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CHAPTER THIRUVANANTHAPURAM No. 92

BYE-LAWS

(As Amended and Confirmed on 10/08/1997)

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TRIVANDRUM

WARRANTED ON 14th May 1993 that is 24th Visakha 1915 (SE)
CONSECRATED ON 15th July 1993

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1. Regular Convocations

The Regular convocations of the Chapter shall be held on the Sunday succeeding the second Saturday of January, April, July and October at Trivandrum Masonic Hall, Mudavanmugal, Thiruvananthapuram.

2. Emergency Convocations

The First Principal or the Principal in Charge has power to convene a Chapter of Emergency, whenever deemed necessary. Seven clear days' notice shall be given to the members, and the reason for convening the Chapter distinctly stated. No other business but that mentioned shall be transacted at such convocations.

3. Election of Officers

The three Principals and the other Officers of the Chapter shall be elected by Ballot at the Regular Convocation in November each year. The Janitor shall be chosen by show of hands. The Installation of Principals and the Investiture of

Officers shall be held at the Regular Convocation in February.

4. Duties of Scribe E.

The Scribe E. shall have the charge of the general correspondence, issue summonses for all convocations, record minutes of the proceedings, keep the Register of Members and registers as required by the Royal Arch Regulations, as well as the registers and records prescribed by the R. G. Chapter Bye-Laws. He shall also preserve all other necessary records and keep an account of all monies passing through his hands. The Scribe E. may make payments for petty contingencies, for which purpose he shall keep a permanent advance of Rs.500/- (Rupees five hundred only).

5. Duties of Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for the monies and account book of the Chapter. He shall receive from the Scribe E. all collections of every kind and make no payments but on the authority of the First Principal or Principal in Charge of the Chapter.

6. Committees

The First Principal on his installation shall appoint a Permanent Committee to consider and report upon general subjects affecting the Chapter. The Committee shall consist of the three Principals, the Principal Sojourner and two other companions appointed by the First Principal. Three shall form the quorum. It will be the duty of this committee to submit a report upon the condition and prospects of the Chapter. The

February. Treasurer and Scribe E. shall be ex-officio members of the Committee.

A Committee shall also be appointed by the Chapter at its convocation in October to audit the accounts of the year.

7. Election of Members

A Candidate for Exaltation in the Chapter or a Companion desirous of joining must be duly proposed and seconded and balloted for. No candidate or companion shall be balloted for until a Declaration as the case may be, and the Grand Lodge Certificate or the Grand Chapter Certificate, as well as a Certificate from his Lodge or Chapter to the effect that he is in full possession of all his Masonic privileges, are produced. No one rejected either for exaltation or joining shall be again balloted until six months have elapsed from the date of his rejection.

8. Fee

The Fee payable to the Chapter shall be the following and in advance.

Exaltation Fee Rs.7,000/- which shall include a copy of R. A. Regulations.

Joining Fee from the same constitution Rs.4,500/-

Joining from a recognised constitution Rs.4,500/-

Stewards' Fund (at the time of Exaltation or Joining only) Rs.500/-

Cost of Regalia extra.

9. Subscriptions

The subscription shall be Rs.500/- (Five hundred only) per year for every companion. If any member fails to pay the subscription due for one year, he will be liable for exclusion in accordance with Rules of the Book of Constitution (Craft).

The year of the Chapter shall be 1st January to 31st December.

10. The Property of the Chapter

The property of the Chapter shall vest with the three Principals for the time being in trust for the Chapter. An inventory of the property shall be kept and checked every year prior to the Installation Convocation.

11. Alteration of Bye-Laws

No motion to add, to alter, or amend the foregoing Bye-Laws or any of them shall be made without first giving notice of such motion in writing to the Scribe E. and notice thereof shall be inserted in the summons of the next regular convocation. All notices of motion shall be sent to the Scribe E. at least 14 days before the meeting of the Chapter at which it is intended they shall be discussed. No Bye-Law when altered shall take effect until it has been confirmed at the next regular convocation and approved by the Grand Superintendent and M.E. the First Grand Principal.

12. General

In all respects, the Companions of this Chapter shall

abide by, and strictly conform to, the Laws and Regulations of the Supreme Grand Chapter of India as embodied in the R. A. Regulations and where applicable, in the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of India.