

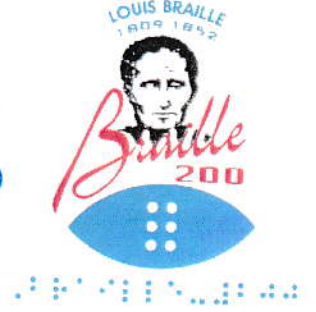


## NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND

### राष्ट्रीय दृष्टिहीन संघ

(AFFILIATED TO WORLD BLIND UNION)

PLOT NO. 21, SECTOR VI  
 M. B. ROAD, PUSHP VIHAR  
 NEW DELHI-110 017



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Dated 10.02.2023

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To

All the Members of National Federation of the Blind.  
 All over India

Subject: Notification U/A 17(4) of the Bylaws of the Federation for holding 26<sup>th</sup> General Body Meeting and Elections of Federation on 18.06.2023.

Dear Members,

I have the pleasure to inform you that it has been decided by the National Executive Council in its meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> of January 2023 at its headquarters at Plot No. 21, Sector-VI, M.B. Road, PushpVihar, New Delhi to hold 26<sup>th</sup> General Body Meeting and Elections of the Federation this year on 18<sup>th</sup> of June 2023. Accordingly, this notification is being issued and sent to all those who were on the membership roll of the Federation as on 31.03.2021 and have renewed their membership upto 31.03.2023 continuously in terms of Article 6(1) and 6 (2) of the Bylaws of the Federation.

The following shall be the agenda of the General Body meeting: -

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the last General Body Meeting of the Federation held on 26<sup>th</sup> of December 2021.
2. Matters arising out of the previous minutes.
3. Presentation of the progress report by the General Secretary for the period beginning from January 2022 to April 2023.
4. Presentation of the Audited Statement of the accounts for the financial year 2021-2022.
5. Appointment of the auditor for the years 2023--2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026, 2026-2027 and 2027-2028.

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6. Presentation and adoption of the resolutions received from the members by National Office on or before 14.05.2023.
7. Answering the questions received from the members by the National office on or before 14.05.2023.
8. Elections of various offices of the Federation at the respective state centers from 8.30 a.m. to 01.00 p.m. on 18.06.2023.
9. Any other item with the permission of the chair.

*In terms of Article 18 (1) of Byelaws it has been decided to convene the meeting through hybrid online and offline mode by earmarking atleast one Center in every state as the venue of the General Body meeting for participation of the members of the respective state and connecting it through zoom app across the centers. The President and General Secretary will conduct the General Body meeting from Delhi Centre. The General Body meeting will start from 01.30 p.m.*

*The following decisions have been taken by the NEC in the said meeting with regard to the convening of General Body meeting and elections: -*

- i. *All the members who are eligible to participate in the ensuing General Body meeting and elections in terms of Article 6 (1) and 6 (2) will have to renew their membership for the year 2023-2024 by paying the renewal membership fees of Rs. 100/- alongwith the registration fees by 14.05.2023. However, those who do not register themselves for the General Body meeting and elections may renew their membership upto 30.06.2023 for the financial year 2023-24.*
- ii. *A team will be constituted by the National Office for making all arrangements at each state center in coordination with the respective state General Secretary.*
- iii. *Members would be able to participate in the general body meeting and elections at the designated State Centre to which State branch they belong. However, an option will also be given to any member to participate in the general body meeting and elections at a state center different from the state center to which state the concerned member belongs only in the following circumstances:*
  - a. *If the concerned member has secured employment in some other state.*
  - b. *If the concerned member has secured admission in some other state.**It is made clear that this is optional and option will be given only to those members who will indicate in the registration form by filling up required information to that effect.*

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As per the decision of National Executive Council, the following fee/charges will be taken from the members of the Federation who are willing to participate in the General Body Meeting and elections.

**REGISTRATION FEE**

For attending the General Body meeting of the Federation each member will have to register his/her name by filling up prescribed registration form and paying a sum of Rs. 100/- as registration fee. As per the decision of the NEC, neither delegation fee would be charged, nor railway fare would be paid. This fee should reach to the head office of the Federation latest by 14.05.2023 in the form of cash/DD. No Cheque/postal order will be accepted. The registration fee sent after the prescribed date of 14.05.2023 would also not be accepted.

**ESCORT**

No escort will be allowed at any center of the General Body Meeting.

The following facilities shall be provided to the members by the Federation who have registered themselves for participating in the General Body Meeting and elections in addition to making the renewal membership fees by the stipulated period.

**BOARDING & LODGING FACILITIES**

The Federation shall provide its registered members with Boarding & Lodging facilities from the night of 17.06.2023 up to the afternoon of 18.06.2023. The facilities shall be as under: -

**DINNER** on 17.06.2023 will be provided for only those who are from outside the city/state center designated for the venue of the General Body meeting in the respective State and who have given the intimation to that effect at the time of registration for participation in the General Body meeting. However, no boarding & lodging facility will be provided in the night of 17.06.2023 for the participating members at Delhi State.

**BREAKFAST:** 18.06.2023

**LUNCH:** 18.06.2023

**Please note the following carefully: -**

1. No member shall be allowed inside the venue of General Body meeting without having a valid Identity card issued by the National Office.

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2. No member will be allowed to take folding stick, stick or any other article inside the venue of the General Body Meeting.
3. It is the responsibility of the member to take part in the General Body peacefully. No disturbance in the functioning of General Body meeting would be tolerated. If anybody is found indulging in such activities, he/she would be taken out of the venue and disciplinary action may also be initiated against him/her.
4. Members are requested to co-operate with the organizers in conducting the business of General Body meeting and elections smoothly.

Members are requested to send queries/questions which they wish to raise in the General Body Meeting so as to reach the National Office latest by 14.05.2023. No query shall be allowed to be raised in the General Body meeting in case the same has not been received by the National Office within the prescribed time. Members are also requested to send resolution which they wish to move in the General Body meeting so as to reach National Office latest by 14.05.2023.

#### **ELECTIONS**

The General Body of the Federation shall elect the following office bearers for the next term of five years: -

1. President (One post) : Only visually impaired is eligible.
2. Vice President (Four posts) : Both visually impaired & sighted are eligible.

(Out of four posts, one post of vice president (women) has been earmarked for Visually Impaired women member)

3. General Secretary (One Post): Only visually impaired is eligible.
4. Secretaries (Four posts) : Both visually impaired & sighted are eligible.

(Out of four posts one is reserved for visually impaired youth member between the age between 18 and 35 years)

5. Treasurer (One post) : Only Sighted is eligible.
6. NEC representative Delhi : Two Posts (to be elected by registrants of Delhi State Only)

#### **Note:**

1. The nominations to these posts are also subject to fulfillment of all conditions

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of qualification for each of the aforementioned posts as per By-laws of the Federation. Only those members who are enrolled as member in the Federation atleast for last four years continuously will be eligible to contest the elections for any of the aforementioned posts.

2. Only visually impaired are eligible for contesting the elections for the post of President and General Secretary subject to fulfillment of conditions prescribed under Article 15(1) and Article 15(3) of the byelaws of the Federation respectively.

Nominations are hereby invited from the members willing to contest for any of the posts stated here in above. The nomination has to be made only on the prescribed nomination form which can be obtained either from the National Office and the office of Branches of the Federation on any working day. Since for the post of President and General Secretary, the nomination of candidates had to be made by getting his/her name proposed by required number of persons and seconded by required number of persons from state/states of each of five zones, any member willing to contest for the said posts would be required to obtain a set of five nomination papers and submit the said five nomination papers duly filled in with required number of proposers and seconders from state/states of each of the five zones. The following is the composition of each of the five zones: -

- i.. **Central Zone comprises of the following states:** - Chhattishgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand & Uttar Pradesh
- ii. **East Zone comprises of the following states:** - Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Orissa & West Bengal.
- iii. **North zone comprises of the following states:** - UT of Chandigarh, Delhi, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab & Rajsthan.
- iv. **South Zone comprises of the following states:** - Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Puducheery, Tamilnadu & Telangana
- v. **West Zone comprises of the following states:** - Andman & Nicobar, Dadar & Nagar Haveli, Daman & Dieu, Goa, Gujarat, Lakshwadeep & Maharashtra

The nomination forms should be accompanied by a demand draft/pay order of Rs. 1500/- for the posts of President, General Secretary and Treasurer, Rs. 1000/- for the post of Vice President and Secretary and Rs. 700/- for the post of NEC

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members Delhi. The Demand Draft/Pay Order should be in favor of National Federation of the Blind and should reach the National Office along with Nomination papers positively by 08.04.2023 up to 05.30 p.m. by registered post or in person. The envelope containing nomination form should be addressed to the Chairman, Nomination Committee, National Federation of the Blind, P-21, Sector-6, M.B. Road, Pushp Vihar, New Delhi-110017. Please note that nomination paper may be rejected in case it is not addressed or filled up properly. The Nomination Committee shall open these envelopes for scrutiny on 09.04.2023 at 3.00 P.M. in the office of the Federation, i.e. P-21, Sector-6, M.B. Road, PushpVihar, New Delhi-110017.

The contestants are advised to be present personally or through their authorized representatives at the time of scrutiny of the nominations. No TA/DA will be paid for this purpose. The last date for withdrawal of nomination is 10.04.2023 upto 5.30 p.m. Elections, if required, for all or any of the aforesaid posts will be held on 18.06.2023 between 8.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. at the respective state centers for the registrants of each state.

Counting of votes will also take place after polling is over at the respective state centers. Counting results from each state center will be communicated to the Chairman Election Committee at the headquarters of the Federation in Delhi who will, after compiling the election results from all the state centers, declare the election results for each of the aforementioned posts, if possible, at the end of General Body meeting.

All registrants are also required to fill up registration form which can be obtained from National Office, its Branches, Units and are also required to affix their photograph alongwith a self-attested copy of their membership identity card.

The respective General Secretary of the respective states alongwith local organizer authorized by National office to make arrangements for General Body meeting at the respective states Centre shall be responsible for all arrangements connected with the convening of general body meeting and elections at the state centers under the supervision of the National Office.

An original notification both in Braille and in ink is being kept for records with the signature and stamp of the undersigned separately.



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*The other details will be sent to the registrants later on.*

*The Federation shall not be responsible for any postal mistake.*

*Thanking you,*

*yours sincerely*



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