### **DRAFT ELECTION RULES & REGULATIONS (ERR)**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL ELECTION 2008**

Manipur Students' Association Delhi

## I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. Read carefully the ERR before filling up the forms.
- 2. MSAD Annual General Election 2008 will be held on Sunday, October 26, 2008 for the following executive posts:
  - President,
  - Vice-President,
  - General Secretary,
  - Organisation Secretary,
  - Finance Secretary,
  - Public Relations Secretary,
  - Academic & Magazine Secretary,
  - Games & Sports Secretary and
  - Cultural Secretary.
- 3. Students willing to contest election must obtain a complete set of nomination form. The nomination form has six pages. The first three pages are general layout of information & ERR. The following three pages contain three forms that a candidate (Form I) and his/ her proposer and seconder (Form II & III respectively) must duly fill up and submit to the Election Committee.
- 4. Last date for filing of nomination form and withdrawal of candidature is October 22, 2008.
- 5. Last date for registration of names to the voter list is October 22, 2008. Voter list will be webcasted on MSAD website (msad.manipur.com) from October 15 onwards. Cross checking of voters' identity and constituencies, insertion of new names, hearing of appeals by the students for insertion / deletion of names and updating of voter list are open for consideration for a period of seven days i.e., October 16 to October 22. Final voter list will be webcasted on October 23.
- 6. The Election Committee will conduct scrutiny of candidature on October 23, 2008 at the Open Air Theatre, Arts Faculty, University of Delhi (North Campus) at 4 p.m. A candidate must report for scrutiny along with his/ her proposer and seconder to the Election Committee by 4 p.m.
- 7. Oath taking ceremony of the MSAD executives for the 2008-2009 term will be held on Monday, October 27, 2008 at the Open Air Theatre, Arts Faculty, University of Delhi (North Campus) at 11 a.m.

# **II. SECURITY DEPOSIT**

- 8. A candidate must deposit in cash a sum of Rs. 500/- (five hundred) only as security deposit when submitting nomination form. Of this security money Rs. 300/- (three hundred) only is refundable for those candidates who lose in the election.
- 9. Security deposit of the candidates who failed to turn up for the scrutiny is not refundable.
- 10. A complete form costs Rs. 20/- (twenty) only.

### **III. Election Agent**

11. A candidate must send two election agents for every polling station and they must be present till end of counting of the votes.

12. Failure to send two agents will not give any validity of claims upon any violation of ERR during and after the election.

#### **IV. Discretion**

- 13. Polling officer of each polling station is the sole authority to decide upon any matter relating to ensuring strict and fair election.
- 14. The Election Committee will endeavour to declare election result within five hours after end of casting of votes.
- 15. Each candidate should submit a brochure of election expenditure to the Election Committee within five days after oath taking without fail. Failure to submit it will amount to violating the ERR and is liable for any candidate who holds any office to be terminated by a resolution of the Election Committee.
- 16. If any person or group is found guilty of violating the ERR, the person or the group should bear all expenses of election process and will be duly dealt in an immediate session of the Election Committee, which may consider termination of the candidature if there is any whom the person or the group factually and clearly support(s).

#### V. Poling

- 17. Polling will be conducted at the following three places; (1) CC Park, Jamia Islamia University,

  - (2) Kendriya Vidyalaya Primary School, Near Sabramati/ Tapti Hostel, JNU, and
  - (3) Arts Faculty, University of Delhi (North Campus).
- 18. Polling starts at 10.30 a.m. and closes at 3.30 p.m.

## **VI. Eligibility:**

- 19. Students pursuing a Post-Graduate Regular or Correspondence course in any of the Universities based in Delhi and recognized by the UGC or institutions in Delhi recognized by the Government of Delhi and who have stayed for a complete one year in Delhi are eligible to contest election for the post of the MSAD President.
- 20. Students pursuing at least a Graduate Regular or Correspondence course in any institutions or colleges affiliated to any of the Universities in Delhi recognized by the UGC are eligible to contest election for the post of Vice-President, General Secretary, Finance Secretary, Organisation Secretary, Public Relations Secretary, Academic & Magazine Secretary, Sports Secretary and Cultural Secretary.

#### **VII. Voting Rights:**

- 21. Voting right is exclusively restricted to Manipuri students in Delhi whose names are in the voters list of MSAD.
- 22. A voter can cast vote not more than once and only at the polling station of his/her constituency. A voter may either inquire in person or browse the MSAD website (http://www.msadmanipur.com) to confirm his/her name in the voters list and the constituency.
- 23. A voter must inform (either in person or through telephone / internet, i.e., msad.manipur@gmail.com) to the Election Committee, latest by 22 October, his/her name, address of the institution and the details of the course of study and the student identity card that he/she must produce at the time of verification by the poling officer. Verification of the identity card of a voter is mandatory for issuing a ballot paper against his/her name.
- 24. The student identity card mentioned above should bear the name of the institution and should be an identity card issued by the legitimate authority of the concerned institution. .
- 25. Last date for registration of names to the voters list is October 22, 2008.

- 26. Voter list will be webcasted on MSAD website (msad.manipur.com) from October 15 onwards. Cross checking of voters' identity and constituencies, insertion of new names, hearing of appeals by the voters and updating of voter list will be allowed for a period of seven days i.e., October 16 to October 22. Final voter list will be webcasted on October 23.
- 27. Students of Class X and below standards are not eligible to cast vote.

#### VIII. Proposer and Seconder:

- 28. A candidate must have at least a proposer and a seconder, who will be responsible for the overall conduct of the candidate during election and during his/ her official tenure if elected.
- 29. A proposer or a seconder must be a bonafide student in Delhi.
- 30. Both the proposer and seconder must be present for scrutiny. Their failure to present in person along with the candidate for scrutiny will be considered as violation of ERR by the concerned candidate and could amount to disqualification of the later from contesting election.

### **IX. Documents Required:**

- 31. A candidate and his/ her proposer/ seconder must attach the following documents while submitting the form.
- 32. Attested Photocopy of Valid Identity Card issued by concerned authority where he/ he is enrolled as student.
- 33. Bonafide Certificate issued by College or University.
- 34. Attested photocopy of High School Leaving Certificate
- 35. Attested photocopy of mark sheet of the last examination passed.

# X. Contact:

- 36. For information related to election please contact the Election Committee: Malem Ningthouja, Chairperson, 9899925345; Nongmaithem Manichandra, Returning Officer, 9350967057; Homen Thangjam, Member, 9810306549, Chongtham Gunamani, Member, 9717486104; Thongam Chinglenkhomba, Member, 9911415807; Moirangmayum Sanjoy, Member, 9911905759, Elangbam Amitkumar, Member, 9990753016 and; Salam Nelson, Member, 9911480802.
- 37. For registration of name(s) to the voters list, please write to: msad.manipur@gmail.com.

Dated/Delhi October 5, 2008.

Sd/-Malem Ningthouja, Chairperson, MSAD Election Committee.

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