

# LINGUISTIC SOCIETY OF INDIA

(Registered under Act XXI of 1860) (Bombay Public Trust Act 1950)

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

(Amended on August 2022)

### **I. Name and Object:**

1. This Society shall be known as “The Linguistic Society of India”
2. Its object shall be advancement of the scientific study of language and providing a platform for activities pertaining linguistics; Offer advice to Governmental and Non-Governmental organizations on issues related to Language(s) in application, teaching and research.

### **II. Registered Office And Head Offices:**

The registered office of the Society shall be situated at Asutosh Building, Calcutta University, Kolkata, 700 073, and the Head Office of the Society shall be located at the Deccan College Postgraduates and Research Institute, Pune, 411 006

The place of Registered and the Head Office may be changed from time to time by a resolution of the General Body meeting of the Society.

The Executive Committee (Hereafter EC) may, at their discretion, open Branch Offices in any other place and each of such Branch Office shall be under the supervision of an office-bearer. The place of the Registered Office may also be changed from time to time by a resolution of the General Meeting (Hereafter GM) of the Society.

### **III. Membership:**

The membership of the Society shall be open to all persons interested in the objects of the Society. There shall be

1. Patrons: Those who pay Rs 50,000 / \$ 5,000 and above. Eligible for 50% off on all publications and free Indian Linguistics (Hereafter IL).
2. Donors: Those who pay Rs 25,000 / \$ 2,500. Eligible for 50% off on all publications and free IL.
3. Life members: Those who pay Rs 5,000 / \$ 500, for students [UG, PG, PHD] Rs 3000 / \$ 300. Eligible for 25% off on all publications and free IL. This shall be paid in 2/3/4/5 instalments; however s/he shall be treated as yearly member until the full amount is paid.

4. Yearly members (Rs 1,000 / \$ 100) eligible for 25% off on all publications and free IL for the year. (Those who pay continuously for five years yearly membership fee shall be converted to life member status if they request such conversion). Yearly member will not have any power of voting or nominating; however they are entitled to take part in GM.

5. Institutional membership. Rs. 25,000/ \$ 2,500 and above.

#### **IV. Administration:**

1. The office-bearers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and two Joint Secretaries

2. The elected body nominates two persons to be the editors and one review editor for IL

3. The two joint secretaries have to be from place of both the offices

4. The Management of the affairs and concerns of the Society shall be vested in an EC consisting of the above office-bearers and eleven other working members of the Society

5. Members have to have five years uninterrupted membership of the Society to hold any position in the Society

6. No one can be an office bearer consecutively for more than one term in any capacity

7. Vacancies among office-bearers shall be filled up by the rest of the EC members. In case three EC membership positions fall vacant before completion of two years of the elected body, there shall be an interim election. Every vacancy shall be filled within 2 months of the date of the post falling vacant.

**8. Removal of an Office Bearer/EC member:** In case a member is found misappropriating finance or power vested in her/him by the constitution, s/he shall be removed from the body by the president with the support of 2/3 of EC. In case allegation is on the President the EC shall chose one of the member as a chairperson to discuss the issue.

#### **V. Meetings:**

1. There shall be at least two EC meetings in a year. Agenda shall be distributed 1-2 weeks prior to each meeting. 1/3 of EC shall be the quorum; if both the President and the Vice-President are unable to attend a particular EC meeting, the members present shall vote to choose a Chairperson for that meeting. Each EC member will have a single vote; however, the President/Chairperson shall have second or casting vote in case of equality of votes.

2. There shall be a special EC meeting, for any urgent or important issues

3. A special EC meeting shall be called upon request of 1/3 members. Such a meeting shall be conducted within 15 days of the request received; the agenda shall be circulated one week before the meeting.

4. There shall be a yearly GM. The Agenda shall be distributed 1-2 weeks before the meeting. 20 members shall form a quorum.

4.a. GM shall pass the annual report, audited accounts, and the annual budget, and shall ratify EC decisions.

4.b. GM may send EC decisions back to the EC for reconsideration. Such issues shall be placed in the EC and shall be brought back to the GM for the approval.

#### **VI. Funds:**

1. All the realisations from all sources shall forthwith be deposited in a Scheduled Bank. The Treasurer shall keep the Bank Pass Book in her/his custody and make deposits.

2. The Society may invest parts of its proceeds in a nationalized bank to augment its income.

#### **VIIA. Duties of Office bearers:**

**President:** The President is responsible for all activities, assets of the Society. S/He shall conduct LSI activities, take decisions, assign work to the members etc. S/he shall chair all the meetings of the Society.

**Vice-President:** The Vice-President has to act in support of the President in all the responsibilities and activities. S/He shall hold all the president's responsibilities in her/his absence.

##### **1. Chair of the Publications committee**

**-Advise and plan publications other than the Journal.**

**- -Advise/ monitor the quality issues of the Journal with respect to regular issues and on special Issues.**

**2. Plan and advise on academic activities to promote interests of Linguistics/ through free online programs as far as possible.**

**Secretary:** The Secretary shall perform various duties from time to time as advised by the president, report to the president, and be responsible for the following: (a) To conduct all correspondence, (b) to conduct all the meetings and to keep the minutes, (c) to conduct elections, (d) to keep charge of the Office, books, registers and website (e) to keep the register

of the members up-to-date, (f) to maintain the asset (g) to carry out all other activities as may from time to time be specified by the EC.

**Joint Secretaries:** The Joint Secretaries shall assist the Secretary in the performance of her/his duties. They are responsible for their respective offices.

**Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall be the financial officer of the Society and shall keep charge of all accounts of the income and expenditure. S/He shall prepare the annual budget in collaboration with the Secretary and place the accounts and the budget before the EC as soon as possible after the closing of the financial year.

**EC Members:** All EC members have to attend meeting, guide the office bearers in conducting the activities of the Society. They are responsible of all the activities.

#### **VII B. Function of the Sub-Committees:**

1. There shall be sub-committees for publications (including IL), finance, academic activities (including ICOLSI) and website.

All the committees shall consist of five members. The President or Vice-President or a President's nominee shall be the chairperson of the committees. Vice-president shall be given minimum two committees' responsibility at all the time. The EC shall decide about including experts from outside the EC in case of necessity.

1.1 Publication Committee: It shall include all three editors of IL, and VP as its Chairperson

1.2 Academic Committee: Planning and conducting various academic activities like workshops, special lectures etc. Vice President will be the Chairperson of the Committee.

1.3 Website Committee: It is necessary to review the functioning of the website. President will be Chairperson of the committee.

1.4 Finance Committee: It shall include secretary and treasurer.

2. There shall be quarterly progress report / report of the activities by the EC.

#### **VIII. Audits:**

The accounts of the Society shall be audited by an accountant. The Society shall appoint such auditor/s annually.

#### **IX. Amendment of Rules:**

Amendments for the LSI constitution shall be made as follows. Any EC or GB member shall propose necessary amendments, and these shall be discussed in EC and taken to GM if they receive the support of 2/3 of EC. The same shall be amended with the support of 2/3 of GM. The amended points shall be attached to the constitution, with serial number and date of amendment.

**XI. Dissolution:**

The Society may be dissolved by a special GM convened on the recommendation of the EC and support of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the members.

In the event of the Society dissolving itself, the Society shall specify appropriate recipients of the physical property and assets and liabilities remaining at the time of termination. It being understood that the recipients shall be other similar organization of non-profit character.

All suits and legal proceedings by or against the Society shall be in the name of the Secretary.