MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION
OF ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF TAX
PRACTITIONERS

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MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION
OF
ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF
TAX PRACTITIONERS

As approved by the E.G.M. Meeting on
22nd April, 2001 at Hyderabad.

1. **NAME OF THE SOCIETY**: All India Federation of Tax Practitioners.

2. **OFFICE ADDRESS**: The Office Address shall be at *215, Rewa Chambers, 31 New Marine Lines, Mumbai – 400020 or any other place that may be decided by the National Executive from time-to-time.

3. **OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY**: The Objects of the Federation are:

   A. **Main Object**: To spread education in matters relating to tax laws, other laws and accountancy.

   B. **Other Objects**

      (a) To provide an effective forum for the discussion of the matters pertaining to tax laws and other laws and accountancy and their administration, for the collection and dissemination of information relating thereto and for the development of better understanding and co-operation amongst the members, tax consultants, tax administration, tax-payers and all other concerned.

   * Office address changed on 22nd April, 2001 prior to that day it was 3, Prospect House, 1st Floor, 29, Raghunath Dadaji Street, Fort, Mumbai – 400 001
(b) To render help and provide facilities to the members in discharge of their professional duties, including furnishing information and opinion about specific matters and queries raised by them on such terms as may be decided by the National Executive Committee.

(c) To render financial and other help to the needy members and their families in distress or adversity in such matter as may be decided by the National Executive Committee.

(d) To strive for affiliation or association with national and international organisations having similar objects.

(e) To participate, by sending representatives or delegates, in conferences and similar gatherings for the discussion of matters of interest to the members and all others concerned or for the promotion or achievement of the objects of the Federation.

(f) To undertake critical studies of tax laws, other laws, accountancy and their administration.

(g) To strive and work for independence of Hon'ble Courts, quasi-Judicial Authorities, Appellate Authorities, the Settlement Commissions, Tribunals, Authority for Advance Ruling, or other similar Authorities.

(h) To acquire, receive, hold, manage and maintain or dispose of properties of any kind and accept donations for the furtherance of the objects of the Federation.

(i) To constitute or cause to be constituted Regional Centres at convenient places in India in
furtherance or promotion of the objects of the Federation.

(j) To make representations, file petitions and appear before the Hon'ble Courts, quasi-judicial authorities, Appellate Authorities, Settlement Commissions, Tribunals, Authority for Advance Ruling or other similar authorities in the matters of public interest and cases of importance to professionals and assesseees in general.

(k) To design and arrange activities to enhance the image of the profession in the society.

(l) To carry out activities to develop and promote high ethical standard for the professionals.

(m) To make donations or give financial or other assistance to individuals, institutions and for the welfare of the public.

(n) To raise funds or receive donations, grants-in-aid or assistance to achieve the objects of the Federation.

(o) To promote and encourage friendly feelings, fraternity, unity and co-operation amongst the members and to inculcate feelings of brotherhood in them.

(p) To arrange for acquisition, construction, maintenance of guest house for the members.

(q) To hold conventions, conferences or seminars or study tours or lectures on matters of interest to the members and all others concerned.

(r) To publish journals, bulletins, books, pamphlets, leaflets and magazines or any periodicals and /or
disseminate the informations through electronic media to achieve the objects.

(s) To establish and maintain Library, Reading Room for the benefit of the members and all concerned.

(t) To organise and participate in games and sports arranged by the Federation or other Associations or the Taxation departments.

(u) To assist the taxpayers against illegal imposition and to represent for their cause before the Courts, Government, Boards, Committees, Commissions, Officials, etc.

(v) To endeavour for upholding the privileges, honour, dignity, prestige, independence, unity and solidarity of the members.

(w) To set up a code of professional conduct, discipline and etiquette for the tax consultants.

(x) To take loans for achieving objects of the Federation.

(y) To do any or all things that may be necessary, incidental or conducive to the achievement or furtherance of the objects of the Federation.

4. The names, addresses, designations, ages, occupations, and nationalities of all the members of the present Executive Committee of the Society to whom the management and business of the society is entrusted.
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We the following member signatories of the society desire to form our society under the Societies Registration Act, 1960 and accordingly we have formed the said society, today; i.e., 6th May, 1996 and we have signed the Memorandum for the purpose of the registration of the society under the Societies Registration Act, 1960.

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RULES & REGULATIONS OF
THE ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF TAX
PRACTITIONERS

(As approved by the E.G.M. Meeting on 22nd April, 2001
at Hyderabad)

1. DEFINITION OF TERMS USED IN RULES &
REGULATIONS

1. HEAD OFFICE : The Head Office of the
Federation shall be situated at Mumbai and shall
be the Registered Office of the Federation.

2. ZONAL OFFICE : The Federation may open an
office in a Zone at such place in that Zone as
may be decided from time-to-time.

3. ZONE : A zone may consist of more than one
State or Union Territory of the Indian Union.

4. STATE : A State shall be the State and the Union
Territories specified in the First Schedule of the
Constitution of India.

5. REGION : A region may consist of one or more
revenue divisions within a State or Union
Territory.

6. LOCAL AREA : Local Area will mean a town or
a city within a Region.

7. LOCAL ASSOCIATION : Ten or more persons
eligible to practise tax laws before any authority
and resident of a Local Area and forming any
Union, Association or Bar may be recognised by
the Federation as a Local Association.
8. REGIONAL ASSOCIATION: A group of two or more Local Associations in a Region within a State may be recognized by the Federation as a Regional Association.

9. STATE ASSOCIATION: All or any Local and Regional Association or a combination of any of them within a State may be recognized by the Federation as State Association.

10. ZONAL ASSOCIATION: All or any Local, Regional or State Associations within a Zone or a combination of any of them may be recognized by the Federation as Zonal Association.

11. FEDERATING UNIT: A Federating Unit shall mean a Local, Regional, State or Zonal Association, which has been recognised and affiliated to the Federation.

12. GENERAL BODY: All members on the Roll of Members of the Federation and eligible to vote shall constitute the General Body of the Federation.

13. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: National Executive Committee shall mean the committee elected by the General Body and Co-opted under Article 10 for the management and conduct of the affairs of the Federation.

14. OFFICE BEARERS: The President, Deputy President, Vice–Presidents, Secretary General, Jt. Hon. Secretaries, Hon. Treasurer and such other persons as may be designated by the General Body from time-to-time shall be the office bearers of the Federation, and the President, with his concurrence, the Secretary General shall be the official spokesman of the Federation.
2. **AREA OF OPERATION**

   The area of operation of the Society shall be all over India.

3. **ACCOUNTING YEAR**

   The Federation shall follow the financial year commencing from 1st April and ending on 31st March as its official accounting year.

4. **KINDS OF MEMBERSHIP**:

   The Federation shall consist of:
   
   a) Individual members
   b) Honorary members
   c) Association members
   d) Associate members and
   e) Corporate members

   "1(f) ‘Patron Member’.

5. **MEMBERSHIP AND PROCEDURE FOR ENROLMENT**

   A) Individual members shall be

   a) **Life Members**:
   
   Any adult person who is eligible to practise tax laws may become a life member on payment of a lump sum subscription as may be decided by the National Executive Committee from time-to-time which shall not exceed ₹ 20,000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only).

   "2b) **Ordinary Members**:

   Any adult person who is eligible to practise tax laws may become an Ordinary Member on payment of an admission fee and annual subscription as may be decided by the National Executive Committee from time-to-time. The admission fee shall not exceed
₹ 1,000/- (Rupees One Thousand only) and annual subscription shall not exceed ₹ 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only).

c) **Associate Members**: Any adult person who is not eligible to practice tax laws, may become associate member on payment of a lump sum subscription as may be decided by the National Executive Committee from time to time which shall not exceed ₹ 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five thousand only). Such associate member shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting or election nor shall he be entitled to any elective post in the Federation. He shall also be ineligible for co-option as a full fledged National Executive Committee member.

d) **Corporate Members**: Any person other than those covered by category a, b and c hereinabove may become corporate member on payment of a lump sum subscription as may be decided by the National Executive Committee from time-to-time which shall not exceed ₹ 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only).

Such corporate member shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting or election nor shall it be entitled to any elective post in the Federation.

e) **Additional Subscription**: The National Executive Committee may collect additional subscription in lumpsum or by instalments from all or any of the categories of members as may be decided from time-to-time for any specific purpose/activities.

**Provided** that such additional subscription payable at any one time by any member shall not exceed ₹ one Lakh.
B) **Honorary Members:**

Persons, including foreign nationals distinguished for the public service or eminent in the profession or otherwise interested in the aims and objects of the Federation may be conferred Honorary membership by the National Executive Committee of the Federation and the Honorary member shall be exempted from paying admission fee and annual subscription. However, Honorary members shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting or election nor shall he/they be entitled to any elective post in the Federation.

C) **Association Member:**

i) Any professional organisation representing persons eligible to practise tax laws shall be eligible to become a member of the Federation, on payment of a lump sum subscription as may be decided by the National Executive Committee from time to time. The lump sum subscription shall not exceed ₹ 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only). The National Executive Committee may decide different amount for different associations.

ii) Each member association shall have a right to nominate one person in writing from amongst its past or present of the Managing/Governing Committee/Council to represent the said association. Such representative shall have a right to contest election to the National Executive Committee and also a right to vote at any general meeting or any other meeting of the Federation. The member association shall have a right to change its representative by giving one month’s notice to the Federation in writing.
(D) ‘Patron Member’:*  
“Any existing Life Member or a senior professional of more than 50 years of age can be enrolled as a patron member on a donation of not less than ₹ 50,000/- (rupees fifty thousand) but not more than ₹ 5 Lakhs, as may be determined by the National Executive Committee from time to time.”

6. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

a) The name of any member failing to pay the subscription due before the aforesaid date fixed for the purpose will be liable to be removed from the roll of members of the Federation, after due notice, but the liability of such member for any amount that may have become due by and up to the date of striking off his name, shall not cease, provided however that the National Executive Committee may on a request in writing by the member concerned ceasing to be a member under this Article, continue such member as a member on payment of arrears and on such other conditions as it deems fit.

b) Any member acting in a manner derogatory to or not in keeping with the aims and objects of the Federation or in violation of its Rules and Regulations, or By-laws framed by the National Executive Committee in that behalf shall be liable to be removed from the roll of members or censured or otherwise dealt with by the National Executive Committee provided that the member concerned shall not be removed, censured or otherwise dealt with, unless he has been given an opportunity of being heard by a

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* Added on 25th December, 2013.
Committee appointed by the National Executive Committee for the purpose, in respect of the acts or conduct alleged against him and after a consideration of the report of such committee, provided that no member shall be so removed from the roll without a vote of majority of 3/5th of the members of the National Executive Committee. Such vote may be taken by postal ballot.

7. GENERAL BODY MEETING, ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

1) The General Body shall lay down policy and programme of the Federation to be carried out by the National Executive Committee.

2) The General Body shall subject to rule 10, elect a National Executive Committee to carry out the policy and programme of the Federation and also to implement its objects and manage its affairs and activities. Such election, if warranted, shall be conducted as per the rules that may be framed by the National Executive Committee in that regard.

3) Subject to rules 10(1) and (2), the number of members that may be elected from each zone, shall be in proportion to the strength of membership from the zone concerned, in such a manner that for every 100 members there would be one National Executive Committee member. In case a zone does not have the required number so as to have at least one member from each state falling in the zone, then till such time as that zone achieve the required numbers, the provisions of this rule will not be applicable to that zone and the zone concerned
shall have at least five members on the national executive committee.

Provided that in no case any one zone shall have more than sixteen members.

Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 7(3) the National Executive Committee may, at its discretion, co-opt a member from a new area for the development of the federation activities in that area.

4) The General Body shall meet at least once in every year in an ordinary general meeting and not more than eighteen months shall elapse between two such consecutive meetings.

5) The General Body may approve the income and expenditure of the Federation and may approve such other financial statements, budget and reports on the activities of the Federation as may be placed before it.

6) The General Body shall meet in an ordinary general meeting at such place and time to consider such Agenda as may be determined by the National Executive Committee.

8. NOTICE OF GENERAL BODY MEETING AND QUORUM

1. The business of the General Body meeting shall be:
   a) to confirm the proceedings of its previous meeting.
   b) to consider the report of the National Executive Committee.
c) to consider and adopt the Audited Accounts.

d) to appoint auditors and fix their honorarium.

e) to elect members of the National Executive Committee.

f) to transact any other business that may be raised with the permission of the Chair.

*(1A) Not less than 30 days’ notice to members specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting with the agenda of the meeting shall be given to the members either by announcement in journal or by notice despatched by post or by any other mode or otherwise served as hereinafter provided, provided the accidental omission to give notice of a meeting or non-receipt of such notice by any member shall not invalidate any proceeding of such a meeting."

2. No business shall be transacted at any General Body meeting unless a quorum of members as specified herein is present at the time of the meeting.

3. Two-thirds (2/3rd) of the total number of members or fifty members entitled to vote on the date of the notice convening the meeting, whichever is less, present in person, shall form a quorum for any Ordinary or special meeting of the Federation. If within half an hour from the time appointed for the holding of a meeting of the Federation, a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned for half an

* Clause 1A was inserted on 1st October, 2005
hour and upon reassembly at the same venue, whatever number of members that are present shall form the quorum, and the meeting shall proceed to consider the items on the agenda contained in the notice convening the meeting.

4. At all meetings of the General Body, a member shall cast his vote by a show of hand, unless a poll is demanded. Every decision at a meeting of the General Body may be passed by a majority of persons present and voting at that meeting. In the case of an equality of votes, the Chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to have a casting vote.

5. The President shall preside at every meeting of the General Body. However in his absence the Deputy President shall preside as Chairman and in the absence of both, the members present may choose any one of the members present to preside as Chairman.

9. **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL BODY MEETING AND ITS FUNCTIONS**:

1. The National Executive Committee may, whenever necessary, or upon a requisition made in writing by at least twenty members or 1/5th of the total number of members, whichever is more, convene a special meeting of the General Body. The requisition must state the Agenda of the Meeting and must be signed by the requisitionists and deposited at the registered office of the Federation.

2. If the National Executive Committee does not proceed to convene such meeting within twenty-one days from the date of receipt of the requisition, the requisitionists, may themselves call such meeting, but in either case any meeting
so called shall be held within three months of the date of the receipt of the requisition.

3. Not less than thirty days’ notice to members specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting with the Agenda of the meeting shall be given to members either by advertisement or by notice sent by post or otherwise served as hereinafter provided, provided the accidental omission to give notice of a meeting, or non-receipt of such notice by any member shall not invalidate any proceedings of such meeting.

10. **THE ELECTION OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

1. The General Body at its Ordinary General Meeting shall elect fifty (50)*1 consenting members duly proposed and seconded to constitute a National Executive Committee of the Federation. Provided that in electing the said 50 members to National Executive Committee, the Candidates from each Zone shall be elected in proportion to the overall membership of the Federation and that Zone on the date of issue of notice for the Ordinary General Meeting.

*2(1A) The number of members to be elected from each zone shall be determined in accordance with Rule 7 (3).

(1B) The election of National Executive Committee shall be subject to other Rules and Regulations and the election Rules framed by the National Executive Committee.

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*1 Amended on 25th December, 2013
*2 Added on 24th December, 2016
The format of the prescribed nomination form along with the election rules shall be available with each Zonal office for the benefit of the existing eligible members.

*2Note:* The Candidate for the post of Dy. President and the Vice President for the first year of the two years’ term from the eligible Zone shall be in accordance with the recommendation of the collegium consisting of the present President, Dy. President and the active past Presidents not exceeding eleven, who shall meet at a convenient place. The decision thereat however shall be made public only after the election of the President for the ensuing term.

2. Members of such elected National Executive Committee shall after such election meet and in that meeting, may co-opt not more than Fifteen (15) members to be the members of the National Executive Committee.

*1Provided that out of Fifteen co-opted members, at least 5 members should be young lady/young members (up to age of 45) and devoted members having at least Five years standing in the profession either from the date of enrolment as an Advocate or from the date of the Certificate of practice issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants or other similar Professional Institute or Authority who are entitled to practice.

3. The immediate Past President of the Federation and Chairman of each zone (if he is not otherwise a member of the National Executive Committee) shall be the ex officio member of the National Executive Committee.

*1 Proviso added on 25th December, 2013
*2 Added on 24th December, 2016
4. *2a) The National Executive Committee at its first meeting after election and then after one year in its last meeting of that calendar year, shall elect from amongst its members the following office bearers for the second calendar year of the term of the existing National Executive Committee.

i) One President

ii) One Dy. President

iii) Five Vice Presidents (One from each zone)

iv) One Secretary General

v) One Hon. Treasurer and

vi) Five Hon. Jt. Secretaries (one from each zone).

Provided always that a person may be re-elected to the same post but no individual shall hold the same post for more than two consecutive terms.

* Provided further that while electing five Vice Presidents, the one from the eligible zone for being elected by rotation as Dy. President for the later part of the two years’ terms, shall be the Vice President for that zone during the first year of the two years’ term; consequently another member of National Executive Committee from the same zone will be Vice President for the Second Year of the term.

For the purpose of this Rule the term ‘eligible zone’ means the zones by rotation in the following sequence.

1. West Zone

* Added on 24th December, 2016
2. South Zone
3. North Zone
4. Centre Zone
5. East Zone

5. Meeting of the National Executive Committee

The Members of the National Executive Committee shall meet at least once in 3 months provided however that the President or the Secretary General may convene it earlier if situation so warrants.

6. Qualifications of the Office bearers and members of the national executive committee

The election/co-option as provided in rule 10 (1), (2), (3) and (4) as a member of the National Executive Committee or any of the office bearers shall be subject to the following qualifications :-

1. Member of the National Executive Committee

Any individual life member or a representative of the association member that may be nominated in terms of rule 5(C)(ii), who is in practice of direct and/or indirect taxes for more than five years and who has been a member of the Federation for at least two years can file his/her nomination form for the election at the Ordinary General Meeting.

2. Hon. Joint Secretary and Hon. Treasurer

The member of the National Executive Committee who desires to be the Hon. Treasurer or one of the five Hon. Joint Secretaries, shall be the person who has
been on the National Executive Committee for at least one term.

3. **Secretary General**

Any member of the National Executive Committee who was on the National Executive Committee for at least one completed term**, can be considered to be elected as the Secretary General. A member who has his practice at the place where the president practices shall be preferred.

4. **Vice Presidents**

Any member of the national executive committee who has worked as the Chairman of a zone or Secretary General, or Hon. Treasurer or Hon. Joint Secretary at least for one term or is a member of prominence in the profession.

5. **Deputy President**

Any member of the National Executive Committee who has actively associated with the activities of Federation, has contributed the updating of the knowledge of the members of the Federation by accepting to be a faculty member at least on four occasions at seminars, conferences etc. organized by the Federation at different places in the country, or who has worked as *the Vice President or Secretary General or National Treasurer, for at least one term, can be considered to be elected as the Deputy President.

* Amended on 25th December 2013.
** Amended on 6th October, 2018.
6.  *President*

Any member of the National Executive Committee, who has worked for at least one term as the Deputy President and has been on the National executive Committee for at least three terms with his active participation and contribution towards the development of the Federation activities in various parts of the country, may be considered to be elected as the President.

In case the person who has served as a deputy president, is not willing to become the President or he is otherwise unable to be a candidate, any National Executive Committee Member from the eligible Zone** who has worked as Office Bearer i.e. the Vice President/ Secretary General/ Treasurer, for at least two terms in aggregate, may be considered for being elected as the President.

11.  **TERM OF OFFICE BEARERS.**

   a) The National Executive Committee in its first meeting after election and then after one year in its last meeting of that calendar year, shall elect from amongst its members the following office bearers for one calendar year.*

   (i) One President,

   (ii) One Deputy President,

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*1 The term of office bearers was reduced to two years on 1st October, 2005 and further reduced to one year on 25th December, 2013

*2 The Title was substituted on 24th December, 2016 along with additions in sub-caluse (b)

** Amended on 6th October, 2018.
(iii) Five Vice Presidents (one from each zone)
(iv) One Hon. Secretary General,
(v) One Hon. Treasurer and
(vi) Five Hon. Jt. Secretaries (one from each zone)

Provided always that a person may be re-elected to the same post but no individual shall hold the same post for more than two consecutive terms.

b) The new National Executive Committee and office bearers shall take over the responsibility *from the first day of the calendar year that follows the date of the election.

“National Executive Committee shall elect the office bearers as provided in Rule 10(4) for a term of one calendar year”.

11A. **COLLEGIUM – HONORARY ADVISORY BOARD**

*There shall be a “Collegium – Honorary Advisory Board” comprising of the active Past Presidents not exceeding eleven, to advice, counsel and suggest to the NEC wherever or whenever found necessary by majority of the Past Presidents or at the request of the office bearers in case of any policy or administrative expediency in the interest of Federation in its day-to-day working. However such collegium referred in Rule 10 for considering the recommendations for the post of President, Dy. President and Vice-President from the eligible zone for both the years of the term, shall also include the President and the Dy. President, in addition to the above-mentioned Honorary Advisory Board.*

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* Rule 11A added on 24th December, 2016
12. OFFICE BEARERS OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THEIR DUTIES

Functions of the office bearers

(a) **President** : The President shall exercise general supervision over the affairs of the Federation and shall preside over, conduct and regulate all meetings of the general body and the National Executive Committee. His ruling on all matters including any point of order or as to the result of voting shall be final and conclusive. The President shall have a casting vote in case of equality of votes on any issue.

(b) **Dy. President** : The Dy. President shall assist the President. In the absence of the President the Dy. President shall exercise all the powers and duties of the President.

(c) **Vice-President** : The Vice-President shall be responsible for the growth and progress of the Federation as well as the expansion of the activities in his zone. In consultation with the Zonal Chairman, the Vice-President should ensure that at least one two days’ seminar and meeting of the National Executive Committee is organised in his zone under the banner of the Federation independently or with co-operation, assistance and support of local associations.

(d) **Secretary General** : The Secretary General shall, in consultation with the President convene the National Executive Committee meeting as well as the general body meeting. He shall maintain the minute books for both the meetings. He shall also whenever required convene the meeting of any other Sub-Committee appointed by the National Executive Committee. He shall coordinate the working of the Federation amongst all the five zones and motivate others for better
results. He along with the President shall represent the Federation before any other National or International Association or Federation and the authorities of the State and the Central Government. He shall carry out all other duties that may be necessary, incidental or conducive to the achievement or furtherance of the objects of the Federation.

(e) **Hon. Treasurer** : He shall maintain the accounts and financial records of the Federation and shall consolidate the accounts of all the zones with that of the head office, present the same before the auditor. He shall also place the audited accounts before the general body for its approval. He shall also maintain the records of the properties and other assets of the Federation. He shall be responsible for utilizing the funds in the most beneficial manner.

(f) **Joint Secretary** : The Jt. Secretary from each zone shall help and assist the President, Dy. President, and/or Vice President hailing from his zone. He shall co-ordinate the activities, functions and programmes of the Federation with the zone concerned in such a manner that the same do not conflict with each other. He shall work as a link between the zone and the National Executive Committee. He shall also undertake such other duties and responsibilities that may be assigned to him by the National Executive Committee.

(g) “It shall be the duty of the each Member of the National Executive Committee including office bearers to attend 50% or at least two meetings of the National Executive, whichever is less in a calendar year. The defaulting member shall

** Amended on 6th October, 2018.
not be eligible for election or nomination or co-option to be a NEC member in the next NEC.”**

13. NOTICE OF MEETING OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND QUORUM

1. One month’s notice of every meeting of the National Executive Committee shall be given in writing to every member at his address intimated by him to the Federation for this purpose. In urgent cases a meeting may be convened at a shorter notice. “The transmission of notice by electronic media shall be sufficient compliance.”**

2. The quorum of the meeting of the National Executive Committee shall be two-thirds (2/3rd) of the members, but if the quorum is not present within half an hour of the time of the meeting, the members present, the number of which shall not be less than eight shall form the quorum and the National Executive Committee shall proceed with the agenda of the meeting.

14. **TERM OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The term of the NEC elected in accordance with Rule 10 shall be two calendar years commencing from 1st day of January that follows the date of the election at the Ordinary General Meeting.

Subject to other rules and regulations and the election rules framed by the National Executive Committee under rule 7, the general body at its ordinary general meeting shall elect not more than fifty (50)**3 consenting members duly proposed and seconded, in the prescribed nomination form, to constitute a National Executive Committee of the Federation for the ensuing term of **“two calendar years commencing from the 1st January that follows the date for the ordinary general meeting.**

*1 Substituted on 1st October, 2005
*2 Substituted on 24th December, 2016
*3 Substituted on 25th December, 2013
Provided however that the number of members to be elected from each zone shall be determined in accordance with rule 7(3). The format of the prescribed nomination form along with the election rules shall be available with each zonal office for the benefit of the existing eligible members.

15. FILLING OF VACANCIES IN NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The National Executive Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy as and when it is necessary to do so. The validity of the composition of the National Executive Committee shall not be called in question merely on the ground that any vacancy has been caused or has remained to be filled up or that the strength of its membership has fallen below the specified number.

16. POWER AND DUTIES OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the powers vested by this Constitution, the National Executive Committee will have the following powers:

1. Organise, create and recognise Federating Units in the country in order to unify Tax Practitioners in suitable and effective forums and to affiliate such organisations to the Federation.
2. To appoint organisers for carrying out the purposes of Clause (1) hereof.
3. To admit all categories of members to the Federation.
4. To create five zones for the administrative purposes.

* Added on 25th December, 2013
5. The National Executive Committee shall have the power to determine from time to time by resolution passed by affirmative two-thirds of its members present, the admission fee, or annual subscription or life membership fees or lump sum fees or additional subscription fees payable by members of the Federation.

6. To recognise a Local, Regional, State or Zonal Association for the purposes of Affiliation to the Federation.

7. To affiliate an Association to the Federation.

*(7A) Awards:

(a) The National Executive Committee shall frame an Awards Manual containing guidelines and details for the awards, its sponsorship and other related matters. The Manual may be amended by the National Executive Committee from time-to-time.

*(b) The National Executive Committee shall appoint a committee to monitor and judge the awards every year

8. To remove members from the roll of members for being in arrears of subscription or any other dues for a period of more than three months or for any misconduct.

9. To derecognise an Association or disaffiliate any Federating Unit for non-payment of subscription or any other dues or for any other misconduct.

10. To purchase, take on lease or otherwise acquire; sell, exchange, lease or otherwise dispose of any property rights or privileges, movable or immovable, of whatever nature which the Federation is authorised to purchase or acquire

* Added on 25th December, 2013
for such price and on such terms and conditions as it may think fit.

11. To institute, defend, compound or abandon any legal proceedings by or against the Federation or otherwise concerning the affairs of the Federation.

12. To make and give receipts, or release or issue discharges for money payable to the Federation and for the claims and demands of the Federation.

13. To invest and deal with any of the moneys of the Federation not immediately required for the purpose thereof upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and from time to time vary or realise such investments and in particular without prejudice to the said generality to place such moneys on deposit with any Bank or Banks.

14. To enter into all such negotiations and contracts and rescind and vary all such contracts and execute and to do all such acts, deeds and things in the name and on behalf of the Federation as it may consider expedient for or in relation to any of the matters aforesaid or otherwise for the purpose of the Federation.

15. To maintain proper books of account and get the same audited by a Chartered Accountant duly appointed by the General Body.

16. To do all such acts and things as are incidental to or conducive to the attainment of the above powers or any one or more of them and to the objects of the Federation.

* Substituted on 1st October, 2005
17. To prepare Annual Reports of the activities of the Federation; Accounts of Income and Expenditure, balance sheets and other statements, if any, including budget and place the same for the approval of the General Body in the ordinary meeting.

18. To convene the Ordinary and Special meetings of the General Body and to prepare Agenda for its consideration.

19. To hold national convention at least once in *two years preferably in the zone from where the Dy. President is a member.

20. To frame Rules and Regulations; or guidelines for conduct of the election to the National Executive Committee, for functioning of zonal offices, for organising seminars and the national conferences and conventions by the zonal office or any of the association members under the banner of the Federation and for the conduct and management of the affairs of the Federation and also to prescribe forms, registers etc. for that purpose.

*20A In case the National Executive Committee finds the working of the Zone or any of its office bearer, to be not satisfactory, it may:

a) Remove the office bearer(s) and appoint another person in his place

b) Change the constitution of the Managing Committee or direct the fresh election for the remaining period of the term.

*Inserted on 25th December, 2013
21. To issue orders, directives, instructions, circulars etc. in the performance of its functions.

22. To hold seminars, conferences, debates, symposia or lectures etc. and to publish journals, bulletins, books and such other literature as it may deems fit, in furtherance of the objects and activities of the Federation.

23. To organise and conduct, foreign tours, hold conferences abroad for the benefit of members.

24. To do all other things necessary or conducive to carrying out the directives of the General Body or the programmes laid down by it.

17. FUNDS AND INCOME OF THE FEDERATION OR ITS UTILISATION

1. The National Executive Committee shall have the power to determine from time to time by resolution passed by affirmative two-thirds of its members present, the admission fee or annual subscription or life membership fees or lump sum fees or additional subscription fees payable by the members of Federation

2. To invest and deal with any of the moneys of the Federation not immediately required for the purpose thereof upon such securities and in such manner as it may think fit and from time to time vary or realise such investments and in particular without prejudice to the said generality; to place such moneys on deposit with any Bank or Banks.

3. To keep invested lump sum subscription received from the members by way of corpus and to use
only its income for the revenue expenditure of the Federation.

18. **PROVISION FOR LOANS AND DEPOSITS**
To take loans and deposits for achieving objects of the Federation by taking prior permission of the Charity Commissioner as per Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950.

19. **PROVISION REGARDING PURCHASE AND SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**
To purchase, take on lease or otherwise acquire; sell, exchange, lease or otherwise dispose of any property rights or privileges, movable or immovable, of whatever nature which the Federation is authorised to purchase or acquire for such price and on such terms and conditions as it may think fit by taking prior permission of the Charity Commissioner as per Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950.

20. **OPERATION OF BANK ACCOUNTS AND OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS (WHO IS EMPOWERED TO OPERATE THE BANK ACCOUNT)**
To open an account in Banks in the name of Federation and to invest in such securities and such bank account/s, applications, forms, statements or any other documents shall be jointly signed, operated by any two of the office bearers.

21. **PROVISIONS FOR AMENDMENT IN RULES AND BYE-LAWS**
The Rules and Regulations and Memorandum of Association shall not be altered, amended or modified except by a resolution passed by a simple majority of the total members of the Federation present and

* Amended on 25th December, 2013
voting at a duly convened Special General Meeting of the General Body.

22. LIQUIDATION OF THE SOCIETY WILL BE ACCORDING TO S. 13 AND 14 OF THE SOCIETY REGISTRATION ACT, 1860

(1) **Dissolution**

The Federation may be dissolved by a resolution passed by not less than three-fifths number of the total members on the Roll of the Federation upon such terms and conditions as may be stipulated in that resolution, particularly in respect of the disposal of property and settlement of claims and liabilities of the Federation.

(2) In the event of any property, either movable or immovable, remaining after the satisfaction and settlement of all claims and liabilities with the Federation, the same shall be donated to any other institution or organisation having similar or allied objects or activities as those of the Federation.

(3) A resolution under this Article may be passed by members present either personally or by proxy.

(4) If any difficulty arise, in giving effect to the provisions of any Articles of the Constitution or to any Rules or as to the interpretation or implementation thereof, the decision of the National Executive Committee shall be final and binding as per procedure laid down in sections 13 and 14 of the Society Registration Act, 1860.
STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONAL
CONDUCT AND ETIQUETTE
FOR MEMBERS OF THE FEDERATION

Preamble
A member shall, at all times, comport himself in a manner befitting his status as a privileged member of his profession and a gentleman, bearing in mind that what may be lawful and moral for a person who is not a member of the Bar, or for a member of the Bar in his non-professional capacity, may still be improper for a member. He shall at all times in his dealings with the Court, tax officers, Departmental Representatives and clients act honourably and never in a manner which shows lack of honesty or probity. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing obligation, a member shall fearlessly uphold the interests of his client and in his conduct, conform to the rules hereinafter mentioned both in letter and in spirit. The rules hereinafter mentioned contain canons of conduct and etiquette adopted as general guides, yet the specific mention thereof shall not be construed as a denial of the existence of others equally imperative though not specifically mentioned.

Section I – Duty to the Court
1. A member shall always conduct himself honourably and while pleading a case before a Court, act with dignity and self-respect. He shall not be servile and whenever there is proper ground for serious complaint against a judicial officer, it shall be his duty and right to submit his grievance to proper authorities.
2. A member shall maintain towards the Court a respectful attitude, bearing in mind that the dignity of the judicial office is essential for the survival of a free community and the rendering of justice fearlessly.

3. A member shall not influence the decision of a Court by any illegal or improper means. Private communications with the Court relating to heard/pending matters are forbidden.

4. A member shall use his best efforts to restrain and prevent his client from resorting to unfair practices or from doing anything in relation to the Court, opposing counsel or the Revenue, which the member himself ought not to do. A member shall refuse to represent the client who indulges in such improper conduct.

5. A member shall appear in Court only in the prescribed dress and his appearance shall always be presentable. The member shall ensure compliance with this requirement by the authorised person representing him when seeking adjournment.

6. A member shall not enter appearance, act, plead or practice in any way before a Court if any member thereof or the presiding authority is related to him as spouse, brother or sister or as lineal ascendant or descendant of such member or of the three specified relatives.
Section II – Duty to the client

7. A member is bound to accept any brief in the Courts or Tribunals or before any other authority in or before which he professes to practice at a fee consistent with his standing at the Bar and the nature of the case. Special circumstances may justify his refusal to accept a particular case.

8. A member shall not ordinarily withdraw from engagements once accepted, without sufficient cause and unless reasonable and sufficient notice is given to the client. Upon his withdrawal from a case, he shall, in the event fees have been accepted in advance, refund such part of the fees, if any, collected in advance, as have not been earned.

9. A member should not accept a brief or appear in a case in which he has reason to believe that he will be a witness, and if being engaged in a case, it becomes apparent that he is a witness on a material question of fact, he should not continue to appear as a member if he can withdraw from the case without jeopardising his client's interest.

10. It shall be the duty of a member fearlessly to uphold the interest of his client by all fair and honourable means without regard to any unpleasant consequences to himself or any other, regardless of his personal opinion, bearing in mind that his loyalty is to the law which requires that no man should be made liable to pay tax levied on him without the authority of law.
11. A member shall not at any time be a party to formenting of litigation.

12. A member shall not stipulate for a fee contingent on the result of litigation or agree to share the proceeds thereof.

13. A member shall not do any thing whereby he abuses or takes advantage of the confidence reposed in him by his client.

14. A member who has at any time advised in connection with a matter or transaction or appeared in a matter shall not advise or appear for any other person who has an interest adverse to that of the person he has advised or acted for.

15. A member shall not directly or indirectly, commit a breach of the obligations imposed on him under Section 126 of the Indian Evidence Act.

16. A member should keep accounts of the client’s money entrusted to him, and the accounts should show the amounts received from the client or on his behalf, the expenses incurred for him and the debits made on accounts of fees with respective dates and all other necessary particulars and after the conclusion of the proceedings should promptly refund to the client the balance, if any, due to him.

Section III – Duty to opponent
17. A member shall be fair towards the Departmental Representatives.
Section IV

18. A member shall not knowingly enter appearance in any case in which there is already a vakalatnama or memo of appearance filed by a member engaged for a party except with his consent.

19. A member whose consent is so sought shall not unreasonably withhold the same, where the client desires a change of the representative. He should also hand over to the client, the client’s papers in his possession.

Section V – General

20. A member shall not solicit work or advertise either directly or indirectly.

21. A member shall not offer private hospitality or favours of any kind to the Court except where they are his family members, close relatives and personal close friends of long standing. In such a case the member shall not appear before the Court. Inviting such persons to functions where a large number of guests are present is not prohibited. A gift may be made on the occasion of weddings or other similar functions to which a member is invited. The value of the gift should, however, be reasonable.

Note: For the purpose of these rules: ‘Court’ shall mean a Court, Tribunal or any other judicial authority. ‘His’ will include her.
1. ZONAL OFFICES

i) Five Zonal Offices may be constituted as under:

1. WESTERN ZONE: Comprises of the States of Gujarat, Maharashtra and Goa and the Union Territories of Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli having Zonal Office at Mumbai or at such other place that may be decided from time to time by the National Executive Committee of the Federation.

2. SOUTHERN ZONE: Comprises of the States of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Kerala, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu and the Union Territories of Pondicherry and the Lakshadweep Islands having Zonal Office at Hyderabad or at such other place that may be decided from time-to-time by the National Executive Committee of the Federation.

3. EASTERN ZONE: Comprises of the States of Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, West Bengal, Manipur, Tripura, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh and Mizoram and the Union Territories of Andaman & Nicobar Islands having Zonal Office at Kolkata or at such other place that may be decided from time-to-time by the National Executive Committee of the Federation.
4. **NORTHERN ZONE**: Comprises of the States of Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Punjab, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and union territories of Chandigarh; having Zonal Office at Ghaziabad or at such other place that may be decided from time-to-time by the National Executive Committee of the Federation.

5. **CENTRAL ZONE**: Comprises of the States of Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan and any other State not specified hereinabove, having Zonal Office at Ujjain or at such other place that may be decided from time-to-time by the National Executive Committee of the Federation.

ii) Jurisdiction of Zonal Offices shall extend to the Territories for the time being specified respectively as in (i) above.

2. **FUNCTIONS OF ZONAL OFFICES**

i) The Zonal Office shall undertake such activities as may be necessary and expedient to attain the objects of the Federation and as directed by NEC.

ii) The functions of the Zonal Office shall be:—

1. To carry out the objects of the Federation as listed in the Memorandum and Rules & Regulations of the Federation.

2. To advise the Federation on all the matters referred to it and to offer such assistance as may be needed from time-to-time.
3. To make representations on behalf of the Federation in connection with the all India matters of professional and business interest in its zone and to offer suggestions for the amendment of the Act and the Regulations, for raising the standard and status of the profession and forward the copy thereof to the Federation.

3A. To strive for enrolment of new members and to collect periodically, renewals of ordinary members of the Federation.

4. To maintain a Zonal Register of members.

5. To collect news from the members of the profession for publication in the journal of the Federation,

6. To gather material from and to make representations to the departments of the governments or other local authorities in the states within its zone for the purpose of enlisting their support in the furtherance of the interests of the members on matters confined to the professional interest of the members within the zone and forward the copy thereof to the Federation.

7. To constitute a permanent research sub-committee for promoting research by members in topics of interest to the profession.

8. To maintain a library and a reading room for the use of the members.

9. To hold refresher courses, conferences, seminars, camps, study circle meetings etc. at convenient centres within the zones for the benefit of the members.
10. To carry out such other functions as may be entrusted from time-to-time to it by the Federation and/or any of its Committees.

11. To carry out the instructions and guidelines given by the National Executive Committee.

*Provided always that the members of the zone individually or collectively shall not recommend the name of any member to any post in the National Executive Committee or in the Zonal Managing Committee.

12. To hold one meeting of the National Executive Committee along with Two Days’ Tax Seminar in the zone.

3. MAINTENANCE OF ZONAL REGISTER

The Zonal Secretary shall cause to maintain a Zonal Register of members containing particulars in respect of every member whose professional address is situated within that Zone and shall keep the same updated from time-to-time by removing the name and address of the members who have resigned or have left the world *or the zone. He shall also make additions for new entry to the roll of the Federation.

4. CONSTITUTION OF ZONAL MANAGING COMMITTEE

1. A Managing Committee of the Zone shall consist of :

   (a) All the members of National Executive Committee from the Zone

   (b) In addition to members of National Executive Committee

* Amended on 24th December, 2016
Committee from the Zone, the Zone Managing Committee shall comprise of 1 member per 50 members of the Federation in the concerned Zone as on the date of issue of Notice for convening the General Body Meeting of that Zone that may be convened as per guideline number 8.¹

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ii) Such Managing Committee Members shall be elected or nominated, at the said General Body Meeting. The election if required shall be conducted by a member of the NEC duly appointed to be an election officer for the zone concerned. Such election officer shall always be from any zone other than the one for which he may be appointed. After such appointment, the election officer shall issue a notice, inviting nominations for the post as member of the Managing Committee of the concerned zone and convening the General Body Meeting, at a place having larger number of members from the zone. The date, time and venue for the AGM shall be decided by the concerned Election Officer in consultation with the NEC members of the zone, its Chairman and other office bearers as a case may be. On the notified date and time he shall conduct the election if required, bearing in mind the maximum number arrived at on the basis of total number of members of the zone divided by 50 as provided in the amended rule 4(1)(b) but subject to proviso hereunder. The Election Officer before commencement of the AGM shall announce the valid nominations as also the number of meetings held and attended by all
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¹ Amended on 25th December, 2013
² Inserted on 24th December, 2016
the erstwhile members so that those seeking re-election can be appropriately judged by the members electing the new Managing Committee.

The Election Rules framed for the election of National Executive Committee as is in force from time-to-time shall also apply to election for Managing Committee members of all the five zones but subject to the special rules provided herein.

Provided however, that the total number of members of the Managing Committee, to be elected, shall not be less than eleven, \(^2\)and not more than forty, excluding the number of NEC Members from the Zone concerned.

ii) The duty of the election officer shall culminate with the declaration of the result. The rest of the items on agenda shall be conducted by the sitting Zonal Chairman. The co-option by the newly elected Managing Committee if required will be as per the amended rules under the proviso to Rule 10(2) of the rules and regulations of the Federation in regard to the co-option to the NEC.

\(^{(c)}\) In addition to members in the Zone Managing Committee as per (a) and (b) above, the Zone Managing Committee is empowered to co-opt up to 10 members in the Zone Managing Committee which shall preferably include five young lady members of age not more than 45 years.

\(^1\) Amended on 25th December, 2013
\(^2\) Amended on 24th December, 2016
2. At least two members from each State forming part of the Zone shall be elected by the members of the Zone concerned at the time of General Body Meeting that may be convened as per the guidelines number 8 provided however, that the total number of members of the Managing Committee from (1) or (2) above shall not be less than eleven.

3. In case a Zonal Office is newly established or in case any vacancy arises in the Managing Committee after its constitution, or in any other circumstance, the President may nominate such number of members as he may deems fit. The President may also delegate the power of nomination to any other member.

4. The National Executive Committee shall nominate the first office bearers and the other members of the first Managing Committee.

*5. In case the National Executive Committee finds the working of the Zone or any of its office bearer(s), to be not satisfactory, it may:

  *a) Remove the office bearer(s) and appoint another person in his place
  *b) Change the constitution of the Managing Committee or
  *c) Direct the fresh election for the remaining period of the term.

5. **DURATION OF MANAGING COMMITTEE**

The term of Managing Committee of zone shall be co-terminus with the term of the National Executive Committee of the Federation.

* Amended on 25th December, 2013
6. OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEES

1. A Zonal Managing Committee that may be constituted after its first nomination under Guideline 4(4), shall hold its first meeting immediately after its constitution and shall elect the following office- bearers “for one calendar year”**.

1. Zonal Chairman
2. Zonal Vice Chairman
3. Zonal Secretary
4. Zonal Treasurer
5. Two Zonal Joint Secretaries

*Provided always that while considering the appointment of Zonal Vice Chairman and two Zonal Secretaries, due consideration should be given to the number of States in the zone in question in such a manner that each of the State is represented appropriately.

**“Provided that the Zonal Managing Committee shall elect the office bearers for the second year in the last meeting of the first calendar year.”

“Provided that all endeavour shall be made to elect the chairman from the states comprising the zone in alphabetic order subject to there being at least 100 life members in the AIFTP from that State.”

“Provided also that Zonal Secretary shall also be selected as far as possible from the same city where zone chairman is practising or at least from the same state.”

*(1a) All the members of the Managing Committee and the Office Bearers that may be elected / nominated shall devote sufficient time and personal attention towards the development of the activities of the Federation to new areas till then not represented on the Roll of the Federation. Any of the member

* Added on 24th December, 2016
** Added on 6th October, 2018
so elected or nominated shall cease to be on the post if he continuously or consistently fail to attend the meetings of the Managing Committee on more than three occasions without due intimation to the Chairman or is noticed by the Managing Committee as inactive or not interested in participating in the activities of the Federation.

2. A member of the National Executive Committee of the Federation shall not be eligible to be elected / nominated to any of the above post. *If such member is elected as member of the National Executive, he would resign within 15 days of being elected as the member of the National Executive.

3. In case of any vacancy, the same shall be filled up by the Managing Committee.

4. All the office bearers will look after day-to-day administration of Zonal office under the guidance of the National Executive Committee members.

5. The term of the office bearers shall also be coterminous with that of **National Office Bearers. Provided however, that the office bearers shall continue to hold their respective posts till new office bearers are elected and they take over the charge of their respective duty.

7. **MANAGING COMMITTEE – MEETINGS OF**

1. The Managing Committee may meet as often as necessary for the conduct of its business; Provided that every year at least four meetings shall be held. There shall not be an interval of more than 3 months between two meetings.

2. Business shall be ordinarily conducted at a meeting of the Managing Committee, provided however, that the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice Chairman, may in any emergent case circulate papers among the

** Substituted on 6th October, 2018
members of the Managing Committee for obtaining their views. No decision on any question shall be taken by the circulation of papers, unless not less than two-thirds of the members agree. In the event of aforementioned majority not agreeing the Chairman or the Vice Chairman, as the case may be, shall withdraw the papers from circulation and have the matter decided at a meeting of the Managing Committee.

3. When the papers relating to any question are circulated for decision among the members, a period of not less than seven days, commencing from the date of such circulation, must elapse before any decision is taken on the question.

4. Every decision taken by the circulation of papers shall be noted by the Managing Committee at its next meeting.

5. The Secretary to the Managing Committee shall issue a notice in writing by post or otherwise at least 14 days before the date of the meeting to every members of the Managing Committee.

Provided that the said Secretary may issue a notice at a shorter period if it is in advance unanimously decided and agreed to by the members of the Managing Committee.

Provided further that if any two of the office bearers, viz. the Chairman, the Vice Chairman and the Secretary of the Managing Committee consider it necessary, a meeting of the Managing Committee may be convened at a shorter notice but not less than that of three days.

6. The notice shall contain the time, date and place of meeting and as far as possible, the business to be transacted thereat.
7. The Chairman or any three members of the Managing Committee may require the Secretary to call a meeting on a particular date and time.

8. No business shall be transacted at any meeting unless (four) members are present in person. If this quorum is not present at any meeting, it shall stand adjourned ‘sine die’.

9. All questions put up to the Managing Committee shall be decided by a majority of votes. In the case of equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to the one, in the capacity of a member.

10. The Chairman, or in his absence the Vice Chairman shall occupy the chair at every meeting of the Managing Committee, but if both are absent, the members present at the meeting may elect one among themselves as the Chairman of the meeting.

8. GENERAL MEETINGS

1. The Managing Committee may summon general meetings of the members of the zone as it may think fit and proper provided that such a meeting shall be called and held at least once in every year between *“1st day of June and 30th day of June”*. This meeting shall be called the Annual General Meeting. All other meetings shall be called extraordinary general meeting. If for any reason the Annual General Meeting does not take place within the specified period, the President may appoint such other date for the meeting as he may deem fit, but not later than 31st day of *August. In case the President also does not appoint such other date for the meeting, the Executive Committee shall direct and authorise any member from the Zone concerned to convene the Annual General Meeting by such

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* Substituted on 1st October, 2005
date as it may deem fit. Such Annual General Meeting shall transact the business as specified in guidelines 8.7.

2. At least 14 days’ notice of the meeting specifying the date, place and hour of such meeting and in case of special business the general nature of such business, shall be given.

3. The Managing Committee, on requisition made in writing by at least 20 per cent of the total number of members on the particular zonal register or 20 members of that Zone, whichever is less, shall convene an extraordinary general meeting. Any such requisition shall specify the subject for which the meeting is called for and shall be signed by the members seeking the same and shall be delivered at the office of the Managing Committee.

4. On a proper requisition made in the above manner, the Managing Committee shall convene an extraordinary general meeting within six weeks after the receipt of such a requisition. If the Managing Committee fails to convene the extraordinary general meeting within that period, the requisitionists may themselves convene a meeting within three months from the date of requisition.

5. Every member of the Zone shall be entitled to table any proposal or resolution for consideration of the meeting provided that such proposal is received by the Secretary of the Managing Committee at least 10 days before the date of the meeting. Any proposal received after the prescribed date will be treated as a proposal for the next following meeting of the Zone, unless admitted by the Chairman of the said meeting.

* Substituted on 24th December, 2016
6. *The Nominations for election to the Managing Committee may be sent so as to reach the address as may be decided by the Election Officer appointed by the National Executive Committee before 15 days of the Annual General Meeting, in which the election for the Managing Committee is scheduled.

7. The Chairman or in his absence the Vice Chairman of the Managing Committee shall be the Chairman of the General Meeting. In the absence of both, the members present may elect any one of the members present as the Chairman of the Meeting.

8. Seven members personally present shall form a quorum. No business shall be transacted at any General Meeting unless the requisite quorum is present at the commencement of the Meeting.

9. If within half an hour from the time appointed for the Meeting a quorum is not present, the meeting if convened upon requisition shall stand dissolved. In any other case shall stand adjourned to the same day, in the next week at the same time and place and at every such adjourned Meeting, the members present, whatever their number, shall have the power to transact all the business which could properly be transacted by the Meeting originally convened had the necessary quorum been present thereat.

10. All decisions at all meetings shall be taken by a majority of votes. In case of equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to his vote in the capacity of a member.

9. **FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS**

1. There shall be established a Fund under the management and control of the Managing Committee into which shall be paid all the moneys received by
the Managing Committee and out of which shall be met all the expenses and liabilities properly incurred by the Managing Committee. Lump sum subscription for membership received from the members shall forthwith be remitted to the head office of the Federation.

2. The funds of the zone shall consist of the following:

(i) Such percentage as may be decided by the National Executive Committee of the Membership Fees of all members excluding Life Members collected in the previous year by the Federation from the members falling under jurisdiction of the Zone which shall be made over to the zone concerned by the Federation in four quarterly installments after receipt of such quarterly report as may be specified by Federation.

(ii) Such grant in aid as are from time-to-time paid by the Federation.

(iii) Such fees as the Managing Committee may consider it necessary and levy on the members participating in specific activities.

(iv) The surplus of the Seminar that may be arranged under the Guidelines formulated by the Executive Committee.

(v) Voluntary contribution and donation for any specific activities with the prior sanction of Federation.

3. The funds of the Zone shall be kept in one of the schedule banks approved by the Federation in this behalf.
4. The Managing Committee shall not borrow any funds, without the prior sanction of the Federation.

5. The Managing Committee may invest any money for the time being standing to the credit of the funds, in any Government Securities or in any other securities approved by the Federation.

6. (i) The Annual Accounts of the Zone shall be subject to audit by a Chartered Accountant, appointed in the Annual General Meeting.

(ii) The accounting year of the Zone will be from 1st April to 31st March.

(iii) The copy of the audit report, audited accounts along with such books, original receipts, and expenses vouchers as may be required by the Hon. Treasurer shall be sent to the Hon. Treasurer within **“three”** months from the close of the year, for centralised preservation and its production before any authority appointed under any Central or State enactment.

(iv) The audited accounts of the zone shall be incorporated in the accounts of the Federation for the year.

7. The audited accounts together with Auditor’s Report and the report of the Managing Committee shall be placed for being adopted before the Annual General Meeting.

8. A copy of the report of the Managing Committee as adopted at the Annual General Meeting shall be sent to the Federation not later than the 14 days after the holding of the Annual General Meeting.

* Substituted for ‘four’ as 1st October, 2005
9. **PROPERTY ASSETS ETC.**
All the properties, assets and funds of a zone shall at all times vest in the Federation but the Managing Committee shall have the right to administer them subject to the control, supervision and direction of the Federation and/or any of its committees.

10. **UNIFORMITY OF LETTERHEADS**
Each zone shall have its separate letterhead but will be of uniform design and contents as may be prescribed by the National Executive Committee. It is however clarified that the names of the President/Dy. President, Vice-President of the zone concerned shall also be mentioned along with the address of the head office at the appropriate place.

11. **DIRECTIONS FROM THE FEDERATION**
Zonal Committee shall follow directions issued by the Federation from time-to-time for functioning and administration of Zonal Offices.

12. **DISSOLUTION**
1. The Federation may dissolve any or all the Zones at any time after giving a 60 days notice in this behalf containing the grounds of dissolution.

   Provided that where the number of members of a Zone falls below 100 at the close of any year, the Federation may dissolve the zone concerned.

2. The duty of carrying out the directions, shall vest in the Managing Committee and for this purpose, the Managing Committee may appoint such staff as it may deem necessary.

3. In case any difficulty arises in giving effect to these directions, the Federation may give such further directions as may appear to be necessary for the removal of the difficulty.
ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF TAX PRACTITIONERS

GUIDELINES FOR ORGANISING THE SEMINARS

1. One of the objects, with which the Federation has been formed is to spread the movement of the Federation to new areas and expand the numbers of affiliated associations and individuals, make effective representations and update the knowledge of the members of the Federation at large by organising and arranging the seminars and the National Executive Committee meetings at different places. The endeavour of organising the seminars should be to work not as competing the local existing bar associations but as complementing their efforts for a better tax administration as also to establish a direct rapport with the individuals practising in the region concerned.

2. The seminar/conference should be organised with a view to create a better healthy and friendly atmosphere amongst the professionals practising on the direct and indirect taxes so as to inculcate a sense of belonging to one family.

3. The time table of inaugural session, technical sessions, brains trust and valedictory session with Budget, be finalised at least three months in advance.

4. Subjects and faculty members for the seminar/conference be finalised at least 2½ months in advance and written confirmation from each faculty member be obtained. Complete programme so finalised with the budget shall be forwarded to the
President/Secretary General at least two months in advance.

5. The organisers will circulate the programme amongst the members of the zone as also the members of the National Executive Committee and zonal managing committee of the Federation. Due publicity about the programme will also be made through professional magazines and circulars.

6. The organisers will ensure the preparation of banners covering names of all the organising associations including that of the Federation.

7. In case the organisers desire to have a session of brains’ trust meeting, the queries to be replied by each trustee shall be circulated in advance duly allotted amongst the trustees.

8. In case the organisers desire to host the National Executive Committee Meeting to coincide with the seminar, conference etc. the duration of the seminar should be of two days and they must ensure the attendance of at least 300 participants.

9. In order to attract better participation as well as better contribution from the faculty members of the Federation of repute it is also advisable to arrange seminar of a duration of more than one day.

10. The seminar should be planned in such a manner that it would lead to sizeable surplus for the better future of the organising bar associations as well as the zonal office concerned.
11. The Federation in no case will share the deficit but would share the surplus of the seminar equally; resulting out of holding of the seminar. In suitable cases share of the Federation can be varied by the Chairman of the zone concerned with active consultation and concurrence of the President.

12. The faculty members from the National Executive Committee of the Federation would endeavour to help the organisers. While agreeing to give their helping hand it is recommended that wherever viable the faculty members should be received and looked after by the organisers in the best possible manner.

13. The funds required for organising the seminar can be by way of delegate fees, sponsorship of lunch/dinner/ kits/study papers etc. to be managed and arranged from within the zone. Funds can also be raised by publication of any book on any topical subject of direct or indirect taxes under the banner of the Federation. In case any individual member desires to have his own publication to be released at any of the session of the seminar, prior permission in that regard will have to be obtained in writing from the President of the Federation.

14. The surplus received by the zonal office as a result of organising the seminar would form part of the funds of the zonal office and no remittance of any portion thereof is required to be made to the common general funds of the Federation maintained by the head office.
15. The aforesaid fund left by the Federation with the zonal office is required to be spent for the furtherance of the objects of the Federation and expanding the activities of the Federation.

16. It would be the duty of the organisers to finalise the accounts of the seminar at the quickest possible time but not later than one and a half months thereafter and forward a duly audited accounts to the zonal office along with the share of surplus.

17. In case new members are enrolled at the venue of the seminar/conference, the amount so collected should be separately remitted with the statement of the members enrolled without being mixed up or amalgamated with the accounts of the seminar.

18. In case the organisers desire a presence of large number of National Executive Committee members of the Federation and in case they so desire they can also sponsor National Executive Committee meeting coinciding with the dates for the seminar. Such a step would be always beneficial, welcomed and publicly recognised by the Federation.
As per the amended rules of the Federation, a national convention has to be arranged in the zone from where the Dy. President is the member of the National Executive Committee. Such national conventions are to be arranged at the interval of at least every two years so as to coincide with the election of the new National Executive Committee. Barring such biannual conventions, any zone may also consider to organise a national conference on a grand scale with the object of having larger participation. The zonal office singularly or with the help of other local association members may proceed in that direction following the guidelines framed for organising the seminars. In addition to those guidelines following guidelines are hereby framed for the purpose of organising the national conventions and conferences.

1. The organising zonal office in consultation with the office bearers of the Federation shall plan the holding of the national conventions/conferences very much in advance in such a manner that those hailing from all parts of the country can plan their programme at least before three months.

2. The banner for the event shall suitably be prepared. In that connection it should be ensured that the name of the Federation appears first.

3. The organising institution should be the Federation wherein the other association members may join.
4. It shall be the part and parcel of the obligations of the organising zonal office to host the National Executive Committee meeting and also other incidental meetings of the Sub-Committees and/or a special general meeting whenever convened by the Secretary General, wherein the travel and stay expensive of head office personnel (1) require to attend in connection with arranging National Executive Committee Meeting shall be borne by the organising zonal office.

5. All the faculty members shall be afforded with the hospitality of the accommodation and they shall be looked after appropriately from the moment of their arrival to their departure.

6. The duration of the convention/conference should be of at least three days and the organiser should ensure the attendance of at least 500 participants.

7. The delegate fees that may be fixed for the participants should be kept to the minimum possible amount so as to have a larger participation.

8. The funds required for organising the convention/conference can be by way of delegate fees, sponsorship of lunch/dinner/kits/study papers etc. to be managed and arranged from within the zone. Funds can also be raised by publication of any book on any topical subject of direct or indirect taxes under the banner of the Federation. In case any individual member desires to have his own publication to be released at any of the session of the conference/convention prior permission in writing will have to be obtained from the President of the Federation.
ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF TAX PRACTITIONERS AWARD RULES

(As approved in National Executive Committee Meeting held on 6th April, 2019 at Ranchi)

1. These Rules may be called the All India Federation of Tax Practitioners Rules.

2. These Rules are in supersession to the Guidelines for Awards of All India Federation of Tax Practitioners, inserted on 25-12-2013.

3. The following awards shall be given at the National Convention of All India Federation of Tax Practitioners—

   1) AIFTP BEST CONFERENCE AWARD
   2) AIFTP BEST SEMINAR AWARD
   3) AIFTP BEST ZONE CHAIRMAN AWARD
   4) AIFTP MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION AWARD
   5) AIFTP BEST ZONE VICE-CHAIRMAN AWARD
   6) AIFTP OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF TAX PROFESSION AWARD
   7) AIFTP BEST UPCOMING SPEAKER AWARD
   8) AIFTP BEST ZONE AWARD
   9) AIFTP MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AWARD
  10) AIFTP MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE AWARD
11) AIFTP BEST SOUVENIR AWARD
12) AIFTP BEST ARTICLE IN AIFTP JOURNAL AWARD
13) AIFTP BEST ARTICLE IN SOUVENIR AWARD
14) AIFTP MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD
15) AIFTP AWARD TO CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT HAVING MORE THAN 50 YEARS OF PRACTICE
16) AIFTP AWARD TO THE TAX PRACTITIONER HAVING MORE THAN 50 YEARS PRACTICE
17) AIFTP AWARD TO AN ADVOCATE HAVING MORE THAN 50 YEARS OF PRACTICE

SELECTION

4. The awards shall be given strictly on the basis of merit by a Selection Committee duly constituted by the National Executive Committee. The decision of the Selection Committee shall be final and the same shall not be questioned or challenged on any ground.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

5. An Awards Selection Committee shall be constituted by the National Executive Committee of the Federation which shall consist of the following —
   a. Chairman
   b. Convenor
   c. Member
   d. Member
   e. Member
f. National President of the Federation (Ex-officio)
g. Secretary General of the Federation (Ex-officio)

**TENURE OF THE COMMITTEE**

6. The tenure of the Committee shall co-terminus with that of the National President and other office bearers of the Federation.

7. It shall be open to the Convenor to circulate to the members the relevant papers for consideration and decision of the Awards Selection Committee, if it is not feasible to convene a meeting.

**PROCEDURE**

8. The nomination for the awards shall be sent to the Convenor of the Awards Selection Committee or the Secretary General of AIFTP with all annexures thereof in support thereof in the format prescribed in the Annexure to the Rules.

9. The nomination forms along with papers and documents shall be submitted in six (6) copies.

10. The award shall be for a period from 1st January to 15th November for the year.

11. The bidding zone/office/person shall be required to fill up the fact sheet with all the details and supporting papers and documents and the same may be emailed to the Convenor and/or Secretary General. However, six (6) hard copies of the same shall have to be sent by courier to the Convenor of the Committee and/or the Secretary General of AIFTP so as to reach before 15th of November of the year.

12. The nomination for every award shall have to be sent separately in the fact sheet.
NON-ELIGIBILITY FOR NOMINATION

13. The Selection Committee while evaluating the nominations, shall be at liberty to frame its own procedure for selection as well as make its own enquiries from different sources.

14. The National President and Secretary General and the members of the Award Committee including its Chairman and Convenor shall not be eligible for any of the awards of the All India Federation of Tax Practitioners.

AMENDMENT ETC. OF THE RULES

15. The National Executive Committee shall have the right to make amendments/alterations/deletions of the Rules, whenever it is felt necessary.

REPEAL

16. On the coming into force of the All India Federation of Tax Practitioners Award Rules, the Guidelines for the Ranka Best Tax Seminar Running Trophy and Award Rules shall stand repealed.

ANNEXURE

1. Name of Award : AIFTP BEST CONFERENCE AWARD

   Sponsored by : Ranka Public Charitable Trust

   Award Criteria : No. of Delegates _____________

   Name of Dignitaries ________ __

   Name of Chairmen of Technical Sessions _____________
Guidelines

The Conference Organizers/Host are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning the above details and/or other details to be e-mailed & also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to teach within 15th November.

2. Name of Award: AIFTP BEST SEMINAR AWARD
   Sponsored by: Ranka Public Charitable Trust
   Criteria:
   - No. of Delegates _______________
   - Name of Dignitaries ____________

   Guidelines: The Conference Organizers/Host are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning the above details and/or other details to be e-mailed & also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to teach within 15th November.
3. **Name of Award**: AIFTP BEST ZONE CHAIRMAN AWARD  
   **Sponsored by**: Ranka Public Charitable Trust  
   **Criteria**: Conference/Seminars/Programmes organized with date and No. of Delegates ______________________  
   Name of Important Dignitaries invited ______________________  
   Name of Important Speakers ______________________  
   No. of New Members introduced in AIFTP by Zone during the year ______________________  
   Financial Resources contributed to AIFTP from Zone ____________  
   Any other Contribution to AIFTP as Chairman of the Zone ________  
   **Guidelines**: The nominees are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning the above details and/or other details to be e-mailed & also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to teach within 15th November.

4. **Name of Award**: AIFTP MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION AWARD  
   **Sponsored by**: Dr. Ashok Saraf, Senior Advocate, in the memory of his father Late Dr. Justice B. P. Saraf.  
   **Criteria**: Conferences attended with details ______________.
Guidelines: The concerned persons are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning the above details and/or other details to be e-mailed & also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to teach within 15th November.

5. Name of Award: AIFTP BEST ZONE VICE-CHAIRMAN AWARD

Sponsored by: Dr. Ashok Saraf, Senior Advocate, in the memory of Late Justice Dr. B. P. Saraf.

Criteria: No. of Executive Meetings attended giving date and place

Conferences/Seminars/ Study circle meetings organized in the State to which he represents ___

No. of members enrolled _____

Significant Contribution as Vice Chairman of the Zone _______
Guidelines: The concerned persons are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning the above details and/or other details to be e-mailed & also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to reach within 15th November.

6. Name of Award: AIFTP OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF TAX PROFESSION AWARD

Sponsored by: Dr. Ashok Saraf, Senior Advocate, in the memory of his father Late Justice Dr. B. P. Saraf.

Criteria:

Conference/Seminars/Programmes participated as a Speaker/Panelist (Give Details of Place and Date as well as topic covered)

Paper/Article contributed on the Topic _______________

Position held in NEC or Zone ________________

Any other material or information in support of contribution made for Development of the Tax Profession

Guidelines: The nominees are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning the above details and/or other details to be e-mailed & also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the
Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to teach within 15th November.

7. Name of Award : **AIFTP BEST UPCOMING SPEAKER AWARD**
Sponsored by : Past President, Sri Bharat Ji Agarwal, Senior Advocate in the memory of Late Raja Ram Agarwal.
Criteria : Member of AIFTP since when:

____________________________________
Years of Practice: _____________
Age: ________________________
Conference/Seminars/Programmes attended as a speaker with topic

____________________________________
Copy of the write-ups presented

Guidelines : The nominees are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning the above details and/or other details to be e-mailed & also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to teach within 15th November.

8. Name of Award : **AIFTP BEST ZONE AWARD**
Sponsored by : Sri S. R. Wadhwa, Advocate in the memory of Late Mohan Lal Wadhwa.
Criteria : Conference/Seminars/Programmes organized with date and No. of Delegates ______________________
Name of Important Dignitaries invited ______________________
Name of Important Speakers _______________________________

No. of New Members introduced in AIFTP ______________________
Financial Resources contributed to AIFTP ______________________
Significant contribution to AIFTP ______________________________

Guidelines : The Zones are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning above details to be emailed and also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to reach within 15th November.

9. Name of Award : AIFTP MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AWARD
Sponsored by : Sri Mukul Gupta, Advocate in memory of Late Darshan Lal Ji Gupta
Criteria : Total No. of Members enrolled

Guidelines : The nominees are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning above details to be emailed and also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to reach within 15th November.
10. Name of Award: **AIFTP MAXIMUM PARTICIPANTS IN THE AIFTP CONFERENCE AWARD**

Sponsored by: Income Tax Bar Association, Varanasi, in the memory of Shri Anil Kumar Singh.

Criteria: Conference held with place and date ___________________________

Total Registered Delegates ______ _________________________________

Amount contributed to the AIFTP Headquarters ________________

Guidelines: The Organizers of Conferences are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning above details to be emailed and also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to reach within 15th November.

11. Name of Award: **AIFTP BEST SOUVENIR AWARD**

Sponsored by: Past President, Sri Ganesh Purohit in the memory of his father Sri Shri Krishna Purohit

Criteria: Conference/Seminar in which Souvenir was released ______

Name of the Editor _____________

Guidelines: Six (6) physical copies of the Souvenir to be sent to the Convenor of the Award Committee and/or the Secretary General on or before 15th November.
12. Name of Award: AIFTP BEST ARTICLE IN AIFTP JOURNAL AWARD


Criteria: Issue of the AIFTP Journal in which the Article was published
Subject of the Article
Copy of the Article

Guidelines: The nominees are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning above details to be emailed and also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to reach within 15th November.

13. Name of Award: AIFTP BEST ARTICLE IN SOUVENIR AWARD

Sponsored by: Smt. Nikita Badheka in the memory of her father Sri B. C. Joshi.

Criteria: Souvenir in which the Article was published
Souvenir released at the Conference and/or Seminar
Copy of Articles

Guidelines: The concerned member is required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning above details to be emailed and also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the
14. Name of Award : **AIFTP MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD**
Sponsored by : Sri F. R. Singhvi, Bengaluru
Criteria : All round activities undertaken during the year for the Federation

Conferences and Seminars attended as a Registered delegate

Conferences and Seminars attended as a Speaker with the subject ____________

No. of members enrolled during the year _______________

If member and/or Chairman of the Sub Committees, details of the work undertaken by the said Committee _______________

Any other important professional contribution during the year _______________

Guidelines : The nominees are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning above details to be emailed and also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to reach within 15th November.
15. Name of Award  : AIFTP AWARD TO CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT HAVING MORE THAN 50 YEARS OF PRACTICE

Sponsored by  : Shri K. Rajendra Varaprasada Rao
Enrolled as Chartered Accountant:

Criteria  : Position held in AIFTP ________

Conference/ Seminars addressed
a) in AIFTP during the year with date, place and topic
b) in other organizations during the year with date, place and topic

Significant contribution made to AIFTP

Articles or Papers contributed in Conference/Seminars/AIFTP Journal/ AIFTP Times during the year (Please give details with copy) _________________________

Role as a faculty in any Institution/University or College

Articles contributed in Newspaper

Guidelines  : The Nominees are required to fill up Fact Sheet mentioning above details to be emailed and also to be sent physically to the Convenor of the Awards Committee with copy to the Secretary General to reach within 15th November.
16. Name of Award: AIFTP Tax Practitioner Having More Than 50 Years of Practice Award

Sponsored by: Shri K. Rajendra Varaprasada Rao
Practicing since when ________

Criteria: Position held in AIFTP ________

Conference/Seminar addressed:
1. In AIFTP during the year with date, place and topic
2. In any other organization with date, place and topic

Articles or Papers contributed in AIFTP Conferences, Seminars/AIFTP Times/AIFTP Journal during the year (Please give details with copy)

Articles contributed in Newspapers ______________

Role as a faculty in any Institution/ University or College

Significant contributions to AIFTP ______________

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ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF TAX PRACTITIONERS DISCIPLINARY RULES

(As approved in National Executive Committee Meeting held on 6th April, 2019 at Ranchi)

These rules shall be called ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF TAX PRACTITIONERS DISCIPLINARY RULES.

OBJECT

The ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF TAX PRACTITIONERS DISCIPLINARY RULES have been framed for taking appropriate action for violation of the standards of professional conduct and etiquette for members of the Federation as adopted by the AIFTP and for non-compliance with the practice standards as well as against any act of the members derogatory to or not keeping with the aims and object of the Federation or in violation of the Rules and Regulations or bye laws of the Federation as well as against actions and statements of the members which are defamatory against any other member or office bearer, which may adversely affect the name and fame and unity of the Federation.

MISCONDUCT BY A MEMBER INDIVIDUALLY OR IN CONCERT WITH OTHER MEMBER OR INDIVIDUALS

The following acts omission and/or commission shall constitute the grounds of indiscipline—

i. Any wilful act and/or commission and/or omission which violates the standard of professional conduct and ethics as framed by the Federation for the members of the Federation or by Bar Council of India,
Institute of Chartered Accountants or their local centres/or any other body as may be applicable to the concerned member.

ii. Any wilful act, omission and/or commission that fails to comply with the Rules and Regulations of the Federation.

iii. Any wilful act, omission and/or commission that violates the Criminal laws of the State and the Union.

iv. Any wilful act, omission and/or commission that violates an order of discipline.

v. Any false or misleading or defamatory statement made by any member or members of the Federation.

vi. Failure to comply with the directions and orders of the National President of the Federation as well as failure to comply with the decision and directions of the National Executive Committee.

The enumeration of the forgoing acts, omission and/or commission constituting the grounds of discipline are not exhaustive but illustrative only, and any other acts, omission and/ or commission which has an effect of defaming the name and fame of the Federation as well as which leads to disrupt the harmony and unity amongst the members of the Federation, shall also be considered as an act of indiscipline.

COMPLAINT

i. Any member of the Federation can lodge a complaint against any act of an individual member/members of the Federation.

ii. Complaints should be made in writing either by email or post.

iii. All complaints shall contain the following information—
a. Full name of the member/or members with membership number.

b. Full address of the complainant.

c. Name of the member or members against whom the complaint is lodged.

d. Full summary of the complaint with corroborative materials.

e. Complaint shall be sent in duplicate duly signed by the complainant.

**SUO MOTTO INITIATION OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS**

In case National President or Secretary General of the Federation finds that any member or members of the Federation has/have done wilfully an act which amounts to indiscipline, suo motto disciplinary proceedings may be initiated against the said member or members in accordance with the Disciplinary Rules of the Federation.

**DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE**

A Disciplinary Committee shall be constituted by the National Executive Committee of the Federation which shall comprise of a Chairman, one Convenor and three members.

**PROCEDURE OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS**

i. Whenever a complaint is received from any member or members alleging commission of an act of indiscipline by any of the member or members of the Federation, the said complaint shall be forwarded to the Disciplinary Committee.

ii. Whenever a suo motto disciplinary proceeding is initiated against any member or members of the Federation, the Secretary General of the Federation
shall forward a summary of the allegations or charge against the said member or members to the Disciplinary Committee.

iii. On receipt of the complaint by the Disciplinary Committee, the committee shall issue a show cause notice to the member or the members against whom the said complaint is made, to submit his/their defence. The said defence shall be submitted within 15 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. However, extension of further time may be granted by the committee not exceeding further 15 days.

iv. Response to the show cause notice shall be submitted in writing and under the signature of the member/members submitting the response.

v. In case the notice fails to submit response within the time granted by the Disciplinary Committee, the noticee shall be deemed to have waived his right to respond to the allegations set forth in the show cause notice and all allegations in the show cause notice shall be deemed to have been admitted.

SHOW CAUSE HEARING

After receipt of the response from the notice, the Disciplinary Committee shall grant a personal hearing to the notice at the time and place fixed by the Disciplinary Committee. In case the notice does not want to avail the opportunity of personal hearing, he may in writing inform the Disciplinary Committee. On receipt of such communication from the notice not intending to avail the opportunity of personal hearing, the Disciplinary Committee shall proceed on the basis of the complaint and defence received from the notice, as well as after considering any other information obtained or received on enquiry as it may deem fit.
No authorized representative or legal representative shall be allowed to appear on behalf of the notice or complainant.

WITHDRAWAL OF COMPLAINT

The complainant shall have the liberty to withdraw the complaint lodged by him within 15 days of the date of lodging of such complaint and in case of such withdrawal, the case shall be treated as closed. The Disciplinary Committee may, however, accept the withdrawal of the complaint after 15 days also if it feels that the same shall be in greater interest of the Federation.

However, in case from the contents of the complaint, the Disciplinary Committee is of the view that the matter needs to be proceeded with, the said complaint shall be registered as a suo motto registered complaint and the proceedings shall continue in accordance with the Rules.

INTERIM SUSPENSION

The Disciplinary Committee after perusal of the complaint and defence and before completion of the disciplinary proceedings, may in view of the seriousness of the charges, recommend for the interim suspension of the membership of the member or members against whom the complaint has been lodged and such recommendation of the Disciplinary Committee shall be placed before the National Executive Committee. The National Executive Committee may by a majority of the members present approve the same in entirely or may modify and/or reject the same. Necessary action shall be taken on the basis of the decision of the National Executive Committee with regards to suspension or otherwise of the membership of the said member/members till the completion of the disciplinary proceedings.
FINAL RECOMMENDATION OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

The Disciplinary Committee after conducting the disciplinary proceedings shall submit its report in a sealed cover, to the Secretary General of the Federation which shall contain the finding of fact and its recommendations for consideration by the NEC.

The Disciplinary Committee shall—

i. Determine whether the complaint is proved or not and as to whether the facts established calls for imposition of any penalty or as to whether the complaint case is required to be dismissed.

ii. Recommend the appropriate penalty and or punishment to be imposed.

iii. In making the recommendation, the Disciplinary Committee may take into consideration the prior conduct of the member/members concerned.

iv. On receipt of such report from the Disciplinary Committee, the Secretary General shall place the same before the National Executive Committee for its consideration. The National Executive Committee after considering the report of the Disciplinary Committee by majority of the members present may accept or reject the report and recommendations. In case the report is accepted, the National Executive Committee may impose any of the following penalty or punishment on the member concerned—

a. Termination of the membership of the member or members.

b. Suspension of the membership of the Federation for a particular period.

c. De-barring the accused member/members from participating in the election of the Federation for a particular period.
d. De-barring the member/members concerned to be a member of the National Executive Committee or office bearer of the Federation for a particular period.

e. If the said member is already a member of the National executive Committee or office bearer, to terminate the said membership as well as dislodge him from the post he is occupying.

f. Issue a warning to the said member.

CONFIDENTIALITY OF PROCEEDINGS

i. All proceedings conducted pursuant to for Disciplinary Rules shall be confidential and the records of the Disciplinary Committee shall remain confidential and shall not be made public.

ii. When the report of the Disciplinary Committee is being considered by the National Executive Committee, no person other than the members of said committee and the National Executive Committee shall remain present in the meeting.

FALSE COMPLAINT

In case the Disciplinary Committee after receiving the response of the member or members against whom complaint has been made as well as after hearing the accused member/members as well as the complainant(s) is of the view that the complaint made by the complainant(s) was false and was lodged simply to harass and defame the member/members concerned, the Disciplinary Committee shall submit its report accordingly and the same penalty and punishment as provided for it in the Rules shall also be applicable in respect of the said complainant(s).
GUIDELINES FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AND CORPORATE MEMBERS

1. The following five types of Associate members can be considered by the Executive Committee for admission as Associate member.

a) **Associate Corporate Members**
   Any Company, Corporation, Partnership firm, Hindu Undivided Family, Association of Persons is eligible to become Associate Member of AIFTP.
   The admission fee will be ₹ 500/- and the subscription will be
   - For five years ₹ 5,000/-
   - For ten years ₹ 7,500/-
   - For fifteen years ₹ 11,500/-
   - For twenty years ₹ 15,000/-

b) **Associate Association Members**
   Any Professional Organisation or Charitable Organisation may became Associate Member, by paying subscription of ₹ 3,500/-.

c) **Associate Individual Members**
   i) Any individual who is well educated and of age exceeding 25 years, not the Tax Practitioner can become life member by paying subscription of ₹ 5,000/-.
   ii) Any individual who is practising as Company Secretary, Cost Accountant, Management Accountancy, other profession relating to commerce, industry and economics may be
eligible to become life member by paying subscription of ₹ 2,500/-

d) **Associate Student Member**
Any person who is major and not eligible to be a member of AIFTP and who is pursuing his education as a student of law, Chartered Accountant, Cost and Management Accountancy, Company Secretaries or commerce or economics or business management or information technology will be eligible to be an Associate Student Member by paying subscription of ₹ 1,500/-. Within six years of becoming the student member, he may opt to become life member by paying the difference of subscription fees prescribed for person eligible to became at Member of the AIFTP.

e) **Foreign National**
Any foreign national who is qualified to practice law or Accountancy or management in their respective country may became Associate Member of AIFTP. The subscription will be ₹ 10,000/- and actual reimbursement of postal expenses. The postage for the year shall be charged on or before 30th June of each year.

f) **Foreign Professional Organisation**
Any foreign Professional Organisation may become member of Association by paying subscription of ₹ 20,000/-. The postage for the year shall be separately charged on or before 30th June of each year,

2. **RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES**
Associate Member will be entitled to a copy of the Journal and rights to attend the educational
programmes. Other rights privileges and obligations of the Associate Member will be same as that of Members of the AIFTP except that an Associate Member shall not have a right to vote and to contest in elections for the National Executive and Regional Management Committee and such other rights as may be decided by the National Executive Committee from time to time.

3. CESSATION OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

An Associate Member of the AIFTP shall cease to be an Associate Member in the following circumstances:

i) Upon death/dissolution/liquidation/cessation as a corporate entity

ii) If he/it has tendered his/its resignation by a notice in writing

iii) If he is expelled by the Federation for good cause

iv) Upon expiry of the period specified in 1(a).

4. EXPULSION OF AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER

a) If an associate member refuses or neglects to comply with any of the Rules or Regulations of the AIFTP or is guilty of any act or conduct which the National Executive Committee in its sole and absolute discretion considers to be injurious to the credit, welfare, reputation or interest of the AIFTP, such member shall be liable to expulsion by a resolution passed at a meeting of the said Committee duly convened and held for the purpose, provided that not less than two-thirds of the total number of members of the National Executive Committee for the time being shall have voted in favour of the expulsion and provided further that
at least fourteen days before the meeting at which such motion is to be moved, notice of the proposal for his expulsion has been dispatched to such Associate Member at the address registered with the AIFTP. The member shall at such meeting have the opportunity of making oral or written submission as he/it may think fit.

b) The resolution of the National Executive Committee expelling an Associate Member shall be final and binding. Upon such resolution being passed, he shall cease to be an Associate Member of the AIFTP and shall have no claim against the AIFTP or the National Executive Committee whatsoever.

5. **POWER TO REMOVE DIFFICULTIES**

If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of any clause of the memorandum or to any Rules and Regulations or as to the interpretation or implementation thereof the decision of the National Executive Committee shall be final.

6. **ENABLING PROVISION**

In order not to restrict the powers and provision referred to above, if at any point of time it is felt that the progress of the profession or of the Association requires certain decisions or actions the National Executive Committee will have unrestricted power in the interest of the profession or of the Association to take such decisions and/or to carry on such activity as it may decide by appropriate Resolution.
The Constitution of the said Committee as well as its object and scope of activity shall be as follows:

1. **DESIGNATION**
   The Committee shall be designated as “Income Tax Appellate Tribunal Bar Associations Co-ordination Committee”.

2. **OFFICE**
   The registered office shall be at Mumbai, C/o. ITAT Bar Association, Mumbai, Old C.G.O. Building, 4th Floor, M. K. Road, Mumbai - 400 020.

3. **COMPOSITION**
   The total number of members of the Committee shall not exceed sixty (60). The composition of the Committee shall be as follows:

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21. Patna Bench  1  1  
22. Pune Bench  1  1  
23. Rajkot Bench  1  1  
24. Visakhapatnam  1  1  

Co-option  7  
Ex-Officio : President  1  
Ex-Officio : Deputy President  1  

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4. OFFICE BEARERS

1. Chairman, Immediate Past Chairman, Co-Chairmen, President of AIFTP, Deputy President of AIFTP, Vice Chairmen and Convenors shall be the office bearers of the ITAT Bar Associations Co-ordination Committee.

2. The office bearers of the ITAT Bar Associations Co-ordination Committee namely, the Chairman,
Co-Chairmen, 8 Vice-Chairmen and 2 Convenors shall be nominated by the President of the AIFTP in consultation with the National Executive Committee of the Federation. The Chairman and one Convenor shall be preferably stationed at Mumbai. The Vice-Chairmen shall be from the same cities where the Senior Vice-President and Vice-Presidents of the Tribunal are stationed. Their tenure shall be the same as of the National Executive Committee of AIFTP. The Chairman shall preferably be a senior advocate, President or past President of AIFTP, or past President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. The terms of the office bearers and Co-ordination Committee members shall coincide with the term of the National Executive Committee of the Federation. The Chairman shall not hold the office for more than two terms at a time. The ordinary members of the Co-ordination Committee shall be co-opted by the office bearers. Preference may be given to the following:

(i) One representative, preferably the President, any other office bearer nominated by the respective ITAT Bar Associations.

(ii) At other places, where an ITAT Bar Association does not exist, one representative preferably the President or any other person as may be nominated by the Tax Association in the city.

(iii) Senior practitioners regularly practising before the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal.

5. ADVISORY BOARD

The Committee may appoint an advisory board.
6. **OBJECTS AND SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES**

The objects and scope of activities shall be as follows:

(i) To consider various suggestions and proposals for better and efficient working of Income Tax Appellate Tribunal and its Benches.

(ii) To consider suggestions requiring representation for amendment of the rules of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal including rules relating to the hearing of appeals, stay applications, miscellaneous applications, preparation of paper books, filing fees, constitution of Special Benches.

(iii) To take appropriate steps for improving facilities for the bar associations at the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal offices including providing adequate room, space for library and availability of Income Tax Appellate Tribunal Orders.

(iv) To consider suggestions for expediting appointment of Members to fill vacancies and thereby improve the working of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal.

(v) To consider and formulate categories of appeals which may be heard by the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal on a priority basis so that the pendency is reduced substantially.

(vi) To make representation to the President, Sr. Vice-President, Vice-Presidents and Members of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal on various issues and also make appropriate representation to the Ministries of Law,
Finance, the Central Board of Direct Taxes, etc. in connection with the working of the Tribunal and to take all appropriate further steps in that behalf.

(vii) To organize seminars and symposiums for interaction between the members of the Bar and Members of the Income-tax Appellate Tribunal.

(viii) To arrange meetings from time-to-time with the President, Sr. Vice-President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal at various Benches and to ensure that the discussions at the said meetings are properly minuted and circulated to various Benches of the Tribunal and Registrar and Assistant Registrars concerned for speedy implementation of the decisions.

(ix) Co-ordination Committee may take up any other matter not specified in objects (i) to (viii) regarding the working of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal and its Benches.

7. SPECIAL INVITEES

Vice-Presidents, Secretary General, Treasurer, Chairman of the zones of the AIFTP and President of the local tax associations where the meeting is held shall be special invitees to the Co-ordination Committee meeting.

8. MEETINGS

The Committee may meet at least once in six months, preferably simultaneous with the meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Federation or at
any other place or time, which may be decided from
time-to-time by the Co-ordination Committee.

9. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
ITAT CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE
President of the AIFTP in consultation with the
office bearers of the ITAT Bar Associations Co-
ordination Committee and Executive Committee
members of the AIFTP may amend the constitution
for better functioning of the ITAT Bar Associations
Co-ordination Committee.
ALL INDIA FEDERATION OF TAX PRACTITIONERS

RULES FOR ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The National Executive Committee shall arrange for the election of the members of the next Executive Committee, as and when an ordinary General Body meeting is called under Rule of the Constitution.

2. The National Executive Committee shall fix the date and the time up to which and the place or places where nominations for the purposes of the aforesaid election shall be received. If by the date and the time fixed by the National Executive Committee, no nominations are received or sufficient nominations to fill all the posts of the National Executive Committee are not received, nominations for all the posts, or nominations falling short for filling all the posts shall be called for at the time of the General Body meeting. In the latter case Chairman of the General Body meeting shall have all the powers to do the needful in the matter. Members can be nominated for election even in absentia.

3. If at the General Body meeting sufficient numbers of nominations are not forthcoming to fill all the posts on the National Executive Committee the General Body shall be entitled to empower the National Executive Committee to fill the vacancies by nominations at its subsequent meetings. Such nominations shall be in addition to co-option referred to in Rule 10(2).

4. Any life member and any representative nominated in terms of rule 5(c)(ii), shall be eligible to seek election to the National Executive Committee. His name shall
be proposed and seconded by any member of the Federation.

“Provided further that it shall be the duty of the each Member of the National Executive Committee including office bearers to attend 50% or at least two meetings of the National Executive, whichever is less in a calendar year. The defaulting member shall not be eligible for election or nomination or co-option to be a NEC member in the next NEC.”

*Provided that any member who have already opted to be on the Zonal Managing Committee for the ensuing term shall not be eligible to file nomination for NEC. Requisite declaration shall be annexed with the nomination form.

5. If more nominations are received than the total number of posts on the National Executive Committee, there shall be election, unless any member withdraw his nomination/s before the announcement of voting at the General Body meeting, so that the total number of nominations are equal to or less than the total number of posts on the National Executive Committee.

6. *The Election Officer, after the expiry of the time notified for receiving the nomination forms, shall scrutinise all the forms and notify, all valid and invalid nominations with reasons for invalidity of any of the forms in the list, with the help of electronic media. He shall also announce the zonewise list of valid nominations alongwith the maximum number required to be elected in terms of Rules 7(3) and 14, “at least five days before the actual date of voting.”

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* Added on 24th December, 2016
** Added on 6th October, 2018
7. If on withdrawal of any nomination/s, all the posts on the National Executive Committee cannot be filled, the General Body shall be entitled to empower the next National Executive Committee to fill the vacancies as provided in Rule 3 of these Rules.

7A. *The members existing on the date of issue of the notice convening the AGM, will only be eligible to vote at the said meeting. Such list of members shall be made available by the Secretary General to the Election Officer.

*Any member admitted thereafter will not be eligible to vote at the election however he can attend and take part in the discussions on any other item on agenda of the AGM.

8. Election to the National Executive Committee shall be by secret ballot.

9. Chairman of the General Body meeting shall appoint one or more scrutinisers from amongst the members present at the Meeting or otherwise. The scrutiniser/s, so appointed, shall have all the powers to conduct the election and report the result thereof to the Chairman of the meeting.

10. Before the close of the General Body meeting, the result of the election shall be declared by the Chairman of the meeting.

* Added on 24th December, 2016
ELECTION TO THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
(PRESCRIBED NOMINATION FORM)

Particulars of the Candidate

Name: .................................................................
Practicing since..............................(Specify the year)
Member since......................(Specify DD/MM/YEAR)
Add.: .................................................................
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Tel. (O) .............................(R).........................
Fax: ......................(Mob.).................................
E-mail:..............................................................

To
The Secretary General
All India Federation of Tax Practitioners,
215, Rewa Chambers, 31, New Marine Lines,
Mumbai - 400 020.

Dear Sir,

I propose Shri/ Smt. ............................................ (name of the candidate) as a candidate for member of the National Executive Committee of the Federation for the term of ensuing two years i.e. ____ and ____.

Yours faithfully,

Proposed by .........................(full name) Signature in full
Seconded by .........................(full name) Signature in full

I consent to the above proposal. If elected, I undertake to abide by and follow the Disciplinary Rules framed by the Federation as also observe Standard of Professional Conduct and Etiquette prescribed to be followed by the Members of the Federation.

Signature .................................(Candidate)
Notes:
1. The candidate should personally be a life member of the Federation since at least last two years and should have been in practice for more than 5 years, while the proposer and seconder may be a life member or an Association member duly nominated by the Association.
2. Last date for receiving form at Mumbai is ________________ before 5.00 p.m. at Registered Office
3. The election, if necessary, will be conducted as per the prescribed election rules on ________________(Day and Date) at ________________(Place of election) between _______ to _______ (Time). Candidate must be present at the time of election. However, Election Officer may grant exemption of personal presence due to exceptional circumstances.
4. Please send your latest photograph, Biodata alongwith the nomination form.
5. Members filing nominations for National Executive Committee will be required to deposit ₹ 2000/-* as a non-refundable fee for filing of the nomination. In the absence of the said deposit, the nomination shall be rejected. Deposit is to be made in the account of “All India Federation of Tax Practitioners”. Account details are as under:-
   1. Name: All India Federation of Tax Practitioners (No short form is allowed)
   2. Bank Name: ICICI Bank Ltd.,
   3. Bank Details: Ground Floor, Navsari Building, Dr. D. N. Road, Fort, Mumbai - 400 001
   4. Account Number: 623501161215
   5. Account Type: Saving Bank Account
   6. RTGS / NEFT Code: ICIC0006235

* As per resolution adopted in the NEC Meeting held on 20th January, 2018 at Kolkata.
CERTIFICATE UNDER THE SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT, 1860
CERTIFICATE UNDER BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950

[Signature]

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CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTIONS 80G OF THE I. T. ACT (INITIAL/RENEWAL)

On verification of the facts stated before me/hearing before me I have come to the conclusion that this organisation has satisfied the conditions u/s. 80-G of the I. T. Act, 1961. It shall henceforth satisfy the conditions u/s. 80-G(5) as laid down below:

1. The Donee Institution shall forfeit this benefit provided under the law if any one of the conditions stated herein is not applied with/flouted/abused/whittled down or in any way violated.

2. This exemption is valid for the period from 1-4-2001 to 31-3-2004 (Assessment Years 2002-03 to 2004-05) and subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

i) You shall maintain your account regularly and also get them audited to comply with sec. 80-G(5)(iv) read with sec. 12A(b) of the I.T. Act.

ii) Every receipt issued to a donor shall bear the number and date of this order and shall state the
date up to which this certificate is valid; i.e., 
Assessment Years 2002-03 to 2004-05.

iii) No change in the Deed of the Trust/Association shall 
be effected without due procedure of law; i.e., by 
the order of the jurisdictional High Court and its 
intimation shall be given immediately to this office.

iv) Under the provisions to Section 80G if you are 
registered u/s. 12A/u/s. 12AA(1)(b) or approved u/ss. 
10(23), 10(23C)(vi)/(via), etc. shall have to maintain 
separate books of account in respect of any business 
activity carried on u/s. 80-G(5)(i)(a) and shall intimate 
it within one month of commencement of such 
activity to this office.

v) Under the provisions of section 80G any donation 
received shall not be utilised for the purpose of any

vi) While issuing the certificate to the Donor the 
commitment made above should be honoured and it 
shall not be abused/used in any other purpose.

vii) The Institution shall ensure that no Non-Charitable 
purpose shall be served or sought to be served by the 
Trust/Society/Non-Profit Company as is informed in 
terms of Yogiraj Trust reported in 107 ITR 777 (SC).

viii) It shall be ensured that at no time you shall utilise 
the institution or its funds for the benefits of any 
particular Religious community or caste prohibited 
u/s. 80-G(5)(iii).

ix) This office and the Assessing officer shall also be 
informed about the Managing Trustee/Manager of 
your Trust/Society/Non-Profit Company and the 
place where the activities of the Trust/Institution 
are undertaken/likely to be undertaken to satisfy the 
claimed objects.
x) In case renewal is not sought from this office the manner in which the assets shall be used/the purpose for which they shall be used shall be immediately informed to this office.

Mrs. Manjari Kacker
Director of Income Tax (Exemption), Mumbai.
National Executive Committee 2019

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**Dy. President**  
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Basudeb Chatterjee, Jamshedpur  
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Rahul Kaushik, New Delhi  
Rajendra Sodani, Indore  
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S. C. Garg, Kolkata  
S. S. Satyanarayana, Hyderabad  
S. Venkataramani, Bengaluru  
Samir Jani, Junagadh  
Sreedhara Parthasarathy, Bellary  
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Vipul B. Joshi, Mumbai

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Arun Kumar Agrawal, Kolkata  
Dr. Hemant Modh, Jabalpur  
Dr. P. Daniel, Thane  
K. Sankaranarayanan, Kochi  
Manoj Nahata, Guwahati  
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Ramkrishna K. Mishra, Rourkela  
Sandeep Goyal, Chandigarh  
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M. L. Patodi, Kota  
S. K. Poddar, Ranchi  
J. D. Nankani, Mumbai  
Dr. M. V. K. Moorthy, Hyderabad  
Prem Lata Bansal, New Delhi

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Updated as on 30th June, 2019

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