

**BYLAWS OF  
THE INDIAN THERMODYNAMICS SOCIETY**

**Registered under the Society's Registration Act XXI of 1860**

**PURPOSE**

We, the members hereof, associate ourselves for these purposes: to promote and encourage the growth and development of the science of Thermodynamics and those scientific disciplines ancillary thereto; to organize and participate in professional meetings of scientists; to report, discuss and exchange information and viewpoints in the field of thermodynamics; and to provide liaison with foreign thermodynamic societies, with the International Congress on Thermodynamics, and with other scientific organizations and individuals, no pecuniary gain or profit to members, incidental or otherwise, being contemplated.

**ARTICLE I**

**Name**

*Section 1:* The name of this Society shall be THE INDIAN THERMODYNAMICS SOCIETY.

*Section 2:* ADDRESS - Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar 143005, India.

**ARTICLE II**

**Membership**

**The society shall consist of Ordinary, Life and Honorary members. The society may invite an eminent foreign scientist and can elect him/her to honorary membership of the society in recognition of his/her services to the society OR his/her eminence as a scientist in Energetic /Bioenergetics & allied fields.**

*Section 1: Eligibility:-*Any person associated, directly or indirectly with the fields of endeavour referred to in the purpose of clause of these Bylaws, shall be eligible for membership.

**FEE**

**Ordinary membership fee per year is Rs 500/- and Life membership fee is Rs 3000/-. An Ordinary member can compound maximum three consecutive year subscription to become Life member. For example an ordinary member may become a life member in the subsequent year by paying Rs 2500/- , Rs2000/- or Rs1500/- after one, two or three year's of ordinary membership respectively.**

**Industry or Corporate Membership**

**Industry/ corporate can have only ordinary membership.**

**The fee for Industry/ corporate will be ten times (for one representative) the ordinary membership fee for academicians.**

**They can participate in discussion and will not be entitled to contest election of any kind in the society.**

### **ARTICLE III Privileges of Members**

*Section 1:* All members shall be entitled to be present at, take part in the proceedings of and vote at all **General Body** meetings of the Society.

### **ARTICLE IV Dues, Finances and Compensation**

*Section 1:* Membership fees shall be paid in such amounts and for such periods as shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

*Section 2:* The fiscal year of the Society shall be from January 1st of each year to December 31st of that year.

*Section 3:* No compensation shall be paid to any officers for their services rendered to the Society in such capacities; provided, however, that this shall not preclude such officers from being reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the conduct of their activities in such capacities, at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

### **ARTICLE V Location**

*Section 1:* The registered office of the Society shall be located within the campus of Guru Nanak Dev University; Amritsar in the State of Punjab or at such place as shall be determined by the Executive Committee. If membership at a particular station exceeds - ten, they may be allowed to have a local chapter with the permission of the executive committee of the society to promote the objectives of the society.

### **ARTICLE VI Executive Committee**

**The affairs of the society shall be governed by an executive committee**

*Section 1:* The executive committee of the Society shall consist of a President, Sr. Vice-President-1, Vice-Presidents-2, Secretary, Joint Secretary Treasurer and ten ordinary members elected by the Society membership at large. **In general body meeting Seventeen Executive members will be elected. These members will elect the office bearer's President, Sr. Vice-President-1, Vice-Presidents-2, Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer.**

*Section 2:* No one person shall be entitled to hold two offices simultaneously.

*Section 3:* Only **Life members** of the Society shall be eligible for election to office.

## **ARTICLE VII Duties of Officers**

*Section 1:* The President shall be the: Chief Executive Officer of the Society and shall preside at all meetings of the membership and/or the Executive Committee; he shall call all meetings of the Executive Committee; he shall have general and active management of the business of the Society and shall, either directly or by delegation, see that all orders and resolutions of the Executive Committee and that all the duties of the officers are properly performed; he shall submit interim reports of the operation of the society to the membership as and when meetings of the membership shall be held and to the Executive Committee at their various meetings as hereinafter provided; he shall appoint all committees except as herein otherwise provided, and he shall be an ex-officio member of all committees so appointed; he may delegate the performance of any of the foregoing; he shall execute any and all contracts and other documents on behalf of the Society pursuant to authority delegated to him for such purposes by resolution duly adopted by the Executive Committee, and he shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee from time to time.

*Section 2:* The Sr. Vice-President or Vice-Presidents shall perform all duties of the office of President in the latter's absence, incapacity or arbitrary refusal to act, and when so acting, shall have all powers of and be subject to all restrictions upon the office of President. Further, he shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee or by the President, from time to time.

*Section 3:* The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Executive Committee and of the membership and shall perform the following various duties: he shall maintain a list of the membership and their addresses: he shall record minutes of all meetings in a book to be maintained for that purpose and, when required, shall perform a similar service for all standing committees; he shall send to the Executive Committee and/or to the membership all notices as to the business of the Society and as to the time, date and place of all meetings to be held of the Executive Committee and or of the membership, respectively; he shall engage in, and maintain records of all correspondence as required by the business of the Society; he shall be the custodian of the corporate seal and of all books and records of the Society, except as herein otherwise provided; he shall affix the corporate seal as necessary, on behalf of the Society pursuant to authority delegated to him for such purposes by resolution duly adopted by the Executive Committee; and he shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee or by the President, from time to time.

*Section 4:* The Joint Secretary shall perform all duties of the office of the Secretary in the latter's absence, incapacity or arbitrary refusal to act; his duties shall be performed by a Joint Secretary.

*Section 5:* The Treasurer shall be custodian of all funds as well as all financial books and records of the Society and shall deposit all such funds in the name of the Society in such depository or depositories as shall be designated by the Executive Committee; he shall collect and receive all fees, contributions and grants paid to the Society; he shall pay all vouchers and obligations pursuant to authority, duly granted to him by the President and Secretary or by resolution of the Executive Committee; he shall prepare and submit complete and accurate interim financial reports of the finance of the Society as and when meetings may be held, as well as to the Executive Committee at any time upon request there from, and he shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee or by the President, from time to time.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Bonds**

*Section 1:* The Executive Committee may require any of the officers to be bonded at such times and for such amounts, as it shall deem necessary.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Duties and Powers of the Executive Committee**

*Section 1:* The property and business of the Society shall be managed by the Executive Committee.

*Section 2:* In addition to the general powers of the Executive Committee existing by virtue of their office, the powers and authority given by law, by the terms of the Charter of the Society and elsewhere in these Bylaws, the following specific powers are expressly conferred on the Executive Committee. To appoint and/or remove any and all agents, servants or employees of the Society, other than the members of the Executive Committee and the Officers, and to determine their duties and salaries as well as to delegate such powers to an office of the Society; to authorise the negotiating and executing of all contracts, documents and instruments appropriate for the proper operation of the Society; to delegate any powers of the Executive Committee to any committee of executive members, not less than two (2) in number, for so long and under such terms as the executive may determine; to establish policies of the Society and to direct the execution of the same, pursuant to the purpose of the Society; and generally to do all lawful acts and things as are not herein otherwise delegated or directed to be done by the membership or officers of the Society.

*Section 3:* The Executive Committee may raise from all sources, funds and resources in all forms, from time to time, for the efficient functioning and development of the Society.

**ARTICLE X**  
**Meetings of the Executive Committee**

*Section 1:* The Executive Committees shall meet at least annually at the call of the President. In addition, the Executive Committee shall meet intermittently at such times and places as may be set by resolution duly adopted at duly convened meetings of the Executive Committee.

*Section 2:* Special meetings of the Executive Committee shall be called by the President and/or the Secretary as and when they or either of them shall deem it necessary, or upon the signed written request of any three (3) members of the Executive Committee, the times and places of such special meetings to be determined by the officer calling the same.

*Section 3:* The Secretary shall send to each member of the Executive Committee, at least one (1) week's prior written notice of any special meeting and at least (5) days prior written notice of any annual or intermittent meeting.

*Section 4:* The provisions of this ARTICLE may be amended at any regular duly convened meeting by a majority vote of the members of the Executive Committee present.

*Section 5:* In case of urgency and in all cases in which such procedure is prescribed by the Executive Committee, the items of business may be disposed off by circulation of papers to the members of the Executive Committee. Where even a single member expresses a dissenting opinion on any item circulated, such item shall be brought up before the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

*Section 6:* In emergency the President may act by recording the reason in writing and reporting in the next meeting of the executive.

**ARTICLE XI**  
General Body Meeting

*Section 1:* Annual general body shall be held usually **at the venue of the annual conference** at such time and place as shall be determined by the Executive Committee, **where an audited statement of account by the Treasurer and an annual report by the Secretary are to be submitted.**

*Section 2:* Notices of the meetings of the membership in general shall be given to each member at least **Fifteen (15)** days in advance of the date of such meeting, provided that the payment of such member's membership fee is not then in default.

**Section 3: The quorum for the General Body Meeting will require the presence of at least 20 life members.**

**If the General Body Meeting could not be held for want of quorum special General Body Meeting may be called with due notice. No quorum will be necessary for such special meeting**

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **Notices**

*Section 1:* Notices of all meetings of the membership and of the Executive Committee shall be mailed/e-mailed to each member of the Society or of the Executive Committee, addressed to such members' latest addresses, as recorded in the books of the Society.

*Section 2:* Attendance by a member or by an Executive Committee at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where attendance at such meeting is for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of business because said meeting was allegedly not lawfully or duly called or convened, and where such objection is made immediately following the convening of such meeting.

*Section 3:* Any notice may be waived in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled thereto, either before or after the time and date stated therein, and such waiver shall be entered into the Minutes of the meeting held pursuant to such waiver of notice.

*Section 4:* Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of any membership meeting, or any annual or intermittent meeting of the Executive Committee, need be stated in any notice or waiver of notice of such meeting unless otherwise specifically required by law or by these Bylaws. Notice of any special meeting of the Executive Committee shall contain the purpose of, and a brief description of the business to be transacted by such meeting.

## **ARTICLE XIII**

### **Nominations, Elections and Terms of Office**

*Section 1:* The members of the Executive Committee to be elected by the membership at large shall be elected from a slate of not less than ten (10) nominees selected by a Nominating Committee. Such slate may be augmented by further nominations as may be suggested by members, in writing, to the Nominating Committee at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting at which such election is to take place. Election shall be by plurality vote.

*Section 2:* The officers shall be nominated and elected by the Executive Committee at a meeting of such Executive Committee convened immediately after the election of such Executive Committee, as herein above provided. Until his successor is chosen, the immediately preceding Persistent, shall act Chairman of such meeting.

***Section 3:*** The term of office for all office bearers and members of the Executive Committee shall be two (2) years. The office bearers and executive members can function in continuation only for two consecutive terms.

**The President in consultation with the office bearer's will appoint a select committee for suggesting names for executive committee after every two year. The suggested names will be displayed for suggestions (if any) and approval of the general body meeting.**

All officers and members of the Executive Committees shall continue in their respective capacities until their successors are elected.

*Section 4:* Any vacancies in the Executive Committees or among the officers, arising by reason of death or resignation, shall be filled for the unexpired term by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee present and voting at the first meeting held after such death or resignation.

*Section 5:* Election of officers and of members of the Executive Committee shall be by closed, written ballot, whether submitted at a meeting or by mail.

*Section 6:* Any member who shall have paid his dues shall be eligible to hold office in the Society, whether as an officer or as a member of the Executive Committee and shall be entitled to vote for any such office.

#### **ARTICLE XIV**

##### **Quorum**

*Section 1:* A specific quorum for the purpose of holding a meeting of the general body shall consist of such members as shall be in attendance at the time and place when such meeting is to convene.

*Section 2:* A quorum for the purpose of holding any meeting of the Executive Committee shall consist of a majority of all of the members of the Executive Committee, exclusive of any member who may have resigned or died. If a quorum is unavailable for any meeting of the Executive Committee, that meeting shall be adjourned to a new time and place, due notice of which shall be given to the members of the Executive Committee, in which event a quorum, for purpose of the said adjourned meeting, shall consist of such members of the Executive Committee as shall be in attendance at the time and place when such adjourned meeting is to convene.

#### **ARTICLE XV**

##### **Voting**

*Section 1:* All matters to be voted upon by the general body meeting, other than election to the Executive Committee, shall be determined by majority vote of the members voting.

*Section 2:* All matters to be voted upon by the Executive Committee, other than election to office, shall be determined by majority vote of the Executive Committee voting. The President will have a casting vote in case of a tie.

*Section 3:* Each member of the Executive Committee shall be entitled to one (1) vote in such capacity, and each member of the Society shall be entitled to one (1) vote in such capacity.

*Section 4:* Mail/e-mail balloting at general body meeting shall be permitted, provided that such mail ballot is signed by the member entitled to cast such vote. If the matter being voted upon is to be the subject of a, general body meeting such mail ballot shall be valid only if received not later than the convening of such meeting. If the matter being voted upon is the subject of a general body meeting only, such mail ballot shall be valid only if received not later than the date specified for such purpose in the material promulgating to the membership the subject to be voted upon.

## **ARTICLE XVI**

### **Inspection of Books, Accounts and Records**

**Section 1: The funds of the society shall be deposited in a bank account in the name of the Society and shall be operated jointly by the Treasurer and either by President or the Secretary of the society.**

*Section 2:* The books of accounts and records of the Society shall be open for inspection at any time by any officer or member of the Executive Committee.

*Section 3:* The books, accounts and records of the Society shall be open for inspection by any member of the Society at such reasonable times and places as may be designated by resolution duly adopted by the Executive Committee; provided, however, that the Executive Committee shall designate a time and place for the examination of such books, accounts and records by the membership immediately prior to, during, or immediately following any membership meeting which may be held.

*Section 4:* The Executive committee will appoint the Auditor who will audit the accounts.

## **ARTICLE XVII**

### **Committees**

*Section 1:* The President shall appoint the Nominating Committee provided for in these Bylaws.

*Section 2:* In addition to such committees as the President may appoint pursuant to these Bylaws, the Executive Committee may establish and appoint, from time to time, such additional standing and/or special committees as it may deem appropriate.

## **ARTICLE XVIII**

### **Corporate Seal**



*Section 1:* The Society shall have a corporate seal upon which shall be inscribed the name of the Society.

**ARTICLE XIX**  
**Amendments to Bylaws**

*Section 1:* These Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the members voting either (a) in person or by mail ballot received at a duly convened general body meeting of the Society, or (b) by mail ballot circulated at the instance of the Executive Committee, provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall be contained in the notice of such duly convened meeting or in such mail ballot so circulated.

**ARTICLE XX**  
**Adoption of Bylaws**

*Section 1:* These bylaws shall be adopted by a majority vote of the general membership as herein provided, and shall become effective immediately thereafter.

**ARTICLE XXI**  
**Procedural Requirements**

*Section 1:* All meetings of the Executive Committee and all meetings of general body of the Society shall be conducted pursuant to these Bylaws, and to any additional rules adopted by such meetings not inconsistent with either of the foregoing. For all things not specifically provided for in these Rules and Regulations the provisions of the Societies' Act 1860 will apply.

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