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Dear Colleagues,

A few queries and suggestions regarding the existing national and state chapter constitution have been raised by the esteemed members of our association. We, from the AOMSI Constitution Review Committee, are putting forth four important amendments which can be discussed in the upcoming AGM on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at the 46<sup>th</sup> National Conference to be held at Indore.

### Suggested amendments for AOMSI Constitution:

**1. Post of President Elect existing in the constitution:** The President Elect of the association will be elected from among the annual/ life member of the association and should have been a member in good standing for preceding ten years and a member of the executive committee for atleast 4 years with above 50% attendance at its meetings.

**Suggested amendment:** The President Elect of the association will be elected from among the annual/ life member of the association and should have been a member in good standing for preceding ten years and a member of the executive committee for atleast 4 years with above 50% attendance at its meetings and should have also held one of the higher positions of the association such as Vice President, Hon. General Secretary, Treasurer or Editor.

**Rationale:** The post of the President is the highest position in our association. The President Elect in addition to being an executive committee member should have had the experience of serving our esteemed association with a higher post like Vice President, Hon. General Secretary, Treasurer or Editor. This prior experience of serving our association will enable him/her understand the working of the Office and manage the nuances of the Office effectively and efficiently.

**2. Introducing the post of Joint Treasurer to our EC:** The Joint Treasurer of the association:

A) Will be elected from among the annual/ life members of the association and should have been a member in good standing for five preceding years and a member of the executive committee for 2 years with above 50% attendance at its meetings.

B) Shall help and assist the treasurer during the tenure of the office and will act in the absence of the treasurer.



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C) The tenure of the post will be for two years and shall not hold the post for more than one term.

**Rationale:** The financial transactions of the association includes national, state chapters and various other activities such as conferences, masterclass, fellowship program, webinars etc. With the plethora of financial transactions, a single PAN card and rigid policies of Government of India in terms of filing monthly GST and taxations, it is pertinent that a new post of Joint Treasurer be created. This will enable the Office function smoothly and effectively.

### 3. **Modification in State Chapter Constitution: Representation to National EC**

Existing Policy: The State branches shall elect their representative to the national EC at their AGM in the following scale:

A) One member from amongst the members of the state for every 100 members in the strata and an additional member for every 100 more or part thereof.

B) The election of the representatives to National EC shall take place at the AGM of the state branch and the results shall be communicated to HO within a week of the election.

C) The elected representatives shall hold office till the completion of their tenure of office or the National AGM whichever is later and thereafter shall automatically cease to be representatives to the National EC. The new representative will then continue till the next election or the next national AGM, whichever is later.

**Suggested amendment:** The State branches shall elect their representative to the national EC at their AGM in the following scale:

A) **Only one member** from amongst the member of the state/ regional chapter to be representative to the National EC.

B) The election of the representatives to National EC shall take place at the AGM of the state branch and the results shall be communicated to HO within a week of the election.

C) The elected representatives shall hold office till the completion of their tenure of office or the National AGM whichever is later and thereafter shall automatically cease to be representatives to the National EC. The new representative will then continue till the next election or the next national AGM, whichever is later.

**Rationale:** There exists a disparity in number of members in State/ Regional Chapters. To provide equal representation to all the state/ regional chapters, this amendment has been proposed. For instance, as per the existing constitution, if a state chapter has around 800 members, it implies that 8 members will be representing to the national EC. While a chapter with 40 members will have no





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representation. This amendment will ensure equal participation and representation.

#### **4. Tenure of Hon. State Secretary, State Treasurer and State Editor to be increased from existing three years to four years.**

Existing Policy: One President - One term of one year One President Elect - One term of one year One Vice-President - One term of one year One Honorary State Secretary – One term of three years One Honorary Joint Secretary – One term of one year One Honorary Treasurer – One term of three years One Editor of the Journal – One term of three years One representative to the National AOMSI- One term of one year

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**Rationale:** This amendment intends to bring uniformity in the tenures of the positions held at the National HO and State Chapters. The four year term will ensure that the functioning between the National HO and State Chapter is smoother and effective.

Kindly review these four amendments in the national and state chapter constitution for ratification at the AGM on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 to be held at Indore during the 46<sup>th</sup> National Conference.

Jai Hind

Yours faithfully,

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**President AOMSI**



**Dr. S Girish Rao**  
**Hon. Gen. Secretary, AOMSI**