The Association of Physicians of India

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CIRCULAR NO. 2/2024

Elections of Office Bearers of the Governing Body for 2025-2026 Members are hereby informed that the following persons will retire in January, 2025.

- President
 Dr. Milind Nadkar, Mumbai
- One Vice-President
 Dr. V. Palaniappan, Dindigul
- One Hon. General Secretary
 Dr. Agam Vora, Mumbai
- Six Governing Body Members
 - Dr. Anupam Prakash, New Delhi
 - Dr. Sangram Biradar, Gulbarga
 - Dr. Pramod Kumar Sinha, Gaya
 - Dr. Puneet Saxena, Jaipur
 - Dr. PS Karmakar, Kolkata
 - Dr. Pradeep Bhaumik, Agartala

Dr. Milind Nadkar will remain in the Governing body as Past President for one year.

Therefore, election for the following office bearers, elected members of the Governing Body for 2025-2026 will be held and nominations are hereby invited for them.

- 1. One President-Elect
- 2. One Vice President
- 3. One Hon. General Secretary
- 4. Six Elected Members

Nominations shall be made on prescribed forms stating the office for which nominations are filled. The nomination shall be proposed by one valid life member and seconded by another valid life member and duly signed by them and shall also be signed by the candidate signifying his/her willingness to stand for election and serve on the Governing Body if elected. Separate nominations must be submitted for each post.

Every member is supplied with a nomination form. The nomination form completed in all respects should reach the API Office not later than 31st May, 2024 alongwith a passport size photograph. For every post on the Governing Body, the nomination must be accompanied by a sum of `7,500/- + 18% CGST / IGST = `8,850/- (Rupees Eight thousand eight hundred fifty only) in favour of

"The Association of Physicians of India" in the form of **Demand Draft only** payable at Mumbai. The nomination paper NOT accompanied by the Bank Draft of `8,850/will be deemed invalid. The fees for nomination is **NON REFUNDABLE**.

Rules Relating to Qualification for Election to Governing Body.

- 1. President Elect: To contest for the post of President Elect the candidate should be a life member of API for at least 10 years and have completed atleast two full terms of 3 years each in any elected position in the Governing Body.
- 2. Vice President / Hon. General Secretary: To contest for the post of Vice President/ Hon. General Secretary the candidate should be a life member of API for at least 5 years and should have completed atleast one continuous full term of 3 years in any elected position in the Governing Body.
- Hon. Treasurer, Member Governing Body and Zonal Members: To contest for all other elected position of the Governing Body continuous membership of the Association for atleast 3 years is mandatory.
- 4. A member shall not contest simultaneously for more than one post (i.e. President-Elect, Vice-President, Hon. Treasurer, Elected Member, Zonal Member of the Governing Body. Also member will not contest any post in the API or ICP or PRF simultaneously. Post means not only an office-bearer but also member of Governing Body or Faculty Council of ICP or Board of Research Foundation of PRF.

Ballot Papers will be posted to all the life members by 15th July, 2024 and the last date to receive the ballot papers back at API Office is 31st August 2024. If any member fails to receive the ballot paper by 1st August 2024, kindly intimate the API Office and a duplicate ballot paper will be supplied immediately only on written signed request and by post. If such members receive the original paper also, the same should be returned at once to API Office.

Important

Canvassing in any form and collection of Ballot Papers by contesting candidates and / or others is not allowed. If any candidate/ member is found indulging in the same, he/she shall be disqualified from the election and shall be debarred from contesting elections for the next three consecutive years by the Chairman Election Committee.

Collection of empty ballots must be discouraged.

Disciplinary action should be taken against and debarred from contesting in three consecutive years.

The ballot paper must not be shared and if found action will be taken.

Instead, they are requested to send a passport size photograph, short biodata NOT MORE THAN 200 words along with the nomination paper which will be printed and circulated along with the ballot paper. Excess of bio-data beyond the first two hundred words shall be deleted.

THE CANDIDATE WILL HAVE TO CERTIFY AND SIGN THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN HIS / HER BIODATA IS CORRECT.

The results will be declared at the end of counting of votes and announced in the subsequent issue of JAPI. The report will be placed before the Governing Body for intimation.

** For any query, kindly refer to the Constitution at www.apiindia.org

Dr. Agam VoraHon. General Secretary

Date: 30th April, 2024

Place: Mumbai

DEADLINES OF ELECTION PROCEDURE

Last date to receive the nomination at API Office $31^{\rm st}$ May, 2024

Last date for withdrawal 20th June, 2024

Last date to receive ballot papers at API Office 31st August, 2024