

MES BUILDERS ASSOCIATION OF INDIA (Regd.)
(Election Commission 2019-21)

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**Minutes of meeting of Election Commission with HQ held on 9th April 2019 at HQ
MESBAI 807-808 Sahyog, 58, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019**

Following members were present:

- Sh. V.P.Sanjiv Chief Election Commissioner MESBAI
- Sh. Inderjeet Singh, Member EC
- Sh. Balbir Singh Vij, Hony. General Secretary MESBAI HQ
- Sh. Shiv Kumar Gupta, Hony. Treasurer MESBAI HQ

Leave of absence was granted to:

- Sh. R.M. Singhvi, Member Election Commission MBAI
- Sh.Praveen Mahana President MBAI HQ

Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Sh.V.P.Sanjiv Chief Election Commissioner MESBAI 2019-21.

At the outset CEC Sh. V.P. Sanjiv welcomed all members present in the meeting. He stated that it was necessary to call this meeting to discuss various issues pertaining to conduct elections in Branches as well as at HQ. He then took up agenda items one by one. The details of discussions held and decisions taken are as under:

Agenda Item No.1 - Discussion on the suggestion provided by esteemed members of Association.

The CEC Sh.V.P.Sanjiv stated that no suggestion as asked for from HQ office bearers/Past Presidents except an email from Sh. Zachariah P John Vice President Southern(S) Region has been received. Sh. Zachariah P. John has stated that since decision has been taken by the Council to constitute EC. However, the matter has been raised by certain individuals on social media i.e. Whatsapp group. He has suggested that the unofficial whatsapp groups should be kept under certain embargo through necessary amendment in the MOA. The matter was discussed and it was decided that no cognizance should be given on messages circulated on social media.

Agenda Item No.2 - Discussion on the letter issued by Chief Election Commissioner.

Sh.V.P.Sanjiv stated that a letter was issued to all Branches to start process of holding of election for the term 2019-21, in which certain guidelines were also given. To conduct free and fair election, it was mentioned that members should clear all dues 3 days prior/before date of election of the branch. The Branch must remit HQ share of subscription and other dues if any minimum 1 day before the date of election of the branch along with list of members who have paid subscription and other dues and the same would be uploaded on the website and that will be the list of valid participants for the Branch election.

Sh.V.P.Sanjiv stated that Sh.Amit Kumar Bhaduri immediate past president has raised objection on the above point and that the same is deviation from the MOA of our Association. He stated that he has discussed the matter on phone with him. He stated that in the MOA it is mentioned that :

“All the members who are in the membership list of that particular Branch on 28th February of that year will be voters of that Branch, subject to clearance of all their up to date dues and remittance of HQ's share before their participation in elections of Association”.

The matter was discussed in detail and it was decided that Election Chairman in Branches would be required to obtain a list of members who have paid upto date subscription, other dues of HQ/Branch if any, duly signed by Chairman, Hony. Secretary and Hony. Treasurer. The Election Chairman would make it sure that HQ share of subscription has been remitted, if not, cheque for requisite amount be submitted along with the list furnished by the branch. Sh.V.P.Sanjiv stated that if required, amendment to election notice would be issued.

Agenda Item No.3 - Discussion on the procedures and methods that can be used to achieve fair election in all the branches by 31st May, 2019.

Matter was discussed. It was decided that in Branch election, if required, the observers will be deployed/sent from other region instead of from same region. The role of Regional Vice President in the election meeting shall be as per bylaws of the Association.

Sh. V.P.Sanjeev stated that main aims of EC is to conduct the election in free and fair manner. The Election Chairman should be requested to arrange to send list of members who have participated in the election and cleared their dues within 05 days from the date of election otherwise the concerned branch would be debarred from taking part in election of HQrs.

Sh. Inderjeet Singh pointed out that it is noticed that cash received is not deposited in the Bank Account even after issue of receipts. It was clarified that branches should collect subscription through cheque upto 07 days before the date of election and through cash till the start of election process. The Branch office bearers who collect subscription either by cheque or in cash, the same must be deposited in bank account of the Branch by next working day. It was also decided to write a letter to all Branches' Chairman, Hony. Secretary and Hony.Treasurer for the same.

HQ share of subscription including GST and other dues of HQ if any can be remitted to HQ as a part payment also. It is collective responsibility of Chairman, Hony. Secretary and Hony. Treasurer to collect the dues and submit the same with duly signed statement to Election Chairman and Election chairman will be responsible to deposit the same to HQ and the list will be sent to CEC.

Sh. Inderjeet Singh mentioned that the dues collected should come before Election to avoid any future inconvenience as it has been done it past by many Branches.

Agenda Item No.4 - Discussion on the separate Secretariat role as well as functions at HQ as per bylaws.

Sh. V.P.Sanjiv desired to constitute a separate secretariat cell at HQ to deal with all the communications related to CEC.

Hony.Gen. Secretary Sh. Balbir Singh Vij stated that CEC should give instructions to Manager directly. Manager MESBAI HQ will be responsible to get the work done assigned by CEC through supportive staff members at the earliest. Sh. Vij clarified that Office superintendent printed in MOA should be read as Manager, as the same has already been approved by the Council in its meeting held at Jalandhar.

It was also emphasized that before finalization, no information/ communication of CEC should be shared with anyone except members EC.

Agenda Item No.5 - Discussion based on the records from last elections regarding the branches who had disputes in their elections procedure as well as those branches who may suffer from disputes during the upcoming elections and how to resolve them in an efficient manner.

Chief Election Commissioner requested HQ to provide the details of disputes arisen in branches during election held for the term 2017-19 to avoid any future complications. Hony.Gen.Secretary, Sh. Vij agreed and directed Manager to provide the information.

Sh.V.P.Sanjiv stated that a meeting of the EC will be held on 3rd June 2019 at HQ office to review/discuss the disputes arise in Branches, if any and to take further necessary action.

Agenda Item No.6 - Finalization of the draft letter that shall be issued to all the Election Chairman of the Branches mentioning their respective role and duties in conducting their Branch Election in a fair manner.

It was decided that a letter to all Branch Election Chairmen would be issued mentioning salient points mentioned in the MOA regarding holding of Branch Election. It was also discussed that Election Chairman can cast his vote as a member or as EC in case of tie. In case EC has casted his vote as member he will not be entitled to cast his vote as Election Chairman, therefore in case of tie the decision will be taken by draw.

Agenda Point No.7 – Estimation of budget for this election based on previous elections with an aim to decrease the over all expenditure.

Chief Election Commissioner Sh.V.P.Sanjiv stated that it is noticed that a huge amount is spent on election of the association. He desired that this year efforts be made to minimize the expenses. Hony.Gen.Secretary Sh.Balbir Singh Vij and Hony.Treasurer Sh.Shiv Kumar Gupta assured that all out efforts would be made to reduce the expenses.

Agenda Point No.8 – Discussion on the date, time, venue for the HQ election and the procedures and method that can be used to achieve fair election for the HQ.

The matter was discussed in detail. After detailed discussion following programme for HQ election was decided.

Date of Election : 27th June 2019

Venue : Air Force Auditorium, Subroto Park, New Delhi-110010

Time : 1100 Hrs to 1200 hrs - Registration/Tea
1200 hrs onwards - Election meeting

It was also decided that CEC along with 2 EC/ HQrs. Office Bearers/Elected Council Members/Chairmen/Hony. Secretaries all Branches/Past Presidents/Patrons/HQ office Staff along with the other assigned bodies will only be entitled for entry. For entry purpose photo ID badge signed by CEC would be issued and entry would be strictly restricted for Election Meeting.

Agenda point No.9 – Finalization of the blueprint of nomination form for the HQ election.

After detailed discussion nomination form for HQ election was finalized.

Agenda point No.10,11 & 12 – Filing of nomination

The last date for filing of nomination for HQ Election will be 17th June 2019

Scrutiny of Nomination Forms will be on 20th June 2019

Withdrawal date of nomination will be upto 24th June 2019

It was decided that a meeting of Election Commission will be held on 20th June 2019 at HQ office for scrutiny of nomination forms.

Agenda Point No.13 – Date of meeting with all the candidates for the HQ election with the EC.

The CEC stated that if required, meeting will be held on 25th June 2019 at HQrs. office.

Agenda Point No.14 – Appointment of the Legal Advisor for the upcoming Branch/HQ election.

After detailed discussion, Hony.Gen.Secretary was authorized to appoint legal advisor, if required.

Agenda Point No.15 - Any other matter with the permission of chair.

The CEC put up the point of attendance of all council meetings. It was decided to upload details of attendance of council members who have attended the council meetings during the term 2017-19.

There being no other item of agenda, meeting ended with thanks to the chair.



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(V.P.Sanjiv)

Chief Election Commissioner