



Bye Law of Telangana Prantha Padmashali Sangham-2023



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TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SANGHAM

Address

H.NO: 3-5-80

PADMASHALI BHAVAN

RAJMOHALLA, NARAYANGUDA

HYDERABAD-509029



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**DOCUMENT NO.1****MEMORANDUM OF THE SOCIETY**

1. NAME OF THE SOCIETY	: TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SANGHAM
2. LOCATION OF THE OFFICE	: 3-5-80, PADMASHALI BHAVAN, RAJMOHALLA, HYDERABAD – 500029.
3. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES	<p>i. To safeguard and promote interests of Padmashali community residing and belonging to Telangana state.</p> <p>ii. To strive for the welfare of Padmashali community in various walks of life viz., Educational, Technological, Industrial, Commercial, Professional, cultural, Sports, Religious, Social etc.</p> <p>iii. To promote and elevate political participation and to achieve fair share in political power from Gram Panchayat Ward member to Member of Parliament. Shall strive to consolidate the vote bank wherever any member of the community is contesting any election on behalf of any political party or independently. But the association under its banner shall not directly involve in the activities of any political party OR shall not work for their interests.</p> <p>iv. To work for the betterment and development of weaker sections in the society in general and Padmashali community and weavers in particular.</p> <p>V. To strive for the welfare, development, and financial prosperity of the weavers and to achieve all possible financial aids from the respective Governments and to promote Handloom clothes across the globe.</p> <p>vi. To promote and strengthen National Integrity and democracy.</p> <p>vii. To establish Hostels for the convenience and prosperity of students from financially weaker families to help them to grow as bright citizens.</p> <p>viii. To establish Accommodation and Annasatrams at popular pilgrim centres.</p> <p>ix. To construct Markandeya Temples in all residential localities of Padmashalees.</p>



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CERTIFICATES

1. Certified that, the Association is formed with no profit motive and no commercial activities involved in its working.
2. Certified that, the office bearers are not paid from the funds of the association.
3. Certified that, the association would not engage in agitational activities to ventilate grievances.
4. Certified that office bearers' signatures are genuine.

DECLARATION

We the undersigned persons in the memo have formed into an association and responsible to run the affairs of the association and are desirous of getting the society registered under Telangana Society Registration Act.

Signature of Secretary

Signature of President



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MEMBERS OF ASSOCIATION

Sl No	Name of the Office bearer/ Father /Husband Name	Age	Occupation	Designation	Residential Address	Signature
1	MACHA PRABHAKAR RAO	62	RETIRED EMPLOYEE	PRESIDENT	7-5-115/B/2, LAXMINAGAR COLONY, MAHABOONAGAR	
	S/o MANIK RAO					
2	MACHARLA RAMCHANDAR RAO		EMPLOYEE	WORKING PRESIDENT	SD 73, JK COLONY, YELLANDU , KOTHAGUDEM DIST	
	S/o MALLAIAH					
3	METHUKU SATHYAM		BUSINESS	VICE PRESIDENT	8-82/5/9/1, KRISHNANAGAR, KARIMNAGAR	
	S/o PENTAPPA					
4	NALLA KANAKAIAH		BUSINESS	VICE PRESIDENT	TRT 131/33, KAGAZNAGAR ASIFABAD DIST	
	S/o RAJAMALLU					
5	KATTULA SUDARSHAN RAO		BUSINESS	VICE PRESIDENT	2-3-7/18, GOLNAKA, AMBARPET, HYDERABAD	
	LAKSHMAIAH					
6	KAMARTAPU MURALI		BUSINESS	GENERAL SECRETARY	20-4-182, SRIRAM HILLS, BONAKAL ROAD , KHAMMAM	
	S/o NARASIMHA SWAMY					
7	JANNU MANYAM		BUSINESS	SECRETARY	16-2-386, SS COLONY, VASANTHANAGAR, KUKUTPALLY, MEDCHAL DIST	
	KURMAIAH					
8	VARKALA MALLESHAM		BUSINESS	SECRETARY	2-1-81, SHIVAREDDYPET, VIKARABAD	
	S/o VENKAIAH					
9	BOMMA RAGHURAM		BUSINESS	TREASURER	5-6-659/4- PLOT NO 660, SRIKRISHNA DEVARAYA NAGAR, LB NAGAR, RANGAREDDY DIST,	
	S/o MALLESHAM					
WITNESS						
1	PULIPATI VENKATESHWARLU		BUSINESS		7-9-109/3, NALLAKUNTA , GADWAL	
	S/o VEMANNA					
2	KENCHE UDAYBHANU		BUSINESS		10-45, SHIVAJI CHOWRASTHA, DHANWADA, NARAYANPET DIST	
	S/o KRISHNA MURTHY					

Signature of General Secretary

Signature of President



DOCUMENT NO. II
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION
TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SANGHAM

PREAMBLE :

The association of Padmashali Community in the country was formed way back in the year 1921 and having celebrated its Centenary Celebrations in 2021, the Padmashali Sangham under the title of Padmashali Mahasabha is renowned as the FIRST COMMUNITY SANGHAM in the country and proudly stands alone for unity, integrity, and development of the community. The great thought and vision of the then elders who were instrumental to form Padmashali Mahasabha to build unity, integrity, brotherhood, cooperation in the Padmashali community has paved its way to stand unitedly for over a century and will surely sustain for centuries ahead.

Shri Konda Laxman Bapuji renowned freedom fighter and who waged battle against the Nizam Razaakars during the Telangana armed struggle and who also fought for Telangana state hood during his entire life has been instrumental in forming and strengthening the Telangana Padmashali Sangham and construction of iconic Padmashali Bhavan in the heart of Hyderabad. The Padmashali Bhavan at Narayanguda has been the unity and inspiration center and Shri Konda Laxman Bapuji stands tall in the hearts of every Padmashali and he will be regarded and recognized as the inspiration of Padmashali community. His vision to build the Sangham as unity and development center of the community has experienced so many difficulties, disruptions but sustained its entity and integrity. The Padmshali Hostel has boosted the morale of so many backward families and students by shaping them as veterans in many fields.

Padmashalees who are descendants of Bhrgu Maharshi, Markandeya Maharshi and 101 sons of Bhavana Rushi whose names are the Gothranamas of Padmashalies. It is described in various Puranas and purana granthas that, the 101 sons of Bhavanarushi have been entrusted with sacred responsibility of weaving clothes for the Devataas and have gifted civilization to the humanity. Thus, Padmashalees are basically considered as weaving community. Even in the modern history of civilization handloom has played a great role and also stood as status symbol of many kings and rulers. In the Indian freedom fight against Britishers also saving the weaving and boycotting foreign was a remarkable movement and the Ratnam stood as Icon of the freedom movement. Subsequently due to mechanization, industrialization and globalization handloom is the only “kulavrutti” that is largely and badly affected. Lakhs of people who were dependent on Chenetha have migrated various states and various countries in fond of livelihood. The few attached to the ‘kulavrutti’ are striving hard to safeguard the Chenetha kala. Thus the responsibility lies on the shoulders of Padmashaali Sangham to strive for the betterment of around 2,00,000 weavers and their families. The movement of Handloom shall be continued.



Thus, an association which can knit together and build unity in the Padmashali community and work for the development of weavers as well as people who opted various trades, professions, services and occupations in the society is felt need of the hour. In view of certain lapses in the construction of Padmashali Association, framing of constructive Byelaws, Rules and regulations and owing to prioritization of personal agendas, the associations have lost faith of Padmashali Community and remained representative of marginal or selected section of the community. Further failed to represent and achieve basic support of the incumbent Governments for the welfare, betterment and progress of weaving section.

It is estimated and accepted that, the population of Padmashali Community is ranging between 8-10% of population across the Telangana State, being very thin in some areas and densely populated in some pockets.

In about 10 Assembly constituencies the Padmashalis are in commanding number either to win the election or to decide the results. Even then previous community leaders have not focused on achieving fair share by consolidating the community vote bank and to show the community strength. This is the first and foremost task of the Padmashali Sangham to be focused. Unless we have political power, we cannot gain attention of Governments and claim sanctions.

The political legacy of Padmashali veteran leaders Late Sri Konda Laxman Bapuji, Sri Ale Narendra, Sri Devarakonda Vittal Rao, Sri Puli Veeranna, Sri Rumandla Ramchandraiah shall be continued and enriched, while strengthening the positions of Sri Yelagandula Ramana, Sri Chintha Prabhakar, Sri Vannala Sriramulu, Smt Gundu Sudha Rani. The community vote bank shall be consolidated to achieve fair share in the political power.

The heroic legacy and footprints of Late Sri Nalla Anjaneyulu, Sri Suddala Hanumanthu, Smt Vanam Jhansi shall be the guiding force in fighting for the rights and privileges of community.

Therefore in view of having a united Sangham with the participation of all 33 Districts in the state with unified structure and system in the Sangham from the Village level to State level and in order to overcome the shortfalls experienced in the recent past and to coup up with present day need to build a united and strengthened Sangham, it is felt essential in the historic meeting held on 05.07.2022 attended by all the Presidents and Secretaries of Zilla Padmashali Sanghams to register a Sangham under the title "TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SANGHAM". Subsequently in order to enlighten, awaken and to consolidate the opinions and aspirations of Padmashali community to build a United Padmashali Sangham a delegation of 6 members convenor team has toured across the state under the flag of JAITRA YATRA from 25.07.2022 to 02.08.2022 and conducted meetings in all Districts. These Bye laws are framed in accordance with opinions, advices, suggestions and aspirations expressed by thousands of community leaders across the state.



1. NAME OF THE SANGHAM

Name of Sangham shall be TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SANGHAM (In short TPPS). The Sangham shall be an autonomous body and functions as an independent association having administrative control over its functional and sectional units solely in accordance with the provisions of specific Rules and Regulations made here under.

2. ADDRESS OF THE SANGHAM

Registered Office of the Sangham shall be at H.No 3-5-80, Padmashali Bhavan, Rajmohalla, Narayanaguda, Hyderabad, 509029

3. JURISDICTION OF OPERATION

The SANGHAM shall be an autonomous and corporate body with perpetual succession and common seal and with powers to hold property, to enter contracts, to sue and to be sued. The geographical areas notified by the government shall be the area of operation of respective units of sangham and area of Operation of the State Sangham extends to the geographical area of TELANGANA STATE notified by Government.

4. DEFINITIONS

Words and expressions appearing in these byelaws shall have the following meaning unless the context otherwise requires:

- a. **ACT** means the TELANGANA SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT, 2001.
- b. **GOVERNING BODY** means the administrative committee consisting of (5) office bearers to administer the decisions of the Executive Committee and General body.
- c. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** means the highest executive body consisting of all the office bearers of state Association / Sangham and Presidents, Secretaries of all functional units and Sectional units and members nominated by the State Executive / General Body.
- d. **GENERAL BODY** means the Supreme body of the Sangham consisting
 - i. all members of the State Executive Committee.
 - ii. all members of the Executive Committees of all constituent functional units
 - iii. all members of the Executive Committees of all sectional units
 - iv. Presidents and Secretaries of all Mandal Units and Village units
 - v. members nominated by President / State Executive committee and General body.
 - vi. all the elected public representatives within the jurisdiction from the level of Gram Panchayat Sarpanch to Member of Parliament



- e. **PADMASHALI** means a person who born in the family of 101 Padmashali Gotranamas.
- a. **SABHYUDU / MEMBER** means a person who attained the age of 18 years and who has paid annual fee of Rs 100/- shall become full-fledged member of the SANGHAM, and they will be enrolled by Grama Committees, Ward Committees or committees designated by the Zilla Padmashali Sanghams.
- b. **KRIYASHEELA SABHYUDU** means a person who is nominated as voter for Mandal / District / State Elections by the respective unit as per the eligibility criteria and has paid membership fee of Rs 100/- for every election to be conducted.
- c. **REGISTRAR** means the Registrar within the meaning of the TELANGANA SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT, 2001
- d. **BYELAWS** means the byelaws of Telangana Prantha Padmashali Sangham as originally framed under the provisions of TELANGANA SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT, 2001 and approved by the competent authority or as altered from time to time in pursuance of the Bye Laws and under the provisions of the Act.
- e. **FINANCIAL YEAR** means the twelve-month accounting period from April to March:
- f. **GENERAL MEETING** means a meeting of the General body comprising office bearers of all the constituent functional and sectional bodies of respective Sangham and elected public representatives in the respective jurisdictions
- g. **EXECUTIVE MEETING** means the meeting of all office bearers of the Sangham .
- h. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** means the person appointed by State Executive for looking after the day-to-day administration and Accounts of the Sangham.
- i. **SANGHAM** means TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SANGHAM.
- j. **OFFICE** of the sangham shall be located at the registered premises or as decided by concerned executives from time to time in view of convenience and accessibility.
- k. **EMBLEM** means the official logo or symbol of the Sangham which consists Markandeya Swamy sitting in dhyana mudra behind the Shiva lingam at the center of the circle with the name of Telangana Prantha Padmashali Sangham, Hyderabad in Telugu written in the outer circle on top side with light yellow background and slogans “Jai Markandeya” and “Jai Padmashali” on either sides. An inspirational quote “ Aikyathanu chatu - satta choopu” (Declare Unity and show power) in the embossing ribbon shape beneath and in the lower outer circle “Puli” image will appear in orange background.



5. OBJECTIVES

Following Aims and objectives and as amended from time to time shall be guiding force of the
TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SANGHAM

- i. To safeguard and promote interests and welfare of padmashalees in the state.
- ii. To promote all round progress, welfare, and development of padmashalees in the state
- iii. To encourage and assist for Educational, Technological, Industrial, Industrial, commercial professional and political growth of padmashalees in the state
- iv. To promote and strengthen National Integrity
- v. To promote brotherhood, cooperation and respect to each other with in padmashalees in the state in particular and all people of society in general.
- vi. To associate with or to work in cooperation and collaboration with Akhila Bharata Padmashali Sangham on national issues relating to Padmashalee community together with community associations of various other states and all other community Sanghams, Social organizations, NGOs to achieve the aims and objectives of Sangham.
- vii. To raise funds through membership, contribution or donations for the Common Good Fund of the Sangham to meet the aims and objectives of Sangham
- viii. To institute and encourage institution of Trusts for all the properties of Padmashali community at various places in the state for proper and better management of properties in accordance with the aims and objectives of the trust in particular and Sangham in general.
- ix. To undertake any other activity that is incidental or auxiliary or deemed necessary for achieving the aims and objectives of Sangham as decided by the Executive or General body.

6. MEMBERSHIP

Membership of Sangham shall be done as under

- i. Members shall be enrolled at Village / Ward / Division level only, as decided and notified by the respective District Sangham.
- ii. Persons hailing from Padmashali Vamsham of 101 Gotrams and who attained the age of 18 years shall be enrolled as members of the Sangham.
- iii. Every member on admission shall pay Rs. 10/- as admission fee and continue to pay annual subscription of Rs 10/- which is not refundable. However, fee for enrolling as eligible voter shall be Rs 100/- for every election.
- iv. MEMBERSHIP REGISTER of the Sangham shall be maintained at its registered office and shall enter the name of the member immediately on the date of membership with full particulars, residential address and contact numbers.



- v. A member who pays annual subscription fee of Rs 10/- every year shall be eligible to vote in the elections subject to eligibility and on payment of Rs 100/- and shall be eligible to attend General Meeting. As on the date of election he should have paid annual subscription for the past 5 years or he can pay subscription of 5 years at a time with a penalty of Rs 50/- and voter subscription Rs 100/-
- vi. Out of the Membership fee and annual subscription collected from the members 40% will remain with the enrolling unit of the Sangham and 20% shall be paid to Mandal / Town unit and 20% shall be paid to District unit and 20% shall be paid to State unit.
- vii. **CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP :** A person cease to be member:
- a) On death b) On his/ her written resignation. c) Has not attended 03 consecutive meetings of the general body of the Sangham without intimation. d) Has failed to pay annual subscription of Rs.10 /- for five consecutive years. e) Have been found of immorality, theft, mischief, gambling or convicted in any criminal cases. f) If acts detrimental to the aims and objectives of the Sangham g) If attempts to disturb unity of the Sangham or cause split among the members h) If acts in contravention of the constitution of the Sangham in any form and detrimental to the interests of Sangham in particular and society in general. I) If causes hurt, loss, damage to dignity, morality or property of any fellow member which is an act of cognizable offence. J) If disrespects/insults/ abuses/ intimidates any office bearer in the matters or issues relating the Sangham.
- viii. **RIGHT AND PRIVILEGE OF THE MEMBERS:**
- a. Every member is deemed to be the Primary member of the Sangham at which he is registered as member and will continue to be associated with said Sangham until he seeks fresh membership in any other unit by virtue of residing in such unit jurisdiction.
- b. He shall have an equal right to vote and attend annual general body meeting of said Sangham.
- c. Every member shall have a right to enjoy and participate in all the activities of the Sangham
- d. To elect President of the Sangham by voting in the elections of respective Sangham at which he is registered as member.
- e. Shall have the Privilege to represent his case directly to District President in case his grievance is not redressed within reasonable time can appeal to the State President for redressal.
- f. Shall have right to possess bye laws of Sangham
- g. Shall have the right to ask for audited account sheet / Bank Statement copy of concerned Village / Mandal/ District and State Sangham, on payment of necessary charges to be incurred.



7. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

A. FUNCTIONAL UNITS

- i. **Telangana Prantha Padmashali Sangham (TPPS)** : Jurisdiction of State Padmashali Sangham will be that of Telangana State consisting all the constituent Districts and GHPS Sangham as its functional units as shown in Schedule -I.
- ii. **Zilla Padmashali Sangham:** Jurisdiction of District Padmashali Sangham shall be that of respective district as notified by the Government of Telangana consisting of all the constituent Mandals and Town / City Sangham as its functional units as shown in Schedule -II
- iii. **Greater Hyderabad Padmashali Sangham (GHPS):** Jurisdiction of GHPS Padmashali Sangham shall be that of Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation consisting of all the Division Sangham as its functional units as shown in Schedule -III
- iv. **Mandal Sangham:** Jurisdiction of Mandal Sangham shall be that of respective Mandals notified by the Government of Telangana subject to subsequent amendments consisting of all village Sangham as functional units.
- v. **Town / City Sangham:** Jurisdiction of Town (Municipality) / City (Corporation) Sangham shall be that of Municipal Council or Corporation consisting of all the ward/Division Sangham as its functional units. The list of Town / City Sangham with the constituent ward/division Sanghams shall be notified by respective District / GHPS Executives.
- vi. **WARD/ DIVISION SANGHAM:** Jurisdiction of a Ward/ Division shall be that of Municipal ward of the council or Division of the Corporation as notified by the Government and where a minimum of 25 Padmashali families are residing. If less than 25 families are residing in a particular Ward/ Division it shall be included in the adjacent Division.
- vii. **VILLAGE SANGHAM:** Jurisdiction of a Village Sangham shall be that of Gram Panchayat notified by the Government and where a minimum of 25 Padmashali families are residing. If less than 25 families are residing in a particular Village it shall be included in the adjacent village.

B. SECTIONAL UNITS AT DISTRICT LEVEL

- i. Zilla Padmashali Mahila Vibhagam
- ii. Zilla Padmashali Yuvajana Vibhagam
- iii. Zilla Padmashali Officials and Professional Association
- iv. Zilla Padmashali Handloom / Power loom Vibhagam
- v. Zilla Padmashali Vidyarthi Vibhagam



C. SECTIONAL UNITS AT STATE LEVEL

- i. Prantha Padmashali Mahila Vibhagam
- ii. Prantha Padmashali Yuvajana Vibhagam
- iii. Prantha Padmashali Officials and Professional Association (POPA)
- iv. Prantha Padmashali Handloom / Powerloom Vibhagam
- v. Prantha Padmashali Vidyarthi Vibhagam
- vi. Prantha Padmashali Nyayavadula Vibhagam
- vii. Prantha Padmashali Vaidyula Vibhaagam
- viii. Prantha Padmashali Engineers Vibhaagam
- ix. Prantha Padmashali Rachayitala / Kalaakaarula Vibhaagam
- x. Prantha Padmashali Political Affairs Vibhaagam

D. NOMENCLATURE OF FUNCTIONAL / SECTIONAL UNITS OF SANGHAM

All functional and Sectional units shall adopt unified nomenclature of Sangham at all levels.

STATE UNIT : Telangaana Prantha Padmashaali Sangham

DISTRICT UNIT : Telangaana Prantha Padmashaali Sangham

_____ DISTRICT UNIT

MANDAL UNIT : Telangaana Prantha Padmashaali Sangham

_____ MANDAL UNIT

TOWN /CITY UNIT : Telangaana Prantha Padmashaali Sangham

_____ TOWN /CITY UNIT

VILLAGE /WARD UNIT : Telanagana Prantha Padmashaali Sangham

_____ VILLAGE /WARD /DIVISION UNIT

SECTIONAL UNIT : Telanagana Prantha Padmashaali Sangham

_____ (SECTIONAL UNIT)

8. GENERAL BODY

A. Composition of General body

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Village / Ward / Division Sangham | - All registered members of respective sangham |
| Mandal / Division /Town Sangham | - Office bearers of of ALL constituent Functional units |
| Zilla Sangham/ GHPS | - EC members of constituent Functional and Sectional units. |

State Sangham :

- i. all members of the State Executive Committee.
- ii. all members of the Executive Committees of all constituent functional units
- iii. all members of the Executive Committees of all sectional units



- iv. Presidents and Secretaries of all Mandal Units and Village units
- v. members nominated by President / State Executive committee and General body.
- vi. all the elected public representatives with in the jurisdiction from the level of Sarpanch to Member of Parliament

B. MAHA SABHA - All the Voters of State Committee

C. DURATION OF MEETINGS

- i. Village / Ward / Town/Division Sangham General Body Shall meet once every year on the First Sunday of APRIL MONTH EVERY YEAR except in view of an extraordinary situation. However, it shall be conducted with in the month of April.
- ii. District Sangham General Body Shall meet - On the First Sunday of MAY MONTH EVERY YEAR except in view of an extraordinary situation. However, it shall be conducted with in the month of May.
- iii. State Sangham General Body Shall meet - On the First Sunday of JUNE MONTH EVERY YEAR except in view of an extraordinary situation. However, it shall be conducted with in the month of June.
- iii. Maha Sabha shall be conducted at every two years along with General Body of that year. Hence in every alternate year Maha Sabha will be conducted. General body will commence in morning session and Maha Sabha members will join the General Body in the afternoon session.

D. NOTICE PERIOD – 30 days prior to the date of meeting along with the proposed Agenda for the meeting. Notice shall be published on the Notice Boards of the respective Sangham and all constituent Sanghams.

Text / Digital messages shall be sent to the respective members on the day of publication of Notice. Postal or Paper Notice need not be sent to anybody.

E. QUORUM FOR THE MEEETINGS

Village / Ward / Division Sangham	- 33 % of enrolled members
Mandal / Division /Town Sangham	- 33% of composed members
Zilla Sangham	- 33% of composed members
State Sangham	- 33% of composed members
Mahasabha	- No Specified Quorum

In the absence of quorum, the meeting shall be postponed for Two hours to meet again at the same place/venue and can be conducted even if the quorum does not exist.



F. RESOLUTIONS

Any resolutions in respective Sangham can be adopted by simple majority or by raising hands if situation warrants, only when the quorum exists.

G. FUNCTIONS OF GENERAL BODY

- i. Shall discuss on the agenda placed by the Executive committee of the Sangham
- ii. Shall consider any other issue raised by at least 10 members present in the meeting which is in the interest /development of the sangham or which is causing concern among members of the Sangham and shall be determined to be decided or turned down by simple majority.
- iii. A simple majority shall decide all other questions before the general body.
- iv. Resolutions passed in any District General Body relating to amendment of Bye Law or any other important issue related to the community can be referred to the State Executive to review and include in agenda if it is absolutely necessary for consideration and disposal. If similar resolutions are received from more than 3 Districts, it shall be placed before State General Body for consideration and disposal without being reviewed by State Executive.
- v. Amendments to the Bye laws shall be passed by simple majority.

Policies or guidelines decided by the Prantha General Body shall prevail over the decisions of Prantha Executive OR Zilla General Body OR Zilla Executive unless rectified or modified or repelled by the MAHA SABHA WHICH WILL BE THE SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE SANGHAM.

G. SPECIAL GENERAL BODY meeting shall be convened on receipt of requisition Notice signed by 25 members OF District Executive in respect of District Sangham and in respect of Prantha Sangham on receipt of requisition Notice signed by Total 50 Members of Prantha Executive Committee consisting at least one person from EACH DISTRICT and presented directly to the State President.

Up on receipt of such requisition notice, Special General Body meeting shall be called for within 30 days from the date of receipt and with clear 07 days' Notice period. The quorum in the general meeting will be one third of the total member in case the quorum is not completed, the meeting shall be adjourned and reconvened after 2 hours and can be conducted treating that condition of the quorum deem to have been fulfilled. It can exercise all the powers and functions of General body except amendment of Bye Laws.

All the resolutions adopted in the Special General body shall be executed by the concerned executives as if adopted in the General Body meeting, unless rectified or modified or repelled by General Body.



H. MAHASABHA : Mahasabha can adopt a general resolution in consonance with the voice of of majority people on broader Social or Political aspirations of the sangham for detailed examination by the State Executive on its specific applications and implications. The State Executive shall discuss the recommendation of Mahasabha and shall consider to execute. If the proposal is not feasible or detrimental to the interests of the Sangham the same shall be placed before next General body / Special General body meeting for appropriate decision.

9. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. The ultimate authority and highest administrative body of Sangham at all levels in exercising the powers.

- i. Shall elect the President of the respective State / District / Mandal Sangham as per the procedure laid down in Election Rules.
- ii. Shall formulate policies, programs, guidelines, action plan and directions on the resolutions of General Body.
- iii. In case of exigency, it can chalk out programs and plans in the interest of Sangham and community and to meet the aims and objectives of the Sangham.
- iv. Shall implement the decisions of respective General Body
- v. Shall endeavor to execute directions of superior Sangham
- vi. Shall be instrumental to make policy decisions, to chalk out programs.
- vii. Shall prepare and approve the annual report and financial report of Sangham to be presented in General Body.
- viii. Can appoint employees required for the office and maintenance of building.
- ix. Can appoint auditor.
- x. Can dissolve any District / Mandal / Town /Division / Village / Ward Executive when serious charges are levelled and found to be inoperative / in active and malfunctioning, by majority vote of respective competent executives viz., In case of District Executives state EC of TRPS and in case of Mandal / Town / Division ECs respective District EC and in case of Village/ Ward Sanghams, Mandal / Town / Division ECs shall exercise this power. The reasons and merits of such decision shall be placed before the next General Body for ratification.
- xi. Can refer complaint against any person for enquiry or to probe into allegations against any member irrespective of cadre in the Sangham, which are blatantly detrimental to the interests of Sangham or any other member of Sangham, and shall refer to the respective Disciplinary Commission for adjudication. However, the Executive shall take this decision cautiously and fairly without prejudice or coercion and by affording reasonable opportunity of hearing.



- xii. Have the power to take any decision which is not specifically mentioned in the Bye Laws. But such decision shall be subject to approval of Executive in its next meeting.
- xiii. Meetingss of State Executives shall be held at different Dist Hqrs by adopting a specific resolution on the order of priority in the state executive for the Calendar Year and the same shall be communicated to all District / Mandal/Town units

A. COMPOSITION OF STATE EXECUTIVE

- i. President and all office bearers of state committee of TPPS
- ii. Presidents and Secretaries of all functional units
- iii. Presidents and Secretaries of all Sectional units
- iv. Maximum of 10 members nominated by the Executive Committee from different disciplines viz., Medical /Technical / Technological / Legal /Industrial / sports / Literature / Fine arts / Education useful for the Sangham activities.
- v. Maximum of five members to be nominated by the State President at his discretion.

B. COMPOSITION OF DISTRICT / GHPS EXECUTIVE

- i. President and all office bearers of Zilla Padmashali Sangham / GHPS
- ii. Presidents and Secretaries of all functional units
- iii. Presidents and Secretaries of all sectional units
- iv. Maximum of 5 members nominated by the Governing Body from different disciplines viz., Medical /Technical / Technological / Legal /Industrial / sports / Literature / Fine arts / Education useful for the Sangham activities.

C. COMPOSITION OF MANDAL / TOWN EXECUTIVE

- i. President and all office bearers of respective Sangham
- ii. Presidents and Secretaries of functional units.
- iii. Maximum of 5 members nominated by the Governing Body from different disciplines viz., Medical /Technical / Technological / Legal /Industrial / sports / Literature / Fine arts / Education useful for the sangham activities.



E. COMPOSITION OF VILLAGE / DIVISION/WARD EXECUTIVE

- i. President and all office bearers of respective Sangham
- ii. Maximum of 5 members nominated by the Governing Body from different disciplines viz., Medical /Technical / Technological / Legal /Industrial / sports / Literature / Fine arts / Education useful for the sangham activities.

iii. GOVERNING BODY OF STATE COMMITTEE: -

- i. The Governing Body consists (11) elected members President-1, Working President-1, Vice President-3, General Secretary-1, Secretaries-3 , Finance Secretary-1, Organizing Secretary-1.
- ii. The governing body shall hold office till the new elections are held and ceases its existence before the day of election poll.
- iii. The strength of the governing body shall not be less than five and not more than eleven in all.
- iv. Can take decisions on mobilizing funds and incurring expenditure for any program and investing the funds of the Sangham in the manner beneficial to the Sangham.
- v. Shall prepare agenda for the meetings and resolutions of the meetings prepare action plans for execution of the decisions of General Body / Executive.

8. COMPOSITION, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF OFFICE BEARERS.

A. COMPOSITION OF OFFICE BEARERS

Name of the post	State Sangham	District Sangham	Town/ City/Division Sangham	Village/ Ward Sangham
President	1	1	1	1
Working President	1	-	-	-
Vice Presidents	5 (1 Women)	3 (1 Women)	3 (1 Women)	1
General Secretary	1 Elected	1	1	1
Secretaries	5 (1 Women)	3 (1 Women)	3 (1Women)	1
Finance Seretary	1	1	1	1
Organizing Secretary	2	1		
Office Secretary	2			
Election Secretary	2			
EC Members	All District unit	All Mandal unit	All Village unit	518



	Presidents / Secretaries shall be de facto Executive Members.	Presidents / Secretaries shall be de facto Members.	Presidents / Secretaries shall be de facto Executive Members.	
EC Members Nominated by President	5 (1 Women)	3 (1 Women)	2 (1 Women)	1
EC Members Nominated by Executive	5 (2 Women)	3 (1 Women)	2 (1 Women)	(TWO WOMEN IN ANY CADRE)

B. POWERS OF PRESIDENT:

- i. President shall be elected through elections to be conducted as per the procedure laid down in these bye laws.
- ii. The term of office of the President shall be 05 years from the date of election. Term of President will expire, and all his powers become dysfunctional as on the date of issue of Notification for electing new President. Subsequently term of all Office bearers of respective Sangham and all the functional and Sectional units appointed by him will also stands expired on such date.
- iii. The office of President is deemed to be vacated on completion of elected term of office OR Expiry of individual OR resignation by the incumbent if accepted by the respective executive committee. In such case new incumbent shall be elected by the respective executive committee for the remaining term of office.
- iv. On vacation of the office of the President the term of all office bearers shall stand cancelled, and the new incumbent shall appoint fresh body of office bearers.
- v. A person can be elected or can serve as President of State Sangham or any functional unit only for TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS of 5 years and he shall be eligible to contest OR can be reelected after a gap of one term of 5 years.
- vi. The President is responsible and liable to prepare voters list for conduct of elections strictly in adherence with the compositions explained here under to respective Sangham and as per the elections rules and shall handover to the Election Commission 3 months prior to due date of election.
- vii. President will be head of the Sangham at all levels and will preside over the General body Executive Committee Meeting, Governing Body and any other meeting held under the banner of respective Sangham and shall be the chief spokesperson and can appoint another spokesperson to address in his absence and on his behalf.



- viii. All the correspondence of the Sangham shall be held and addressed in the name and seal / signature of President.
- ix. He is the person to sue or to be sued.
- x. He shall visit the Districts as frequently as possible or at least once in a year preferably on the day General Body of the Districts and review the activities of all the District, Vibhagams and Mandals and issue directions and gear up for better performances and to deliver better services.
- xi. Can nominate 5 persons (only 2 in District) as Special Invitees / EC members to the respective executive and 5 persons to the General Body, with his self-discretion, whose services and presence in the meeting is felt necessary.
- xii. Have the discretionary power to order for enquiry or to probe into allegations against any member irrespective of cadre in the Sangham, which are blatantly detrimental to the interests of Sangham or any other member of Sangham, and shall refer to the respective Disciplinary Commission for adjudication. However, President shall take this decision cautiously and fairly without prejudice or coercion.
- xiii. Shall operate account of the Sangham along with Finance Secretary / Treasurer.
- xiv. Shall not join any political party. If intends accept or hold any position nominated by the Government OR intends to contest any elections from any political party, he shall firstly resign to the post of President in the Sangham and inform the executive in writing prior to acceptance of such appointment or such decision.

C. WORKING PRESIDENT

- i. Shall be appointed by the President.
- ii. Term of Working President shall be usually (5) years or until revoked by the respective Executive by majority vote.
- iii. Shall discharge all the functions of President in his absence and with his authorization. In exceptional conditions or disastrous situation and when the President is not accessible authorization is not required. To this effect respective EC shall make a specific resolution with brief reasons.
- iv. In the absence of Vice President I the other Vice Presidents may discharge such duties of President in the order of merit shown in appointment.
- v. However Working Presidents cannot exercise discretionary powers of the President.



D. VICE PRESIDENT

- i. Shall be appointed by the President.
- ii. Term of Vice President shall be usually (5) years or until revoked by the respective Executive by majority vote.
- iii. Shall discharge all the functions of President in his absence and with his authorization. In exceptional conditions or disastrous situation and when the President and Working President are not accessible authorization is not required. To this effect respective EC shall make a specific resolution with brief reasons.
- iv. In the absence of Vice President I the other Vice Presidents may discharge such duties of President in the order of merit shown in appointment.
- v. However none of the Vice Presidents can exercise discretionary powers of the President.

E. GENERAL SECRETARY:

- i. Shall be appointed by the President.
- ii. Term of General Secretary shall be usually (5) years or until revoked by the respective Executive by majority vote.
- iii. To sign on behalf of the Sangham all usual correspondents and to maintain the records of the proceedings of the meeting of general body.
- iv. To issue Notice of the meeting of general body/ Executive Meeting / Special General Body as per the instructions of the President.
- v. Shall maintain day to day records and reports of functioning of the Sangham.
- vi. Shall present Annual report of Sangham before the General Boday and shall answer the questions on such report.
- vii. Shall coordinate and keep liaison and observe the programs, meetings of subordinate Sanghams or other organizations and appraise reports of Secretaries to the President. Shall pursue conduct of Executive Committes and General bodies of state Sangham and all subordinate Sanghams.

F. SECRETARY.

- i. Shall be appointed by the President.
- ii. Term of Secretary shall be usually (5) years or until revoked by the respective Executive by majority vote.
- iii. Shall coordinate and keep liaison and observe the programs, meetings of subordinate Sanghams or other organizations falling in his jurisdiction and appraise the President through General Secretary. Shall maintain record of due dates of Executive Committes



and General bodies and follow up with respective President / General Secretary for timely conduct of such meetings.

- iv. Shall collect resolutions of Executive Committee and General Body and Annual reports and replies on the correspondence with subordinate Sangham or other organizations falling in his jurisdiction.

G. FINANCE SECRETARY.

- i. Shall be appointed by the President.
- ii. Term of Secretary shall be usually (5) years or until revoked by the respective Executive by majority vote.
- iii. Shall keep and maintain all books of accounts of all receipts and payments of the Sangham and to furnish Balance sheet to Executive committee and Governing body and General Body in its every meeting.
- iv. Shall be responsible for getting the accounts of the Sangham audited from the certified chartered accountant annually.

9. NO CONFIDANCE MOTION

- i. Any office bearer or a member of governing body may be removed from the office of the Sangham if no confidence motion is passed against such incumbent by at least two third majority of concerned Executive Committee.
- ii. No confidence motion against State / District / Mandal President or any office bearer nominated by President can be moved with the notice issued with signatures of 5 members of concerned units. However, no confidence motion cannot be moved within THREE YEARS from the date of election. Special Executive Meeting convened within 15 days from the date of receipt of such notice shall adjudicate the matter. It can either accept or reject.
- iii. If the No confidence motion is moved against the President and resolution is adopted with 51% votes of respective executive it shall be referred to General Body, to decide the case.
- iv. If the General body approves the same, with simple majority it shall become final and the executive shall elect a new President for the balance term of office.
- v. If the General Body rejects the same with simple majority, then it shall stand deferred. General body shall however consist of the quorum while adopting such resolution.
- vi. No confidence motion for the second time shall not be moved within TWO YEARS from the date of deferring such proposal by General Body.



11. AMENDMENT

Any amendment to any of the provisions of Bye Laws, Name of the Sangham, rules and regulations or location of the Sangham shall be carried out by the General Body with simple majority, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Sangham and societies Registration Act.

10. SOURCE OF INCOME

- i. Sangham shall raise funds through subscription, membership fee, donations, special contribution, Grant in Aid, Gifts, local donation. Income of the Sangham shall be used only for the attainment of the aims and objectives of the Sangham.
- ii. All such receipts shall be collected by way of cheque and digital transfer only. Cash shall not be accepted for any purpose. Donations in kind and property moveable or immovable by lawful means can be accepted and utilize the same for the fulfillment of aims and objects of the Sangham.
- iii. Sangham shall have the right to sell, transfer, mortgage, hypothecate, pledge, assign, gift any property and raise loan form financial institutions and settle or otherwise dispose of or charge the properties of the Sangham either moveable or immovable for the purpose of attaining the aims and objectives of the Sangham. Provided the proposal should have been previously approved by the Executive and General Body.
- iv. All the income earning from moveable or immoveable properties of the Sangham shall be solely utilized and applied towards the promotion of aims and objects only set forth in the memorandum of Sangham. No portion thereof shall be paid or transferred either directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus, profits of, any manner whatsoever be to the present or past member of the Sangham or any person claiming through any of the present or past members.
- v. To seek and accept financial assistance from government, NGO's foundation banks business houses and such other organization for undertaking development projects and to fulfill the aims and objects of the Sangham.
- vi. However, all RECEIPTS of Sangham shall be cash less and only through digital transactions by TRANSFER/ NEFT/RTGS/CHEQUE only, under proper acknowledgement.
- vii. Further all payments above Rs 1000/- shall also be cashless by TRANSFER/ NEFT/RTGS/CHEQUE only.
- viii. An advance of maximum Rs 5000/- can be paid to the Office Manager to meet petty expenses of office stationery and hospitality and the same shall be accounted for with supporting bills/vouchers, for reimbursement.



11. **FINANCIAL YEAR** The financial year shall be from 1st April to March 31st.
12. **AUDIT OF ACCOUNT** A qualified chartered accountant/ auditor appointed by the Governing body shall audit accounts of the Sangham annually.

The auditor appointed by the Governing Body Of TPPS shall conduct audit of receipts and payments and furnish audited balance sheet to be presented in Annual General Body. He shall also review the audit reports of all the Districts and submit detailed report on correctness or otherwise to the Governing Body.

13. **BANK ACCOUNT:** The account of the Sangham shall be opened in any nationalized or scheduled Bank and shall be operated by the President, General Secretary and Finance Secretary jointly or any two members as per convenience and decision of the Governing Body. Signature of President shall be mandatory.
14. **OFFICE** of the sangham shall be located at the registered office.
- Office Manager** to be appointed by the President will be in charge of the office and shall be custodian of all records and shall discharge duties as per the directions of President.
 - He shall be responsible for receipt and dispatch of all correspondence and issue of meeting notices and issue of receipts and maintenance of voucher.
 - He shall be responsible for maintenance of accounts and audit record.
 - Shall cause for conduct of audit as per time schedule and submit the audited report to the President General Secretary.
 - Shall maintain Visitors Book and attend all the visitors promptly and responsibly.

15. **DISSOLUTION:** The Sangham can be dissolved with the resolution moved with the approval of State Executive with 51% clear majority and approved by annual General Body with 2/3rd majority.

16. ELECTION COMMISSION

- State Election Commission shall be constituted with THREE MEMBERS proposed by state Executive Committee through a unanimous resolution and approved by General Body. The members of commission shall be from three different fields who are well versed with the procedure of election.
- Similarly, District Election Commission shall be constituted with THREE MEMBERS proposed by District Executive Committee through a unanimous resolution and approved by General Body. The members of commission shall be from three different fields who are well versed with the procedure of election.



C. The District Election Commission will be functional unit of State Election Commission. It shall adhere with the guidelines / instructions / procedure issued by the State Election Commission.

D. COMPOSITION OF COMMISSION

- i. Revenue Officer **not below** the rank of Dy Collector /Tahsildar Retired or working and who have vast experience in conduct of elections and well acquainted with election rules.
- ii. District / al Co-op Officer / Asst Coop Registrar, Retired or working.
- iii. Advocate who has vast experience in legal practice.
- iv. Junior / Degree college Lecturer / GHM or any other officer who worked as Presiding Officer in General Elections.
- v. However, they shall not be acting as office bearers of any Functional or Sectional units of Sangham.

E. FUNCTIONS OF COMMISSION

The term of office of each member shall be 6 years. Initially one member shall retire after a period of 2 years term, Second member shall retire after a period of 4 years and Third member shall retire after completion of 6 years term. The term of each member shall be decided by drawl of lots.

The member shall be eligible for second term but cannot be elected for third term. The period rendered as member of commission in the first body of commission shall also be considered as one term for reappointment.

- i. Consequent on retirement of members at 2, 4 and 6 years term, the state Executive shall nominate a new member to fill such vacancy by 2/3rd majority, from the same field and such member shall continue for full term of (6) years. Accordingly, the chain of retirement and appointment will continue.
- ii. The commission shall be a body autonomous and shall discharge its functions in free and fair manner, independently, democratically, transparently, and strictly in adherence with the rules and procedure prescribed here under.
- iii. The commissions shall conduct elections without any prejudice, force, coercion, or pressure from anybody and shall not give scope for any misconduct, malpractice, impersonation in elections and shall not allow deviation of rules and procedure prescribed here under.
- iv. The person who is appointed as Member of Commission should not have participated / contested in the elections and should not have held any key post in the Sangham at District / State/Akhila Bharata level.



- v. The attitude, behavior, integrity, and commitment of the person who is appointed as Member of Commission should have not been a subject matter of discussion in the community.
- vi. The commission shall be responsible and answerable to the State General body for any omissions or lapses in conduct of elections of any State/ District Sangham.

F. VOTERS

- i. **Village / Ward /Town / Division:** All the persons enrolled as member and appearing in the membership register of the respective Sangham, enrolled in accordance with Section 6 of Bye Law shall be voters for Village / Ward /Town /Division Sangham.
- ii. **Mandal Sangham:** All the office bearers of Village Sangham and elected public representatives in the respective Mandal from the level of Sarpanch to Member of Parliament and who have paid Kriya Sheela sabhyatvam of Rs 100/- shall be eligible voters for Mandal Sangham.
- iii. **District Sangham:** All the office bearers of Mandal / Town / Division Sangham within the jurisdiction of respective District and elected public representatives from the level of Sarpanch to Member of Parliament shall be voters .
- iv. **Greater Hyderabad Padmashali Sangham:** All the office bearers of / Division Sangham within the jurisdiction of GHPS elected public representatives from the level of Corporator to Member of Parliament shall be voters for GHPS.
- v. **Prantha / State Sangham:** President / Secretary / Treasurer and all the office bearers of all 32 Districts Sangham and GHPS (Not exceeding 51 office bearers) shall be de facto voters for state elections including the following:
 - b. President / Secretary / Treasurer of all state sectional units
 - c. President / Secretary / Treasurer and maximum of 11 voters from Mandal /Town units.
 - d. President / Secretary / Treasurer and maximum of 22 voters from Corporation units.
 - e. Previous Akhila Bharatha / State / District Presidents & Secretaries.
 - f. All Present and past elected representatives MPP/ZPTC/ ZP CHAIRMAN/ MUNICIPAL CHAIRPERSON / MAYOR/MLA/MLC/MP / State level & District level Committees or Corporation Chairpersons appointed by Government.
 - g. Recipients of State level/ National level awardees.
 - h. All the officials of State and central Government above Group I and Class I cadre.
 - i. All the standing Office bearers of ABPS and standing Working Committee members.



- vi. It shall be the responsibility of President of respective District units to furnish Voters list to the Election Commission 3 months prior to the scheduled due date of elections. If the President fails to furnish the voters list, the commission shall obtain eligible voters list directly from the constituent functional and sectional units and conduct elections.

G. ELIGIBILITY TO CONTEST

- i. Any person who has paid annual membership fee of Rs 10/- continuously for the previous five years and who is enrolled as voter for such election and paid Kriyasheela Sabhyatvam fee of Rs 100/- for such elections shall be eligible to contest.
- ii. Person contesting to the post of State President should have attained the age of 55 years and should have previously worked as District President. For the post of District President should have attained the age of 50 years and for Mandal and Village units should have attained the age of 40 years. The minimum age for contesting or for being appointed as Office bearer of District unit shall be 35 years and for State unit it shall be 45 years.
- iii. Any person who has been expelled by the Sangham or punished by competent court of law for any cognizable offence is not eligible to contest.
- iv. Any person who is a member of any other Sangham with similar aims and objectives shall not be eligible to contest any elections.
- v. Any person who filed case directly against the Sangham without exhausting proper procedure laid down in the byelaw in any court and if the same is pending before any competent court shall not be eligible to contest any elections. If he defeats such case in the competent court of law he shall not be eligible to contest any elections with in Five years from the date of court order.
- vi. Nomination shall be proposed by at least TWO Presidents of respective Functional Units.
- vii. A person who intends to contest as president of any Sangham must have elected and worked as President of any Functional unit at least for one term. i.e a person who worked as Village /ward committee President can contest as Mandal unit President , a person who worked as Mandal / unit President can contest to the post of District / GHPS President and a person who worked as District / GHPS President can contest as State President.



- viii. **A person who has served as President for consecutive TWO TERMS for any functional or sectional unit shall not be eligible to contest the election for continuous THIRD term of the same Sangham.** However, he can contest the election of said Sangham after a gap of one term of five years, provided he is otherwise eligible.

H. CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS

The Election commission shall conduct elections as under:

- i. Elections shall be conducted for electing **PRESIDENT ONLY** for the State / Prantha Sangham and District / Mandal / Town unit and Village/ ward/division units.
- ii. The elected President shall appoint all other office bearers from among the persons elected to Governing Body.

17. ELECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS

- i. Elections to State and all functional units down to the Village Padmashali Sangham / Ward Padmashali Sangham shall be conducted under the supreme control and supervision of Election Commission.
- ii. The commission shall maintain a data base or record of all Sanghams from the level of Village committee to State level Sangham and all its sectional units and monitor the elections as per due dates and schedule.
- iii. District Election Commission shall prepare and maintain a record of all Mandal / Town /Division Sangham and District level sectional units with details of Date of Notification / Date of Election / Date of completion of term. A copy of such record shall be submitted to the State Election Commission every year by 30th January.
- iv. Mandal/ Town/Division Sangham shall prepare and maintain a record of all Village / ward Sangham with details of Date of Notification / Date of Election / Date of completion of term. A copy of such record shall be submitted to the District Election Commission every year by 15 th January.
- v. Schedule of elections or Calendar of elections for all functional units viz., Village / Ward/Town/Mandal/Division and District level sectional units shall be issued by the District election commission, with the approval of State Election Commission, two months prior to the due date of election to respective Sangham fixing common date of Notification and common date for conduct of poll. Election Officer for all such elections shall also be appointed by the District Election Commission, with the previous approval of State Election Commission.



- vi. Concerned Sangham shall propose two names for appointment as Election Officer. Subsequently Notification shall be issued by respective election officer appointed by the commission as per the dates indicated in the format of Schedule III.
- vii. Chief Commissioner himself shall conduct TRPS Election by appointing one of the commissioners as Election Officer and other commissioner.
- viii. Nominations for all the elections shall be filled in the prescribed format enclosed in Schedule IV to the Bye Law. Nomination fee for Village / ward unit Rs 1000/-, Mandal/Town/ unit Rs 2000/- District unit /GHPS Rs 5000/- and State unit Rs 10000/-

18. POLLING BOOTH AND VOTING

Polling Booths for conduct of elections shall be set up as under.

- i. For Village / Ward unit at respective village/ ward either in Sangham Building or in any other building as decided by the election officer.
- ii. For Mandal / / Division units at respective Headquarters either in Sangham Building or in any other building as decided by the election officer.
- iii. For District unit at respective Dist Headquarters either in Sangham Building or in any other building as decided by the election officer.
- iv. For State unit elections One Polling Booth shall invariably be set up at each respective Dist Headquarters of all 32 District in respective Sangham Building or in any other building as decided by the state election commission. In case of GHPS the election commission shall set up at least 5 booths. One at Padmashali Bhavan and another 4 booths at different places deemed fit and convenient by the commission by attaching units conveniently accessible to such polling booth OR the commission will be at liberty to take any alternative decision in view of convenience and fair accessibility to voters. In any case booths shall not be centralized at one place.

19. POLL MANAGEMENT

- i. The State/ District Election Commission shall print the ballot papers under its supervision and shall store the same in their secured safe custody until sent to respective Polling Booths.
- ii. The names in Ballot paper shall be in the order of telugu aksharamala of the name of the candidate as per aadhar card / SSC certificate but not as per surname.
- iii. Ballot paper shall be printed only in white color paper as per the design approved by election commission.
- iv. The Ballot paper shall be serially numbered only on Counter foil of ballot but not on the main ballot paper.



- v. Voting on ballot shall be marked as X. Any other mark writing on ballot paper or putting any other signs amounts to its invalidation. Voting mark against more than one candidate also amounts to invalidity of vote. No preferential mark shall be considered. Disclosure of identity of voter in any manner counts to invalidation of ballot.
- vi. Polling Boxes shall be prepared and supplied by the Election commissions with proper address tag and labelling on the boxes.
- vii. Required number of Ballot papers and Polling Boxes shall be handed over to the election officer only, under proper acknowledgement. The mode of transportation and dispatch of polling material shall be at the sole discretion of the commission and no other person other than designated election officer shall hold the same, be it for any reason or any purpose.
- viii. The ballot boxes shall be exhibited to the Candidate, or their polling agents duly appointed by them before commencement of poll.
- ix. Ballot papers shall be issued to the bonafide voter after checking identity and shall allow to vote only in the voting compartment, duly maintaining secrecy of voting.
- x. Polling shall be held from 10.00 AM to 1.00 PM in respect of village and Mandal units and from 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM in respect of Town/ / District/ State units.
- xi. All voters standing in line at the last minute of closure time shall be allowed to vote.
- xii. Voting compartment shall be set up in ideal location to maintain secrecy of voting.
- xiii. Candidates or their agents shall not be allowed to conduct canvassing in any manner within the polling booth and shall be restrained from entering the booth.
- xiv. Consequent on closure of poll, the Polling Box shall be properly and securely closed and sealed with the signatures of candidate, or their polling agent duly appointed by them without giving room for any type of fraud, mismanagement or tampering and shall be handed over at the respective counting center for consequent counting process.
- xv. The ballot boxes used for State Elections shall be handed over to the State Election Officer at Hyderabad at the designated location under proper seal and acknowledgement.
- xvi. Counting of votes in respect of District, Mandal and Village shall be held at respective Hqrs and in respect of State Elections counting shall invariably be held at Hyderabad.
- xvii. Up on opening the Polling Box at counting center, in the presence of Candidates or their counting agents duly appointed by them, votes polled in favor of each candidate shall be segregated in to separate trays with keen observation having proper mark against the name of such candidate. None other than person authorized by election officer shall touch the ballot or attempt to tamper or spoil it.



- xviii. Invalid or doubt full votes shall be segregated and kept away for proper adjudication.
- xix. On completion of counting, votes polled, invalid votes shall be tabulated properly showing candidate wise votes acquired and no of invalid votes and results shall be announced only after meticulous verification and confirming accuracy of counting.
- xx. Certificate of election shall be awarded to the winning candidate immediately on announcement of results under proper photography.
- xxi. Oath of office shall also be administered by the Election Officer in the presence of people present and declare that election process is completed.
- xxii. The process of election once commenced with issue of Notification shall not be interrupted or withheld for any reason until results are declared.
- xxiii. Grievances / complaints on poll process or counting shall be reviewed by the election commission only after completion of entire election process.
- xxiv. Consequent on completion of election process the ballot paper shall be stored in the polling boxes and the same shall be safely and securely preserved in a notified place with the seal and signature of candidate, or their polling agent duly appointed by them.

20. ELECTION DISPUTES

- i. Appeal on any election dispute shall be made to the election commission. The commission shall independently cause discrete enquiry in the matter based on the material record and evidence filed and adjudicate the matter with sound knowledge and without any coercion or prejudice.
- ii. Revision on the appeal disposed by election commission shall be filed before General Body and any decision taken by the General body with 2/3rd majority shall be final and binding on all the parties to dispute.

21. DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION

- i. The disciplinary commission consisting of three members shall be set up at District and State level headed by a senior advocate and another two elders of community with high reputation and shall be appointed by the executive committee with the approval of General Body. The term of office of the commissions shall be five years from the date of appointment. The vacancy arises due to resignation or death of a member shall filled with equally positioned person of the community, for the balance term of office.



- ii. If any member including any office bearer of any Sangham in any capacity acts contrary to the provisions of Bye Law or acts detrimental to the interests of society or disobeys the directions of respective executive or misappropriates the money / assets of the Sangham his name shall be referred to the Disciplinary Commission of respective District Sangham along with documentary evidence in support of allegations. The commission shall consider only written allegations supported by material evidence in any form viz Audio, Video, or documentary.
- iii. The commission shall issue notices to the complainant, alleged person and witnesses to appear in person on a specified date and time. Upon hearing them and considering the evidence, the commission may impose penalty up to five times of membership, may issue written warning to the member not to repeat such action in future or may even suspend his membership for a period of One year to Five years keeping in view of the gravity of charges levelled against him. If the charges are grave and connected to mismanagement / obstruction / destruction of election process the commission may suspend his voting / contesting rights for a period of 5 or 10 years as deemed fit.
- iv. Appeal on the decision of District Disciplinary commission shall be filed before respective General body and revision shall be filed before state General Body. Up on the decision of state disciplinary commission Appeal shall be filed before state General Body and Revision shall be filed before next state General Body.

22. REGISTER OF ASSETS AND DEPOSITS

- i. Register of all assets and deposits of Sangham from village / ward level to District level shall be maintained at District Level and State level consisting details of property and estimated cost of the asset in a prescribed format and a copy of the title deed shall be placed in the record of District unit and state unit in properly secured manner.
- ii. The President of State Sangham shall be deemed to be the nodal custodian of all the properties held in the name of Sangham.
- iii. If any Village / Ward/ Mandal/ / District Sanghams intend to acquire any property or if any property is alienated by Government or If any person has donated any property it shall immediately be entered in the assets register at District and State level and the concerned President is bound to send details and copy of a document of such property to District/ State level.



- iv. The General body of the concerned Sangham alone shall be competent to dispose / mortgage such property for the purpose of development of Sangham or welfare of the community. However such decision shall be informed to the state President with full details and reasons for such decision and resolution to sell the property and proposals of utilization of such sale proceeds, for formal approval. The state executive can review and request the concerned General Body to reconsider the proposal if the proposal is ambiguous and find alternatives. If the General Body of said unit holding the property decides for the second time to dispose / mortgage such property it shall be final and binding. State unit has no business to involve in such matter in any manner.

23. AFFILIATION : The Telangana Prantha Padmashali Sangham while functioning as autonomous body will be associated with Akhila Bharata Padmashali Sangham in all its activities. The sangham will also maintain cordial relations with all the State Level Padmashali Sanghams in different states and will fight hand in hand on the issues relating to Padmashali community and issues relating to National Integrity and service to mankind.

24. SOCIAL ROLE

- i. The state Executive shall be competent to decide affiliation or association of the Sangham with any other community, religious, charitable, or social organizations in order to achieve common interests, society interests and social reforms.
- ii. The Sangham shall organize and participate in any the programs of Social organizations on its own banner or under a joint banner or any Joint Action Committees formed for the particular purpose.
- iii. It shall fight and cause to fight against any injustice caused to the Padmashali community or section of a community either by the Government or any others.

25. POLITICAL ROLE

- i. Ultimate objective of the Sangham shall be to strive for the fair political share at all levels viz Village Panchayat, Mandal. Council, Corporation, assembly, and Parliament constituencies.
- ii. In any case Telangana Prantha Padmashali Sangham shall not directly indulge in the activities of any political parties and shall maintain equidistance with all political parties.
- iii. However, if any person belonging to the community is contesting any election, be it from any party or with any symbol, the Sangham at all levels shall strive to consolidate the vote bank of



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- community in particular and other communities in general.
- iv. The Sangham shall identify the constituencies having commendable voters' strength that can affect the results of such particular constituency and identify competitive candidates desires to fight the elections and encourage them and support in all possible manners to win the elections.
 - v. Shall organize political camps and training classes to the aspiring candidates and inculcate political awareness for better planning and perfect execution.

***** *THE END* *****



SCHEDULE -I

LIST OF ZILLA PADMASHALI SANGHAMS / FUNCTIONAL UNITS

1. ADILABAD
2. BHADRADRI KOTHAGUDEM
3. HANUMAKONDA
4. HYDERABAD – GREATER HYDERABAD PADMASHALI SANGHAM
5. JAGTIAL
6. JANGOAN
7. JAYASHANKAR BHOOPALPALLY
8. JOGULAMBA GADWAL
9. KAMAREDDY
10. KARIMNAGAR
11. KHAMMAM
12. KOMARAM BHEEM ASIFABAD
13. MAHABUBABAD
14. MAHABUBNAGAR
15. MANCHERIAL
16. MEDAK
17. MEDCHAL-MALKAJGIRI
18. MULUG
19. NAGARKURNOOL
20. NALGONDA
21. NARAYANPET
22. NIRMAL
23. NIZAMABAD
24. PEDDAPALLI
25. RAJANNA SIRCILLA
26. RANGAREDDY
27. SANGAREDDY
28. SIDDIPET
29. SURYAPET
30. VIKARABAD
31. WANAPARTHY
32. WARANGAL
33. YADADRI BHUVANAGIRI

SCHEDULE - II

Division Sangham / Functional units under Greater Hyderabad Padmashali Sangham and other Municipal Corporations will be notified by the Respective District Sanghams and GHPS wherever Padmashali community is existing and Division Unit is formed



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SCHEDULE III

ELECTION NOTIFICATION

**TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SSANGHAM
ELECTIONS TO THE POST OF _____**

_____ SANGHAM - _____ DISTRICT

Present: Sri _____ Election Officer



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All the voters of _____ Sangham shall take notice that, as per the directions of State / District Padmashali Election Commission, elections to the post of President of _____ Sangham for the period from _____ to _____ for 5 years term , will be conducted as per the following schedule:

Sl No	Date	Time	Schedule
1	Day 1	10.00 AM	Publication of Voters list
2	Day 2	10.00 AM to 5.00 PM	Filing Claims and objections on voters list
3	Day 3	10.00 AM to 1.00 PM	Verification of objections and disposal
4	Day 3	5.00 PM	Publication of final voters list
5	Day 4	10.00 AM to 4.00 PM	Issue and filling of Nominations
6	Day 4	5.00 PM	List of Nominations filed
7	Day 5	10.00 AM to 12.00 PM	Scrutiny of Nominations
8	Day 5	2.00 PM	List of Valid Nominations.
9	Day 6	10.00 AM to 4.00 PM	Withdrawal of Nominations
10	Day 6	5.00 PM	Final list of contesting candidates
POLLING IF NECESSARY			
11*	Day 9	10.00 AM to 2.00 PM	Polling- In case of Village / ward/Division units
	Day 9	4.00 PM	Counting and declaration of results
12*	Day 11	10.00 AM to 2.00 PM	Polling- In case of Town / District units
	Day 11	4.00 PM	Counting and declaration of results.
13*	Day 14	10.00 AM to 2.00 PM	Polling- In case of State unit
			Immediately on closure of polling, Transportation of sealed Ballot Boxes to Padmashali Bhavan Hyderabad
14*	Day 15	10.00 AM	Counting and declaration of results at Padmashali Bhavan Hyderabad.

- Nomination papers and withdrawal of candidature can be delivered by a candidate or his proposer to the Election Officer on the scheduled date and time.
- Only candidate or his authorized agent will be allowed into Polling booth / counting hall.

Dt : _____

Election Officer

**SCHEDULE IV
NOMINATION FORM
TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SSANGHAM
ELECTIONS TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF _____ UNIT**

NAME OF THE CANDIDATE	
FATHER NAME	
SL NO IN VOTER LIST	
DATE OF BIRTH	



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AADHAR NO.	
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NAME OF 1ST PROPOSER	
FATHER NAME	
SL NO IN VOTER LIST	
DATE OF BIRTH	
AADHAR NO.	
Signature of the 1 ST Proposer	

NAME OF 2ND PROPOSER	
FATHER NAME	
SL NO IN VOTER LIST	
DATE OF BIRTH	
AADHAR NO.	
Signature of the 2 ND Proposer	

DECLARATION OF CANDIDATE

I _____ S/o D/o _____

R/o _____ here by accept proposal of my name for contesting to the post of President of _____ Sangham.

I declare that this nomination is accepted with free will in full consciousness and without any coercion and I will abide by all the election procedure laid down in Bye Laws and follow time to time instructions issued by Election Officer and will cooperate for smooth conduct of elections.

Signature of candidate.

- i. The above nomination has been scrutinized and found correct. Hence ACCEPTED.
- ii. The nomination is found defective _____. Hence REJECTED.

Dt : _____

Signature of Election Officer

SCHEDULE V

NOTARIZED AFFIDAVIT TO BE FILED BY THE CONTESTING CANDIDATE

I _____ S/o D/o _____

R/o _____ contesting candidate for the post of _____ at _____ Sangham, as per the Notification Dt _____, here by declare that, I have read the Byelaws and Election Rules of Telangana PRANTHA Padmashali Sangham and that I will abide



by all the provisions of Bye law and Rules and Regulations and guidelines issued by the Election Commission from time to time.

That, against any dispute arising out of elections I will file appeal before the State Election Commission and if aggrieved by the decision of Election Commission I will prefer Revision before the State General Body and I firmly declare that I will by all means abide with the decision of the General Body, which will be final and conclusive. That I will not approach any other forum or court in any matter relating to the court.

That, I will participate in the elections in competitive and sportive mode and will not attempt or resort to deteriorate the dignity and integrity of the Sangham in any form and will not strive to humiliate or disrespect or level baseless allegations against any of the contestants. If any such act is established against me, the Election Commission will be at liberty to decide the eligibility or otherwise to contest this elections.

Signature of contesting candidate

**SCHEDULE VI
TELANGANA PRANTHA PADMASHALI SANGHAM
LIST OF NOTIFIED DISTRICT PRESIDENTS**

1	ADILABAD	SMT. MANCHIKATLA ASHAMMA	9440589776
2	BHADRADRI KOTHAGUDEM	SRI MACHARLA RAMACHANDAR RAO	9866166173
3	HANUMAKONDA	DR. CHANDA MALLAIAH	7396024613



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4	HYDERABAD – GHPS	SRI. KATHULA SUDARSHAN	9959271033
5	JAGTIAL	SRI. RUDRA SRINIVAS	8801403333
6	JANGOAN	SRI. VEMULA BALARAJ	9440735204
7	JAYASHANKAR BHOOPALPALLY	SRI. GONE BHASKAR	9848526216
8	JOGULAMBA GADWAL	SRI. PULIPATI VENKATESHWARLU	9603997497
9	KAMAREDDY	SRI. SIRIGADA LAXMINARSIMHULU	9949633311
10	KARIMNAGAR	SRI. METHUKU SATHYAM	8686854854
11	KHAMMAM	SRI. KAMARTHAPU MURALI	9885974455
12	KOMARAM BHEEM ASIFABAD	SRI. CHENNUR ASHOK	8688068186
13	MAHABUBABAD	SRI VEMULA VENKANNA	9959532406
14	MAHABUBNAGAR	SRI. MACHA PRABHAKAR RAO	8790985999
15	MANCHERIAL	SRI GADAS BABU RAO	7989855701
16	MEDAK	SRI GUDLA VEERABHADRAIAH	9030534739
17	MEDCHAL-MALKAJGIRI	SRI JANNU MANYAM	9348444449
18	MULUG	SRI DP JANARDHAN	9391411999
19	NAGARKURNOOL	SRI NAGULA VENKATESHWARLU	9440829499
20	NALGONDA	SRI POTTABATHINI SATYANARAYANA	9848360959
21	NARAYANPET	SRI. KENCHE UDAYBHANU	9440775819
22	NIRMAL	SRI. CHILUKA RAMANA	8341122888
23	NIZAMABAD	SRI DHEEKONDA YADAGIRI	9440091252
24	PEDDAPALLI	SRI. VEMULA RAMAMURTHY	9849023080
25	RAJANNA SIRCILLA	SRI. GAJULA BALAIAH	9866640594
26	RANGAREDDY	SRI. BOMMA RAGHURAM	9440124819
27	SANGAREDDY	SRI. MAKAM MALLESHAM	7036043333
28	SIDDIPET	SRI. DR KASTURI SATEESH	9848134401
29	SURYAPET	SRI. APPAM SREENIVAS RAO	9848822702
30	VIKARABAD	SRI. VARKALA MALLESHAM	9247547547
31	WANAPARTHY	SRI. JANNU VENKATNARAYANA	9440239306
32	WARANGAL	SRI. DR ADEPU RAVINDER	9885649907
33	YADADRI BHUVANAGIRI	SRI. CHIKKA VENKATESHWARLU	9948549495



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