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No.530(421)

13th June 2024

The Regional Grand Secretary
Regional Grand Lodge of SI
Chennai.

Dear Sir and RW Brother,

With reference to your letter No.L.421/2024 dated 30th May 2024, I return herewith two copies of amendments to bye-laws of Lodge Karur No.421 duly approved by MW the Grand Master.

With best wishes

Yours fraternally

AJAY BHARGAVA
Grand Secretary



Regional Grand Lodge of Southern India

Lodge: Karur No: 421

Place: Karur

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO/ REVISED BYE LAWS

(To be submitted in Triplicate)

I) The Details of Existing Bye-Laws & Proposed amendments to Bye-Laws

Existing Bye-Laws	Proposed amendments to Bye-Laws
<p><u>Bye-Laws No</u></p> <p>1)The Regular Meetings of the Lodge shall be held at Hotel NTS Palace, Karur on the first Sunday of alternate months of February, April, June, August, October and December, or at such other place and time as the Master may fix from time to time</p>	<p><u>Bye-Laws No</u></p> <p>1)The Regular Meetings of the Lodge shall be held at Lodge Karur Freemasons' Hall, Greater Villa Gardens, Thuvrapalayam, Nanniyur Village, Manmangalam Taluk, Karur - 639113 on the first Saturday of every month of January, February, March, April, June, July, August, September, October, November and December (except May) or at such other place and time as the Master may fix from time to time</p>
<p>2) The Master of the Lodge shall be elected annually by ballot in Open Lodge at the Regular Election Meeting in the month of December and shall be installed at the next Regular Meeting in the month of February. The first election meeting held on December 2016.</p>	<p>2) The Master of the Lodge shall be elected annually by ballot in Open Lodge at the Regular Election Meeting in the month of December and shall be installed at the next Regular Meeting in the month of January. The first election meeting held in December 2016.</p>
<p>3) The Treasurer shall prepare a Statement of Accounts annually made up as on the last day of February of each year showing the exact financial position of the Lodge and submit the same to the Audit Committee. The Treasurer shall at every Regular Meeting submit and read in open Lodge, a monthly Statement of Accounts.</p>	<p>3) The Treasurer shall prepare an Annual Statement of Accounts as on the last day of December of each year showing the exact financial position of the Lodge and submit the same to the Audit Committee. The Treasurer shall at every Regular Meeting submit and read in open Lodge, a monthly Statement of Accounts.</p>

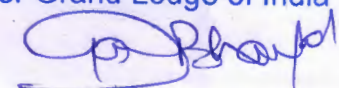
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II) The Details of Existing Bye-Laws & Proposed Corrections in amendments to Bye-Laws as per the GLI letter dated 02.08.22 & RGLSI letter dated 05.08.22 (pl find both letters attached)

Existing Bye-Laws	Proposed amendments (corrected) to Bye-Laws
<p><u>By-Laws No</u></p> <p>12) A Candidate for initiation or a Brother desirous of joining or rejoining the Lodge shall not be accepted if on the ballot, more than one third of the total number of votes polled by those present at the Meeting disapprove of the same. In cases of serious doubt, the Master may, at his discretion, immediately cause a second ballot to be taken and if it proves unfavorable, that decision shall be final. In every case, the Secretary shall communicate the result of the ballot to the candidate. In all cases of unfavorable ballot, the Fees shall be returned at the time when the information is furnished.</p>	<p><u>By-Laws No</u></p> <p>12) A Candidate for initiation or a Brother desirous of joining or rejoining the Lodge shall not be accepted if on the ballot, must be Simple Majority of the total number of votes polled by those present at the Meeting (as per By-law No140). In such case of unfavorable voting the Candidate or Brother who is rejected by unfavorable voting, is desirous of joining or rejoining the Lodge can be proposed again after the lapse of six months from the date of rejection. In every case, the Secretary shall communicate the result of the ballot to candidate. In all cases of unfavorable ballot, the Fees shall be returned at the time when the information is furnished.</p>
<p>14)The scale of Fees payable by a Candidate for Initiation, Joining or Rejoining shall be as follows:</p> <p>Membership/Joining Fees from Indian or other Constitution is Rs.5000/- per year. In addition to this the Initiation Fees shall be Rs.5000/- . This includes the fees payable to Grand Lodge of India / Regional Grand Lodge of Southern India.</p> <p>Rejoining Fees will be Rs.2500/- apart from the Membership fees prevailing from time to time.</p> <p>The above Fees are payable in advance before Initiation or Joining or Rejoining.</p> <p>A candidate for Initiation, Joining or Re-Joining at any part of the year shall pay the full annual subscription.</p> <p>All ruling Wardens, Master and Past Masters shall pay an additional Rs.200/- in the Annual Subscription in accordance with Rule 182 of the Grand Lodge of India.</p> <p>The above subscriptions shall be payable in advance each year and the official year shall be from 1st of January of every English year</p> <p>Honorary Members are not liable to pay any subscription fees.</p>	<p>14)The scale of Fees payable by a Candidate for Initiation, Joining or Rejoining shall be as follows:</p> <p>Admission Fees for a Member / Candidate / Brother from Indian or other Constitution is Rs.5000/- and Annual Subscription is Rs.5000/- which includes the fees payable to Grand Lodge of India / Regional Grand Lodge of Southern India.</p> <p>Rejoining amount will be Rs.2500/- apart from the Annual Subscription prevailing from time to time.</p> <p>The above amount are payable in advance before Initiation or Joining or Rejoining.</p> <p>A candidate for Initiation, Joining or Rejoining at any part of the year shall pay the full annual Subscription.</p> <p>All ruling Master, ruling Wardens, Past Wardens, and Past Masters not holding Past Regional Grand Ranks / Grand Ranks will be paying prevailing dues in the Annual Subscription in accordance with Rule 182 of the Grand Lodge of India.</p> <p>The above subscriptions shall be payable in advance each year and the official year shall be from 1st of January of every English year.</p> <p>Honorary Members are not liable to pay any subscription fees.</p>
<p>19) point iv)</p> <p>All cheques must be signed by any two of the following viz., Master, the Treasurer or the Secretary.</p>	<p>19) point iv)</p> <p>All cheques must be signed by any two of the following viz, the Treasurer and either the Master or the Secretary.</p>

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AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Worshipful Master may, at his discretion, appoint a Special Committee for the consideration of any special subject or matter as may be assigned by him. Such a Committee shall comprise four members of whom two shall be Past Masters of or in the Lodge besides the Secretary who will be the Ex-officio Secretary of the Special Committee. Three members shall constitute a quorum of any such committee.

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The above amendments / corrections were regularly re-proposed and Seconded in open Lodge at a 51st Regular Meeting held on 01.10.2022 Passed at a 53rd Regular Meeting held on 18.12.2022 and confirmed at a 55th Regular Meeting held on 08.04.2023

Place : Karur

Date : 20.04.2023

W. Master

Senior Warden

Junior warden

Secretary

APPROVED BY R.W. THE REGIONAL GRAND MASTER

Place Chennai

Date 3.6.2024

Regional Grand Master

APPROVED BY M.W. THE GRAND MASTER

New Delhi,

Date 12.06.2024

Grand Secretary