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**BYE - LAWS  
OF  
LODGE 'HUBLI'**

**No. 44 G. L. I.**

**1990.**



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### BYE-LAWS

These bye-laws were  
approved by Grand Lodge  
of India on 15-5-1990.

- No. 1. The Lodge shall be known as "LODGE HUBLI" having been assigned No. 44 under the Grand Lodge of India.
- No. 2. The Lodge shall meet at "MASONIC HALL", Gadag Road, Hubli.

### MEMBERS

- No. 3. The Lodge shall consist of Resident, Non-Resident and Honorary Members.
  - a) Resident member means a member who ordinarily resides within the limits of Hubli, and who pays full

subscription even when not residing within the above limits.

- b) A non-resident member means a member not ordinarily residing within the aforesaid limits and pays reduced fees.
- c) Honorary Member means, a brother of good standing and distinction, so elected for his services to the Craft or to this Lodge in particular.

No. 4. The Regular Monthly meeting of the Lodge shall be held on the third Saturday of every month. An emergent meeting of the Lodge shall be held, subject to obtaining the dispensation from the R.G.M. for that meeting only.

No. 5. The Master, Treasurer and Tyler shall be elected at the regular meeting in the month of December every year as

per provision in Rule No. 87 of the constitution.

No. 6. The Master elect, shall be installed at the Regular meeting of the Lodge in the month of January every year.

#### THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE

No. 7. The permanent committee of the Lodge shall consist of the Master, Past Masters of the Lodge, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer and Secretary and two members elected by the Lodge at the Installation meeting.

The quorum for the meeting shall be 4. The permanent committee shall check the Treasurer's Accounts, Inspect, and report on the Lodge property, consider and report, on the proposals for the membership of the Lodge, and

transact any other business specially referred to by the Lodge.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE

No. 8. The Audit Committee shall consist of the two members elected by the Lodge at the Installation Meeting. It shall audit and certify the Accounts of the Lodge for the year and on approval by Permanent committee shall have it placed before the Lodge at the meeting in January every year for adoption.

The Audit committee may get accounts audited by Chartered Accountant and fix his remuneration.

#### LODGE FEES

No. 9. The fees shall be as follows :

Initiation	Rs. 500/-
Joining fee from a Lodge under our constitution	Rs. 125/-

Re-joining	Rs. 50/-
Joining from other recognised constitution	Rs. 250/-

#### SUBSCRIPTIONS

No. 10. The subscription for resident member Rs. 240/- per year.

Non Resident member Rs. 144/- per year, payable in one lump sum or by two half yearly instalments. If any member allows his subscription and other dues to remain unpaid for a period of six months and above he shall be deprived, while in arrears of all right of voting, proposing or seconding, a Candidate or being appointed or elected to office, such defaulting members shall be excluded under Rule 124 and 156 of the book of constitution.

### LODGE FUNDS

No. 11. The Lodge money will be kept in the following funds—

1. General Fund
2. Benevolent Fund
3. Building Fund
4. Steward Fund

### BENEVOLENT FUND

The charity box will be circulated at every regular meeting of the lodge and the contributions received shall be credited to the Benevolent Fund. The Lodge by a special resolution may transfer a reasonable sum out of its General Fund, to the Benevolent fund. The Benevolent fund will be used for masonic and other charities and to aid a distressed brother or his family. The merits of each case shall be considered by the General Committee of

the Lodge. In case of emergency the W. Master is empowered to Grant a sum not exceeding Rs. 100. The reason for such disbursement should be communicated to the Lodge at the next regular meeting for its approval.

### BUILDING FUND

No. 13. A Building fund shall be maintained out of special contributions from Brethren or occasional contribution from the General Fund and shall be utilised towards the maintenance repairs and additions or alterations to the lodge Building as and when necessary.

### STEWARD'S FUND

No. 14. A Steward's fund will be maintained out of special contributions from brethren or occasional contribution from the General Fund and shall be utilised towards dinner and refreshments at the meetings.

## SECRETARY

No. 15. The Secretary shall be the usual medium of communication between the members and the W. Master and shall attend to all correspondence, record, make due returns, to the Grand Lodge and Regional Grand Lodge. He shall also be Ex-Officio Secretary of the Permanent Committee. He shall maintain the following Books and files.

1. Attendance Register
2. Members Register
3. Minutes Book
4. Minutes of Permanent Committee
5. Property Register

He shall also maintain the following files :

1. Proposal forms
2. Summons

3. Dispensation
4. Registration
5. Exclusion & Cessation
6. Regional Grand Circular
7. Grand Lodge Circular
8. Grand Lodge Communication
9. Regional Grand Lodge Communication
10. Annual Return to Grand Lodge
11. Half yearly returns to Regional Grand Lodge
12. Alteration of Membership
13. Installation returns
14. Attendance of Past Masters
15. Annual report and statement of Accounts
16. Correspondence
17. Application for the Grand Lodge Certificate
18. Building file
19. Transfer of charges

## TREASURER

No. 16. The Treasurer shall collect all the fees and dues and shall issue official receipts for the same. He shall deposit them in the name of the Lodge in a Bank approved by the Lodge from time to time. The Bank Account shall be operated by the Treasurer and any one of the following, namely (1) The Wor. Master & (2) The Secretary.

The Treasurer shall keep a account of Lodge fund. The Treasurer shall not ordinarily keep more than Rs. 100/- as cash on hand

## LODGE PROPERTY

No. 17. Every kind of property belonging to the Lodge shall vest in the Master and Wardens for the time being subject to the directions and control of the Lodge.

An Inventory of all such property shall be maintained in separate Register by the Wor. Master, Warden, Secretary and Treasurer and all additions there to, deletions there from shall be recorded in the Inventory as and when made. All such additions and deletions shall be submitted to the permanent committee meeting as and when made, and shall be recorded in the minutes.

## BALLOT

No. 18. All candidates for initiation joining & re-joining must be proposed at a Regular meeting of the Lodge according to Rule 135 & 138 of B. C. of G. L. I.

b) No person shall be made a Mason or accepted as a member of the Lodge if on ballot three Black balls appear against him.

## PROPOSALS

No. 19. No motion shall be put to the Lodge assembled unless duly proposed by one member and seconded by another, except when proposed by the Wor. Master.

b) An amendment to any proposition may be made duly proposed and seconded. Amendments shall be put to vote first. If negatived, the original proposition shall then be put to vote ; but if the amendment is carried out the original proposition shall be declared to be lost.

c) No proposition of importance shall be brought forward for consideration unless notice thereof has been given at the previous regular meeting, or in writing to the Secretary, well in advance and in time to be circulated

before the meeting.

## AMENDMENTS OF BYE-LAWS

No. 20. Amendments to these Bye-laws or any of them may be made only in the following manner :

- a) Notice of motion in writing stating the precise amendments proposed, shall be given in open Lodge at a regular meeting of the Lodge.
- b) The motion shall be circulated in the summons for the next regular meeting and shall be voted upon at that meeting.
- c) A resolution for amendment of which notice shall have be given as aforesaid, shall be carried if a majority of the members present vote in favour of it, but shall not be effective until approved by the Grand Master.

## VISITORS

No. 21. The General Committee may from time to time fix a fee for Dinner to be paid by members for visitors who may be invited for a Banquet or other functions connected with the Lodge.

## COLOUR OF THE REGALIA

No. 22. The Lodge regalia will be dark blue in colour.

## BYE-LAWS

No. 23 These Bye-laws shall be printed at the expense of the Lodge and a copy presented to every brother. Every Member on his Initiation or joining shall receive a copy of the Bye-law. His acceptance shall be deemed to be a declaration of his submission to them.

b) These By-laws shall be read in open

Lodge at a regular meeting at least once a year as early as possible after the Installation meeting.

c) In any case, for which the forging Bye-laws do not provide, the laws and regulations contained in the book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of India shall be binding.

