



Association's AGM dated 22.09.2018

1. Background:

1.1 The Alumni Association had announced through newspapers & Association's official web site on 12th September-2017 regarding holding of on-line elections for electing ten members for the Governing Body of the Association.

(This was because the MoA of the Association registered in May, 1998, was at that time being interpreted as having provision for maximum 15 members in Governing Body of the Association, (out of which) five founding members were to remain as life time GB members.)

1.2 A plaint was filed in Tis Hazari Court on 12/09/2017 by Mr. Praveen Bhargava (79-Civil) that 'elections' had already been held during an 'Annual Alumni Meet' held at Hotel Ashok on 28-01-2017, that a Governing Body had been already elected and the elected GB also had in turn elected office Bearers. The plaintiff on these grounds prayed to court to disallow holding of (*allegedly duplicate*) on-line elections by '*another fake association*'.

1.3 Case was defended in the court by the Association, and the Hon'ble court stayed the proposed on-line elections process, and ordered vide its [order dated 17.04.2018](#) that elections be conducted through secret paper based ballots, on 11th August, 2018, by three returning officers appointed by the Court, and under observation of an independent 'observer' (a retired judge), who was also appointed by the Court.

1.4 The court in its [orders dated 31st May-2018](#) in this case (number CS No.-3023/17), made following observations and directions:

"I have gone through 'clause 4 of Rules and regulations' of governing plaintiff's association. Suffice it to say that those rules do not categorically mandate that elections should take place for 10 or 15 members. Coupled with the same, position of the founding Members in Governing Body, again remains a debatable topic. So I find that following issues are there in the said rules and regulations, amongst others....."

"Coming back to the issue of number of members, for which elections in question will take place, it is directed that elections will take place for 15 members only. This direction is subject to the condition that 05 founding members shall remain as members of managing committee throughout life. Whether those Founding Members are part of Governing Body or not, is an area over which, mooting and decision is required. The said mooting and decision shall take place by an AGM."

“After conclusion of the elections in question, the AGM shall definitely be called by the elected body within two months.”

1.5 Accordingly, the elected body called for AGM on 22nd September at 3 PM, at MTNL Auditorium, Mahanagar Door Sanchar Sadan, 9, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003. AGM notice was published in Times of India, Economic Times and Hindustan Times dated 3rd September, 2018, besides official website of the Association. Emails were also sent to members whose mail IDs are available in records.

2. Conduct of AGM dated 22/09/2018:

- 2.1 An AGM of the Association was scheduled to be held at 3 PM on 22nd September-2018, at MTNL Auditorium, Mahanagar Door Sanchar Sadan, 9, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.
- 2.2 Till 3 PM on 22nd September at AGM venue, only 10 members had reported for the meeting. The AGM was therefore adjourned for one hour.
- 2.3 Till 4 PM, only 36 members had reported; the AGM was, therefore, further adjourned by half an hour.
- 2.4 By 4.30 PM, 37 members had reported for AGM, and the AGM finally began at 4.35 PM.

3. Minutes of AGM dated 22/09/2018:

- 3.1 Sh. Suresh Raheja, the Vice President, after welcoming the gathered members, introduced the newly elected Governing Body Members/Office Bearers to the members present.
(To know more about Office Bearers, [click here](#)).
(To know more about Governing Body Members, [click here](#)).
- 3.2 Dr. Muktesh Chander, the President, then addressed the members. He apprised the members about glorious past and present of the Technological Institute, and contribution of the Alumni Association to the Institute as well as the alumni fraternity. He also spoke about various activities of the Association in past few years.
- 3.3 Sh. Sunil Kumar (Saxena), the General Secretary, then briefed the gathered members about events in chronological order that took place in last two years, including how litigation began, and gist of orders passed by the Hon’ble Court. The General Secretary reiterated that the AGM had been called strictly as per Court orders to decide role of 05 Founding Members.
He further added that not only the Hon’ble Court had pointed out many issues in the prevailing MoA, the newly elected GB also strongly felt the need to completely

recast the MoA. This would require detailed discussion, deliberations & consultations, and all efforts would be made to complete this job and place re-casted draft of MoA before next AGM for approval.

3.4 The General Secretary then read out a proposal of an amendment in the MoA, as per draft below:

“This AGM resolved to elaborate definition and tasks of Managing Committee, {as mentioned in clause 4(iv)(a) of MoA}, as below:

“The Managing Committee will consist of five Founding Members. The Managing Committee will guide, advise, aid and assist the Governing Body to achieve the objectives of the Association. The Managing Committee will NOT be part of elected Governing Body.”

To this effect, clause 4(iv)(b) will be inserted in the MoA.”

3.5 After discussion and debate on this proposal, voting was conducted by way of raising hands by members present; 21 votes were there in favour of this proposal, and 09 votes were against the proposal. The resolution was thus taken as approved by the AGM.

4. Vote of Thanks

Finally, the Joint General Secretary Dr. Dipti Mal proposed a vote of thanks, and the AGM was announced as completed. The members then dispersed.

Issued by:
Sunil Kumar (Saxena),
General Secretary.