



The Indian Officers' Association

(Regn. No. 2/ 1909-1910)

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MINUTES OF THE 115TH ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING HELD ON 18.09.2022, SUNDAY AT 10.00 AM

VENUE : THIRUVALLUVAR ARANGAM, CENTENARY BUILDING, IOA

The General Body Meeting was convened at the scheduled time of 10.00 A.M.
However for want of Quorum the GB was adjourned to 10.30 A.M. After reaching the
required quorum the meeting was commenced at 10.30 A.M. with -தமிழ்த்தாய் வாழ்த்து

Thiru P.R.Shampath, IAS (R) President, IOA presided over the AGBM

The Meeting was attended by 312 Life Members.

Thiru S.Rathinasapabathy, IPS (R), Vice-President-1 welcomed all the Life Members
present in the 115th AGBM.

He explained that IOA started 115 years ago in 1907 due to European Officers refused
access to Indian Officers into their clubs and "Suguna Vilas" club emerged exclusively
for Indian Officers with very few Members. Over the years IOA sustained lot many
obstacles & hurdles and developed in its growth to the present status of a Students
Hostel, Commercial Complex and Centenary Building accommodating IOA Office, guest
rooms to members short stay. He said the present office bearers are trying their best
to provide good governance of IOA. He requested the Members to discuss the slated
and scheduled agenda with decorum & decency and set a role model to other
associations.

The President Thiru P.R.Shampath, IAS (R) also welcomed all the members present in the GB. The President expressed his sincere thanks to all EC Members for their fullest cooperation in running the administration of the IOA for the past one year. He said that so far 18 EC Meetings were held in one year period which shows that all decisions were taken only with approval of EC. Whether the subject is small or big without the approval of EC the works are not executed. The President narrated briefly achievements made by the present EC.

Five Medical Camps were conducted in Chennai, Salem, Madurai, Coimbatore and Trichy. Nearly about 1000 members and their spouses benefited in the medical camps. The President also said that conducting medical camps for our members was one of the greatest achievements of IOA since it was first time that IOA has conducted medical camps in the regions for the benefit of our members in the Districts. The President also mentioned the repair works carried out in students hostel, Guest Rooms and in JPS Complex.

The President also said that when the present committee took charge in October, 2021 there were a number of shops vacant in JPS Complex and because of the sincere efforts of the committee, almost all the shops in the Ground floor are rented out and there are only two shops vacant in the first floor. Action is being taken to rent out the remaining vacant shops also.

The President also explained the following cases pending in IOA.

Modfurn System India Pvt.Ltd. Case No.C.S.528/2019 filed to recover rental arrears of Rs.6,22,68,474/-. With great difficulties the case papers were obtained from the Hon'ble High Court of Madras and the case was handed over to Senior Advocate Thiru A.R.L.Sundaresan. Another case C.S.No.90/2021 to recover rental arrears of Rs.1,68,28,961/- was also handed over to the Senior Advocate. When the new committee before studying Modfurn cases the company vacated the Complex from their rented premises. Therefore after adjusting their deposit amount, balance rental arrears of Rs.41,07,433/- to be collected and the case was also handed over to the Senior

Advocate. Apart from the above cases there are 8 tenants whose rental arrears are more than Rs.2.00 lakhs and against all the 8 tenants civil suits have been filed in the Civil Court.

Finally the President requested all the Life Members to cooperate with the EC for doing many more schemes for the benefit of Life Members.

The General Secretary Dr. M.A.Muthuveeraganapathy, Ph.D. in his speech briefly touched various points contained in the Annual Report. He mentioned the financial status of the IOA indicated that the I.T. Department has issued orders for refund of a sum of Rs.64.96 lakhs for the tax assessment year 2011 – 2012. He also said that within a period of 10 months from the date of assuming the office we have made a deposit of Rs.75.00 lakhs in Power Finance Corporation and the total Deposits made by IOA is Rs.8.30 crores as on date. These deposits show that the present committee did not spend even single paise unnecessarily. All the expenditure made are only for the benefit of the members.

The agenda subjects were taken up for discussion.

Confirmation of the Minutes of 114th General Body Meeting held on 2nd October 2021

The General Body confirmed the minutes of 114th General Body Meeting held on 2nd October, 2021 without any correction or modification .

To approve Auditors Report for the year ended March, 2022

The Treasurer Thiru R. Durai presented the Auditor's report for the year 2021-2022. He explained the salient features of the Auditors report. The General Secretary Dr. M.A. Muthuveeraganapathy also joined with Treasurer and explained in detail the Auditors report. After discussion and the



explanation given by Thiru G.V.N.Shankar our statutory Auditor, the GB resolved to approve the Auditors' Report for the year 2021-2022.

To approve appointment of Statutory Auditor M/s. Sundaram & Srinivasan, Chartered Accountants as IOA Statutory Auditors for next three years 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25.

The G.B. resolved to approve the appointment of Statutory Auditor M/s.Sundaram & Srinivasan, Chartered Accountants as IOA Statutory Auditors for next three years 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25.

Introduction of Postal Ballot Paper System in IOA.

The President explained the reason for bringing the subject, introduction of Postal Ballot Paper system in IOA. There are 1300 members in Chennai region and 2500 members in the Districts. The members living in the districts are not able to participate in the selection of office bearers and EC members for the IOA due to not availability of accommodation, ill health, age factor etc. During the medical camps in the regions everyone wanted the Postal Ballot Paper system in IOA so that the members living in the districts can also participate in exercising their democratic rights.

Hon'ble Justice B.Gokul Dass during discussion stated that electronic voting system is being followed in a number of institutions and IOA can also think over the possibility of introducing electronic voting system in IOA. Many members have spoken in favour of Ballot Paper system and many members objected it. Many members have also spoken in favour of Electronic Voting system. Since no finality could be arrived on the subject of Postal Ballot Paper System in IOA, the President deferred the subject of introduction of Postal Ballot Paper System in the IOA.



**Conducting regional level meeting in Salem, Coimbatore, Trichy and Madurai-
Ratification of Salem Regional level meeting.**

The General Body resolved to approve conducting regional level meeting in Salem, Coimbatore, Trichy and Madurai.

After detailed discussion, the General Body ratified the regional level meeting conducted in Salem on 18.12.2021.

To approve Bye-laws Amendments

Item No. Part-I(5)	Existing Law	Amended Law	Decision of the General Body
	Business Hours The business hours of the Association shall be between 9.30 am and 5.30 pm on all days except Sundays. The office shall not work on Public Holidays declared as such as Government of Tamil Nadu.	The business hours of the Association shall be between <u>10.00 am and 6.00 pm</u> on all days except Sundays. The office shall not work on Public Holidays declared as such as Government of Tamil Nadu.	The General Body resolved to approve the change of time of the office hours of IOA. Amendment approved.
Part-II 9(i) Eligibility	Membership All Officers of "A" and "B" categories in Tamil Nadu State Government / or equivalent rank in local bodies and Class I & II categories in Government of India who are holding or held any post in the categories mentioned above are eligible to become members of the Association, subject to the provisions contained in this regard in these bye-laws and subject to further satisfaction of Executive Committee.	<u>All Officers of Group "A" and Officers of Group "B" in the scale of Deputy Collector & above and equivalent Officers of Group "A" and Group "B" of Govt of India</u> who are eligible subject to the provisions contained in this regard in these bye-laws and subject to further satisfaction of Executive Committee.	The General Body resolved to approve the eligibility of Membership in IOA as follows:- All Officers of Group 'A' and Group 'B' of Group I officers and above. And equivalent officers of Class-I & II categories of Government of India who are holding or held any post in the categories mentioned above are eligible to become Members of the Association subject to further satisfaction of Executive Committee.
10 (ii) Subscription	Life Member Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five thousand only) for Life Membership whether in service or retired / or at rate as may be fixed by General Body from time to time. The revised fee of Rs.5,000/- for life member	Rs.15,000/- plus GST of 18% for Life Membership whether in service or retired. The revised fee of Rs.15,000/- plus GST of 18% for Life Members. This will be applicable once General Body approves.	The General Body resolved to revise the subscription of life member as Rs.25,000/- plus GST 18% with effect from 18.09.2022. Amendment approved.

	will be applicable for new members (Amended in G.B. On 02/10/2013).		
11 (iv)	Disqualification for being a member He has been convicted by a Court of competent jurisdiction of any offence and the period of 10 years has not elapsed from the date of expiry of conviction.	<u>He has been convicted by a Court of competent jurisdiction of any offence.</u>	Resolved to approve the amendment.
12 (i) Para 2	Enrolment of Member There shall be a proposer and seconder for each applicant who shall be Life Members of the Association. The application shall contain a solemn declaration to the effect that the proposed person does not suffer from any disqualification set out in Clause 11 above, and that the proposed person undertakes to abide by the bye-laws of Association.	There shall be a proposer and seconder for each applicant who shall be Life Members of the Association. The application shall contain a solemn declaration to the effect that the proposed person does not suffer from any disqualification set out in Clause 11 above. And the Applicants who seek membership in IOA should also submit another Declaration mentioning criminal, vigilance, disciplinary cases pending against him. The Applicant should also declare the list of criminal or disciplinary proceedings pending against him.	The General Body resolved to approve the amendment.
Part III 15 (i)	Management The Administrative affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Committee consisting of President, two Vice-Presidents, a General Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer, ten other members and a Hostel Warden elected from among the Life Members and it shall be known as the Executive Committee. In the category of the ten other members to be elected to the Executive Committee. In the category of the ten other members to be elected to the Executive Committee, one post shall be reserved for a woman Life member. All women Life members are also eligible for being	A member of the Executive Committee shall be elected in the Annual General Body Meeting from among Life Members and the members who have given willingness to exercise their vote through Postal Ballot paper. The elected Executive Committee Members shall hold office for 3 years from the date of election.	Resolved to approve the amendment as follows: The Administrative affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Committee consisting of President, two Vice-Presidents, a General Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer, ten other members and a Hostel Warden elected from among the Life Members and it shall be known as the Executive Committee. In the category of the ten other members to be elected to the Executive Committee. one post shall be reserved for a woman Life member. All women Life members are also eligible for being elected to all other posts

	<p>elected to all other posts stated above. As regards the post reserved for woman Life Members, all life members shall be eligible to vote. A member of the Executive Committee shall be elected in the Annual General Body Meeting from among Life Members and he / she shall hold office for 2 years from the date of election. (SGB 21.02.2021).</p>		<p>stated above. As regards the post reserved for woman Life Members, all life members shall be eligible to vote. A member of the Executive Committee shall be elected in the Annual General Body Meeting from among Life Members and he / she shall hold office for 3 years (Three years) from the date of election.</p>
15 (iii)	<p>In exercise of General Secretary's functions under the Bye-laws, he shall take any action on any matters of the Association by invoking the Bye-Laws of the Association only on the approval and direction of the Executive Committee of the Association (SGB 21.02.2011).</p>	<p>In exercise of General Secretary's functions under the Bye-laws, he shall take any action on any matters of the Association by invoking the Bye-Laws of the Association only on the approval and direction of the <u>President</u> and the Executive Committee of the Association.</p>	<p>The General Body did not agree for the change of amendment. The General Body resolved to continue the existing Bye-Law.</p>
15 (iv)	<p>New Insertion to Bye-Law</p>	<p>The Joint Secretary shall assist the General Secretary in day to day affairs. All files submitted to General Secretary will be routed through Joint Secretary. All policy matters shall be discussed with the President and placed in the EC for approval or ratification.</p>	<p>General Body resolved to approve the new insertion of Bye-Law</p>
15(v)	<p>New Insertion to Bye-Law</p>	<p>Any expenditure which needs to be incurred urgently without prior approval of EC, can be incurred with the permission of President and later will be placed in EC for ratification.</p>	<p>General Body resolved to approve the new insertion of Bye-Law</p>
17 (vii)	<p>The quorum of the Executive Committee shall be Five. Any subject matter relating to the Association represented to the President by not less than five members of the Executive Committee in writing before the</p>	<p>The quorum of the Executive Committee shall be 1/3 of the Executive Committee.</p>	<p>The General Body resolved to amend the Bye-Law as follows:- The quorum of the Executive Committee shall be Six. Any subject matter relating to the Association represented to</p>

	commencement of the Executive Committee Meeting shall be placed in the Executive Committee meeting for consideration (SGB 21.02.2021)		the President by not less than six members of the Executive Committee in writing before the commencement of the Executive Committee Meeting shall be placed in the Executive Committee meeting for consideration
17 (viii)	The Executive Committee shall be presided over by the President or in his unavoidable absence, the Vice-President in accordance with seniority. If both the President and the Vice-Presidents are unavoidably absent, the senior most member present may preside over the meeting.	The President will preside over Executive Committee Meeting. In his unavoidable absence, the Vice-President. If both the President and the Vice-President are unavoidably absent, the senior most member present may preside over the meeting. <u>The minutes of the Committee Meetings chaired by the President shall be recorded and approved by President only. In the absence of the President whoever preside over the meeting shall record and approve the minutes.</u>	The General Body resolved to amend the bye-law as follows:- The President will preside over Executive Committee Meeting. In his unavoidable absence, the Vice-President. If both the President and the Vice-President are unavoidably absent, the senior most member present may preside over the meeting. <u>The minutes of the Committee Meetings chaired by the President shall be recorded and approved by President only. In the absence of the President whoever preside over the meeting shall record and approve the minutes.</u>
PART-IV 18 (ii)	GENERAL BODY A Special General Body Meeting may be convened by the President suo moto or on the written request of not less than 50 members thereof. The ordinary Annual General Body Meeting shall be convened after notice of at least 21 days and a special General Body Meeting shall be convened after notice of at least 7 days (Amended in G.B. 26.01.2020)	A Special General Body Meeting may be convened by the President suo moto or on the written request of not less than <u>100</u> members. The ordinary Annual General Body Meeting shall be convened after notice of at least 21 days and a special General Body Meeting shall be convened after notice of at least 7 days .	The General Body resolved amend the bye-law as follows:- A Special General Body Meeting may be convened by the President suo moto or on the written request of not less than 100 members thereof . The ordinary Annual General Body Meeting shall be convened after notice of at least 21 days and a special General Body Meeting shall be convened after notice of at least 7 days

18 (iii)	The quorum for the General Body Meeting will be 100. If the quorum is not present at the General Body Meeting, then the meeting will be adjourned for 30 minutes after the appointed time and if a minimum of 50 members do attend the meeting, then those members present will constitute the quorum and the meeting will be valid under the rules.(SGB 21.02.2021).	The quorum for the General Body Meeting will be <u>100 Members</u> . If the quorum is not present at the General Body Meeting, then the meeting will be adjourned for 30 minutes. After the appointed time and if the <u>minimum 100 members</u> do not attend the meeting, then those members present will constitute the quorum and the meeting will be valid under the rules.	The General Body resolved amend the bye-law as follows:- The quorum for the General Body Meeting will be <u>100 Members</u> . If the quorum is not present at the General Body Meeting, then the meeting will be adjourned for <u>30 minutes</u> . After the appointed time and if the <u>minimum 100 members</u> do not attend the meeting, then those members present will constitute the quorum and the meeting will be valid under the rules.
19 (i)	The Agenda for the General Body Meeting shall be sent along with notice of the meeting. No discussion or resolution, except those included in the Agenda, shall be ordinarily considered by the General Body. In case 50 or more Life members represent to the President in writing before the commencement of the General Body Meeting for inclusion of subjects not exceeding five which is/are not in the Agenda, such subject(s) shall be placed for consideration in the General Body Meeting. Any matter relating to the Association raised during the General Body Meeting shall be taken for consideration with the special permission in this regard granted by the President in the General Body Meeting. (SGB 21.02.2021)	The Agenda for the General Body Meeting shall be sent along with notice of the meeting. No discussion or resolution, except those included in the Agenda, shall be ordinarily considered by the General Body. In case 100 Life members represent to the President in writing before the commencement of the General Body Meeting for inclusion of subjects not exceeding five which is/are not in the Agenda, such subject(s) shall be placed for consideration in the General Body Meeting. Any matter relating to the Association raised during the General Body Meeting shall be taken for consideration with the special permission in this regard granted by the President in the General Body Meeting.	The General Body resolved amend the bye-law as follows:- The Agenda for the General Body Meeting shall be sent along with notice of the meeting. No discussion or resolution, except those included in the Agenda, shall be ordinarily considered by the General Body. In case 100 Life members represent to the President in writing before the commencement of the General Body Meeting for inclusion of subjects not exceeding five which is/are not in the Agenda, such subject(s) shall be placed for consideration in the General Body Meeting. Any matter relating to the Association raised during the General Body Meeting shall be taken for consideration with the special permission in this regard granted by the President in the General Body Meeting.
PART – 5 23	ELECTIONS The ballot papers shall be prepared in advance with	The ballot papers shall be prepared in advance with the seal of the Indian Officers'	The General Body resolved to defer the

	the seal of the Indian Officers' Association and the facsimile of the signature of General Secretary and distributed only to the valid members of the general body for each election.	Association and the facsimile of the signature of Returning Officer and distributed to Members who have given willingness to exercise their vote through Postal Ballot Paper and Members of the General Body for each Election.	amendment since the introduction of Postal Ballot Paper System was deferred
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1.Thiru P.Kathirvel,L.M.No.310 and 54 others have given petition for amendment to section 15(i) & 15 (ii)

15(i) A member of the Executive Committee shall be elected in the Annual General Body meeting from among Life Members and he/she shall hold the office for 2 years from the date of selection(SGB 21.02.201)	No Member shall be elected to the Executive Committee for more than two terms. In determining the eligibility of a Member to contest, the number of times that member was elected to Executive Committee from the inception of the Association will be considered. A Member elected to the Executive Committee who happens to resign or be removed from the Committee after the commencement of the terms will be deemed to have served the full term of two years.	The General Body resolved to reject the proposed amendment given by Thiru P.Kathirvel, L.M.No.310 and 54 others for the following reason. According to section 15(v) of Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act, 1975 "The members of the Committee shall be eligible for re-appointment." Therefore the proposed amendment of fixing the tenure is against the Act and hence invalid. More over any proposed rule or amendment will be applicable prospectively and it cannot be implemented retrospectively.
15 (ii) The total tenure of an incumbent of an Executive Committee member and of the office bearer to be 3 consecutive terms or 6 consecutive years in each post (G.B.30.11.2003)		

2.Thiru D.Krishnamurthy, L.M.No.2203 and 76 others have given petition for amendment as below:

Rs.5000/-(Rupees five thousand only) for life membership whether in service or retired or at a rate as may be fixed by General Body from time to time. The revised fee of Rs.5000/- for life member will be applicable for new members.	Rs.25,000/-(Rupees twenty five thousand only) with applicable GST and other taxes for Life Membership whether in service or retired/or at the rate as may be fixed by General Body from time to time. The revised fee of Rs.25,000/- with applicable GST and other taxes for life member will be applicable only for new members.	The General Body resolved to revise the subscription of life member as Rs.25,000/- plus GST 18% with effect from 18.09.2022. Amendment approved.
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M. Krishnamurthy

P.R. Kathirvel

Publication of Quarterly IOA News Magazine instead of Annual Magazine.

The General Body resolved to approve publication of quarterly IOA News Magazine instead of Annual Magazine.

To modify AGM resolution of providing the accommodation & canteen facilities for senior members aged above 80 years for three days once in a month as once in a year

Resolved to provide FREE accommodation and canteen facilities for senior members aged above 80 years for three days once in a year.

Incidental expenses to those EC Members attending EC Meeting and Sub-Committee Meeting.

The General Body Resolved to approve incidental expenses at the rate of Rs.2000/- to those EC Members attending EC Meeting and Sub-Committee Meeting.

Purchase of gift articles for our life members.

The General Body resolved to purchase Mementos to all our life members for a value ranging Rs.1500/- to Rs.2000/- since the purchase of mementos was already approved by the General Body during 2019-20 and reconfirmed by the General Body during 2020 - 2021.

Additional subjects given by:

3.Thiru R.S.Shrinivasan, L.M.No.2706 and 72 other

Members to implement the subject given below:

Proposed Agenda -1	
It is proposed to direct the Executive Committee, to run the IOA Canteen continuously, without considering its loss and profit account, as it directly relates to the welfare of the IOA members, who are in need.	The General Body approved to run the IOA Canteen continuously, without considering its loss and profit ..
Proposed Agenda-II	
It is proposed that a suitable building either at Ootty or Kodaikanal or Yercaud or at any other tourists spot, may be purchased or taken on lease by the IOA for the benefit of association, after following all legal formalities.	The General Body rejected the proposal.

<p align="center">Proposed Agenda – III</p> <p>It is proposed that about 22000 square feet vacant space at second floor of JPS Complex may be converted in to a lodging floor, comprising AC rooms of Single bed and double bed rooms of star hotels standard for the benefit of IOA.</p>	<p>The General Body rejected the proposal.</p>
<p>Proposed Agenda-IV</p> <p>It is proposed that the concession facilities available for Life Members in lodging and boarding in IOA may be extended to the spouse, Sons, Sons-in Law, Daughters, Daughters-in Law, Grandsons and Granddaughters of the Life Members of IOA.</p>	<p>The General Body rejected the proposal.</p>
<p>Proposed Agenda-V</p> <p>It is proposed that a special committee under the leadership of a willing retired High Court Judge (IOA Member), comprising of willing and dedicated members, not exceeding five, may be constituted to supervise and guide all legal and other actions to recover the rental arrears of IOA & to recover vacant possession of IOA premises in all the pending cases and also the cases to be filed by IOA to recover rental arrears and to recover vacant possession of IOA premises.</p>	<p>The General Body agreed to form a Special Committee headed by Hon'ble Justice B.Gokul Dass to supervise and guide all legal matters.</p>

Vote of thanks.

Thiru T.Prabakaran, Warden while delivering vote of thanks mentioned that the present EC members for their continuous cooperation and coordination a lot of developments have been carried out in IOA. He also said that the present Committee will be introducing new schemes beneficial to our life members. He thanked all committee members and all life members for their continuous support to the present EC team for carrying out beneficial schemes for our members.

The General Body Meeting ended with National Anthem. Thereafter good lunch was provided to Members who attended AGM.


GENERAL SECRETARY


PRESIDENT