



# Regional Grand Lodge of Southern India

Freemasons' Hall, 14 Ethiraj Salai, Chennai - 600008

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Amendment to  
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To  
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Dear Sir and Brother,

## SUB:AMENDMENT TO BYE-LAWS OF LODGE SHANTHI NO.146, CHENNAI

I am forwarding herewith a copy of the amendment to bye-law Nos. **2, 3, 4a & b, 7, 8, 17, 19, 23, 24, 25** of **LODGE SHANTHI NO.146, CHENNAI** duly approved by R.W.The Regional Grand Master on 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2020 and M.W.The Grand Master.(1-2-2020).

The Amendment will be effective from the date of approval by M.W.The Grand Master.

With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

*N. Pandurangan*  
(N.PANDURANGAN)  
Regional Grand Secretary.

Encl:Amendment to Bye-law No. **2, 3, 4a & b, 7, 8, 17, 19, 23, 24, 25**

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For Lodge Shanthi 146  
Secretary



## Regional Grand Lodge Of Southern India

Lodge **SHANTI** No **146** Place **CHENNAI**

### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO / REVISED BY LAWS

(To be Submitted in Triplicate)

S No	Bye Law No	EXISTING Bye Law	PROPOSED Bye Law
1	2	The Regular Meetings of the Lodge shall be held at the Freemasons Hall, 14 Ethiraj Salai, Chennai 600008, on the Second Friday of every month except in the months of May and June, at such hours as the Master may, from time to time decide.	The Regular Meetings of the Lodge shall be held at the Freemasons Hall, 14 Ethiraj Salai, Chennai 600008 or at Masonic Temple at Mahodhaya, No.62, 4th Avenue, Ashoknagar, Chennai-600083, on the Second Friday of every month except in the months of May and June, at such hours as the Master may, from time to time decide.
2	3	Summons for convening the Regular Meetings of the Lodge shall be issued at least seven days previous to such meetings.	Summons for convening the regular meetings of the lodge shall be issued at least seven days prior to such meetings. While the summons can be sent electronically, a printed copy must be sent to reach seven days prior to such meetings.
3	4a	The Annual Subscription payable by the members shall be Rs. 1800/- plus annual dues payable to Grand Lodge of India and Regional Grand Lodge of Southern India as may be applicable from time to time. All Subscription shall be paid in advance.	The Annual Subscription payable by the members shall be Rs. 2250/- plus annual dues payable to Grand Lodge of India and Regional Grand Lodge of Southern India as may be applicable from time to time. All Subscription shall be paid in advance.
4	4b	Out of the annual Subscription collected from members, a sum of Rs. 500/- shall be allocated to the stewards Fund and transferred to a separate account called "Lodge Shanti Stewards' Fund Account" to be operated by any two of the following Viz. The Treasurer and either the W.Master or the Secretary. The dinner Charges of the members and Visitors to the Lodge at only regular meetings (excluding installation Meetings and Fellowship at all meetings) may be defrayed from out of the Stewards' Fund. Out of the annual subscription collected, a sum of Rs 100 shall be set aside into a special celebration fund for meeting expenditures towards lodge functions like LTS, founders day, etc – if unspent in a year this sum shall accumulate till the next such event/year and will not be used for regular meeting food expenses. Contributions to this account is also to be solicited periodically by the treasurer.	Out of the annual Subscription collected from members, a sum of Rs. 950/- shall be allocated to the stewards Fund and transferred to a separate account called "Lodge Shanti Stewards' Fund Account" to be operated by any two of the following Viz. The Treasurer and either the W.Master or the Secretary. The dinner Charges of the members and Visitors to the Lodge at only regular meetings (excluding installation Meetings and Fellowship at all meetings) may be defrayed from out of the Stewards' Fund. Out of the annual subscription collected, a sum of Rs 100 shall be set aside into a special celebration fund for meeting expenditures towards lodge functions like LTS, founders day, etc – if unspent in a year this sum shall accumulate till the next such event/year and will not be used for regular meeting food expenses. Contributions to this account is also to be solicited periodically by the treasurer.
5	7	A Member whose subscription is unpaid for three months or above shall not be qualified for election or appointment to any Office. Such Member, shall also be liable for Exclusion under the terms of Clause 156 of Book of Constitutions.	<p>7. A member whose subscription is unpaid is not eligible for election or selection to any office in the Lodge - such nonpayment for the new financial year shall not count till the installation date by when the designated officers subscription should have been received in full for that year.</p> <p>A member whose subscription is unpaid for three months after they becoming due, shall be deprived while so in default of all or any of the rights of voting.</p>

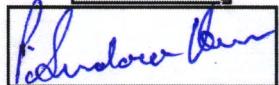
			proposing, seconding candidates, and being appointed or elected to offices. Such member shall also be liable for Exclusion under the terms of Clause 156 read along with Clause 124 of Book of constitutions.
6	8	No candidate for Freemasonry shall be initiated and no Brother shall be admitted as a joining Member of the Lodge unless, two thirds of the Members present and voting, shall vote in his favor.	No candidate for freemasonry shall be initiated and no brother shall be admitted as a Joining member of the Lodge unless, a simple majority of the members present and voting, shall vote in his favour.
7	17	The Standing Committee shall consist of the W.Master, Immediate Past Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary, D of C and two other Members.	The Standing Committee shall consist of the W.Master, Immediate Past Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary, D of C, and two other Past Masters. The Senior and Junior Deacons shall be special permanent invitees without voting rights to every Standing Committee Meeting. In order to constitute a Meeting of the STANDING COMMITTEE, the quorum shall be five in which the Worshipful Master / Immediate Past Master and the Secretary/Treasurer and D of C need to be present. In the absence of the WM, the IPM or in his absence any PM who is a member of the Committee may chair the meeting. The WM shall consult the Committee in all matters pertaining to the Lodge.
8	19	The Audit committee shall consist of two Members, who shall check and examine the Treasurer's Account and prepare the Annual Balance Sheet before the Installation Meeting.	The Audit committee shall consist of two Members, who shall check and examine the Treasurer's Account and prepare the Annual Balance Sheet before the Installation Meeting. The Audit Committee shall meet alongwith the Standing Committee with a joint agenda each month to ensure routine financial discipline.
9	23	The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for the money and the account books of the Lodge. He shall receive direct all moneys due to or held on half of the Lodge and deposit the same in the name of the Lodge at a Bank approved by a resolution of the Lodge and shall make payments for current ordinary expenses on the authority of the W.Master or other Officers-in-charge of the Lodge. No other payments shall be made without a resolution of the Lodge. He shall submit his accounts to the Regular Meeting of the Lodge. All cheques must be signed by any two of the following viz : The Treasurer and either the W.Master or the Secretary.	The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for the money and the account books of the Lodge. He shall receive direct all moneys due to or held on half of the Lodge and deposit the same in the name of the Lodge at a Bank approved by a resolution of the Lodge and shall make payments for current ordinary expenses on the authority of the W.Master or other Officers-in-charge of the Lodge. No other payments shall be made without a resolution of the Lodge. Treasurer, shall raise bills on membership and send to members through the secretary, within the first month of the lodge financial year. Bills for other dues as may be required may also be sent. Electronic copies of Bills may also be sent additionally. He will be responsible for the collection of the same alongwith the W.Master. He shall submit his accounts to the Regular Meeting of the Lodge. All cheques must be signed by any two of the following viz : The Treasurer and either the W.Master or the Secretary.
10	24	It shall not be competent for the Brethren to abrogate, amend or alter these By Laws unless the abrogation, amendment or alteration shall have been duly proposed and passed at one Regular Meeting, after insertion in the Summons, and read and confirmed at the next Regular Meeting.	It shall not be competent for the Brethren to abrogate, amend, add to or alter these Bye laws, unless the abrogation, amendment, addition or alteration shall have been duly proposed and seconded at one Regular Meeting, approved at the next Regular Meeting and thereafter confirmed at the following Regular Meeting of the Lodge, and approved by RW The REGIONAL GRAND MASTER of the Regional Grand Lodge of Southern India and subsequently by the MW The GRAND MASTER of the Grand Lodge of India.

11	25	INSERTED NEW CLAUSE 25	In respect of matters not specifically and expressly provided for in the Bye Laws, the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of India as embodied in the Book of Constitutions shall apply.
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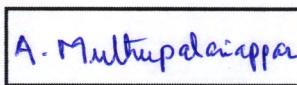
The above amendments were regularly Proposed and Seconded in open Lodge at a regular Meeting held on **23-Oct-19** Passed at a regular Meeting held on **08-Nov-19** and confirmed at a regular Meeting held on **13-Dec-19**

Place **CHENNAI**

Date **02-Jan-20**



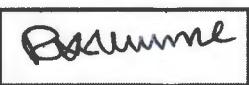
W. Master



Senior Warden



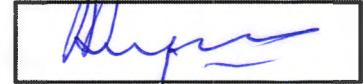
Junior warden



Secretary

**APPROVED BY R.W. THE REGIONAL GRAND MASTER**

Place **chennai**

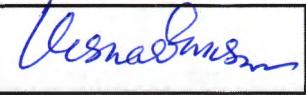


Date **3.1-2020**

Regional Grand Master

**APPROVED BY M.W. THE GRAND MASTER**

New Delhi,



Date **01.02.2020**

Grand Secretary

