

# RAM LODGE GOMANTAK NO. 153

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## BY-LAWS OF RAM LODGE GOMANTAK NO.153 G O A

### 1. Name:-

The Name of this daughter Institution is "RAM Lodge Gomantak No.153"  
Under the Grand Lodge of ~~RAM~~ Master Masons of India.  
*Mark*

### 2. Place of Meeting:-

The Regular and Emergency meetings of this RAM Lodge will be held at  
Jay Kiran Hall, Near Ramnath Temple Ramnathi, Ponda, GOA.

### 3. Days of the Meetings :-

The Regular Meeting of this RAM Lodge will be held on the First Saturday  
of June October & February.

### 4. Election of Officers:-

~~W.C.N~~ The ~~Master~~ The Treasurer and the ~~Warder~~ ~~Warder~~ of this RAM Lodge to be Elected  
by Ballot in the month of February.

### 5. Installation of Officer:-

The Officers so elected and other officers appointed by  
~~Commander Nova~~ will be installed and invested at the Regular meeting  
in the month of June.

### 6. Officers:-

For the purpose of Government and proper conduct of its affairs,  
the RAM Lodge will have the following Officers.

1. ..... Commander Commander Noah.

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2. ....	IPCN	Immediate Past Master
3. ....	(J)	Senior Warden
4. ....	(S)	Junior Warden
5. ....	Chap	Chaplain
6. ....	Tres	Treasurer
7. .... ....	Scribe	Secretary
8. ....	D of C	Director of Ceremonies
9. ....	S D	Senior Deacon
10. ....	J D	Junior Deacon
11. ....	Organist	Organist
12. ....	Guardian	Guardian
13. ....	Stwd	Stwd
14. ....	Stwd	Steward
15. ....	Warder	Warder

## 7. Election of Members:

(a) No candidate will be Elevated and No RAM Master Mason admitted as a Joining/ Rejoining Member unless (i) He shall have submitted application in prescribed form ii) Shall have been duly proposed and seconded at one regular Meeting or by Notice in writing, transmitted to the secretary by the proposer, atleast one month before the next regular Meeting, (iii) shall have paid all fees, applicable in each case, (iv) and shall have produced the certificate(s) required by the book of constitution.

(b) Candidature for Elevation, Joining or rejoining, shall be deemed elected, as per rule 101 of book of constitution

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(c) In case of a unfavourable Ballot, No further application from that candidate, for ~~Elevation~~ Advancement, or joining or rejoining, shall be received within one year from the date of rejection.

(d) A Candidate may be ~~Elevated~~ Advanced at the same meeting or at any of the next meeting within one year, otherwise the election will be null and void.

## 8. Constitution:-

- The RAM Lodge will consist of (i) Subscribing members and (ii) Honorary Members,
- Honorary Members shall comprise of any RAM Master Mason, so Elected, by the UNANIMOUS Vote of the RAM Master Masons, of the RAM Lodge, after due consent of that RAM Master Mason and after due proposal and seconding at one regular meeting and voted at the next regular meeting, after due notice in the summons convening the meeting.

## 9. Fees: ~~Elevation~~ Advanced – Joining/ Rejoining.

- For being ~~Elevated~~ Advanced (including the cost of Book of Constitution and By-Laws to be presented) Rs. 500 plus all fees payable to the Regional Grand Mark Lodge of South India and The Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India, for registration, certificate etc.
- For joining/ Rejoining (including the cost of by-laws) Rs. 500/- plus all fees payable to the Regional Grand Mark Lodge and The Grand Lodge of Mark Master masons of India, for registration, Certificate Etc.

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## 10. Subscription:

(a) The year of accounting for payment of Annual Subscription, is from 1<sup>st</sup> of May to 30<sup>th</sup> April.

(b) The Annual Subscription is Rs.500/- per year plus all annual fees payable to ~~Grand Lodge of Mark~~ Master Masons of India and Regional Grand ~~Mark~~ Lodge of ~~Southern~~ India for every RAM Master Mason on the rolls.

## 11. Memo of Account:

All amount due from a member, shall be shown on every summons convening a Regular meeting for which purpose, the "Treasure" shall give a statement of all dues to the Secretary to enable him to enter on every summons.

## 12. Arrears of Dues:

RAMs Master Masons who are in arrears on account of subscription for (1) over three months are not eligible for office, proposing Seconding and vote (2) Over six months Liable for Exclusion (3) One full year Automatic Cessation, Notice for dues be served by registered post as per book of constitution.

## 13. Treasurer:

(1) He shall have charge of and responsible for all monies and account books of the RAM Lodge.

(2) He shall receive all monies and deposit in a bank approved by the RAM Lodge for

- (a) General Account
- (b) Charity Account

(3) He shall operate the Bank accounts together with the Secretary or Worshipful Master Commander

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- (4) He shall pay all usual expenses, such as printing and stationery, Postage and all monies payable to The Regional Grand ~~Mark~~ Lodge of Southern India and the Grand Lodge of ~~Mark~~ Master Masons of India.
- (5) He shall close the accounts once yearly on 30<sup>th</sup> April. He shall read the statement of receipts and payments every meeting, and Yearly Account in June Meeting.
- (6) The year of accounting be from 1<sup>st</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> April. The Annual Statement of Accounts, Balance Sheet and the Report of the Audit Committee, showing the state of finances of the RAM Lodge shall be made ready, for enclosing along with the Summons for the meeting in June for approval and adoption by the open RAM Lodge

## 14. SCRIBE/ SECRETORY:

1. He shall issue summons for the Regular and any Emergency Meetings of the RAM Lodge, not less than 15 days previous for the Regular Meeting and for all Emergency Meetings as much notice as possible, but not less than five days, should be given. Summons can be posted/ sent by e-mail/ SMS or WhatsApp, or any other electronic media.
2. He shall record Minutes of Regular and Emergency Meetings of the RAM Lodge and of all Committee Meetings of which he shall be Ex-Officio Secretary.
3. He should conduct all correspondence between the ~~RAM~~ Lodge and its Members, other daughter RAM Lodges, Regional Grand ~~Mark~~ Lodge of South India and the Grand Lodge of ~~Mark~~ Master Masons of India.
4. He can also collect all dues and fees from the members and candidates and remit the amounts in the Bank.

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5. He can keep an amount of Rs. 1000/- and submit vouchers for payments made by him, to the Treasurer, once in four months.
6. He shall at each Installation Meeting, lay a Report, duly approved by the Permanent Committee, reviewing the progress during the year before the RAM Lodge, duly enclosing such Report to the Summons for Installation Meeting.
7. He shall regularly submit in time all returns due to the Regional Grand ~~Mark~~ Lodge of Southern India and to the Grand Lodge of ~~Mark~~ Master Masons of India.
8. He shall at every Regular Meeting of the RAM Lodge, read out for confirmation, the minutes of proceedings of regular meeting and of any Emergency Meeting that might have taken place, since the last Regular Meeting.
9. He shall carefully preserve all books and records of the RAM Lodge in general and the register of members and the Register of RAMs upto date, in all particular.

## 15. WARDER:

He shall have the charge of all the property, Regalia and Furniture of the RAM Lodge. He shall see, that previous to each Meeting, the ~~room~~ <sup>Temple</sup> is properly arranged and everything made ready. He shall guard the entrance to the RAM Lodge and admit only well-known RAM Master Masons and should not admit strangers until examined and proved by the Junior Wardeh and permitted by the Worshipful ~~Master~~ Commander

## 16. AUDIT COMMITTEE:

1. It shall consist of TWO members ELECTED, annually at the Election Meeting in ~~June~~ Feb

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2. It is preferred that one of the two so elected members, be a professional, if there is one among the members.
3. They shall prepare the Annual Statement of accounts Balance Sheet, for the year from 1<sup>st</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> April, Auditors Report, showing the financial state of affairs of the RAM Lodge, for (a) General Account, (b) Charity Accounts, in time, so as to enclose them to the summons for the Regular Meeting in June where the RAM Lodge shall approve and adopt.

## 17. PERMANENT COMMITTEE:

1. The Permanent Committee of the RAM Lodge shall consist of the Worshipful Master, The Senior and Junior Wardens, the Treasurer, the Secretary, the D of C and all Past Masters in the RAM Lodge and TWO members Elected at the Regular Meeting in the month of June.
2. It shall be the duty of Permanent Committee, to consider all matters connected with the welfare of the RAM Lodge, Scrutinizing and recommending the applications for Membership, prepare and submit Annual Report for the year.
3. To preserve and improve the property, Regalia, Furniture of the RAM Lodge and examine the RAM Lodge Books and advise on the investment of the Funds of the RAM Lodge and report on any matter referred to them by the RAM Lodge and Consider and report on the applications for relief of distressed RAM Master Masons.
4. All Meetings of the Permanent Committee shall be held under NOTICE with AGENDA, sent to all Member of the Permanent Committee so as to reach them at least Five Days before the Date of Permanent Committee Meeting., by letter, SMS, or E-Mail.
5. The Permanent Committee shall meet at least once in 4 months.

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6. The Minutes of the Permanent Committee Meetings shall be read at the next regular meeting.
7. An item of "To Vote severally and individually on the following recommendations of the permanent committee, held after the last Regular Meeting of the RAM Lodge be brought on the summons for the next regular meeting of RAM Lodge.
8. Five or one third of the total Members of the Permanent Committee shall form the Quorum.

## 18. PROPERTY:

The property of the RAM Lodge shall vest in the three principal officers, namely the worshipful Master and the Senior and Junior Wardens for the time being, in trust for the RAM Lodge.

## 19. GENERAL:

It shall not be competent for the members of the RAM Lodge to abrogate, amend, or alter these By-Laws, unless the abrogation, amendment or alteration is proposed and seconded at one Regular Meeting, brought on to the summons for the next meeting and confirmed and thereafter approved by the Regional Grand ~~Mark~~ Lodge of South India and by the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of India. In all

cases, not specially provided by these By-Laws, the members shall be bound by the decision of the Worshipful Master, the same being NOT contrary to the Constitution. Every Member of the RAM Lodge shall be provided with a copy of these By-Laws and every Candidate on Elevation shall be presented with a copy.

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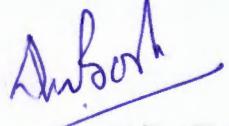
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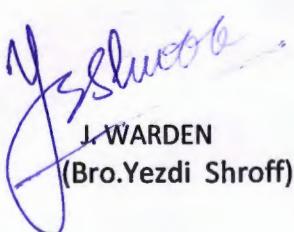
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These above By-Laws are circulated, individually to all FOUNDER MEMBERS who approved. The same are adopted at the consecration Meeting of the RAM Lodge 27 AUGUST 2016.

  
W. MASTER  
(W.Bro.Ramesh Nikam)

  
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( Bro .D.V.Borkar)

  
J. WARDEN  
(Bro.Yezdi Shroff)

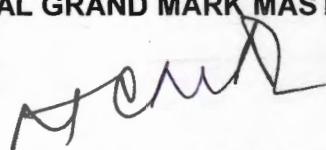
  
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**APPROVED BY R.W.THE REGIONAL GRAND MARK MASTER**

PLACE: Chennai  
DATE: 22.10.2016

  
Regional Grand Mark Master

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

PLACE: NEW DELHI  
DATE: 13.12.2016

  
Grand Secretary