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NINETH REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

1. Vide Order dated 20th October, 2023, this Hon'ble Court appointed the undersigned as an Administrator to conduct an audit/ review of the voters list of IOA and conduct the affairs of IOA till the Executive Committee of IOA is reconstituted after the elections. The relevant portion of the Order dated 20th October, 2023 is reproduced hereunder: -

“59. In the facts and circumstances of the present case, all the above aspects viz. inclusion of dead person/s in the voting list; votes having been cast by such dead person/s; bogus votes having been cast on behalf of certain persons as noticed in the chargesheet; the voting pattern of the individual voters being subject to "selective disclosure" by the defendant No.1 in these proceedings and/or during the process of investigation in the FIR and/ or proceedings before the trial Court, have reduced the impugned election/s conducted in November, 2020, to a complete mockery.

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64. Given the serious irregularities that ex-facie vitiate the elections held in November 2020, and given that the said elections have had a cascading effect as regards the constitution of the Executive Committee of the IOA, it would be appropriate to appoint an Administrator to conduct affairs

of the defendant no.7. Such a course is imperative to ensure that the affairs of defendant no. 7 are put in order, and particularly to ensure that appropriate steps are taken to ensure the authenticity of the voters" list and setting up of robust electoral mechanism/s, in view of the upcoming elections scheduled to be held in November, 2023.

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66. Accordingly, Mr. Justice (Retd.) J. R. Midha, Former Judge of Delhi High Court (Mob. No. - 9717495003) is appointed as the Administrator for the defendant no.7. The Administrator shall conduct the affairs of the defendant no.7 till the executive committee of the defendant no.7 is reconstituted pursuant to the elections slated to be held in November, 2023, upon results of the said elections being officially declared. The affairs of the defendant no.7 shall be conducted by the said Administrator with the aid of the incumbent executive committee. The Administrator shall, inter-alia, be entitled to:

(i) take appropriate steps to conduct an audit/review of the voters" list

for the elections due in November, 2023 so as to ensure that there are no discrepancies therein ;

(ii) put appropriate mechanisms in place to ensure the purity and integrity of the elections slated to be held in November, 2023;

(iii) take appropriate decisions to ensure the smooth conduct of IOACON, 2023, slated to be held in December, 2023;

(iv) exercise oversight over the committees of the defendant no.7 and have access to all records, papers, documents of the defendant no.7."

2. Vide judgment dated 20th October, 2023, this Hon'ble Court held that *there have been serious and material irregularities in the conduct of IOA elections 2020.* In the Second Report dated 04th December, 2023, the Administrator initially decided that none of the office bearers of the Central Committee of IOA shall discharge their functions after the appointment of the undersigned. However, after examining the records of I.A.11814/2020 and CS (OS) 414 of 2020, the undersigned observed that only three office bearers namely Dr.

Atul Srivastava, President; Dr. Navin Thakkar, Secretary General and Dr. Ramesh Sen, Immediate Past President were not entitled to hold their office and discharge functions as office bearers after the appointment of the undersigned. The remaining seven members of the Central Committee of the IOA were directed to assist the Administrator and discharge their official functions only under the supervision/directions of the Administrator for smoothly conducting the IOACON-2023. Subsequent to the IOACON-2023, the undersigned did not permit any officer bearer to discharge any official function, except the Treasurer and Joint Secretary. The relevant portion of the third report of the undersigned dated 14th February, 2024 is as under:

“B. PLAINTIFF REPRESENTATIONS

7. *On 10th December, 2023, the Plaintiffs filed a representation in which they prayed that Dr. Ram Chadha and Dr. Anup Agarwal, should not be permitted to hold their respective posts; and secondly, Dr. Shanta Ram Shetty and Dr. A.K. Jain be removed from the Administrative Committee constituted by the undersigned.*

8. *Vide order dated 14th December, 2023, this Hon’ble Court directed the undersigned to consider the plaintiff’s representation as per law. The relevant portion of the said order is reproduced hereunder:*

“I.A. No. 24983/2023

1. During the course of arguments, it transpires that the applicant has submitted a representation to learned Administrator, seeking the same relief which has been sought in the present application.

2. Accordingly, this application is disposed of with a request to learned Administrator to consider the aforesaid representation in accordance with law.”

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13. *Dr. Ram Chaddha opposed the plaintiff’s representation on various grounds inter-alia that 2022 Elections of IOA was not under challenge in CS (OS) 414 of 2020; he was not a part of conducting of the Election of the IOA – 2020; he is not a party to the Court proceedings; he was elected as IOA – Vice-*

President in the IOA Elections – 2021 conducted under the supervision of Retd. High Court Judge as Observer and was declared elected by a clear margin; he stepped down as the Election Officer for IOA Elections – 2022 on 02nd November 2022 for personal reasons; Mr. Nikhil Mittal, the vendor appointed to update the IOA Life-Membership Data (June/July 2022) accepted in writing and took full responsibility for the unintentional error and tendered an unconditional apology for his technical error. This error had led to the inclusion of 621 gobile.com email addresses in the Life-Membership List submitted to IOA on 16th July 2022. He has further submitted that these 621 erroneous Email Addresses were not part of the final Voters list used in the IOA Elections 2022. The response of Dr. Ram Chaddha is annexed hereto as Annexure-C (COLLY).

14. *The plaintiffs have filed their rebuttal submissions to the response made Dr. Ram Chaddha inter-alia he benefited and got elected from the same voters list; 2021 Elections of IOA were conducted on the same voter list as that of 2020 and Dr. Ram Chaddha had not given any explanation as to how fictitious members name got included in the IOA Voters List.*

15. *Dr. Anup Agrawal opposed the representations on various grounds inter-alia that he was duly declared elected as Vice President of IOA through IOA elections held in November 2022 under the observation of a Retired Judge and he was not part of 2020 Elections; one of the contestants Dr. Ajit Shinde filed a Civil Suit CS (OS) 804/2022 which is sub-judice before Delhi High Court but no stay has been granted. The response of Dr. Anup Agarwal is annexed hereto as Annexure-D.*

DISCUSSION

16. *In the Third Meeting dated 20th November, 2023, the undersigned observed that the office bearers of the Central Committee of the IOA cannot discharge their functions as office bearers after the appointment of the Administrator. However, this direction was partially modified in the Second Report to the extent that the seven office bearers of IOA were permitted to hold their official position but they shall discharge their official functions only under the supervision/directions of the Administrator.*

17. *Para 6 of the minutes of the Third Meeting was modified in the Second Report only to ensure successful completion of IOACON-2023 by permitting some office bearers of the*

Central Committee of the IOA to discharge their official functions under the supervision/directions of the undersigned. The above decision was necessary to ensure a successful IOACON-2023 and therefore, it was clearly recorded that seven office bearers of the Central Committee of the IOA will discharge their official functions only under the supervision/directions and not independently.

18. After completion of IOACON-2023, the undersigned has not permitted any office bearer to discharge any official function, except that Dr. Sandeep Kumar, Treasurer and Dr. Pardeep Bageja, Joint Secretary are permitted to sign the cheques of IOA, which is necessary and should be permitted to continue. Except the said office bearers having limited function, the undersigned is not assigning any official function to the office bearers of IOA.”

3. The Administrator carried out the verification of the voters list of IOA through M/s Ernest and Young and thereafter, conducted the elections of IOA from 05th October, 2024 to 15th October, 2024. The result of the election was declared on 15th October, 2024. The result of elections was placed before this Hon’ble Court by Eighth Report. The final result of the elections are as under:

- *Vice President* - Dr. Navin N. Thakkar
- *Secretary General* - Dr. Rajeev Raman
- *State Representative from Rajasthan* - Dr. Deepak Chaudhary
- *State Representative from Karnataka* - Dr. Bharath Raju G
(Elected Un-opposed)
- *State Representative from Odisha* - Dr. Biswajit Sahu
(Elected Un-opposed)
- *Successful Bidder for IOACON, 2025* - North East Region
Orthopaedic Surgeons Association (NEROSA)

4. As per the Constitution of IOA, there is no direct election to the post of President. The Vice-President elected in a certain year becomes President-Elect in the next year and President in the

subsequent year and thereafter, Past-President for next two terms in the Executive Committee.

5. Vide Order dated 20th October, 2023, this Hon'ble Court had directed the Administrator to conduct the affairs of IOA till newly elected body is reconstituted after the elections. In compliance with the above directions, the Administrator handed over the charge to the newly elected Secretary General and the Vice-President (as officiating President) subject to further orders by this Hon'ble Court. The relevant portion of the eight report is reproduced hereunder: -

“9. The undersigned has received multiple representations that the charge be handed to the elected body of IOA in Annual GBM only. In view of the successful completion of IOA Election 2023, the Administrator is handing over the charge to the newly elected Secretary General and Vice-President (the Vice-President shall be officiating as the President in view of the disqualification of the President and President-Elect of the IOA), subject to the further orders of this Hon'ble Court and subject to the orders in I.A. 41586/2024 in CS (OS) 804 of 2022.”

6. Dr. Ram Chaddha President-Elect [elected in 2021] and Dr. Anup Aggarwal Vice-President [elected in 2022], at the time of passing of the order 20th October 2023, filed applications I.A. 45639/2024 (by Dr. Ram Chaddha) and I.A. 45691/2024 (by Dr. Anup Aggarwal) to challenge the handing over of the charge to newly elected Vice-President namely Mr. Naveen Thakkar as *Officiating President* on the ground that their elections was not under challenge in CS (OS) 414 of 2020 and therefore, they are entitled to discharge their tenure as President and President-Elect in the newly constituted elected body and sought the following reliefs:

I.A. 45639/2024 (Ram Chaddha)

“a. Pass an ad- interim ex- parte thereby staying the operation of the 8th Report dated 24.10.2024 as submitted/filed by the Ld. Administrator in the present suit in so far as it relates to the election of the Applicant i.e. Dr. Ram Chaddha as the President of Indian Orthopaedics Association ("IOA"), duly elected in the elections held in the year 2021; and

b. Pass an order thereby directing that the Applicant i.e. Dr. Ram Chaddha herein to resume and/or continue in the Office of the President of Indian Orthopaedics Association ("IOA") and continue to discharge his functions as the president till 07.12.2024 i.e. completion of his tenure;

c. Pass an order in favour of the Applicant i.e. Dr. Ram Chadha to participate as office bearer/ President of the Indian Orthopaedics Association ("IOA") at the annual IOACON-2024 scheduled to be held on 02.12.2024 till 06.12.2024”

I.A. 45691/2024 (Dr. Anup Aggarwal)

A. Pass an ad-interim ex-parte order staying the operation of 8th Report dated 24.10.2024 submitted by the Ld. Administrator in the present Suit in so far as it relates to election of Dr. Anup Agarwal as Vice President of the IOA wherein Ld. Administrator has opined that Dr. Anup Agarwal is disqualified; or in the alternative

B. Pass such further orders clarifying that the President – Elect of IOA/Dr Anup Agrawal be permitted to participate as office bearers at the annual IOACON 2024, scheduled to be held on 2.12.2024 at Bengaluru and take over charge as President of IOA;

7. Vide order dated 20th November, 2024, this Hon’ble Court directed that the observations made by the learned Administrator in para 9 and para 15 of the Eighth Report to the effect that the Vice-President shall be officiating as the President in view of the disqualification of the President and President-Elect of the IOA, be not given effect to till the next date of hearing. The relevant portion of the Order dated 20th November, 2024 is reproduced hereunder:-

“5. In the meanwhile the parties are ad idem that the observations made by the learned Administrator in para 9 and para 15 of the Eighth Report to the effect that the Vice-

President shall be officiating as the President in view of the disqualification of the President and President-Elect of the IOA be not given effect to till the next date of hearing. Ordered accordingly.

6. It is clarified that the learned Administrator will continue to hold the charge of IOA till the next date of hearing. For the purpose of holding the conference of IOACON, 2024 at Bangaluru, learned Administrator shall be at liberty to seek assistance of incumbent executive committee and any other member(s) of IOA whom the learned Administrator deems appropriate.”

8. On 27th November, 2024 the Administrator passed the following direction to comply with the order dated 20th November, 2024 passed by this Hon’ble Court to ensure smooth functioning of the IOACON -2024. The relevant portion of the order passed by the undersigned is as under :-

“1. The Hon'ble Delhi High Court, vide Order dated 20th November, 2024, as ordered as under:-

"5. In the meanwhile the parties are ad idem that the observations made by the learned Administrator in para 9 and para 15 of the Eighth Report to the effect that the Vice-President shall be officiating as the President in view of the disqualification of the President and President-Elect of the JOA be not given effect to till the next date of hearing. Ordered accordingly. "

2. In terms of the above order, the Eight Report of the undersigned is modified to the extent that Dr. Ram Chaddha shall officiate as President and Dr. Anup Aggarwal shall officiate as President-Elect of IOA till further Orders by the Hon'ble High Court...”

9. The Administrator has taken the above decision to ensure smooth functioning and completion of IOACON-2024 in compliance with the directions passed by this Hon’ble Court on 20th October, 2023; 20th November, 2024 and 06th December, 2024.

10. The Administrator’s decision dated 27th November, 2024 was challenged by the Applicants by I.A. 47075 of 2024 in CS (OS) 414

of 2020, and the said application was dismissed vide order dated 06th December, 2024. The relevant portion of the order dated 06th December, 2024 is reproduced hereunder:

“9. The paragraph six of the order dated 20.11.2024 further clarifies, for the benefit of the parties, in unambiguous and unequivocal terms, that the learned Administrator will continue to hold the charge of the IOA till the next date of hearing, and specifically, for the purpose of holding the conference of IOACON, 2024 at Bangalore, he will be at liberty to seek assistance of incumbent “executive committee” and any other member(s) of IOA whom he deems appropriate.

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11.At the same time, the order dated 29.11.2024 further clarifies that it was not the intent of the learned Administrator to modify the Eighth Report without the consent of this Court, and order dated 25.11.2024 was only passed to ensure smooth functioning of the conference in question. to abide by the order dated 20.11.2024 passed by this Court.”

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13. In view of the above, this Court finds no ground to stay the operation of the order dated 27.11.2024 passed by the learned Administrator.

14. Accordingly, the application for grant of stay of the operation of order dated 27.11.2024, passed by the learned Administrator stands dismissed.”

11. The Conference of IOA named IOACON 2024 was held at Bangalore from 2nd December, 2024 to 7th December, 2024. The Administrator took all steps for successful conduct of IOACON 2024. On 6th December, 2024, the General Body Meeting of the members of IOA was held at Bengaluru in which the Administrator informed the House that the elections for 2024 have become due in December, 2024 and he proposed to conduct the elections in March-April, 2025 subject to Order from this Hon’ble Court. The Administrator further proposed to open the verification process for the following four category of members subject to Orders of the Hon’ble High Court: -

- (i) Life members who could not apply for verification last time;
- (ii) Life members who applied for verification but were not verified for any reason;
- (iii) New life members who were not eligible to cast their vote in 2023 election; and
- (iv) Verified members who have updated their mobile number attached with Aadhar Card.

12. The Administrator further informed the House that the General Body Meeting is traditionally held after the elections and therefore, this General Body Meeting is being deferred to 20th April, 2025. The Administrator further proposed that the President Dr. Ram Chaddha should step down on 20th April, 2025 and the medallion should be handed over to the President Elect on 20th April, 2025. However, the members, by majority voice vote, opposed this proposal being contrary to Clause 15 of the Constitution of IOA according to which the charge and medallion of the President has to change hands in the validatory function of IOACON every year. The House resolved to handover the Office of President and medallion to the President Elect. in the validatory function on 7th December, 2024.

13. The Applicant, by way of the I.A. 48811/2024, has challenged the handing over of the charge and medallion by Dr. Ram Chaddha, President to Dr. Anup Aggarwal in the validatory function on 7th December, 2024.

14. The response of the Administrator to the application is that the Administrator in the General Body Meeting of the IOA held on 06th December 2024 in Bengaluru, Karnataka, apprised the members present that the Elections for 2024 became due in December, 2024 and the Administrator proposed conduct the said elections before 20th April, 2025, subject to orders from this Hon'ble Court and shall

announce the results of the said elections, tentatively on 20th April 2025. Accordingly, the General Body Meeting was not being formally concluded but was deferred until the completion of the aforementioned electoral process. The Administrator proposed that the present President should step down after the 2024 election on 20th April, 2025 and the President's medallion should also be transferred on 20th April, 2025, subject to the order of the Court. However, many members opposed this proposal. Dr. Jamal Ashraf read Clause 15 of the Constitution according to which the medallion has to be transferred during the valedictory function. The following extract from the IOA Constitution was read aloud during the conference:-

“Clause 15: Election of Officers and Venue of IOACON...

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20. The incoming Officers of the Association will assume charge at the Valedictory function of the Annual Conference.”

15. In deference to this constitutional provision, the matter was put to a vote before the members present in the GBM. Through a show of hands and voice vote, the majority IOA members present conveyed their support for honouring the Constitution, thereby resolving that the ‘*medallion*’ should be presented to Mr. Anup Aggarwal as the ‘President’ in the valedictory function. Although the undersigned was not inclined to the conferral of the ‘*medallion*’ until after 2024 election, but the members present at the GBM resolved to hand over the ‘*medallion*’ to Mr. Anup Aggarwal as the ‘President’ in the valedictory function on 7th December, 2024.

16. On 3rd January, 2025, the Administrator convened a meeting of the Administrative Committee meeting and Central Committee of IOA for the next elections of IOA in March-April, 2025 subject to the Order of this Hon’ble High Court. The Administrator proposed to

open the verification process for following four category of members subject to the Order of the Hon'ble High Court:-

- (i) Life members who could not apply for verification last time;
- (ii) Life members who applied for verification but were not verified for any reason;
- (iii) New life members who were not eligible to cast their vote in 2023 election; and
- (iv) Verified members who have updated their mobile number attached with Aadhar Card.

In the said meeting, the Administrator again directed that no decision of the Central Committee shall be implemented without the approval and ratification of the Administrator. Copy of the minutes of the Administrative Committee and Central Executive Committee are **Annexure - A** hereto.

17. The Administrator is discharging the duties entrusted by this Hon'ble Court and is duty bound to follow all orders/directions passed by this Hon'ble Court.

Govardhan Committee Report

18. In the General Body Meeting dated 6th December, 2024, the members questioned as to why the Govardhan Committee Report was not being made public. The Administrator informed the House that the Govardhan Committee Report was received in the last GBM. Dr. Govardhan in his Report had observed that further analysis is required by computer experts. The Administrator therefore, in the Third Report dated 14th February, 2024, sought directions from the Hon'ble High Court as to whether the Govardhan Committee Report be circulated to the IOA members or after the Forensic Audit Report. The relevant portion of the Third Report dated 14th February, 2024 of the Administrator is as under: -

“24. On 17th March, 2023, Dr. R.H. Govardhan submitted the Enquiry Committee Report; Analysis of Voter’s list and Voted Members list of 2021 and 2022; and Interim Analysis of Voted Members list of 2021. The undersigned has examined all the aforesaid three Reports. Dr. Govardhan in his Report has opined that further analysis is required by computer experts. The relevant portion is reproduced hereunder:-

“There was discrepancy of 380 votes between data analysis and the result announced by Dr. Atul Shrivastava!! This requires further analysis with computer experts”.

25. In the Interim Report of Analysis of Voter’s list and Voted Members list of 2021 and 2022, Dr. Govardhan states that “it will require some more time for further analysis to submit interim for 2021 and 2022 lists”.

26. The undersigned is of the view that the Forensic Audit of all the three elections namely 2020, 2021 and 2022 elections are necessary. The undersigned is submitting all the three Reports of Dr. R.H. Govardhan Committee in a sealed cover for consideration by this Hon’ble Court as to whether the said Reports be circulated to the IOA Members at this stage or after the Forensic Audit Report.”

19. After the 2023 election, large number of representations were received by the Administrator with respect to the Govardhan Committee Report whereupon the Administrator again approached the Hon’ble High Court and sought directions from the Hon’ble High Court in the Eighth Report. The relevant portion of the Eight Report is reproduced hereunder: -


“10.The undersigned had also received multiple representations that the Govardhan Committee Report should be supplied to the IOA members. Copy of the representations received were annexure to Eighth Report as Annexure-A (Colly).”

20. The majority of members by raise of hands resolved to await the outcome of the Hon’ble High Court on the directions sought with respect to the Govardhan Committee Report being made public.

Direction Sought

- A.** Permission to appoint an organization for verification of four categories of members mentioned in para 16 for IOA Elections - 2024;
- B.** Permission to appoint an organization for conducting the IOA Elections – 2024;
- C.** Fix the schedule for IOA Elections – 2024; and
- D.** Pass appropriate directions with respect to the Govardhan Committee Report

New Delhi
Dated:28.01.2025


Justice J.R. Midha (Retd.)
Administrator

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Administrative Committee and
Central Executive Committee of IOA on 3rd January, 2025 at 07:00 PM**

Present Physically: Justice J.R. Midha (Retd.)
Dr. Rajesh Malhotra
Dr. Anil Jain
Mr. Ramesh C. Pandey
Mr. Akshay Chowdhary

Present Virtually: Dr. Ram Chaddha
Dr. Anup Agrawal
Dr. Navin Thakkar
Dr. Rajeev Raman and
Dr. Sandeep Kumar

1. The Administrator informed the members that he has approached various agencies for the verification process to be initiated for the next elections of IOA in response to which CDSL Ventures (CVL) have shown the interest and have given a proposal. He further informed that the verification process shall commence immediately after finalizing the agency for the verification of members. He further informed the members that the verification process has been simplified this time by dispensing with the video recording. The concerned agency shall verify the name, photograph, Aadhaar Card and mobile number linked to the Aadhaar of the life member. The contents of the application to be invited from the members has been finalized after being circulated to all the numbers. The verification process shall be carried out in respect of the following four categories of members: -

- (i) Life members who could not apply for verification last time;
- (ii) Life members who applied for verification but were not verified for any reason;
- (iii) New life members who were not eligible to cast their vote in 2023 election; and
- (iv) Verified members who have updated their mobile number attached with Aadhar Card.

2. CDSL Ventures Limited have submitted a tentative proposal agreeing to charge Rs. 5 lakh per month. Dr. Navin Thakkar, Vice President and Mr. Akshay Chowdhary, Assistant to the Administrator shall take up the matter further with CVL to finalize the terms so that the verification process can start at the earliest.

3. The Administrator is of the view that a digital directory of all the members of IOA be published on the website like the digital directory of Supreme Court Bar Association and High Court Bar Association. Some of the member have concerns of privacy with respect to the sharing of mobile no and email of the members. This matter requires further deliberation and is therefore deferred for the time being. In any case, the verification process has to be completed before publishing the directory.

4. The Administrator informed the members that the GBM of 06th December, 2024 has been deferred till to 20th April, 2025 and the elections are proposed to be conducted before 20th April, 2025 as proposed in the General Body Meeting dated 06th December, 2024. The Administrator proposed that the verification process be commenced immediately after finalizing the agency and the verification process be completed in the month of February, 2025 so that the elections can be conducted before 20th April, 2025. Mr. Ramesh Pandey of IOA is directed to draft the election notification to be issued. Mr. Pandey shall share the draft of election notification and other documents with all concerned. The election notification for the next elections be prepared in such a manner that the next elections are completed, tentatively by 15th April, 2025, subject to the orders from the Court.

5. Mr. Ramesh Pandey informed the members that the result of Inland fellowship is pending to be announced because the concerned Inland fellowship committee is not functioning. He further informed that the results of the Inland fellowship are ready and can be announced by IOA.

All the members agreed that the result of the Inland Fellowship be announced by IOA. The proposal is therefore approved. Dr. Rajeev Raman, Secretary General will do the needful with the help of Dr. Rajesh Gandhi and the result will be uploaded on the IOA website.

6. Mr. Ramesh Pandey and Dr. Rajeev Raman informed the Committee that the applications have to be invited for conducting the PG courses which is an academic course and should not suffer because of non-constitution of fresh Committees. It is suggested by the members that IOA Office can invite the applications for next PG courses and the notification be issued by IOA office. It is resolved that Dr. Rajeev Raman, newly elected General Secretary of IOA will send the invite to all state chapters along with criteria for PAN India participation.

7. The term of the Editor, Dr. Lalit Maini completed his term in December, 2024 and he has handed over the charge to Associate editors namely Dr. Murali Poduval and Dr. Kambhampati B.S. Srinivas and the process for selection of new Editor, and two associate editors has to be initiated as per the constitution of IOA. The IOA office shall invite the applications for the appointment to the post of editors and editorial board at the earliest. Dr. Anil Jain, Dr. Sandeep Kumar and Dr. Navin Thakkar informed the members that the search committee to select the Editor on the basis of personal interview includes President, President Elect, Vice President, Secretary General, Immediate Past President, Immediate Past Editor. The Secretary General of IOA shall invite the applications for the appointment of the Editor according to the previous norms and publish on the IOA website.

8. Dr. Anup Agarwal has proposed the names of the doctors to be nominated in the various committees of IOA. All the members are of the view that it would be appropriate to await the outcome of the applications pending before Delhi High Court for the time being. The Constitution of

the Committees is therefore deferred to await the outcome of the applications pending before the Delhi High Court for the time being and till then, no decision of the Central Committee shall be implemented without the approval and ratification of the Administrator.



Justice J.R. Midha
Former Judge of Delhi High Court &
Administrator of the IOA
Appointed by the Delhi High Court