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ILA Elections 2019-22

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In view of the representations of Dr. Prabhat Kumar Pandey, Dr Abdul Majid Baba and a few others regarding the above subject, the issues were discussed at length with the Election Officer and Returning officer as par ILA constitution and bylaws. It was finally decided that:

- 1. The ILA Elections 2019-22 shall be conducted as per the relevant provisions in ILA constitution.
- 2. As far as the issue of Members' addresses/E. mail ids/Mobile Numbers in the voters list is concerned, the information provided therein appears as per the record maintained in ILA office on the basis of information provided by the member himself since the time when neither E.mail nor mobile numbers were available. Written requests for updating members' profile, though few and far between, had been carried out, to the best of my knowledge, by the ILA office, which has always been administered single handedly by a person on a fixed salary.
- **3.** As the ILA, membership fee has always been the only source of income of the Association apart from some from Annual Conference; an interactive ILA website was developed mainly:
 - i. To increase online membership.
 - ii. To reduce the cost of publishing and mailing free copies of ILA journal (4 issues/year) to each Honorable life member, by making JILA online.
 - iii. For self updating of Database of ILA members (presently disabled), which most of the members have not been able to do as yet.
- **4.** The ballots will be dispatched by Registered /Speed post on the addresses of the members provided by them.
- **5.** The Election officer will maintain the record of all sealed envelopes returned by the post office, authenticity of which is verifiable from the post office itself, to remove doubts, if any. Returning officer will also maintain the statistics of Ballot papers.

In a dignified profession as ours, it is earnestly hoped that every effort will be made to maintain the sanctity and decorum of the election process as well as confidentiality of the ballots, as exemplified in the world's largest democracy i.e. India.

All the representations are thus disposed off.

Prof. Shabahat HusainPresident, ILA

CC: 1. Election Officer

- 2. Returning Officer
- 3. Dr. Prabhat Kumar Pandey, Dr Abdul Majid Baba, ILA website