

# PROPOSED CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS 2026

(8<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026)

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THE ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIANS OF INDIA

Rule No.	Existing	Proposed Amendment	Revised rule after Incorporating amendment
3.4.2.6	<p>The Election shall be conducted from the headquarters at Mumbai. An Election Committee consisting of President Elect who will be the Chief Electoral Officer, Hon. Gen. Secretary or Jt Secretary - HQ (in case Hon. Gen Secretary is contesting the election) and three members nominated by the Governing Body shall conduct the Election. (One member from these 3 members shall be from head quarters). Any member contesting in the election shall not be part of the Election Committee.</p>	<p><u>The elections will be held from headquarters at Mumbai. An election committee formed during the first governing body meeting of API, consisting of President elect, who will be the chairman of election committee and chief electoral officer, Hon General secretary as Ex officio secretary, and five members nominated by governing body shall conduct the elections. Out of these five members one each will be from ICP faculty council and board of directors of PRF. Any member contesting in the elections shall not be part of election committee. If Hon General secretary is contesting then Jt secretary HQ , or if both Hon General secretary and Jt secretary HQ are contesting then treasurer will be part of the election committee.</u></p>	<p><u>The elections will be held from headquarters at Mumbai. An election committee formed during the first governing body meeting of API, consisting of President elect, who will be the chairman of election committee and chief electoral officer, Hon General secretary as Ex officio secretary, and five members nominated by governing body shall conduct the elections. Out of these five members one each will be from ICP faculty council and board of directors of PRF. Any member contesting in the elections shall not be part of election committee. If Hon General secretary is contesting then Jt secretary HQ , or if both Hon General secretary and Jt secretary HQ are contesting then treasurer will be part of the election committee.</u></p>
3.4.2.7	<p>The election process shall be conducted by an Election Committee headed by Chief Electoral Officer (President Elect) who shall be responsible for initiating and conducting the elections as per API</p>	<p>The election process shall be conducted by an Election Committee headed by Chief Electoral Officer (President Elect) who shall be responsible for initiating and conducting the</p>	<p>The election process shall be conducted by an Election Committee headed by Chief Electoral Officer (President Elect) who shall be responsible for initiating and conducting the</p>

	<p>Constitution. No other official of the API shall have any role to play once the election process with inviting nominations for various posts is set in motion. In case the Chief Electoral Officer needs any clarification(s) and guidance, he shall seek the guidance from the President, and if still need be from the Governing Body and he shall be answerable to the Governing Body on this account.</p>	<p>elections as per API Constitution. No other official of the API shall have any role to play once the election process with inviting nominations for various posts is set in motion. In case the Chief Electoral Officer needs any clarification(s) and guidance, he shall seek the guidance from the President, and if still need be from the Governing Body and he shall be answerable to the Governing Body on this account.</p> <p><u>election committee will be responsible to take all decisions necessary for smooth conduction of elections eg. to invite and approve quotations for printing of election stationery and ballot papers, to appoint vendor for counting process and to appoint additional staff for election process if needed.</u></p>	<p>elections as per API Constitution. No other official of the API shall have any role to play once the election process with inviting nominations for various posts is set in motion. In case the Chief Electoral Officer needs any clarification(s) and guidance, he shall seek the guidance from the President, and if still need be from the Governing Body and he shall be answerable to the Governing Body on this account.</p> <p><u>election committee will be responsible to take all decisions necessary for smooth conduction of elections eg. to invite and approve quotations for printing of election stationery and ballot papers, to appoint vendor for counting process and to appoint additional staff for election process if needed.</u></p>
3.4.4	<p>In case of a contest for any post, the Honorary General Secretary shall send Ballot Papers to the members for voting by 15<sup>th</sup> July of the year by Registered Post by Indian Post only. The Ballot Papers shall have an API Election Hologram affixed on it. The ballot papers should bear the Digital signatures/ Physical</p>	<p>In case of a contest for any post, the Honorary General Secretary shall send Ballot Papers to the members for voting by 15<sup>th</sup> July of the year by <u>Registered post/ speed post</u> by Indian Post only. The Ballot Papers shall have an API Election Hologram affixed on it. The ballot papers should bear the Digital</p>	<p>In case of a contest for any post, the Honorary General Secretary shall send Ballot Papers to the members for voting by 15<sup>th</sup> July of the year by <u>Registered post/ speed post</u> by Indian Post only. The Ballot Papers shall have an API Election Hologram affixed on it. The ballot papers should bear the Digital</p>

	<p>Signatures of the Honorary General Secretary and Chairperson of the Election Committee. Canvassing in any form and collection of Ballot Papers by contesting candidates and / or others is not allowed, instead candidates will be required to send a short biodata and a photograph along with the nomination paper to be published online at API website and available for viewing by the members. If any candidate/member is found indulging in canvassing, he/she shall be disqualified from the election and shall be debarred from contesting elections for the next three consecutive years. Collection of empty ballots is prohibited. Chief Election Commissioner will seek explanation by Speed Post and E-mail from any such candidate/ member before taking disciplinary action. The ballot paper must not be shared and if found, action will be taken by election committee chairman.</p>	<p>signatures/ Physical Signatures of the Honorary General Secretary and Chairperson of the Election Committee. Canvassing in any form and collection of Ballot Papers by contesting candidates and / or others is not allowed, instead candidates will be required to send a short biodata and a photograph along with the nomination paper to be published online at API website and available for viewing by the members. If any candidate/member is found indulging in canvassing, he/she shall be disqualified from the election and shall be debarred from contesting elections for the next three consecutive years. Collection of empty ballots is prohibited.</p> <p>Chief Election Commissioner will seek explanation by Speed Post and E-mail from any such candidate/ member before taking disciplinary action. The ballot paper must not be shared and if found, action will be taken by election committee chairman.</p>	<p>signatures/ Physical Signatures of the Honorary General Secretary and Chairperson of the Election Committee. Canvassing in any form and collection of Ballot Papers by contesting candidates and / or others is not allowed, instead candidates will be required to send a short biodata and a photograph along with the nomination paper to be published online at API website and available for viewing by the members. If any candidate/member is found indulging in canvassing, he/she shall be disqualified from the election and shall be debarred from contesting elections for the next three consecutive years. Collection of empty ballots is prohibited.</p> <p>Chief Election Commissioner will seek explanation by Speed Post and E-mail from any such candidate/ member before taking disciplinary action. The ballot paper must not be shared and if found, action will be taken by election committee chairman.</p>
3.4.10	All vacancies in the Governing Body except	All vacancies in the Governing Body	All vacancies in the Governing Body

	that of President-Elect / President whether occurring as a result of uncontested position or otherwise shall be filled by the Governing Body, for a period till next General Election, not exceeding one year in any case. The Honorary General Secretary shall issue an urgent short notice in the journal inviting nominations and providing time for withdrawals. The valid nominations shall then be placed before the Governing Body in the immediate succeeding meeting for electing the incumbents.	except that of President- Elect / President whether occurring as a result of uncontested position or otherwise <u>shall be filled by the Governing body for the remaining tenure of that particular post</u> till next General Election. The Honorary General Secretary shall issue an urgent short notice in the JAPI/Website inviting nominations and providing time for withdrawals. The valid nominations shall then be placed before the Governing Body in the immediate succeeding meeting for electing the incumbents.	except that of President- Elect / President whether occurring as a result of uncontested position or otherwise <u>shall be filled by the Governing body for the remaining tenure of that particular post</u> till next General Election. The Honorary General Secretary shall issue an urgent short notice in the JAPI/Website inviting nominations and providing time for withdrawals. The valid nominations shall then be placed before the Governing Body in the immediate succeeding meeting for electing the incumbents.
7.4	Accounts and other investments of the Association shall be operated by any two persons out of the following four viz. either one of the Hon. Treasurer or Hon. General Secretary or both and any one of either President or one Governing Body member from Mumbai duly authorized by the Governing Body for the purpose.	Accounts and other investments of the Association shall be operated by any two persons out of the following four viz. either one of the Hon. Treasurer or <u>Hon. General Secretary and any one of either President/President's nominee from Governing Body or Joint Sectary from Headquarter</u>  <u>In 1st Governing body meeting of the year (held on 3rd day of APICON) President will nominate one person who will be signatory of the account with approval</u>	Accounts and other investments of the Association shall be operated by any two persons out of the following four viz. either one of the Hon. Treasurer <u>or Hon. General Secretary and any one of either President/President's nominee from Governing Body or Joint Sectary from Headquarter</u>  <u>In 1st Governing body meeting of the year (held on 3rd day of APICON) President will nominate one person who will be signatory of the account with approval</u>

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Part 1	Does not exist	<u>IRREVOCABILITY OF TRUST</u>  <u>This Trust is hereby declared to be irrevocable. The Trust shall not be revoked, cancelled, or altered in a manner inconsistent with its charitable objects. The Settlor and/or Trustees shall have no right or power to revoke this Trust or to divert the Trust property or income for any purpose other than those stated in this Trust Constitution/deed.</u>	<u>IRREVOCABILITY OF TRUST</u>  <u>This Trust is hereby declared to be irrevocable. The Trust shall not be revoked, cancelled, or altered in a manner inconsistent with its charitable objects. The Settlor and/or Trustees shall have no right or power to revoke this Trust or to divert the Trust property or income for any purpose other than those stated in this Trust Constitution/deed.</u>
3.3.1.2	Hon General Secretary: To contest for the Post of Hon. General Secretary, the candidate should be a life member of API for at least 5 years and should have completed at least one continuous full term of 3 years in any elected position in the Governing Body	<p>Hon General Secretary: To contest for the Post of Hon. General Secretary, the candidate should be a life member of API for at least <u>6 years</u> and should have completed at least one continuous full term of 3 years in any elected position in the Governing Body</p> <p>Note- To contest any post, a member must have at least 3 years of continuous membership.</p> <p>To contest for Honorary Secretary, the member must have also completed one full elected term.</p>	<p>Hon General Secretary: To contest for the Post of Hon. General Secretary, the candidate should be a life member of API for at least <u>6 years</u> and should have completed at least one continuous full term of 3 years in any elected position in the Governing Body</p> <p>Note- To contest any post, a member must have at least 3 years of continuous membership.</p> <p>To contest for Honorary Secretary, the member must have also completed one full elected term.</p>
3.2.9	Nine zonal members shall be elected to the Governing body every three years	<u>One new Zone – North Hilly Zone – Himachal Pradesh , Uttarakhand , J&amp; K</u>	<u>Ten zonal members shall be elected to the Governing body every three years.</u>

			<u>Xth Zone - Hilly Zone</u> <u>– Himachal Pradesh ,</u> <u>Uttarakhand , J&amp; K</u>
10.2(c)	Editor JAPI shall hold the position for 3 years but shall be eligible for renomination for one more tenure of 3 years. The process of selection of Editor JAPI should be completed one year in advance of the completion of the term of incumbent Editor.	Editor JAPI shall hold the position for <u>one tenure of maximum 3 years</u> . The process of selection of Editor JAPI should be completed one year in advance of the completion of the term of incumbent Editor.	Editor JAPI shall hold the position for <u>one tenure of maximum 3 years</u> . The process of selection of Editor JAPI should be completed one year in advance of the completion of the term of incumbent Editor.
14	Finance Committee  Term 3 years • May be re-nominated for one more term by the governing body • The chairman should be a past president. • Members 9 including chairman	Finance Committee  • <u>Tenure – One term of maximum 3 years</u> • The chairman should be a past president. • Members 9 including chairman	Finance Committee  • <u>Tenure – One term of maximum 3 years</u> • The chairman should be a past president. • Members 9 including chairman
14.a	API House Committee  Term 3 Years • May be re-nominated for one more term of 3 years by the governing body • Governing body to nominate Chairman and 4 members. • Secretary and treasurer will be Ex officio members. • The house committee shall prepare Budget for the upkeep of the API House on yearly basis. • In case of need of major repairs / alterations, opinion from architect shall be taken and quotation invited from the reputed vendors for the execution of the work, and this should be	API House Committee  <u>Tenure – One term of maximum Term 3 Years</u> • Governing body to nominate Chairman and 4 members. • Secretary and treasurer will be Ex officio members. • The house committee shall prepare Budget for the upkeep of the API House on yearly basis. • In case of need of major repairs / alterations, opinion from architect shall be taken and quotation invited from the reputed vendors for the execution of the work, and this should be	API House Committee  <u>Tenure – One term of maximum Term 3 Years</u> • Governing body to nominate Chairman and 4 members. • Secretary and treasurer will be Ex officio members. • The house committee shall prepare Budget for the upkeep of the API House on yearly basis. • In case of need of major repairs / alterations, opinion from architect shall be taken and quotation invited from the reputed vendors for the execution of the work, and this should be

	placed before the House Committee for due approval.	placed before the House Committee for due approval.	placed before the House Committee for due approval.
14.c	Does not exist	<u>Publicity and Public welfare Committee”</u> <u>Aims and objectives</u> 1) <u>Publicity of Fellowship internationally.</u> 2) <u>Popularization of API activity in remote and rural part of country</u> 3) <u>Liasson activity with Central and State Government</u> 4) <u>Publicity of API activity in Media and Social forums</u> 5) <u>Celebration of Important health days</u> 6) <u>Promotion of Health camps , Public welfare programmes .</u> 7) <u>Participation in large gatherings</u> <u>This committee will consist of a Chairman and five members from (API- ICP-PRF) and invited members .</u> <u>Keeping liasson with State committees will formulate programmes and will implement.</u>	<u>Publicity and Public welfare Committee”</u> <u>New wing is proposed with following aims and objectives</u> 1) <u>Publicity of Fellowship internationally.</u> 2) <u>Popularization of API activity in remote and rural part of country</u> 3) <u>Liasson activity with Central and State Government</u> 4) <u>Publicity of API activity in Media and Social forums</u> 5) <u>Celebration of Important health days</u> 6) <u>Promotion of Health camps , Public welfare programmes .</u> 7) <u>Participation in large gatherings</u> <u>This committee will consist of a Chairman and five members from (API- ICP-PRF) and invited members .</u> <u>Keeping liasson with State committees will formulate programmes and will implement.</u>
14.d	Does not exist.	<u>State Council</u> <u>State Council will be formed with State Chairmans and Secretaries, this council will act as advisory to President API. Each year President API, Dean ICP, Director PRF will conduct two Physical meeting with this</u>	<u>State Council</u> <u>State Council will be formed with State Chairmans and Secretaries, this council will act as advisory to President API. Each year President API, Dean ICP, Director PRF will conduct two Physical meeting with this</u>



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