

**MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION AND RULES OF THE
KARNATAKA STATE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**

PREAMBLE

It has been decided that the existing Constitution of the Karnataka State Hockey Association has to be replaced with the en-bloc revised one in view of the following:

- 1. Majority of the Rules in the existing constitution of the Association have become redundant.*
- 2. Due to the changed hockey functioning / administration / management scenario both at the national and state levels, it is mandatory that the Karnataka State Hockey Association and Karnataka State Women's Hockey Association becomes one unified State Hockey Association by amalgamation. The women's state hockey body – KSWHA have unanimously decided to amalgamate with the men's state hockey body – KSHA. Consequent upon the amalgamation, the affiliated hockey playing member clubs and the life members of KSWHA shall have to be admitted as Members of KSHA with all equal rights and privileges and shall also be taken into consideration their serving in various capacities and tenure of office as this is required in order to enable / qualify them to hold office bearers positions in the amalgamated body - . Karnataka State Hockey Association.*
- 3. Consequent upon the decision to become a unified state hockey association in Karnataka and also to comply with the requirements of the National Hockey Body for providing reservation to the female gender in the composition of the Executive Council as well as other committees, it has been positively considered for such accommodation by the Constitution Committee.*
- 4. It has been decided to make several additions as improvements to the Rules of the Association and to be consistent with the Rules of Olympic and other Sports Associations.*
- 5. While making the en-bloc revised Memorandum of Association and Rules of the Association, adequate precautionary measures have been taken to ensure that the rights of the membership are retained and safeguarded especially in the matters relating to voting and place / positions in the composition of the Executive Council in the larger interest of the game of hockey in particular and Association in general.*
- 6. Adoption of new constitution will enable the unified state hockey association to apply for an affiliation with the national hockey body. Since the newly constituted body has the recognition both from International Hockey Federation – FIH and Union Sports Ministry, all*

the state hockey associations has no other option but to seek affiliation with National Sports Federation - Hockey and obtaining affiliation will ensure the participation of the Karnataka State hockey players in the national and international hockey events and also will enable to have State Association's representation in the national body.

7. **The Amendment Committee constituted for carrying out en-bloc amendments consisted of both Men (KSHA) and Women (KSWHA) State Hockey Bodies which after several sittings had arrived with finality of carrying out en-bloc amendments and the same were subsequently placed in two Special General Body Meetings and got them approved and confirmed as per the Karnataka Societies Registration Act, 1960.**
 8. It is also mentioned here that the Women's State Hockey Association have too approved the amendments totally as the decision for carrying out amendments were decided jointly by both KSHA and KSWHA. It may also be indicated that the amendments were required to be finalized prior to formal amalgamation took place was one of the pre-condition of the Karnataka State Women's Hockey Association. In order to comply with the same and also to repose confidence, protection and acceptance to the amalgamation seeking body – KSWHA, it was decided to carry out necessary amendments simultaneously along with amalgamation process. **We reiterate that the amendments proposed have the UNANIMOUS concurrence and approval of both KSHA and KSWHA. In view of this joint decision, we solicit according approval of amendments together with the amalgamation itself.**
 9. **Election to the unified / amalgamated state hockey body is due in the month of September 2012 and therefore, it is imperative that the amendments proposed be approved by end July 2012 so as to proceed ahead with election of the new executive council and start functioning as one single hockey body in the Karnataka State as also to duly inform the same to the National Sports Federation – Hockey.**
 10. **In view of sufficient explanation elaborated herein, Office of the Karnataka Societies Registration is requested to approve both Amalgamation and Amendments together and thereby help us functioning as amalgamated hockey body in Karnataka effective from September 2012 onwards.**
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**MEMORANDUM OF THE KARNATAKA STATE HOCKEY
ASSOCIATION**

1. Name : *The name of the Association shall be “ THE KARNATAKA STATE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION”.*

2. HEADQUARTERS : *The office of the Association shall be situated in the City of Bangalore.*

3. AREA : *The jurisdiction of the Association shall extend over the whole of the State of Karnataka. If at any period of time, there arises reorganization in the territorial jurisdiction of the Karnataka by a Government gazette notification or Hockey India specifically directs such other additional jurisdictional area to be included other than Karnataka, in such an event the same shall become automatically included and consequently be reported to the next general meeting of the Association.*

4. OBJECTS: *The objects of the Association shall be as hereunder:*

- (a) *The object of the Association shall be to encourage, promote, govern and develop the game of hockey in the Karnataka State and such other territories as that may be assigned to the Association by the Unified National Hockey Body.*
- (b) *To organize, regulate, help, authorize and control all tournaments and exhibition games within its jurisdiction.*
- (c) *The Association shall authorize the formation of District Hockey Associations to encourage, promote, govern, and develop the game in such territories as may be assigned to them.*
- (d) *To create, foster, maintain friendly and cordial relationship through sports tournaments and competitions connected therewith and to create a healthy spirit in the country through the medium of sports in general and hockey in particular.*
- (e) *To promote social and cultural activities, to create facilities for playing indoor and outdoor games within its own hockey stadium premises, to provide staying accommodation, to run restaurant etc., as privileges for the members, their dependents and guests of the Association.*
- (f) *To arrange, supervise and regulate visits of teams.*
- (g) *To select teams to represent the Association in any tournament and championship in local and other centres.*

- (h) *To instill the spirit of sportsmanship in deserving hockey players and to develop a good standard as also ideal of hockey amongst the young players and members of the affiliated hockey playing units.*
- (i) *To be the official organization and complete and sole charge of all matters concerned with the game of hockey in Karnataka.*
- (j) *To seek affiliation and maintain affiliation with Karnataka Olympic Association, National Hockey Body, and any other such Sports Associations having similar aims and objects.*
- (k) *To seek assistance from the State / Central Governments for furthering the cause of the game and also towards providing infrastructure, support and development.*
- (l) *With a view to accomplish the objects:*
 - i) *To arrange and manage among various other things league and / or any other tournaments.*
 - ii) *To control, regulate and manage all domestic tournaments and matches in Karnataka and regulate and manage International events when allotted to Karnataka.*
 - iii) *To start and maintain a journal devoted to sports in general and hockey in particular.*
 - iv) *To maintain a library of books, periodicals and other literature on sports in general and hockey in particular.*
 - v) *To make provision for coaching the deserving persons in various departments of the game.*
 - vi) *To engage person or any competent persons or administrators and to pay remuneration or honorarium to them.*
 - vii) *To start or sponsor and /or to subscribe to any fund for the benefit of hockey players and their families.*
 - viii) *To collect and spend funds for the purpose of the Association and to utilize such funds for hockey activities and over all development in such manner as the Executive Council of the Association may consider desirable for the fulfillment of the objects of the Association. Any single capital work where expenditure is estimated to cost more than Rs. 10 lakhs with the margin of 10% escalation, such funds shall be expended only after the approval of either of the general or special meeting of the Association.*

- ix) *To do all such other acts, deeds and things as are incidental to or as the Association may deem conducive to the attainment of the objects specified above.*

RULES OF THE KARNATAKA STATE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

1.NAME : *The Association shall be called “ The Karnataka State Hockey Association”.*

2. DEFINITIONS:

- I) *“The Association” shall mean “ the erstwhile Karnataka State Women’s Hockey Association since amalgamated with Karnataka State Hockey Association and hereinafter called for all purpose only as the Karnataka State Hockey Association. ”.*
- II) *“KSHA “ shall mean The Karnataka State Hockey Association.*
- III) *“ HI / IHF “ shall mean Hockey India / Indian Hockey Federation, a national hockey body managing the hockey affairs of both men and women in the country.*
- IV) *“Member” means a Life Member.*
- V) *“Member Club” means and includes all the affiliated hockey playing units of the Karnataka State Hockey Association – Institutional / Private Clubs and District Associations and hereinafter called as Member Club wherever applicable.*
- VI) *“Institution Clubs” means a School, College, University, Factory, Government Department, Public Sector Units, Multinational Companies, Companies, Military Units etc., having hockey playing team for bonafide members/staff/students on its rolls.*
- VII) *“Private Clubs” means other than the Institutional clubs having an hockey playing team from among its group of individuals.*

- VIII) *“District Association” means a District Association, which promotes and develops the game of hockey in its territories and is constituted under the authority of the Association.*
- IX) *“ Associate” means individuals enrolled only for availing of the club house privileges / facilities and not to be treated as Member of the Association..*
- X) *“Meeting” shall mean the Executive Council Meeting and Annual General / Special General Meeting.*
- XI) *“Rules” shall mean the rules, regulations and the Byelaws of the Association for the time being in force.*
- XII) *“Bye-Laws” means the bye-laws made by the Association in accordance with the provisions of the Rules and included all amendments, alterations and re-enactments.*
- XIII) *“Financial Year” shall mean the year commencing from the 1st of April to the 31st of March, following.*
- XIV) *“Sub-Committee” shall mean and include persons out of the Executive Council Members constituted for an ad-hoc purpose under the authority of the Executive Council.*
- XV) *“Month” shall mean a calendar month.*
- XVI) *“Executive Council” means a body consisting of President, Senior Vice Presidents, Vice Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Joint Secretaries, Honorary Treasurer and Members elected to be in the Council.*
- XVII) *“Office Bearers” shall mean and include the President, Senior Vice Presidents, Vice Presidents, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Joint Secretaries and the Honorary Treasurer.*

- XVIII) *“Council” means the Executive Council of the Association.*
- XIX) *“Club” means the hockey club, which provides recreational, social, cultural, indoor games, restaurant and such other facilities to its members, their dependents and guests.*
- XX) *“Event” means a hockey match, tournament, or competition approved and/or controlled by HI / KSHA.*
- XXI) *“Hockey Season” means the hockey events commencing from 1st April to 31st March, following.*

3. REGISTERED OFFICE:

The registered office of the Association shall be located at – KSHA Hockey Stadium premises, Rhenius Street, Langford Town, Bangalore 560 025.

4.ASSOCIATION:

The Association shall consist of Affiliated Hockey Playing Units – Institutional / Private Clubs and District Associations called as “Member Club”, Hon. Life Members, Hon. Members, Corporate Donors, Individual Donor, Patrons and Associates such as Individuals, Organizations, Clubs, Gymkhanas, Associations, Institutions, or Body interested in playing hockey and or promoting the game of hockey subject to the privileges hereinafter mentioned.

5. PATRONS:

The Council shall have the power to invite person or persons who is / are eminent in the field of sports and also such individuals who have excelled themselves and earned recognition in varied other Academic, Social and Cultural fields as Patrons of the Association.

6.MEMBERS:

Members of the Association are - 1. Member Clubs and 2. Life Members. Only these two categories are full fledged Members of the Karnataka State Hockey Association and they are entitled to

attend, contest and vote at the general or special meetings of the Association.

- i) *Member Club: All the affiliated hockey playing units – Institutional / Private Clubs and District Associations of the Karnataka State Hockey Association.*
- ii) *Life Members: These are the Members who have enrolled themselves as Life Members of the Association in order to encourage and promote the game of hockey in the State of Karnataka. This membership is made available only to the sports persons and the associates of the Association subject to the ceiling fixed.*

6.A) CEILING ON NUMBER OF LIFE MEMBERS:

The ceiling limit in respect of Life Members shall be - 1000

7. HON.MEMBERS :

The Council may admit any distinguished person/s who has/have taken keen interest in the game of hockey or who has/have rendered service to the Association or likely to take interest in the development of the Association as a whole as a Honorary Member for such period as the Council may deem expedient. Hon. Members are not eligible to attend, contest and vote in the general or special meetings of the Association.

8. ASSOCIATES :

Any individual who is interested in availing of the Club House facilities of the Association may be taken as "Associate" by the Executive Council on a payment of prescribed fee fixed by the Executive council from time to time. Associates are not members of the Association and they are admitted as Associates only to avail of the facilities and privileges that are provided in the Club house. Associates are not entitled to attend, contest and vote at the general or special meeting of the Association. Being eligible to avail of the privileges of the Club House, the Associates are entitled to vote and contest to the specified posts of the Club House Committee, which is constituted by the election every two years.

8.A). CEILING ON THE NUMBER OF ASSOCIATES:

The ceiling limit in respect of Associates category shall be – 2000

8.B) CORPORATE DONORS :

Corporate Donors who are interested in the game of hockey and Association as a whole may be admitted as Corporate Donors on a payment of a prescribed fee fixed of the Association. Corporate Donors are not members of the Association and they are only entitled to avail of the facilities and privileges of the club house and they shall not be invited for any meetings of the Association.

8.C) INDIVIDUAL DONOR

Individual Donor who is interested in the game of hockey and Association as a whole may be admitted as Individual Donor on payment of a prescribed fee fixed by the Association. Individual Donor is not a member of the Association. Individual Donor is entitled to avail of the facilities and privileges of the club house and shall not be invited to attend any of the meetings of the Association.

9. ADMISSION:

To seek admission as Life Members, Associates, Corporate Donors, and Individual Donor request shall be made in the prescribed application form to the Hon. Secretary accompanied by the admission fee.

The application for the Associates, Corporate Donors and Individual Donor shall duly be proposed either by the Life Members or the Associates as per the rules framed from time to time by the Executive Council. Applicants will be subjected to interview by a sub-committee constituted by the Executive Council for the purpose. Admission or otherwise will be the prerogative of the Sub-Committee. Applicants admission may be rejected by the Sub-Committee without assigning any reasons thereof. An applicant whose admission stands rejected shall not be eligible for admission to the category applied for until after the expiry of a period of six months from the date of rejection.

Sports Persons and Associates admission as Life Members shall be in accordance with the rules framed from time to time by the Executive Council.

Applications received for admission to the various categories may be placed under the waiting list if no vacancy exists at the time of application made by the individuals. As against the availability of the

vacancy from to time, the waitlisted applications may be taken up for admission adhering to the seniority of waiting. Once, an applicant is admitted to the Association, the admission fee is non-refundable.

10. AFFILIATION FEE AND ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION OF THE MEMBER CLUB.

i) The affiliation fee for an Institutional hockey club seeking affiliation with the Association is Rs. 50,000/- and after the grant of affiliation, such Institutional Club shall pay Rs.2,000/- as annual subscription every year.

ii) The affiliation fee for a Private hockey club seeking affiliation with the Association is Rs.20,000/- and after the grant of affiliation, such Private Club shall pay Rs.500/- as annual subscription every year.

iii) The affiliation fee for a District Association seeking affiliation with the Association is Rs.15,000/- and after the grant of affiliation, such District Association shall pay Rs.500/- as annual subscription.

11. PRIVILEGES:

- i) Such distinguished person or persons conferred with the status of patrons of the Association shall be invited for witnessing important hockey events conducted by the Association and also enjoy the privileges of the club house facilities. They are exempted from paying monthly subscriptions and other fees / taxes if any. Patrons will not be invited to attend any meetings of the Association.*
- ii) Any individual who is above the age of 21 years and who is interested / associated with the game of hockey may be taken as a Life Member of the Association as against a payment of Rs.30,000/- and the admission of life Member is subject to the approval of the Executive Council and the ceiling limit fixed.*
- iii) Life Members shall be eligible for all the privileges of the Association including the right of attending, contesting and voting at all the General or Special Meetings as per the Rules of the Association.*
- iv) Life Members are members of the Karnataka State Hockey Association. They shall ordinarily be entitled for free admission to all the matches conducted by the Association.*

Such of the Life Members who have not opted for the club house privileges till date may be allowed to avail of the privileges subject to a payment of Rs. 30,000/-. All the Life Members who have club house attachment are eligible for such recreational facilities as may be provided under such terms and conditions prescribed from time to time.

- v) *Hockey Olympians and also the Olympians of other disciplines are eligible for admission as Life Members against a payment of Rs. 30,000/-. Admission of this category of elite sports persons shall not count for the ceiling limit under Rule 6.A.*
- vi) *Hockey players who have represented the Karnataka State in the National Championships / Premier Hockey League / at least three All India grade I Hockey Tournaments and National / International Hockey Umpires will become eligible for admission as Life Members. Hockey players who have donned the Country's colour in any of the recognized International Hockey Events and International Sports Persons of other disciplines who have taken part as a member of the Indian squad in any of the recognized events may also be admitted as Life Members against a payment of Rs.30,000/-. Executive Council also has the right to reject the admission of such sport persons under this category without assigning any reasons thereof.*
- vii) *"Member Club" - affiliated playing hockey unit Institutional / Private Clubs and District Association shall have the right of attending all the General or Special Meetings of the Association. They have the right to contest and vote in the general meeting for a specified category of posts as provided under the Rules 18 and 20. Each affiliated Member Club shall have the right to depute two representatives to attend the General or Special Meetings but shall have the right of only one vote in the General or Special Meetings on behalf of the Member Club concerned. Name of the contesting and voting representative of the Member club shall have to be submitted to the Hon. Secretary at least a fortnight prior to the date of such meeting. Every affiliated Member Club is also eligible for the club house privileges against a payment of Rs.30,000/- and if such facility is taken by the Member Club, the name of the representative on whose name the Identity card is to be issued has to be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary. The Executive Council shall determine the right of use and*

the nomination of the Member Club representative if there arises a dispute from within the office bearers of the Member Club concerned.

- viii) The Association shall strive to form District Associations all over its jurisdiction. To consider for an affiliation of District Association with the Karnataka State Hockey Association, there shall be at least six bonafide hockey playing units in each individual District. District Association shall comply with the Rules and Byelaws of the State Association. In such Districts where Association of its own cannot be formed owing to the limited number of individual teams, in order to encourage and promote the game of hockey, these individual teams from various districts in Karnataka are permitted to take direct admission as Member Club with the State Association by paying the fee prescribed under Rule 10 and such admitted Member Club shall have all the privileges of other affiliated hockey playing units of the Association including the rights of attending, contesting, voting and holding the office in the Executive council. If at any time, six or more individual hockey teams are formed and desiring to take affiliation as a District Association with the State Association, save Bangalore Urban District, the same shall be considered and in such a event, the individual hockey playing units who have already taken up direct affiliation shall automatically cease to be a Member Club of the State Association.*
- ix) The Associates shall only be eligible for such rights and privileges as specified by the Executive Council from time to time and they shall not be eligible to attend, contest or vote at the General or Special meetings of the Association. However, the Associates are eligible to contest and vote to get elected for the specified posts to the Club House Committee for which the election will be held every two years. Associates are eligible to seek for a transfer to the Life Member category as and when the vacancy exists for a specified number and as decided by the Executive Council from time to time. Such admission will take place only after payment of the prescribed transfer fee as fixed by the Executive Council from time to time.*
- x) Corporate Donor – any company / organization may be taken as a corporate member of the Association for a specified period and admission fee as under:*

- a) *Rs. 10 lakh as admission fee for 15 years utility period and the number of persons eligible for the privileges is restricted to three.*
- b) *Rs. 6 lakh as admission fee for 10 years utility period and the number of persons eligible for the privileges is restricted to three.*

Corporate Donors, at their option may nominate individuals to represent the company periodically or for a fixed period. Such nominated persons will be entitled to have the privileges as that of the Associates and shall have to get a mandate duly signed by the authorized official of the Company. Transfer of nominee is permitted.

- xi) *Individual Donor – may be admitted as Individual Donor provided such person pay a fee of Rs.10 lakh and the utility period shall be for life. Individual Donor is entitled to have the privileges of that of Associates and the transfer is allowed either to the spouse or one of the dependents in the event of death of Individual donor. Executive Council shall take a decision regarding admission of Individual donor.*
- xii) *Life Members with club house privileges and Associates who have been on the Rolls of the Association for a period of 20 years or more may exercise the option to propose one of the sons or daughters above the age of 21 years for enrolling as Associate of the Association against a payment of Rs.30,000/-. Life Members with club house privileges and Associates after completing 25 years of membership of the Association may also exercise option to propose another son or daughter above the age of 21 years for admitting as Associate by paying Rs.25,000/-. The total number in this category - under Rules 8.A shall not be reckoned for calculating the ceiling limit. For the purpose of this rule, the combined length (in the event of death and consequent transfer to spouse) of the member / associate on the rolls effective from 1st April 1996 shall be taken as reckoning date for determining the length as that was the date on which the club house was formally inaugurated. They shall, however, be subjected to Interview procedure of the Executive Council.*

12. DEPENDENTS

The dependents of Life Members with Club House privileges and Associates dependents shall be restricted to:

- i) *Spouse.*
- ii) *Sons and unmarried daughters below the age of 25 years. To establish the age, the Association may seek for birth certificates issued by the competent authority.*
- iii) *Dependents are not permitted to bring guests to the Association.*
- iv) *Dependents shall be eligible for the clubhouse privileges on such terms and conditions.*
- v) *Dependents shall not be eligible to attend any meetings of Association.*
- vi) *Dependents shall have the responsibility of upholding the interest of the Association and they shall conduct themselves with utmost dignity, decorum, decency and abide by the Rules of the Association.*
- vii) *Disciplinary action may be initiated against errant dependents. Life Members with club house privileges and Associates are responsible for the conduct of their dependents.*
- viii) *Dependents below the age of 21 years are restricted from availing of certain facilities and privileges of the club house.*

13. TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP:

Life Members with club house privileges shall be as per the following:

- i) *Admission procedure shall not apply.*
- ii) *On the demise of a Life Member, his/her membership may be transferred to his/her spouse without entrance fee by formally applying in the prescribed form within one year from the date of the demise. The spouse thus admitted shall be entitled to enjoy the privileges and facilities of the club house. Such admission of spouse of deceased member shall not count for the ceiling limit under the Rule 6.A.*
- iii) *If, the spouse is inclined that such transfer be passed on either to his/her depending son or daughter instead of himself / herself, the same may be considered by the*

Executive Council to be admitted as Associate on a payment of Rs.30,000/- if such proposition is made within a period of one year from the demise of the member.

- iv) *In the event of demise of a life member as also the spouse, one of the surviving dependents may be taken as an Associate without an entrance fee. If one or more surviving dependents make a claim for membership, the right of admitting any one dependent shall be the prerogative of the Executive Council. In case, of a single dependent and not having attained the age of 21 years for admission and in such an event, the same may be considered after the dependent attains the eligibility condition for admission.*

14. TRANSFER OF ASSOCIATES:

- i) *Admission procedure shall not apply for transfer.*
- ii) *On the demise of an Associate, the same may be transferred to his / her spouse as Associate without entrance fee provided such transfer is applied for within a period of one year from the date of demise. Such admission of deceased Associate will not count for the limit under the Rule 8.A.*
- iii) *If, the deceased Associate's spouse is inclined to consider passing on the transfer of admission as Associate to one of his / her dependent children instead of himself / herself, the same may be considered by the Executive Council against a payment of Rs.30,000/- if such proposition is made within a period of one year from the demise of the member.*
- iv) *In the event of a demise of the Associate as also the spouse, one of the surviving dependents of the Associate shall be admitted as Associate without an entrance fee. If, one or more dependents claim for enrollment, in such a case, the prerogative of deciding which of the dependent to be admitted as Associate shall be that of the Executive Council. In case of a single dependent, and not attained the age of 21 years, the same may be considered for admission after the dependent attaining the age of 21 years.*

15. SUBSCRIPTIONS AND ARREARS:

- i) *The Annual subscription shall be paid by all the Member Clubs – Institutional / Private Clubs and District Associations*

every year between 1st April to 30th April. Failure to make payment of such fees by the Member Clubs before the stipulated period shall render them as defaulters. Executive Council may, at its discretion, strike off the name of the defaulting member from the affiliated list of the Member Clubs after duly intimating by giving a notice of 30 days. No Member Club whose annual subscription and other fees remain in arrears shall be allowed to attend, contest and vote at any meetings or be elected to the Council or be allowed to enjoy the privileges of the membership of the Association until the total arrears amount is cleared.

- ii) Members with the club house privileges and Associates shall pay clubhouse monthly subscriptions as fixed by the Executive Council from time to time and also other such taxes / fees shall become applicable for payment as per the Government statutory notifications. A member or Associate whose subscription and/or any other dues are in arrears for three calendar months, shall be intimated through a letter by the Hon. Secretary under certificate of posting to pay such subscriptions and dues within thirty days. If the same is not paid within thirty days from the date of dispatch of the letter under certificate of posting, it shall be the responsibility of the Executive Council to exercise its prerogative to strike off such defaulters from the enrollment of the Association from the date of the expiry of the said thirty days.*
- iii) The Hon. Secretary shall notify the list of defaulters once in every three months on the notice board.*
- iv) The Executive Council may consider reinstatement of a defaulter whose enrollment has ceased due to non-payment of dues, provided defaulter fulfills the following conditions.*
 - a) The defaulter makes a written request for reinstatement to the Hon. Secretary within three months from the date the member / associate being intimated of his / her removal from the enrollment.*
 - b) All the dues and other charges are to be paid by the member / associate.*
 - c) The reinstated member / associate shall not pay any admission fee.*

- d) *The Association shall maintain a register recording the details of all reinstated members / associates.*
- e) *A member / associate who becomes defaulter twice in a financial year his / her enrollment shall automatically cease.*

16.RESIGNATION

Any Member Club / Life Member / Associate desiring to resign from membership or associateship of the Association, shall inform the Hon. Secretary in writing of his intention to do so after paying all the dues, if any, to the Association. The Executive Council may accept the resignation in exercise of its discretion.

17. EXPULSION AND SUSPENSION

The Executive Council shall have the power to reprimand and suspend any Member or Associate, if in the opinion of the Executive Council, the conduct of such a Member or Associate whether in or out of the Association, is injurious to the reputation and interest of the Association or is likely to disturb the order, endanger the harmony, stability of the Association, etc., as per the Rule 32(xxx).The suspended Member or Associate shall not enter the Association premises even as a guest. The Executive Council can constitute a separate sub-committee to deal in such matters where a Member or Associate shall willfully refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions of rules, regulations and byelaws. This sub-committee will provide a fair chance by issuing a show cause notice and seeking explanation thereof in writing at least giving a week's time as also affording an opportunity to personally present his /her views before the said committee and the said committee after conclusion of the decision in the matter shall make a recommendation to the Executive council for taking appropriate disciplinary action including expulsion, suspension or reprimand. Pending the approval of the Executive council decision, Hon. Secretary may place the Member or Associate concerned under interim suspension if sufficient proof is available for taking such action. In the event such Member or Associate deserving expulsion, the Executive council shall pass a resolution to that effect and refer the matter to the General / Special meeting, whichever is earlier and until such period the Member or Associate shall continue to be under suspension till the matter is finally resolved in a General or Special Meeting. An expelled Member or Associate shall forfeit all rights and claim upon the Association.

Any Member or Associate expelled, may apply for readmission after the expiry of one year from the date of the expulsion and readmission of such expelled Member or Associate shall only be decided by the General or Special Meeting only after a proper recommendation thereof is received from the Executive Council and a readmission fee as fixed by the Executive Council from to time shall have to be paid.

18. MANAGEMENT

The Association shall be managed by the Executive Council, which shall consist of – President, Senior Vice Presidents, Vice Presidents, Hon. Secretary, Hon Joint Secretaries, Hon Treasurer and Executive Council members.

- i) The President shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting by the Member Clubs and the Life Members of the Association by voting at the General body meeting convened for the purpose.*
- ii) Two Senior Vice Presidents, (one reserved for a lady member) both of whom shall be elected, as specified, to different categories, at the Annual General Meeting convened for the purpose.*
- iii) Six Vice Presidents, (one reserved for a lady member)all of whom shall be elected, as specified, to different categories, at the Annual General Meeting convened for the purpose.*
- iv) The Hon Secretary shall be elected, at the Annual General Meeting, by the Member Clubs and Life Members of the Association by voting at the General Body Meeting convened for the purpose.*
- v) Three Honorary Joint Secretaries, (one reserved for a lady member) all of whom shall be elected as specified, to different categories at the Annual General Meeting convened for the purpose.*
- vi) The Hon Treasurer shall be elected, at the Annual General Body Meeting, by the Member Clubs and Life Members of the Association by voting at the General Body Meeting convened for the purpose.*
- vii) Eighteen Executive Council Members, (four reserved for lady members) all of whom shall be elected, as specified, to*

different categories, at the Annual General Meeting convened for the purpose.

- viii) *One Executive Council Member shall be elected by the Hockey Umpires who are registered with the Karnataka State Hockey Association in a separate meeting of the umpires convened for the purpose.*

19. QUALIFICATION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

- I) *Any Life Member or authorized representative of the Member Club is eligible to hold the post of an office bearer or Member in the Executive Council of the Association subject to the conditions laid under Rule 20. He / She shall be in good standing and not a defaulter in payment of dues to the Association.*
- II) *Any Life Member or authorized representative of the Member Club who is not suffering from any legal disabilities may be elected as an Office Bearer of the Association subject to the condition laid under Rule 20. Any Life Member or an authorized representative of the Member Club who is not a permanent resident of Bangalore shall not be eligible for being elected as Honorary Secretary or Honorary Treasurer of the Association.*
- III) *Life Members or Member Clubs, on the date of filing the nomination papers for post of Office Bearers and Executive Council shall have been on the Rolls of the Association for a period of at least one year.*
- IV) *On the date of filing the nomination papers, the proposer and the seconder shall have been on the Rolls of the Association for a period of at least one year.*
- V) *Life Member / Member Club can file the nomination for more than one posts to be on the Executive Council. However, before the last date of withdrawal, he / she or Member Club shall have to decide to opt for contesting any of the one post of the Executive Council and nomination papers filed for various other posts shall have to be compulsorily withdrawn. Failure to do so, will lead to rejection of all the nomination papers.*

20. CONDITIONS AND ELGIBILITY TO BE ELECTED AS AN OFFICE BEARER OR EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBER

i) PRESIDENT – ONE

Only an office bearer of the affiliated Member club or Life Member of the Association is eligible to contest for the position of a President. If contesting candidates are from the Member Clubs, they shall have to produce an authorization letter issued by the Member Club on whose behalf the candidate is contesting for the said position. Defaulter Member Club candidate or Life Member shall not be eligible to seek to hold the office of the President. A candidate for the office of the President shall have served as an office bearer of the Association at least one full continuous tenure of four years in the elected Council of the Association in the past.

ii) SENIOR VICE PRESIDENTS – TWO:

Among the two Senior Vice Presidents to be elected, one is an exclusively reserved category for a Lady Life Member and another is a general category. All the Life Members irrespective of gender difference shall vote to elect a lady Life Member as a senior vice president and for another Senior Vice President of the general category shall also be elected by all the Life Members. Defaulter Life Member shall not be eligible to seek to hold the office of these Vice Presidents. A candidate for the office of the Senior Vice Presidents shall have served as an office bearer of the Association at least one full continuous tenure of four years in the elected Council of the Association in the past.

iii) VICE PRESIDENTS - SIX

Five Vice Presidents to be elected as per the following:

- a) Two Vice Presidents shall be elected exclusively from the Life members. Life Members are eligible to contest and vote for these two posts.*
- b) Three Vice Presidents shall be elected exclusively from the Member Clubs. Out of these three, one is reserved for a lady representative of the Member Club. Member Clubs shall authorize only its lady representative as a candidate for this reserved category who shall attend, contest and vote and the remaining two vice presidents falls under the general category shall be also from the Member Clubs. Member Clubs shall nominate their representatives to*

attend, contest and vote. Such Member Clubs shall have to issue necessary authorization letter clearly indicting the name of the candidate and for the post which he / she is contesting within the stipulated time period. To be eligible to contest for the two Vice Presidents from the Life Members and three Vice Presidents from the Member Clubs categories, the candidates shall have served in the Executive Council at least for one full continuous tenure of four years in the past.

- c) *One Vice President is exclusively reserved for the affiliated District Association and the affiliated units based from the Districts / mofussil centres. Only an authorized representative from these eligible affiliated playing units shall be eligible to attend and contest for this reserved post. All the Member Clubs – Institutional / Private clubs, and District Associations shall vote to elect a Vice President for this category. The elected authorized representative from this category shall hold the office of the Vice president until such time period he / she holds the office in the Member Club who gave authorization originally. In the event of any change of position taking place in authorized Member club and if, the Member Club seeks for change of the representative, the same shall be duly considered. However, in order to avoid this disruption in the continuity, the Association directs that all the Member Clubs complete the general meeting and election thereof by 30th June of the election year of the Karnataka State Hockey Association.*
- d) *To be eligible to hold the office of the Vice president, the Life Member and the Member Clubs should not be a defaulter. A candidate for the office of the Vice president shall have served in the Executive Council of the Association for one continuous full tenure of four years in the past either as office bearer or Member of the council.*

v) **HON. SECRETARY – ONE**

To be eligible to contest for the post of the Hon. Secretary, the candidate shall have served as an office bearer of the Executive Council of the Association one full continuous tenure of four years in the past. He/She shall be either an authorized representative of the Member Club or a Life Member of the Association and shall be a permanent resident of Bangalore.

VI) HONORARY JOINT SECRETARIES – THREE

In all three Hon. Joint Secretaries shall be elected in the general meeting of the Association convened for the purpose. Three Hon. Joint Secretaries shall be distributed to different categories as under:

- i) One Joint Secretary shall be elected from amongst the Life Members of the Association. A Life Member who is not a defaulter is eligible to attend, contest and vote to elect a Joint Secretary from this category.*
- ii) Two Joint Secretaries shall be elected from the Members Club. However, from out of the Two Joint Secretaries to be elected from the Member Clubs, One shall be exclusively reserved for a Lady candidate. Any affiliated Member Club who is not a defaulter may authorize one of the representatives from its Club to attend, contest and vote to elect two Joint Secretaries.*
- iii) To be eligible to contest for the of Joint Secretary post, the candidate shall have served in the Executive Council in any of the capacities for one full continuous tenure of four years in the past.*

VII) HONORARY TREASURER - ONE

To be eligible to hold the office of the Hon. Treasurer, the candidate shall have served in the Executive Council one full continuous tenure of four years either as an office bearer or a council member in the past. He/She shall be either an authorized representative of the Member club or a Life Member of the Association and shall be a permanent resident of Bangalore.

VIII) EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS – NINETEEN

- i) Ten Members shall be elected from the Members Club category, Eight Life members will be elected from the Life member category and One hockey umpire representative will be elected from among the registered umpires of the Association.*
- ii) Out of the ten, to be elected from the Member Clubs category, two shall be reserved for lady representatives of the Member Clubs and the remaining eight shall be open to*

all the affiliated Member Clubs. The authorized representatives of the Member Clubs are entitled to attend, contest and vote and shall produce an authorization letter issued by the Member Club concerned. Election under this category shall take place on the name of the Member Club and not on the name of the authorized representative. The Member Club has the discretion to change its nominee and such change in the nominee shall have to be submitted in writing to the Hon. Secretary for taking on record of the Association. Defaulter Member Clubs are not eligible to attend, contest or vote in any of the general or special meetings. All the Member Clubs shall vote to elect all the ten Executive Council Members from this category.

- iii) Out of the eight, to be elected from the Life Members category, two shall be exclusively reserved for Lady Life Members and the remaining six shall be open to all the Life Members without any gender difference. Life Members who are not defaulters shall be eligible to attend, contest and vote to get elected as Executive Council Members and Life Members alone shall vote to elect the members of the Executive Council under this category.*
- iv) One amongst the hockey umpires who are registered with the Karnataka State Hockey Association (both men and women) shall be elected by the Umpires at a separate meeting convened for the purpose by the Hon. Secretary within one month after the completion of the Annual General Meeting, which elected the new Council. To be in the registered umpires list of the Association, the umpires shall pay annually Rs.100/-. To be eligible to get elected as umpires representative to be in the Executive Council he / she shall be a qualified International Hockey Umpire or National Grade umpire.*

21.TENURE OF OFFICE

All the Office Bearers and Members of the Executive Council shall save as otherwise provided , hold office for four years and remain in the office until their successors are elected and they shall be eligible for re-election.

22. VACANCY

- l) In the event of office of the President becoming vacant between two Annual General Meetings, one of the Senior*

Vice Presidents shall be elected as President by the Executive Council.

- II) *In the event of the office of the Senior Vice president, Vice President, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Joint Secretary becoming vacant between two Annual General Meetings, the Executive Council shall nominate any one of the elected Executive Council Members to the vacancy caused subject to the qualification criteria laid under the Rules 19 and 20 of the Association to the various posts.*
- III) *Vacancies among the Executive Council Members occurring between the two Annual General Meetings, the same shall be filled by the Executive Council from any of the Life Members who are on the Rolls of the Association if the vacancies caused are from the Life Members category and if it is from the Member Club, the same shall be filled by the Member Club concerned by nominating another representative of that Club.*
- IV) *Vacancy caused in the umpires representative shall be filled by the Umpires themselves by electing another umpire representative.*

23. CHAIRMAN

The President and in his absence one of the Senior Vice Presidents shall occupy the chair at the meetings of the Association. In their absence, a Vice President duly proposed and elected to the chair shall act as Chairman of the meeting. In the absence of all these office bearers at any meetings of the Executive Council, any member of the Executive Council duly voted to the Chair shall be as Chairman.

24. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE OFFICE BEARERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

A) PRESIDENT

The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Association and also the Executive Council. He or She shall generally perform such duties as are attached to the office of the President. In case of equality of votes he or she shall have a casting vote as Chairman of the meeting. President shall be ex-officio member of a few sub-committees formed by the Executive council.

B) SENIOR VICE PRESIDENTS

The Senior Vice Presidents shall have the power to perform duties of the President in the absence or inability on the part of the President. The Executive council may assign any particular work to the Senior Vice presidents. They may be nominated as Chairman / Vice Chairman of various sub-committees by the Executive Council. Executive Council shall decide in the event the seniority being equal between two senior vice presidents as regards to assigning the responsibility / act in place of President. Senior Vice Presidents shall also be ex-officio members of a few sub-committees formed by the Executive Council.

C) VICE PRESIDENTS

In the absence of President or Senior Vice presidents, one of the Vice presidents shall be elected to the Chair who shall exercise all the powers of the President. Vice Presidents shall also act as Chairmen / Chairperson / Vice Chairmen / Vice Chairperson of various Sub-Committees constituted by the Executive council. Vice Presidents shall also carry out such works and perform duties assigned to them periodically by the Executive Council. Vice Presidents shall also be ex-officio members of a few sub-committees formed by the Executive Council.

D) HONORARY SECRETARY

The Hon. Secretary shall have the superintendence and control of the establishment of the Association and shall convene and attend all the meetings of the Executive Council and Sub-Committee of the Association. Hon. Secretary shall take, submit for confirmation, keep or cause to be kept in a minute book, the minutes of all the meetings of the Council and Association, conduct all correspondence and perform such other duties as ordinarily pertaining to his office and as may be entrusted to him by the Executive Council. Hon. Secretary shall be responsible for carrying out all correspondence in the name of the Association. Hon. Secretary shall be entitled to incur any legitimate expenditure on behalf of the Executive Council. Hon. Secretary shall have to generally monitor the functioning of Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Joint Secretaries and various other sub-committees of the Association. He

will act as a Convener of all the Sub Committees. The Hon. Secretary shall submit to the Annual General Meetings, annual report as approved by the Executive Council detailing therein the activities of the Association.

E) HON. JOINT SECRETARIES

The Hon. Joint Secretaries shall assist the Hon. Secretary General in the discharge of the duties of the Council and Association as may be assigned from time to time. Hon. Secretary may also delegate certain powers to the Hon. Joint Secretary according to the situation and need of the time.

F) HONORARY TREASURER

The Hon. Treasurer shall receive all subscriptions and donations and other money payable to or receivable by the Association and shall keep or cause to be kept regular accounts. Hon. Treasurer shall issue receipt in the official form and shall make all payments as directed by the Executive council out of the funds of the Association. Hon. Treasurer shall take guidance and advice from the President, Hon. Secretary and Chairman of the Finance Sub-Committee in order to ensure that all the financial matters are properly and prudently managed and shall prepare and submit quarterly statement of accounts and also every year the statement of accounts duly audited and approved by the members of the Executive Council at the Annual General Meeting of the Association.

25. DISQUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

A member of the Council shall cease to be a member thereof:

- i) If, a member abstains from attending three consecutive meetings of the Council without obtaining leave of absence from the Council, unless the Council condones such absence for any valid reason.*
- ii) If, he/she is convicted of a criminal offence involving moral turpitude and/ or incapacitated.*
- iii) If, he/she is expelled or suspended from the Association.*
- iv) If, he/she is judged as insolvent.*

26. COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council shall ordinarily meet once in two months and conduct the business of the Association. The Honorary Secretary shall on instructions from the President or in his absence from one of the Senior Vice Presidents convene Executive Council Meetings.

27. NOTICE

Notice of meetings of the Council shall be given to all Council Members at least seven clear days before the meeting. In case of emergency meeting of the Council, no such notice need be given and may be convened at least by giving a time period of twenty four hours.

28. QUORUM

The quorum necessary for transaction of business of the Council shall be 1/3 of total strength of the Council. No quorum shall be necessary at an adjourned meeting.

29. VOTES

Every question at a meeting of the Council shall save herein otherwise provided be determined by a majority of the votes of the members present and voting, every member having one vote. In case of equality of votes, the Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote.

31. RESOLUTION BY CIRCULATION

To get an emergent business / matter needing immediate decision, a resolution in writing circulated by the Hon. Secretary under the direction of the President or in his absence by one of the Senior Vice Presidents and agreed to by a majority of members of the Council shall be valid and official as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Council. The resolution passed by circulation shall be required to be confirmed by the Council at its next meeting.

32. POWERS OF THE COUNCIL

The Council shall save as provided hereinafter have the following powers:

- i) To carry out the objects of the Association specified in the Memorandum of Association.*
- ii) To make, repeal, amend or add to and maintain or publish all necessary regulations and /or byelaws not inconsistent*

with these rules. Such byelaws or regulations shall remain in force until any or all of them are altered or repealed at Special general Meeting.

- iii) To prohibit any act or practice by member or player serving the Association, which in the opinion of the Council is detrimental to the interest of the game, and deal with any person disregarding such prohibition in such manner as it may at its discretion think proper.*
- iv) To arbitrate and decide all disputes or questions referred to it by any other person or Association.*
- v) To inflict penalties on any member or any person for the infringement of the Rules of the game of hockey or the Rules of the Association.*
- vi) To delegate all or any of the powers to its duly appointed Sub-Committees. Such Sub-Committees shall periodically report the proceedings to the Council and shall conduct their business as directed by the Council.*
- vii) To exercise control and managing of various Sub-Committees as also to guide them in their effective functioning.*
- viii) To ensure that all the Sub-Committees functions under the regulatory powers of the Executive Council.*
- ix) To take such decisions that in the opinion of the Executive council that one or several Sub-Committees discharges the functions contrary to the spirit of the Rules and instructions including winding up such Committees and take upon itself to manage the affairs and carry on the duties attached to such sub-committees.*
- x) To enlist by co-operation for any special purpose the services of any persons who are not office bearers or members of the Council.*
- xi) The Council shall be responsible for the maintenance of the accounts of the Association and all monies received and expended. In order to strengthen the internal auditing system, the Council shall appoint an Internal Auditor and pay remuneration for services rendered.*

- xii) *The Council shall nominate representative from time to time as required, to represent the Association in the State Olympic Committee and National Hockey Body.*
- xiii) *Power to admit to Membership of the Association shall rest with the Council whose decision shall be final.*
- xiv) *The Council shall exercise and enjoy all powers to run a Club House for the purpose of recreational facilities to the Members and Associates to that effect make rules and regulations for the Club house, to amend, alter and add to such other rules as are necessary for smooth running of the Club House from time to time. Council may constitute a Club House Committee consisting of President (KSHA) and , Hon. Treasurer (KSHA)who will be Ex-Officio members. Senior Vice President or Vice President (KSHA) will be nominated as Chairman. Three Members shall be nominated from the Executive Council as members of the Club House Committee. One Vice Chairman and seven Members will be elected in an election conducted once in two years to be in the Club House Committee by Life Members and Member Clubs with club house privileges and Associates. The Hon. Secretary may be nominated by the Executive Council as Convenor of the Club House Committee and if he/she not being the Convenor, this position will be assigned to one of the elected officer bearers of the Association. All the decisions of the Club House Committee on matters connected with the Club House are subject to approval and ratification by the Executive Council of the Association.*
- xv) *To arrange for social gatherings periodically and such other items of amusements as may be considered necessary. Such special gatherings shall be for the benefit of the sports persons, members, associates and their families. Such arrangements may be made through the Club House Committee.*
- xvi) *To appoint Administration Managers, Asst. Managers, Engineers, Accountants, caretakers, Electricians, Plumbers, Security staff, and such other office staff / club employees to manage / administer the Association and to pay them in return for their services rendered salaries, wages, gratuities, honorariums, compensation, ex-gratia payments and /or payment of provident fund and to remove / dismiss such staff / employees. The Association may consider disbursing*

allowances to hockey managers, hockey coaches, umpires, technical staff, office bearers, members of the council, ground staff, maintenance staff, club house sectional maintenance staff, liaison officers etc., and the Council has the discretion to fix such allowances to such persons from time to time.

- xvii) *To appoint legal advisor/s to deal in such matters where the legal assistance and advice is required.*
- xviii) *To organize and have the control over all the league championship, state and national level hockey events conducted under the auspices of the Association and also tournaments in all the Districts, to facilitate such tournaments as and when necessary and arrange for the smooth conduct of the game of hockey. To charge capitation fee to conduct tournaments and if such tournaments are conducted by any of the affiliated member clubs on its own.*
- xix) *To hear all cases of protest, misconduct, or breach of rules of the Association and also to act as an appellate authority over the tournament authorities or tournament secretaries as the case may be.*
- xx) *To take disciplinary action against individuals or team as a whole who violate the rules, regulations or byelaws of the Association.*
- xxi) *To deal with members in arrears of subscription in accordance with the rules and byelaws.*
- xxii) *To execute, sign seal, deliver or cause to be executed, signed, sealed or delivered all such agreements / memorandum of understandings, deeds, and documents as may be necessary to carry out the objects of the Association.*
- xxiii) *To do all such other acts, deeds and things as shall be necessary or expedient for the general welfare and conduct of the Association.*
- xxiv) *Executive Council shall ensure and perform such duty to file annual returns and other mandatory compliances that needs to be carried out with the Registrar of Societies and other Government Departments as the case may be.*

- xxv) *To consider and deal with all questions as to the right of representation at general meetings and other matters.*
- xxvi) *To decide all questions of eligibility of persons nominated or elected as Members of the Council.*
- xxvii) *To deal with matters such as transfer of players from one affiliated unit to another as also the inter state transfer matters.*
- xxviii) *Generally the Association shall abide by the rules and regulations of the inter state matters, if any, is framed from time to time by the national hockey body – Hockey India and in the absence of any such rules, the prerogative of dealing such matters rests with the Executive Council.*
- xxix) *To appoint the Returning officer and Assistant Returning officer to conduct the Election to the Executive Council of the Association and also the Club House Committee of the Executive Council.*
- xxx) *If in the opinion of the Council, the conduct of any member of the Association, whether in or out of the Association premises which acts in the general interest and promotion of the Association.*
 - a) *Is injurious to the reputation and interest of the Association.*
 - b) *Is likely to disturb the order and harmony of the Association.*
 - c) *Is a source of disturbance and/or annoyance to other users of the Association.*
 - d) *Is in the nature of flouting or questioning the authority of the office bearers.*
 - e) *Is a willful violation of the Rules and Regulations or Byelaws of the Association.*
 - f) *Is violent, hostile or adverse to the interests of the Association.*

Such conduct, incidents or events shall be taken immediate cognizance of, by the Hon. Secretary who may in his discretion issue a verbal warning, written warning, call for an explanation by issuing show cause notice, may conduct an enquiry through a sub-committee so constituted by the Executive Council, ordering suspension of the member or associate on the advice of the enquiry sub-committee's recommendations for expulsion in the case of extreme indiscipline to the general meeting etc.,

- xxx1) In the ordinary performance of their duties and borrow monies for furthering the interests of the Association, no member of the Council shall be individually responsible for liabilities so incurred. No amount exceeding Rs.10 lakhs with an escalation margin of 10% for any single project work shall be incurred by the Executive Council without the prior approval of the general or special meeting of the Association.*
- xxxii) To start or sponsor and /or to subscribe to any fund for the benefit of hockey players or their families.*
- xxxiii) To negotiate with the Central Government, State Government, Corporations or any Body or Bodies, to enter into contracts, agreements and the like with them with the power to sign such contracts, agreements and the like.*
- xxxiv) To collect funds for the purposes of the Association and to utilize such funds in such manner as the Executive Council of the Association may consider desirable for the fulfillment of the objects of the Association, from time to time.*

33. INTERPRETATION OF RULES.

The Executive Council shall be the sole authority for interpretation of these rules, byelaws and regulations made thereunder, and its decision taken under the rules or upon any question of interpretation or upon any matters affecting aforesaid Association and not provided for in these Rules or Byelaws or Regulations made there under shall be final and binding on the members.

34. ACCOUNTS

The Executive Council shall cause proper accounts to be kept of all the money received and spent by the Association and all the assets and liabilities of the Association. The books of account shall be kept at such place as the Council thinks fit and shall always be open to inspection by the members of the Council at the office of the Association. The Council shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent and to what time and place and under what conditions and regulations, the account books of the Association or any of them shall be open to inspection by the members of the Association.

35. GENERAL MEETINGS

The General Meetings of the Association shall ordinarily be held every year at which the annual report of the Executive Council and the audited financial statement of the previous year shall be submitted for approval of the Annual General Meeting. Each Annual General Meeting shall be held within nine months after the expiry of each financial year on such a day, at such time and place as the Executive Council may fix.

36. NOTICE

Notice of all General Meetings shall be sent under certificate of posting to all the Member Clubs and Life Members whose names are in the records of the Association from one calendar year previous to the date fixed for such meetings. Twenty One clear days notice of the General Meeting shall be given to the Member Clubs and Life Members specifying the place, date and time of such meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted. The Notice shall be accompanied by annual report and the audited statement of accounts for the previous year. Accidental omission to give such Notice to any member entitled thereto or non-receipt thereof by a member shall not invalidate the proceedings of any General Meeting. Notice of resolutions to be moved at any meetings of the General Body by the members shall be sent in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least fourteen days prior to the date of meeting. Such resolutions received in writing to be moved by the members shall be taken up along with other agenda for transaction in the said convened general meeting. The Association shall ensure that no general or special meeting is normally convened on national or government holidays.

37. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting shall ordinarily be held every year and the business shall be:

- i) Confirmation of the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and any Special General Meeting held during the year if any.,*
- ii) Consideration and adoption of the Secretary's Annual Report of the Association.*
- iii) Consideration and passing of the audited annual statement of accounts of the year.*
- iv) To consider the budget proposal for the next financial year.*
- v) To elect office bearers and members of the Executive Council (if due).*
- vi) To appoint an Auditor or Auditors and to fix his or their remuneration.*
- vii) To consider any recommendation of the Executive Council.*
- viii) To consider any resolution the notice of which is given in writing to the Hon. Secretary by a member, fourteen clear days before the date of meeting.*
- ix) To transact any other business of formal important nature as may be allowed by the Chairman.*

38.ELECTION

- i) The Executive Council shall nominate the Returning Officer and Assistant Returning Officer to conduct the Election. The Returning Officer after consultation with the Executive Council shall finalize the calendar of events for conducting the Elections.*
- ii) Election to the positions of Office Bearers and Executive Council Members of the Association shall be by nominations made 14 days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting. All the Member Clubs and Life Members who are not under any disability and whose names are on the Rolls of the Association at least one year prior to the date of issue of notice of the meeting may forward their nominations for the various offices to the Returning Officer or in his absence*

Assistant Returning Officer nominated by the Executive Council. The nomination shall be accompanied by the consent of the nominated member in the prescribed form. Only such duly nominated member shall be eligible for election. If there are more nominations than the required number to be elected to several offices, the election shall be by ballot or electronic voting machine.

iii) Every eligible voting member shall have to be present to cast the vote and no proxy voting shall be permitted. All the Life Members shall have to produce the Identity card issued by the Association to cast the vote and if, due to some reasons, the member cannot produce identity card, he/she may be allowed to cast the vote provided he / she produce one of the notified valid photo identity proof the list of which shall be notified on the notice board by the Returning officer. Allowing to vote or otherwise shall be decided only by the Returning officer or in his absence Asst. Returning officer. As regards to the Member Clubs, the representative shall produce the authorization letter issued by the Member Club concerned to attend, contest and vote in the general meeting. Such authorized Member Club representative shall have to produce his / her personal photo identity proof in addition to the authorization letter issued by the Member Club to the satisfaction of the Returning Officer / Assistant Returning Officer.

v) The results shall be declared by the Returning Officer after the conclusion of the counting of votes.

vi) A candidate may retire from the election after the publication of the valid nomination by giving a letter to that effect in writing to the Returning officer or Asst. Returning Officer. Such retired candidate names will be formally announced in the general meeting prior to start of the election. Any vote cast against the retired candidates will not be taken for counting.

vii) Whenever there is election to the Executive Council for more than one candidate to be elected, the required number of candidates shall be voted upon. Failure to comply with shall result in invalidity of vote cast.

viii) Election to the Executive Council shall be once in four years.

a) No Member can contest for more than one post in an election.

- b) *In case of a tie in the election to any post between two or more candidates and in such an eventuality, the winner for that particular post shall be decided by drawing lots.*
- c) *Candidates shall have to strictly adhere to the code of conduct notified on the notice board by the Returning Officer.*

39. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS

A special General Meeting may be convened by the Executive council for obtaining approval for expending amount exceeding Rs.10 lakh with a margin escalation of 10% for creation of any single infrastructure facility or such other purposes, for transacting any urgent business and also to carry out amendments in the Memorandum of Association or Rules of the Association.

A Special General Meeting may be convened on a requisition of at least one third of the Members Clubs and the Life Members of the Association. Such requisition shall state object of the meeting proposed to be called, must be signed by the requisitionists and sent to the Honorary Secretary of the Association.

40. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETINGS IN PURSUANCE OF REQUISITION

On receipt of the requisition mentioned in Rule 39 above, the Council shall proceed to convene a Special General Meeting notwithstanding that some signatures to the requisition after such requisition so sent, withdraw their support to the requisition. If the Council does not proceed to convene a Special General Meeting within forty days from the date of requisition being so deposited, the requisitionists or any other one third of the Member Clubs and Life Members of the Association may themselves convene a meeting.

41. MATTERS AT THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

At such Special General Meeting or at any adjourned meeting thereof, no member shall be at liberty to discuss any subject other than for which it is called.

42. ALTERATION OF RULES AND AMENDMENTS TO MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

- i) *The name or the rule of the Association may be amended by additions, deletions, changes etc., by a resolution passed at*

a Special General Meeting convened for the purpose by issue of notice and the same shall have been delivered to all the eligible voting members under the certificate of posting twenty one days previous to the date of the Special General Meeting and the resolution proposing the amendment is passed by votes cast in favour of the resolution by members who being entitled so to do vote in person and such votes, are not less than three times the number of the votes, if any, cast against the resolution by members so entitled and voting.

- ii) Every amendment after approval as per sub-rule (i) above, shall be filed with the registrar within thirty days from the making thereof. Such amendments shall have effect after it is so registered.*
- iii) Whenever it shall appear to the Executive Council that it is advisable to amend, alter, extend or abridge, for such purposes or other purposes specified in the memorandum, the Executive Council may submit the proposition to the members of the Association a written or printed report and may convene a Special General Meeting for the consideration thereof. But no such proposition shall be deemed to have been approved unless such report had been delivered or sent by post to every member of the Association, twenty-one days previous to the date of the Special General Meeting convened by the Executive Council for consideration thereof, and unless such proposition by members who being entitled to do so, vote in person and such voters are not less than three times, the number of votes, if any cast against the resolution by members so entitled and voting and confirmed by a similar majority of votes at a second special general Meeting convened by the Executive Council after an interval of thirty days after the former meeting.*
- iv) Every change in the memorandum of association approved under sub section (iii) above shall be filed with the Registrar within thirty days from the date of making thereof and such change shall not have effect until it has been so registered.*
- v) Memorandum of Association and Rules of the Association after the approval of the members at the Special General Meetings and filed with the Registrar shall have effect only after such date by which it is duly registered by the Registrar and not retrospectively.*

43. QUORUM

- i) The quorum for the Annual General or Special Meetings shall be Twenty five Member Clubs and Seventy Five Life Members. The quorum so formed will enable to transact the business both at the Annual General or Special Meetings.*
- ii) If within half an hour from the time fixed for any Annual General Meeting the requisite quorum is not present, the meeting shall be adjourned to the same day a fortnight hence at same time and place. At such adjourned meeting, no quorum is required. However, in such adjourned annual General Meeting, the meeting shall not transact any business other than for which the meeting was called. Notice of the adjourned Annual General Meeting shall be published in at least two local newspapers only if such an adjourned meeting had the election of the office bearers and members of the Executive Council as an agenda item.*
- iii) If at a requisition Special General Meeting, a quorum is not present within thirty minutes of the time appointed for the meeting, the same shall be dissolved. However, if the Special General Meeting is convened by the Executive Council for transacting important business is adjourned for want of quorum, such meeting shall be adjourned to the same day a week hence at same time and place. No quorum is required for this adjourned meeting.*

44. VOTING

Every member is entitled to one vote and shall have right of voting on every subject provided that he / she is not disabled under the rules and byelaws of the Association from attending and exercising his / her vote.

45. MODE OF VOTING

Save as provided, otherwise in these rules or byelaws, voting shall be by show of hands and all decisions shall be taken by a simple majority.

46. DEMAND FOR POLL

At any General Meeting unless a poll is demanded (before or on the declaration or the result of the show of hands) by the Chairman or by

at least five persons present and entitled to vote, the declaration by the Chairman of the meeting that a resolution has been carried unanimously by a particular majority and an entry to that effect in the book of the proceedings of the Association shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the vote recorded in favour or against the resolution.

47. MODE OF TAKING POLL

a) if a poll is demanded as aforesaid it shall be taken in such manner and at such time and place as the Chairman of the meeting directs at once or after an interval of adjournment or otherwise. The result of the poll shall be deemed to be a resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded.

b). WITHDRAWAL OF DEMAND OF POLL

The demand for a poll may be withdrawn. In case of any dispute as to the admission or rejection of a vote, the Chairman shall determine the same and such determination shall be final and conclusive.

c) DEMAND FOR POLL NOT TO AFFECT OTHER BUSINESS

The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of a meeting for the transaction of any business other than the question of which the poll has been demanded. No poll shall be demanded on the election of a Chairman of a meeting and a poll demanded on a question of adjournment shall be taken at the meeting and without adjournment.

48. RESOLUTION DECIDED AT GENERAL MEETING NOT TO BE REOPENED

Any resolution decided at the General Meeting shall not be reopened at any subsequent meeting until after the expiration of six months, provided that the Council may convene such meeting earlier than the indicated period herein.

49. CHAIRMAN AT THE GENERAL MEETING

The President or in his absence, one of the Senior Vice Presidents or one of the Vice Presidents or in the absence of all the above, any member present and elected by the majority shall preside at any General Meeting and shall have a casting vote besides his /her vote, in case of equality of votes on any question. If the candidates

proposed at the meeting for the Chair secure equal number of votes, the same shall be decided by drawing lots.

50. RIGHT TO INTERPRET RULES

At any General Meeting, the Chairman shall have the sole right to interpret the rules and decide all points of order or procedure raised by members and his decision thereon shall be final and binding.

51. FUNDS, INCOME AND PROPERTY

The funds, income and property of the Association shall be under the control of the Council, which shall have the power to spend such sum or sums of money as it may deem proper for carrying out the aims and objects of the Association.

No portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the members of the Association.

The Council may also borrow a sum not exceeding Rs.10 lakhs with a escalation margin of 10% at any given time as may be necessary for carrying out the objects of the Association and for the construction of additional facilities for sports persons, members and associates at the Association's hockey stadium premises, from banks, government or financial institutions and members / associates on such terms as may be agreed to, provided, three fourths of the members of the Council present at the meeting vote for the same. However, any such borrowing made for the purpose stated herein by the Executive Council, in such an event, the same is required to be reported at the next general meeting and ratification thereof taken. To borrow an amount exceeding Rs.10 lakhs with escalation margin of Rs.10% towards carrying out any particular project works, the same shall be done with the prior approval of the general or special meeting of the Association.

52. BANKING ACCOUNT

Accounts shall be opened in the scheduled or commercial banks as may be approved by the Council in the name of the Association and will normally be operated by the President, Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer, who being the signatories to the Association's annual financial statement be the authorized office bearers and any two of them may operate the accounts. Notwithstanding, the Council may approve a particular account be operated by such members of the

council and one of them definitely being the Hon. Treasurer from time to time.

53. AUDITORS

The Association shall at an Annual General Meeting appoint an Auditor or Auditors to hold office until the Next Annual General Meeting and the following provisions shall have effect.

- I) No person who is an office bearer as also member of the Executive Council or a partner of such office bearer as also member of the Executive Council or is indebted to the Association shall be eligible for appointment as Auditor.*
- II) The Council may fill any vacancy in the office of Auditors but while such vacancy continues, the serving Auditors may be asked to continue to act in the matter of auditing the books of account.*

54. FINANCIAL YEAR

The Financial Year of the Association shall commence on the 1st April and end on the 31st March, following.

55. COLOURS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The colours of the Association shall be “ Maroon and Golden Yellow”. A player chosen to represent the State shall be eligible to wear the official crest on a blazer, approved by the Association. Members of the Executive Council of the Association are also entitled to wear the official crest of the Association.

56. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Association may sue and be sued in the name of the Association represented by the Hon. Secretary. A law suit can only be filed at Bangalore, the headquarters of the Karnataka State Hockey Association.

57. PROCEDURE FOR AMALGATION OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Association which is registered under the Registrar of Societies Act and established for the particular purpose of promoting the game of hockey in particular and other related recreational and other activities for the welfare of its membership, if for any such reasons and objectives decides to amalgamate with another such body with the same objectives, may convene a special general meeting for the consideration thereof according to the rules and regulations of the Society. But no such proposition shall have been deemed to have been approved unless such report shall have been delivered or sent under the certificate of posting to every eligible voting member of the Association twenty one days previous to the date of the special general meeting convened by the Executive council for the consideration thereof, and unless such proposition shall have been agreed to by the votes, cast in favour of the proposition by members who being entitled so to do, vote in person and such votes are not less than three times the number of votes, if any, cast against the resolution by member so entitled and voting confirmed by a similar majority of votes at a second Special General Meeting convened by the Executive Council after an interval of thirty days after the former meeting..

58. DISSOLUTION

- i) The Association may be dissolved only at a Special General Meeting called for that particular purpose.*
- ii) The quorum for this Special General Meeting shall be at least half the members eligible to vote.*
- iii) If upon winding up or dissolution of the Association, there shall remain after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Association, but shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Association at or before to be determined by the members of the Association at or before the time of dissolution.*
- iv) Provided that no society shall be dissolved unless three-fourths of the members shall have expressed a wish for such dissolutions by their votes delivered in person or under certificate of posting at a Special General Meeting convened for the purpose.*

59. GENERAL

i) These rules shall supersede all previous rules and shall not be amended, rescinded or added to, except by a resolution passed with a majority of not less than three-fourths of the votes cast by members who are entitled to vote and vote in person at a Special General Meeting convened for the purpose, of which, a formal notice shall have been delivered or sent by post under certificate of posting to every voting member of the Association, twenty- one days prior to the date of the Special General Meeting.

iii) Any point not directly covered by these Rules shall be decided in the light of the Karnataka Societies Registration Act, 1960 in force.
