THE GOVERNMENT MEDICAL OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION 275/75. PROFESSOR STANLEY WIJESUNDARA MAWATHA. COLOMBO 07

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE GMOA

ANNUAL ELECTION 2024/2025

- 1. The Annual General Meeting is fixed for Saturday, 29th June 2024 commencing at 5.00p.m. at the OPA Auditorium.
- 2. Resolutions for incorporation in the Agenda of the AGM should reach this office on or before 4.00p.m. on Wednesday, 22nd May 2024.
- 3. The Annual Re-Union Dinner is also fixed for the same day after the AGM. We shall keep you informed of the venue and other details regarding the dinner in due course.
- 4. The Minutes of the 96th AGM, Agenda for the forthcoming meeting, Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2024 and Secretary's report will also be notified to you in due course.
- 5. We trust you will keep Saturday, the 29th June 2024 free in order to attend the Annual General Meeting and Re- Union Dinner.
- 6. Letter from the Chairman, GMOA Election Committee, pertaining to the Annual Election is appended for information.

02/05/2024

Dr. Haritha Aluthge, Secretary

FOR PRIVATE CIRCULATION AMONG MEMBERS ONLY

THE GOVERNMENT MEDICAL OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION 275/75, PROFESSOR STANLEY WIJESUNDARA MAWATHA, COLOMBO-07

PROCEDURE OF ELECTION IN TERMS OF CLAUSE 16(k)(ii) OF THE GMOA CONSTITUTION

ANNUAL ELECTION 2024/2025

To: All Members of GMOA,

1. Invitation for Nominations

Nominations are invited for the following posts in the GMOA for the year 2024/2025.

[A] SIXTEEN (16) POSTS IN THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Number of Posts	Position
1	President
4	Vice Presidents
1	Secretary
6	Assistant Secretaries
1	Treasurer
1	Editor
2	Assistant Editors
TOTAL 16	

Note: A member cannot contest for more than one post in the Executive Committee (Vide Clause 16(k)(v))

[B] Thirty Five [35] POSTS IN THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

2. Tendering Nomination

- a) Nominations should be tendered according to the specimen form attached herewith as <u>Annexure 1</u> and must reach the Chairman, GMOA Election Committee/ Returning Officer, 275/75, Professor Stanley Wijesundara Mawatha, Colombo 07, by 4.00 p.m. on the 22nd May 2024.
- b) Every candidate must, together with the nomination, tender an Affidavit according to the specimen attached herewith as <u>Annexure 2</u> to the effect that he/she is not a member/office bearer of any other Trade Union or Association registered under the Trade Union Act, that the candidate will be abide by this procedure, and the candidate is not subject to any disability stipulated under Clause 14 (h) of the Constitution.
- c) No photocopies or faxes are accepted.
- d) Nomination papers must be signed by two members of the GMOA (i.e. Proposer and Seconder), who are eligible to do so and is not subject to the disability stipulated under Clause 14 (h) of the GMOA Constitution and shall have the candidate's consent.
- e) Candidates must furnish the following information on the Nomination Form:
 - 1. Full name (block capitals)
 - 2. GMOA membership number
 - 3. Departmental designation
 - 4. Year of Qualifying
 - 5. Period of membership in GMOA
 - 6. Posts held in GMOA, if any, with dates
 - *Election committee will not undertake the responsibility of rectifying any incorrect and incomplete information furnished by any candidate.
- f) Any application which does not contain the required information stipulated herein shall be rejected.

- 3. All the accepted nominations will be displayed on the notice board of the GMOA, and all the aforementioned particulars of the candidates will be notified to the membership through the GMOA website www.gmoa.lk.
- 4. A candidate who wishes to withdraw his/ her nomination must inform the Chairman, GMOA Election Committee/ Returning Officer of such withdrawal in writing or in person within two hours from the time of closing of nominations. Such withdrawal should be personally handed over to the authorized member of the Election Committee by Wednesday, 22nd May 2024 before 6.00 p.m. Objections for the nominations should also be handed over to the Chairman/Returning Officer of the Election Committee on Wednesday, 22nd May 2024 before 6.00 p.m.
- 5. In the case of possible delay in sending letters/papers on time, a copy of letter could be faxed / emailed to GMOA Office office@gmoa.lk and to the Returning Officer, Dr. Maithri. Chandraratne 0777307175/0718096989, email: maithri.chandraratne@yahoo.co.uk by contestant himself by his/her personal email or phone.
- 6. If valid number of candidates exceed the number of post for a particular post the election will be conducted for particular posts only.
- 7. In terms of Clause 16(e)(i), any member applying for the post of President of the GMOA at an election should have at least ten years of continuous membership of the GMOA by the date of closing of nominations. Any member who is already elected as the President GMOA for two consecutive terms, is not eligible to apply for the President GMOA post for a consecutive third term.
- 8. In terms of Clause 16(e)(ii), any member applying for the post of Secretary GMOA at an election should have at least five years of continuous membership of the GMOA by the date of closing of nominations. Any member who is already elected as the Secretary GMOA for two consecutive terms, is not eligible to apply for the Secretary GMOA post for a consecutive third term.
- 9. In terms of Clause 16(e)(iii), any member applying for a post in the Executive Committee (other than the post of President & Secretary) at an election of the GMOA should have at least three years of continuous membership of the GMOA by the date of closing of nominations.
- 10. In terms of Clause 14(h), members whose subscriptions are in arrears for two years or over shall not be entitled to vote at General Meeting or the Annual Election.
- 11. Members are requested to verify from the GMOA office over the phone (0112580886/0714999555) or in writing whether their subscriptions are up-to-date.
- 12. The Annual Election will be held at the Annual General Meeting of the GMOA scheduled to be held on Saturday, the 29th of June 2024. Venue shall be the All Ceylon Buddhist Congress ,No. 380, Bauddhaloka Mawatha,Colombo 07.
- 13. Members who are desired to obtain Postal Ballot Papers if they are unable to attend the AGM and cast his/her vote individually on election day are requested to forward their applications individually to the Chairman, GMOA Election Committee/ Returning Officer, GMOA Office 275/75, Professor Stanley Wijesundara Mawatha, Colombo 07 to reach him by 4.00 p.m. the latest on Wednesday, 22nd May 2024. The originally filled and signed applications will only be accepted and it must be sent by post or by courier or delivered by hand. Applications should be accompanied by a typed or clearly written out self-addressed envelope (9"X4"). The application for a Postal Ballot Paper should be requested only on the application form attached herewith(Annexure 3). Incomplete requests forms will be rejected without any further notice. No collective applications will be entertained.
- 14. If any post in the Executive Committee or General Committee is contested, voting in person shall commence at 8.00 a.m. and end at 4.00 p.m. on the same date and venue. Production of an acceptable identification document at the poll is mandatory. The accepted proof of identity is the National Identity Card, passport, driving license, and SLMC Identity Card.
- 15. Specified Forms downloaded from www.gmoa.lk will be accepted.
- 16. Postal ballot papers will be posted to all members who have made prior requests, on or before 09th June 2024. Marked postal ballot papers should reach the GMOA Office by 6.00 p.m. on Friday the 28th of June 2024.
- 17. Members are specifically requested to note that no Postal Ballot Papers shall be issued upon request as aforesaid, or no Ballot Papers shall be issued at the AGM to any member whose subscription is due for 2022.
- 18. Incomplete and/or applications that do not contain the requisite annexures stipulated herein shall be rejected by the Election Committee.

Dr. Maithri Chandraratne Chairman/ Returning Officer GMOA Election Committee 02/05/2024

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