

# RAM LODGE RAINBOW NO. 137

## HYDERABAD

Warranted on:  
18th October 2013

Consecrated on:  
18th October 2013



Bye Laws - 2013



Founder Members of  
**Chapter Seven Steps No. 136**  
**Mark Lodge Rainbow No. 137**  
**RAM Lodge Rainbow No. 137**

Request your Presence at the  
Consecration Ceremonies of these Lodges

**On Friday 18th October, 2013**  
at Goshamahal Baradari Masonic Building, Hyderabad.

by

**M.W. Bro. VASUDEV J. MASUREKAR**, O.S.M.  
(M.E. First Grand Principal & M.W. Grand Mark Master)

in the Presence of

**R.W. Bro. R. SUSHIL RAJ**  
(M.E. Grand Superintendent and R.W. Regional Grand Mark Master of Southern India)

**Bro. Sapan Kumar Panda**  
Organising Secretary  
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*RSVP: Regrets only*

*Dress: Formal*

**Programme**

- 10.30 am Consecration of Chapter Seven Steps No. 136  
1.00 pm Lunch  
3.30 pm Consecration of Mark Lodge Rainbow No. 137  
5.30 pm High Tea  
7.00 pm Consecration of RAM Lodge Rainbow No. 137  
9.30 pm Dinner

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## RAM Lodge Rainbow No. 137

### Founder Brethren

1. V.W.Bro. G.G.Chowdary
2. W. Bro. A. Sridhar
3. Bro. R. K. Sahgal
4. Bro. Satyajit P. Tuljapurkar
5. Bro. Jikku Joseph
6. Bro. K. Vikas Gupta
7. Bro. Sapan K. Panda
8. Bro. E.V. Ramgopal
9. Bro. P. Veerabhadru
10. Bro. M. Ramesh
11. Bro. Prakash B. Tuljapurkr
12. Bro R. Nitin Sinha
13. Bro. Bhim S. Kanda
14. Bro. P. Raj Narsing Rao
15. Bro. Anup Patwari
16. Bro. Adarsh Patwari
17. Bro. Srirang Abkari
18. Bro. P. S. Chiranjeevi

## RAM Lodge Rainbow No.137

### First team of Officers

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. V.W.Bro. G.G.Chowdary        | WCN                          |
| 2. W. Bro. A. Sridhar           | IPCN                         |
| 3. Bro. R. K. Sahgal            | SW (J)                       |
| 4. Bro. Satyajit P. Tuljapurkar | JW (S)                       |
| 5. Bro. Jikku Joseph            | Chaplain                     |
| 6. Bro. K. Vikas Gupta          | Treasurer (Elected)          |
| 7. Bro. Sapan K. Panda          | Scribe                       |
| 8. Bro. E.V. Ramgopal           | Director of Ceremonies       |
| 9. Bro. P. Veerabhadru          | Senior Deacon                |
| 10. Bro. M. Ramesh              | Junior Deacon                |
| 11. Bro. Prakash B. Tuljapurkr  | Asst. Director of Ceremonies |
| 12. Bro R. Nitin Sinha          | Assistant Scribe             |
| 13. Bro. Bhim S. Kanda          | Guardian                     |
| 14. Bro. P. Raj Narsing Rao     | Steward                      |
| 15. Bro. Anup Patwari           | Steward                      |
| 16. Bro. Adarsh Patwari         | Steward                      |
| 17. Bro. Srirang Abkari         | Steward                      |
| 18. Bro. P. S. Chiranjeevi      | Warder (Elected)             |

## RAM Lodge Rainbow No. 137 Hyderabad

**NOTE:** The following Bye-Laws supplement the Constitutions and Regulations of Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India, latest edition, hereinafter referred to as Constitutions and Regulations.

### BYE-LAWS

#### Meeting:

1. The Regular meeting of the Lodge shall be held at Goshamahal Braradari freemason's hall, Hyderabad on the **Fourth Tuesday** in the months of **November, February, May, and August**.
2. An Emergency meeting may be held at any time in accordance with Regulation 90, of Constitutions and Regulations.

#### Members:

3. The Lodge shall consist of (a) Resident (b) Non-Resident and (c) Honorary Members.
  - a. Resident Members shall be those who reside within the limits of Hyderabad Urban Development Authority (HUDA) hereinafter referred as "Limits"
  - b. Non-Resident Members shall be those who reside outside the "Limits", and notify the Secretary, in writing or in open meeting of the Lodge, their desire to be placed in the list of Non-Resident Members.

- c. Honorary Members shall be elected as such in accordance with the regulation 103 of the Constitutions and Regulations.

#### Election & installation:

4. The Lodge shall elect in its regular meeting in November the Commander, by ballot, subject to the provisions of Regulation 68, of Constitutions and Regulations, and regulation 8 of the Regulations of Royal Ark Mariners. The Treasurer and Warder of the Lodge shall also be elected at the same meeting.

5. The Worshipful Master shall appoint the following officers:

Senior warden; Junior warden; Chaplain; Scribe; Director of Ceremonies; Senior Deacon; Junior Deacon; Assistant Director of Ceremonies; Assistant Scribe; Guardian; and Stewards.

The Installation of Commander Elect and investiture of Officers appointed and/or elected shall take place at the regular meeting in February.

#### Admission:

6. The admission of the candidates for Elevation and Joining shall be regulated by the provisions of Regulation 98 to 102, of the constitutions and Regulations.

#### Fees & Subscriptions:

7. The following are the fees and annual subscription of the Lodge:



Elevation Rs. 1500

Joining from a lodge under the Grand Lodge Rs. 800

Rejoining Rs. 500

Joining from a Lodge not under the Grand Chapter Rs. 1000

Annual subscription shall be paid at the beginning of the calendar year.

(a) Resident Members Rs. 600 ( Rs 150 per quarter)

(b) Non-Resident Members Rs. 300 (Rs 75 per quarter)

A candidate who becomes a member during the calendar year shall pay annual subscription prorata for the balance of quarters of the calendar year.

#### **Arrears:**

8. A member, whose annual subscription remains unpaid for two quarters, shall not be permitted to vote or submit any propositions to the Lodge or be elected to any office. Nor will he be allowed to propose or second candidates or take part in any discussion.
9. If any member be in arrears of his subscription to the Lodge for four quarters, the Treasurer shall inform the Scribe. The Scribe shall advise him of the amount due by registered post, and if the FULL amount be not paid within thirty days from the date thereof, the Lodge may exclude him in accordance with Regulation 110, of the Constitutions and Regulations.

#### **Resignation:**

10. A member wishing to resign must inform the Scribe accordingly in writing or tender such resignation in open Lodge in accordance with Rule 107 of the Constitutions and Regulations. He shall be responsible to pay up all his dues for the said resignation to be effective.

#### **Property:**

11. The property of the Lodge shall be considered as vested in the Worshipful Commander Noah and Two wardens, for the time being in trust for the Lodge, and an inventory of the same shall be maintained in a register. This inventory shall be handed over to the successors soon after their Installation and so entered and signed by the incoming and outgoing Worshipful Commanders and the wardens, in the inventory register.

#### **Duties of Officers:**

##### **Scribe:**

12. The Scribe shall conduct all the general business and correspondence of the Lodge. He shall keep a record in the Minutes Book of the business transacted at every Regular Meeting and Emergency Meeting of the Lodge and read the same for confirmation at the next Regular Meeting. He shall maintain in a separate book a record of the meetings of the General Committee. He shall keep a Register of all the

members of the Lodge. He shall carefully preserve all the registers and records of the Lodge. He shall be entrusted with a sum not exceeding Rupees Five Hundred for contingent expenses for which he shall render periodical accounts to the Treasurer

**Treasurer:**

13. The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for the monies and account books of the Lodge. He shall enter the details of monies received and paid out in appropriate books of account. He shall collect the subscriptions and other dues, if any, from members and deposit them in the appropriate Bank accounts of the Lodge approved by resolution of the Lodge. He shall have authority to pay, as and when they fall due, all routine expenses of the Lodge such as Grand Lodge and Regional Grand Lodge dues, rent and electricity charges, Warder fees if any, and other sundry expenses. All other payments shall be made only on the approval of the Lodge. The accounts in the Bank shall be operated by the Treasurer countersigned by either the Worshipful Commander Noah, or the Scribe. At the Installation Meeting, he shall place before the Lodge, the accounts up to the end of the Month of December of the previous year, duly audited and certified as correct by the Audit Committee.

**Warder:**

14. The Warder shall be responsible for the safe custody of Regalia and equipment of the Lodge, and maintain them in proper condition. He shall prepare the Lodge Rooms for

meeting and in every respect discharge the duties of his office conscientiously and dutifully.

**Committees:**

**General Committee:**

15. The affairs of the lodge shall be managed by a General Committee of the Lodge consisting of the Worshipful Commander Noah, two Wardens, all past Commanders in the Lodge, Scribe, Treasurer, Director of Ceremonies, and three members elected in the installation meeting. The Worshipful Commander Noah or in his absence the senior past Commander present shall preside. The Worshipful commander may call for a General meeting whenever necessary to discuss any matter he may deem fit. The Committee shall consider all matters referred to it by the Lodge and the review the Accounts before presentation in the Lodge meeting. Five members of the committee shall constitute quorum.

**Audit Committee:**

16. The Audit Committee shall consist of two members of the Lodge who shall be elected annually by the Lodge at the Installation meeting. The accounts shall be made up to 31st December in each year and shall be presented to the Lodge, duly audited at the regular meeting in February. A copy of the audited accounts shall be sent to all the members with the summons convening the meeting

17. The Worshipful Commander, may, at his discretion, appoint Special committee (s) for the consideration of special subjects; such committee(s) shall consist of at least three members nominated by the Worshipful Commander, besides the Worshipful Commander, two Wardens and the Scribe of the Lodge. The Worshipful Commander, or in his absence the senior-most member present shall preside. Three members of the committee shall constitute quorum.

#### Funds:

18. The monies of the Lodge shall be held under two distinct bank accounts.

- (a) General Fund: Annual subscriptions paid by the members of the Lodge as well as other monies, not otherwise specifically allotted shall be credited to the General Fund.

Payments from this Fund, except for routine purpose are to be authorized by the Lodge; can be made only by a resolution of the Lodge.

- (b) The Charity Fund: The Charity Fund shall consist of Charity collections made at the Lodge Meetings; fifty percent (50%) elevation, joining and rejoining fees; voluntary contribution to the Fund by members, and such other monies as may be regularly voted by the Lodge from time to time from its

"General Fund". Monies from this Fund shall be devoted solely to Charity but no expenditure is to be incurred without the prior sanction of the Lodge.

#### Bye-Laws:

19. Each candidate at his advancement or on joining the Lodge shall be presented with a copy of the Bye-Laws of the Lodge.
20. These Bye-Laws be read in the open Lodge at least once in every year.
21. Except as otherwise required by Rule 111 Book of Constitutions (Craft) amendment of these Bye-laws or any of them may be only in the following manner:-
- (a) Notice of motion in writing stating the precise amendment (s) proposed shall be given in open Lodge at regular meeting.
- (b) The motion shall be set out in the summons for the next regular meeting or an Emergency meeting summoned for the purpose, and shall at such meeting be put vote in the Lodge.
- (c) A resolution for amendment, shall be carried when a majority of the members present in the lodge shall vote in favour of it, and shall become effective after approval by the Regional Grand Mark Master and by the Grand Mark Master.



The above Bye-Laws, as approved by the Founders, were passed at the Consecration and Installation meeting held on, 18 October 2013

(Sd) G.G.Chowdary	Worshipful Commander
(Sd) R.K.Sahgal	Senior warden
(Sd) Satyajit Tuljapurkar	Junior Warden
(Sd) Sapan Kumar Panda	Scribe

Approved by R W the Regional Grand Mark Master of the Regional Grand Mark Lodge of Southern India on the 15th November 2013.

Place: Chennai

(Sd) Retnaraj Sushil Raj	Regional Grand Mark Master
	Regional Grand Mark lodge of
	Southern India

Approved by M.W. Grand Master, of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India.

New Delhi

23-11-2013

(Sd) B. Kamakoti, Grand Secretary

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### CONSECRATION OF LODGES

at Goshamahal Baradari Masonic Building,  
Goshamahal, Hyderabad.

on 18th October, 2013



CHAPTER NO. 136

MARK NO. 137 & RAM NO. 137



Founder Jewel



Past Master Jewel

