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No. BSI/BSI-MC/ELE-833/2024-25

Date: 05/11/2024

ELECTIONS TO THE MAHARASHTRA CHAPTER OF BIS

NOTIFICATION

The Chairman, Bamboo Society of India, Bangalore appointed me as the Election Conducting Officer to the Maharashtra Chapter of BSI vide on his OM No. BSI/MC-Election/779/2023-24 dated February 05, 2024. Elections could not be held immediately due to certain reasons including disciplinary proceedings against some Managing Committee Members. They have now been resolved. Therefore, it has been decided to hold the elections to the Maharashtra Chapter of BSI. These elections are being held as per the bye-law no. 22 of the BSI Byelaws-2024.

- 1. Vide byelaw no. 22.3, the Managing Committee of a State Chapter consists of 7 elected members. Elections are being held for these 7 positions now.
- 2. The Elections will be conducted online using a Google form. The election schedule is furnished in Annexure I to this notification.
- 3. Election notification indicating the calendar of events is being sent to all the eligible members of the Maharashtra State Chapter by email.
- 4. The members may also download the election notification from the website of BSI, <u>www.bamboosocietyofindia.com</u>
- 5. Only BSI members residing in Maharashtra State are entitled to participate and vote in this election. Those who are restrained from contesting their election by BSI are not eligible to contest.

- 6. BSI members residing in Maharashtra who wish to contest in the election should download the Nomination Forms from the BSI website. The nomination form is given in Annexure II.
- 7. Those who wish to contest the elections shall download the nomination form, fill up all the details, attach the supporting documents and a demand draft towards application processing fees for Rs. 2000/- drawn in favour of Bamboo Society of India payable at Bengaluru and submit the hardcopies to reach the Election Officer in time. Nomination forms received late will not be considered.
- 8. Alternatively, candidates may file their application and supporting documents online with the Election Officer by email (ID knmurthy2005@gmail.com) and pay the application fee online into the BSI bank account no: 923010055313730 With Axis Bank, 15 Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru; IFSC code UTIB 0000227; MICR 560211009 and quote the transaction ID in the application form.
- 9. If any candidate withdraws his/her application in time, the election fee paid will be refunded after 15 days from the date of the election.
- 10. Candidates filing nomination papers on behalf of any organization/ Institution/corporate body shall produce the authorization letter duly signed by the head of the Organization / Institution / Corporate body.
- 11. Nomination documents will be scrutinized. If necessary, originals may be called for verification. The Election Officer may call for additional information/documents if required. He may do due diligence on the documents. Defective applications will be rejected
- 12. If the number of applications received is 7 or less than 7, the candidates will be declared as elected unopposed. There will be no election. A notification will be issued accordingly.
- 13. If there are more than 7 valid applications, the list of contestants will be notified. The list will appear in the same chronological order in which they were received by the Election Officer.

- 14. The Google voting form containing the names of valid applicants will be sent by email to all the BSI members in Maharashtra one day in advance. Voting instructions will be given in the form itself. This form is not transferable.
- 15. Voting members should fill it up and return it by the same email ID to which it was sent before the closing hours of the voting day.
- 16. The results of voting will be announced on the next day. Seven candidates who secure the highest number of votes will be the winners. If the 7th and subsequent candidates secure an equal number of votes, one of them will be elected by lottery in the presence of all such candidates. A list of successful candidates will be notified.
- 17. Members elected will have a tenure of two years or until the next election is held whichever is later.
- 18. Chairman BSI will convene a special meeting of the members of the previous managing committee and the newly elected members within one week to elect/select/nominate the new State Chapter Director, Associate Director, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Maharashtra State Chapter of BSI. The previous committee will hand over the charge, registers, files, documents, bank account documents, email handles etc., immediately. Thereafter the new managing committee will start functioning as per the BSI byelaws 2024.

Dr. K. N. Murthy, IFS (Retd)

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- 1. The Chairman, Bamboo Society of India, Vanavikas building, North Wing, Ground floor, 18th cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560003 for Information.
- 2. The Director, Maharashtra State Chapter of the bamboo society of India, for information on further necessary action.

Annexure - I

Election Schedule

Calendar of events for the Elections to the Managing Committee of BSI,

Maharashtra State Chapter:

Sl. No	Event	Time and Date
1	Election Notification	
	Dieedon Notification	5 th November 2024
	Last date for filing nominations	5.30 PM on 19th
		November 2024
3	Scrutiny of applications	20th November 2024
4	Notification of eligible candidates	20 November 2024
5	Circulation of Carlot Vivia	22 nd November 2024
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6	Voting through the Google Forms	5.30 PM on 26 th
7	D	November 2024
/	Declaration of election results	27 th November 2024

Election Officer