented by the President or General Secy of the Media body in the

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4. Life Member: Owner or Partner of a firm or a Trustee in a Trust that runs the newspaper,

periodical, Television organisation, news Channel or electronic news media or news agency will come

under this category.

5. Annual Member: Any regular newspaper, periodical, TV organisation, channel or print or electronic

news media or a new agency will come under this category. The establishment will be represented by its proprietor.

or a person duly recommended by the owner.

6. Temporary Members: Newspapers or periodicals not having RNI No. but otherwise fulfiling all membership

related criteria will be enrolled as temporary members. Temporary members shall not enjoy voting right.

### FEES

The following fees shall be payable by various categories of members

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1. Honorary Member

nil

2. Patron Member

10000 (minimum)

3. Media Bodies

3000 per annum

4. Life Member

5000 (one time)

5. Annual Members

300 (first time)

6. Temporary Members

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D. Membership year of the Federation shall be from 1st April till 31st March.

E. Membership will be granted only after satisfactory scrutiny of duly completed application for membership

by the Membership Screening Committee named by the governing body from time to time.

F. Membership in categories 3, 5 and 6 will cease if a member does not fill in the renewal form and pay his dues and submit his latest issue by the 30th June.

Disqualified Members: No person shall be entitled to vote or counted as a member who is in arrears for a period exceeding three months.

## G. RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS:

Live members enjoy the right to a healthy and positive participation in Federation's meetings without rancour and personal attack on any member.

H. TERMINATION EXPULSION: A member may be expelled by the President, on the recommendation of

the national council, if a prima facie case of misconduct is made out against him/her.

I. Membership Fee: Any change in Memberhip fee schedule shall be decided by the Governing Body. "Certified under RTI Act."

## J GENERAL BODY:

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I. All voting members shall constitute the General body.

Body extraordinary general body.

2. The general body of the Federation shall be the supreme

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authority in respect of all matters concerning the Federation.

- If there is no unanimity on any issue, the majority view shall be the deciding factor.
- Meetings: The general body shall meet at least once in the course of a calendar year to dispose off the following business:
- 1. To confirm the minutes of previous general body 2. To consider and adopt annual report and audited accounts of the preceding year
  - 3. To appoint statutory auditors of the Federation
- Any general body meeting other than annual general meeting will be called Extraordinary General meeting.

PROCESS OF GENERAL BODY MEETING: K

- AGM: As per the decision of the National Council, the Secretary General will call the AGM.
  - Extraordinary General Meeting:

1. The Secretary General with the consent of the President may convene as many extraordinary general body meetings as deemed necessary.

## NOTICE FOR THE AGM EGM:

At least 20 days notice shall be given in writing to all the voter members and others as on the

date of notice for AGM Elections and at least 10 days notice shall be given to all voter

members for the EGM

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All such notices will clearly specify time, date and venue of the meeting along with main business to be transacted.

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For all general body meetings one third of the member on one point of the member of conjuging voting rights on the date of issue

of notice or 30 such members whichever is less, shall form the quorum.

2. If within half an hour from the time fixed for the meeting, quorum is not complete, the meeting

shall stand adjourned.

Adjourned meeting can be reconvened at any time with the consent of majority of the members

present with right to vote. No quorum shall be necessary in such reconvened meetings.

## L GOVERNING BODY;

The governing body of the IFSMN shall consist of following office bearers:

Elected: 1 President

1 Secretary General

Nominated:

1 Treasurer

6 Vice-Presidents

6 Jt. Secretary Generals

State Presidents/Convenors

The total members of the governing body shall be not less than 11 and not more than 65.

The President shall be empowered to invite any member/non-member as splinvitee to the meeting of the

governing body. Non-members shall have no voting right in a meeting of the governing body.

The President may invite an eminent person to be the Chairman for a sole specific event. His position will be advisory and to chair specific events to have this conficultion is not to have

The governing body may also name a maximum of three legal advisors, who may be invited to all meetings of the

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a. Appointment of Election Committee: The outgoing governing body shall appoint a three member election committee inclusive of one Chairman.

The election committee shall be responsible to conduct the election for the posts of President an Secretary General as per mode decided by the outgoing governing body. The Election Schedule will be decided by the Chairman

Election Committee in consultation with the outgoing President and the outgoing Secretary-General.

- b. In the event of death of any candidate, the elections shall be cancelled and fresh notification shall be issued by the Election Committee.
- c. The Chairman, Election Committee will announce the names of the newly elected President and Secretary General in the open house and hand over certificates to the duly elected office bearers under his signatures. The decision of the Chairman Election Committee will be final so far as the election is concerned.
- d. The newly elected President shall then take Chair of the meeting and announce his/her team of office bearers at the open house and finalise his /her team within 15 days from the date of election.
- e. The elected office bearer shall hold offices for a term of two years from the date of the election.
- f. The term of the other office bearers and members of the govering body shall expire along with the term of the elected President and the SG.
- g. The President shall have the right to reshuffle the governing body as and when he or she so deems necessary in the best interest of the Federation. Any vacancy caused by the resignation of a nominated member of the governing body shall be filled by the President within 30 days and the governing body shall be informed of the changes at its immediate next meeting. A list of the reconstituted committee shall be forwarded to the

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Registrar of Society within 14 days of the changes thus made and a copy of the same shall be sent to the IFSMN bankers.

M. DUTIES: Governing Body shall be responsible for the day-to-day administration and allocation of funds for Federation's expenses and carmark investment of surplus funds, if any, in nationalised bank.

PRESIDENT: The President is the executive head of the Federation. He or she shall preside over the meetings of the govening body and general body/EGM. The President shall countersign minutes of all the meetings written by the Secretary General or Jt. General General or any one authorised by the SG within the consent of the President or the President himself/herself.

SECRETARY GENERAL: SG shall prepare and circulate draft minutes of the governing body /general body meeting to all those present within 15days from the date of the meeting inviting objections, if any, to the minutes and if no comments, objections are received, the same shall be deemed to have been approved and shall be circulated to all concerned. The SG shall prepare and maintain register of members.

VICE PRESIDENTS: VPs shall assist the President while Jt SGs shall assist the President and the Secretary General.

TREASURER: Treasure shall be responsible for signing/depositing all receipts and for maintaining complete and up-to-date accounts. He shall be assisted by one of the It Segment RTI Act."

## N. GOVERNING BODY MEETINGS:

1. The governing body shall meet at least thrice in a year. Notice of the meeting shall be issued at least 10 days before the meeting. In case of emergent meeting of the national council, notice shall be issued at least 3 days before the date of the meeting. A minimum of 7 members of the governing body, physically present at the meeting shall constitute the quorum.

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d. COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS: The governing body shall be assisted by various committees/sub-committees. The process of nomenclature, parameters, duties and functions of such committees/sub-committees will be decided by the President with the consent of the governing body.

### P. STATE UNITS:

a/ The Federation President shall nominate a member as a Convenor for a period of four months initially during which period he/she will try to consolidate the activities within the State and forward the names of minimum three office bearers and four members of the state level committee to the National President for consideration and formal approval. The term of the state committee will be two years from the date of its notification by the Hqs.

b/ The State Unit will open Bank Account in a nationalised bank in the State Capital. The account will be operated by two the President along with the treasurer or General Secretary.

c/ The State Unit will get the accounts audited every year and send a copy of the same the IFSMN HQS by 15th May every year after getting the same adopted at the State Unit's annual general body along with a copy of the State Unit's annual report of activities. State Unit may not raise any loans.

The name of the auditor for auditing the accounts for the first year shall be finalised by the state executive and for subsequent years by the general body.

d/ The State Committee will hold at least four meetings of the State level executive in a year.

e/ All membership fees shall be collected in the name of the IFSMN and sent to the IFSMN HQS. in New Delhi.

f/ The State President can reshuffle his/her team anytime with the http://www.ifsmn.org/ifsmn.const. htm D Public Pondelpo 5/1/

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approval of the National President.

The State Committee shall have minimum of 7 members and maximum of 21 members. A minimum of 5 members shall constitute the quorum. Quroum at the general body meetings of the State shall be minimum 11 members. However, for the adjourned meeting no quorum shall be required. The adjourned meeting can be held the same day at the same place after a gap of half an hour. State Unit will hold its general body meeting once in a year as per the decision of its state committee.

- Q. The Federation can alter, extend or abridge its purpose or purposes within the meaning of the Act by submitting proposition to the members of the society in a written or printed form and may convene a special meeting for the consideration thereof according to the regulations of the society but no such proposition can be carried into effect unless such report shall have been delivered in person or sent by post to every member of the society ten days previous to the spl meeting convened by the governing body for the consideration thereof, nor unless such proposition shall have been agreed to by the votes of three-fifth of the members present at a second special meeting convened by the governing body at an interval of one month after the former meeting.
- R A list of newly elected President and SG shall be sent to the Registrar of Societies along with the list of governing body within 14 days from the date of announcement of election results.
- S FUNDS: The funds shall be kept in a nationalised bank/banks on the approved list of Registrar of Societies and shall be in the name of the Indian Federation of Small and Medium Newspapers or IFSMN. The bank account shall be operated by the President along with the treasurer or the General Secretary.
  - a/ The funds of the Federation shall include:
- (i) (a) subscriptions, admission fees, affiliation fee, fees from delegates/participants, contributions/donations grants and interest on investment, income from regular and irregular

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- (ii) The Treasurer can retain in the office Rs.2,000 cash.
- (iii) All expenses shall be authorised by the governing body
- (iv) No loan can be taken without the approval of the governing body
- T. MOVEABLE AND IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: The property, movable and immovable, belonging to the Federation shall be deemed to be vested in the governing body of the IFSMN-
- U. The funds of the Federation shall be spent on:
- (a) maintenance of office and payment of salaries, funds, allowances admissible to the staff of the Federation.
  - (b) Educational and research, legal expenses
- (c) Payment for any purpose in furtherance of the objectives of the Federation.

All membership fees shall be collected in the name of IFSMN and sent to the IFSMN HQS at New Delhi.

President shall select the names of members to be sent to Government at the Centre for consideration of IFSMN nominees in committees and to the PCI or any other statutory body. For state level committees, the names shall be finalised and sent by the State President under intimation to the National President. In other States with Convenors, the name shall be finalised by the National President. Such name shall be signed by the President himself herself or by an office bearer duly authorised by the President.

W The books of accounts of the Federation shall be open to inspection by any member of the Federation at its registered office during office hours on any working day.

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The Federation shall maintain a list of all its members with details about media and representative in IFSMN.

The same will be posted on the ifsmn website www.ifsmn.org

Legal proceedings: The Federation may sue or be sued in the name of the Governing Body or in the name of such person as shall be appointed by the Governing body. All provisions under all the sections of the Societies Registration Act of 1860 as applicable to the Union Territory of Delhi shall apply to this Federation.

## Z DISSOLUTION:

- (i) Federation can only be dissolved if three-fifth of the life members and three-fifth of the annual members express a wish for dissolution by votes delivered in person or by proxy at a general meeting convened for the purpose. If there is any dispute among members of the governing body or amongst those present to consider dissolution of the IFSMN, the adjustment of its affairs shall be referred to the principal Court of original civil jurisdiction of the district in which the chief building of the society is situateD; and the Court shall make such order in the matter as it shall deem requisite.
  - there shall remain, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the said society or any of them, but shall be given to some other society to be determined by the votes of not less than three-fifths of the members present personally or by proxy at the time of the dissolution, or in default thereof, by such court as aforesaid

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Dated: 15.03.2017

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Sh. Sri Ambika Prasad Das, Qtr No. VR-80, Unit – 6, Bhubaneshwar, Odisha- 751001.

Sub: Information under RTI Act, 2005, Sh. Sri Ambika Prasad Das, ID No. 11303.

Sir,

With reference to your application under the RTI Act, 2005 regarding society vide Reg. No. **S/15647.** You are requested to collect the required documents is available/ allowed after deposit necessary fee @ Rs.2/- per page under RTI Act, 2005 on any working day between 10.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M. within 15 days of the letter issue for the information sought.

In case you are not satisfied by the above reply, you may file an appeal before the  $1^{\rm st}$  appellate authority i.e. ADM (South West), Old Terminal Tax Building, Kapashera, New Delhi within 30 days.

(J. B. KAPIL)

PIO/ REGISTRAR OF SOCIETY (DW/KH)
DISTRICT (SOUTH WEST)

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