

GOA PSYCHIATRIC SOCIETY

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PART 1: MEMORANDUM OF THE SOCIETY

ARTICLE: I NAME

The name of the Society shall be “Psychiatric Society of Goa” hereinafter called “GPS” and its activities shall extend to jurisdiction of the state of Goa.

ARTICLE: II AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To promote and advance the subject of Psychiatry & allied sciences in all their different branches & to promote the improvement of the Mental Health of the people and mental health education.
- To promote prevention, control, treatment and relief of all psychiatric disabilities.
- To formulate and advice on the standards of education and training for medical and auxiliary personnel in psychiatry and to recommend adequate teaching facilities in Goa
- To promote research in the field of Psychiatry, Psychology and Mental Health in the state of Goa.
- To propagate the principles of Psychiatry and current development in psychiatric thought, in Goa.
- To deal with any matter relating to mental health concerning in Goa.
- To safeguard the interest of Psychiatrists, Psychologists and allied personnel involved in mental health and fellow professionals in Goa.
- To promote ethical standards in the practice of Psychiatry in Goa.

ARTICLE: III METHODS

For the attainment and in furtherance of the objects the GPS may:

- To hold Psychiatric conferences and periodical scientific meetings.
- Print, publish, translate, sell, lend and distribute information whether in the form of periodical journal or books, monographs, treatises or pamphlets and distribute the same among its members/non-members.
- To publish reports of the activities.
- To advise the State Governments and other bodies within Goa on the various aspects of psychiatry and mental health including legislative, administrative, educational and research aspects.
- To purchase or acquire on lease or otherwise any movable or immovable property necessary or convenient for the purpose of the GPS.
- To improve, manage, develop, transfer or dispose of any such property of the GPS.
- To collect subscriptions and donations, disburse funds for all or any of the objects of GPS.
- To invest any money to the GPS not immediately required for any of its objects in such manner as may, from time to time, to be determined by the GPS.
- To do all such things and matters as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them which are subsidiary to the said object.
- To create or assist in creating local branches for any of the purposes aforesaid.
- To institute maintain and grant prizes, certificates, and other awards and distinctions.
 - To collaborate with other organizations within and outside Goa in pursuit of any other objectives stated above.

PART-II- RULES OF THE GPS

ARTICLE-I DEFINITION

- "GPS" shall mean the Psychiatric Society Goa.
- "Council" shall mean the Executive Council of the GPS.
- "Member" shall be an inclusive term embracing Life Member (fellow), Ordinary Member
- Associate Member (Life and Ordinary), Honorary Member and Corporate Member elected by the Council of the GPS. Whenever the article "he" has been mentioned, it shall also include "she".
- "Secretary" shall mean Hon. General Secretary (GPS), "Treasurer" means Hon. Treasurer (GPS) and "President" means Hon. President (GPS).

ARTICLE: II CONSTITUTION

The GPS shall consist of members whose names are on the Membership Register of the GPS maintained by the Honorary General Secretary of the Society and who reside, practice or are employed in a place within the jurisdiction of the GPS. Under special circumstances, members may be permitted from outside Goa, if permitted by the Council, under the category of Corresponding Member. Membership may be bestowed to individuals outside Goa as Honorary Membership at the discretion of the Council.

ARTICLE: III OFFICE

The permanent registered office address of the GPS will be Flat no F-4, First Floor, Alleluia Apartments, Fatorda, Margao, Goa. The office of the Secretary of GPS will be place of work or residence of the Secretary(GPS). The office of the Treasurer and Editor shall also be place of work or residence.

ARTICLE: IV REGISTER OF MEMBERS

There shall be a Register in which the names of all the members of the GPS shall be entered with their qualifications and addresses with Phone numbers, Email Addresses and other such relevant personal and professional information as necessary and/or prescribed from time to time.

ARTICLE: V CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The Member of the GPS, would be a person holding academic(MD; DPM; DNB; Ph.D. and such other professional qualifications in Psychological medicine and allied sciences) and/or professional training in Psychiatry and allied sciences. Or any such person who, due to his virtue of working in the field of mental health is deemed fit to be a member, on application to the general body of the GPS. The Application from new members should be recommended by two Life Members. There shall be 3 classes of individual membership namely Life Member (Fellow), Ordinary Member, and Life Associate Member. Ordinary Membership will be for a period of One year only. Life Membership will be granted to those with qualification in Psychiatry/Psychological Medicine only. Only Life Members will have voting rights. The fees of membership will be decided by the GB from time to time.

Leave of absence: Any member who will not be residing within the State of Goa for more than two years duration may request leave of absence. The same will be granted by the EC and the member will be excused from attending the AGBM and other meetings of the GPS. However

the leave of absence shall not exceed five years following which the membership will be terminated. The member may reapply when he moves back into the state.

ARTICLE VI: ELECTION OF MEMBERS

A person becomes a member of GPS when he is elected by Council of GPS and the membership is accepted by the AGBM.

ARTICLE: VII TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

A person shall cease to be a member of the GPS if his name is removed from the register of GPS under the following circumstances:

- The ordinary member does not renew the membership;
- A member chooses to resign;
- Any member who fails to attend two consecutive AGBMs without permission from the GB is liable to lose his/her membership. The same will be presented by the Hon Secretary during the AGBM.
- The GB expels a member for conduct unbecoming of a mental health professional.

For the last method of termination, the expulsion will have to be supported by at least 2/3rds of members of the GB.

ARTICLE: VIII PRIVILEGES OF THE MEMBERS

Each member shall have the right:

- (a) To attend the General Body Meeting of the GPS and to vote on all issues excepting election of Office-bearers of the Council and amendments to the Rules and Bye-Laws, which can be exercised only by the Life members (fellows).
- (b) To receive a copy of the statements of accounts, reports and journal of the GPS.
- (c) To use the GPS's library and room, if any, set apart for the purpose.
- (d) To attend and take part in Scientific meetings, lectures and demonstrations of the GPS, after paying stipulated registration fees as prescribed from time to time if any.
- (e) To enjoy such other privileges of membership as may from time to time be conferred on members by Rules and Bye- Laws of the GPS.

ARTICLE: IX RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MEMBERS

A member whose name has been entered in the register is obliged to accept the Rules and Bye-Laws of the GPS and follow them. No one shall be absolved on the plea that he has not received a copy of the rules and Bye- Laws of the GPS. A member is obliged to renew his/her membership, if applicable, before the expiry of the current membership.

ARTICLE: X YEAR OF THE SOCIETY

The year of the Society for financial purpose shall be 1st April to 31st March of the next calendar year and for any other purpose, the period between two consecutive Annual General Body Meeting shall be considered as "one year".

ARTICLE: XI AFFILIATION WITH OTHER SOCIETIES OR BODIES

The GPS will remain a distinct society in its name, membership, activities, assets, liabilities, Government levies, Taxes, actions, stands, suggestions, administration and management. The GPS from time to time, with prior evaluation by the EC could affiliate, associate, collaborate,

co-operate with any entity, association , NGO, Government Body, Educational institution and such other entities that would be mutually beneficial for the members of GPS and Society at large. However, long term (more than one year) and associations of recurrent nature with any organization will have to be approved by the AGBM.

ARTICLE: XII MANAGEMENT

The general management of the Society shall be vested in the Council which shall comprise of a minimum of 7 and maximum of 9 persons.

ARTICLE: XIII COMPOSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (i) Hon. President
- (ii) Hon. Vice-President cum President Elect.
- (iii) Hon. Secretary
- (iv) Hon. Treasurer
- (v) Hon. Jt. Secretary
- (vi) Trainee Representative
- (vii) Executive Council member
- (viii) Executive Council member
- (ix) Executive Council member

Immediate Past President and Immediate Past Secretary will be non voting members of the EC.

ARTICLE: XIV POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- (A) The Council may meet for the transaction of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate its meetings and proceedings as it thinks fit. A meeting of the Council at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the functions of the Council. All questions arising at anytime of the Council meeting shall be determined by majority of votes. In every case of equality of votes, the President shall have an extra second or casting vote.
- (B) The decision of the Council of the GPS in all matters pertaining to the GPS shall be final subject to ratification by the General Body at its Annual General Body Meeting.
- (C) The Council shall be entitled to act with authority of the GPS in the furtherance of the aims and objects of the GPS and transaction of any business, financial matters that may arise except in respect of acts specifically reserved to be done by the GPS at a General Body Meeting or any business as provided under Article VII of the Bye-laws of GPS
- (D) The Council shall have the power to appoint sub-committees and fix their terms of reference as and when necessary. Any such sub-committee may co-opt as member thereof, such persons who have experience in matters to be dealt by them. Any member of the GPS may be co-opted as member of a sub-committee. The Council shall elect the Chairperson of each sub-committee for a period of two years. The members of the sub- committee shall also serve a term of two years.
- (E) The Council will report the matter of member arrears to the General Body, who will then decide whether to write off in part or in full the arrears against any individual member, and further action thereof.
- (F)The Council shall be competent to act in spite of any vacancy.
- (G)The Council shall have power to appoint or remove salaried officer and servants of GPS.

ARTICLE: XV CASUAL VACANCIES

(A) The Council shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in its members, whether ex-officio or elected, during its term of office, except in case of representatives from local branches. Such members shall hold office only for the remaining part of the year.

(B) In normal circumstances, an Office bearer shall give three months notice of his desire to resign.

(C) Office bearers of sub-committees must inform the President and the Secretary if they are unable to serve for any length of time. In such a case alternative arrangements will be made by the Secretary with the approval of the president.

(D) A member of the Council or sub-committee or an office bearer shall be considered as "unable to serve" for the purpose of filling the vacancy by any other member of the GPS by the EC, if he intends to or resides outside the Zone continuously for six months or more.

ARTICLE: XVI JOURNAL OF THE GPS

ARTICLE-XVII AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM, RULES AND BYE-LAWS

(A) Amendment to the Memorandum, Rules and Bye-Laws of the GPS may be made at the Annual General Body Meeting or at an Extra Ordinary General Body Meeting after adequate notice (which shall not be less than 30 days) is given. The voting shall be confined to the Members of the GPS and any amendment to be carried, shall have at least two third majority of voters attending the meeting.

(B) Resolution for amendment shall be very precise and may be proposed by a member of the GPS who shall inform the Secretary by sending him a copy of the resolution for consideration by the Council.

ARTICLE: XVIII ASSET AFTER DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution or winding up the GPS, the assets remaining as on the date of dissolution shall under no circumstances be distributed among the members but the same shall be transferred to another charitable organization with shared or similar objectives.

PART III BYE-LAWS

ARTICLE: I BYE-LAWS

The Council shall have power to frame bye-laws and place them before the Annual General Body Meeting of the GPS for ratification.

ARTICLE: II OFFICE BEARERS OF THE SOCIETY

2. The Society shall have the following Office bearers:-

- a. President
- b. Vice-President cum President Elect
- c. Hon. Secretary
- d. Hon. Treasurer

ARTICLE:III DUTIES, POWERS & TERMS OF OFFICE BEARERS

President:

- a. The President shall hold office for two years and shall not be eligible for re-election.
- b. He shall be the Chairperson of all the General Body, Extra Ordinary and Council. Meetings and when appointed of any other Committees.
- c. He shall have a casting vote in case of equality of votes in addition to his own ordinary vote.
- d. He shall regulate the proceedings of the meetings and conferences and interpret rules and regulations and decide about controversial & debatable points at issue.
- e. He shall preserve the order and shall decide on all points of order at or in connection with the meeting. There shall be no discussion on any point of order and the decision of the President shall be final.
- f. He shall be ex-officio member of all sub-committees.
- g. He shall be consulted on all important matters concerning the affairs of the Society.
- h. He shall be the leader of any delegation of which he is a member, concerning the affairs of the society.

Vice- President:

- a. The Vice President cum President elect will hold this office for two years and upon completion of two years will be elevated to the post of the President of the Society.
- b. He shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the President and shall have all the powers of the President on that occasion.

Hon. Secretary:

- a. He shall hold office for two years and shall be eligible for re-election at the end of this period.
- b. He shall be in charge of the office of the GPS.
- c. Shall ordinarily conduct all the correspondences.
- d. Shall get prepared by the Treasurer of fully audited annual statement of accounts for presentation at the Annual General Body Meeting of the GPS.
- e. Shall maintain an up-to-date register of all members of the GPS.
- f. Shall organize, arrange and convene meetings, conferences, lectures and demonstrations, etc.
- g. Shall attend meetings of the GPS and keep proceedings thereof.
- h. Shall be ex-officio member of all sub-committees.
- i. Shall bring any matter which he considers necessary in the interest of the GPS to the notice of the EC for guidance and decision.
- j. When retiring shall hand over the properties, books, etc. to the newly elected Hon. Secretary within one month after the result of election is declared.

Hon. Treasurer:

- a. Shall hold the office for two years and shall be eligible for re-election at the end of this period.
- b. Shall have general supervision of accounts, pass all bills for payment.
- c. Shall be responsible for collection of subscriptions and donations from members and well-wishers of the GPS and maintain index card showing up-to-date subscription position.

- d. Shall sign the receipts and prepare statement of receipts, payments and expenditure of the GPS , duly audited by the auditor as appointed by the General Body of the GPS at the AGBM each year and shall present the same and the balance sheet
- e. Shall have the powers to make payments of not exceeding Rs.50,000/-with the Joint signatory (secretary) of the GPS bank account.
- f. Shall open an account with a nationalized bank approved by the EC and shall have the authority to operate this account for the expenses of the GPS.
- g. Shall submit to the Returning Officer and Election Officer an up-to-date statement of dues form the Members.
- h. When retiring shall hand over cash, account books, documents and other papers connected with work of Treasurer of the GPS to the newly elected Treasurer within one month after the result of election is declared.

ARTICLE: IV TERMS OF OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Members of the Council whether elected directly or nominated by the Annual General Body shall hold the office for 2 years and shall be eligible for re-election at the end of this period except the President.

ARTICLE:V ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Election of the Vice President cum President Elect, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer and Members of the Council shall be held at the Annual General Body Meeting.
- The President shall be Returning Officer for all elections of the GPS. The Secretary shall be the Election Officer for all elections. If, for any reason the President is unable to serve as Returning Officer, the Vice-President shall be the Returning Officer. If both the President and the Vice-President are unable to serve as Returning Officer, the Council shall appoint a Returning Officer.
- Not less than 60 days before the Annual General Body Meeting every year, the Secretary shall address a communication to all the Members of the GPS by email (and regular post in exceptional cases, where member wants to receive by post) informing them of the vacancies due to occurs in the ensuing year and asking for nominations for the various posts.
- Nominations shall be sent by email or sealed envelope on which the word “Nomination” shall be mentioned. All nominations shall reach the secretary, by email or registered post or courier not less than 30 days before Annual General Body Meeting. His own nomination, if any, shall also reach him by email or registered post or courier.
- The envelopes containing nomination shall be opened only at the special meeting of the Council. Quorum for this meeting of the Council shall be two. The Council shall have the power to scrutinize and reject nominations and appoint the Returning Officer, if necessary. If, no valid nominations are received for a post by stipulated date, the GB at its annual meeting shall be competent to elect a candidate for the said post. As stated earlier, ONLY Life Members will be eligible for membership of the Council.
- Voting, if required, will be carried out using ballot papers and sealed envelopes on the day of the AGBM, in secret. If a voting member is unable to attend the meeting and wishes to exercise his vote, he must cast his vote IN ADVANCE of the meeting by intimating the Secretary. The result shall be announced at the Annual General Body Meeting.

- Any Life Member of the GPS may be nominated for election of any of the posts if this nomination is proposed by a Member and seconded by another Member, provided the member nominated has expressed his consent in writing to be nominated for the said post and has paid up all his membership dues including the current financial year. The proposer and seconder should not be in arrears.
- The newly elected Office-bearers and Members of the Council shall assume office immediately after their election.

ARTICLE:VI MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The meeting of the Executive Committee shall be of three kinds.

- (a) The Ordinary Meeting shall be held at least three times a year.
- (b) The Special Meeting shall be held as often as necessary.
- (c) A requisition meeting shall be called within 6 weeks from the date of receipt of a requisition signed at least 2 members of the Executive Committee stating the business for which the requisition meeting is required. Only that agenda point for which the meeting is called will be discussed.
- (d) The Hon. Secretary with the permission of the President can call an extra ordinary requisite meeting of the Executive Committee for which at least 10 days notice shall be circulated to members of the EC.

Notice: At least two weeks' notice specifying the place, date, time and the agenda of business to be transacted at the ordinary or special meeting shall be given to each member.

Quorum:

- (a) Quorum for meetings of the Council shall be four including the office-bearers.

Procedure:

- (a) Nothing except the business for which it is called be discussed at the requisition meeting.
- (b) If within half an hour from the appointed time a quorum is not present the meeting if convened on the requisition members shall be held at the same place previously fixed and at this meeting the members present, whatever their number may be, shall form the quorum and carry on the business.
- (c) The Council may meet for the transaction of business, adjourn and otherwise regulate the meeting and proceedings as it thinks fit. A meeting of the Council at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the functions of Council. The agenda for a Council meeting shall be circulated to all its members at least 15 days before the meeting. In case any member of the Council is unable to remain present, he shall intimate his comments to the Hon. Secretary in writing on each subject in the agenda, which shall be read at the Council meeting. All questions arising at any time of the meeting of the Council shall be determined by majority of the votes. In addition to the votes of members present and voting, the written comments of the absentee members shall be considered as voting by proxy where applicable. In every case of equality of votes, the President shall have an extra second or casting vote.

The decision of the EC in all matters pertaining to the GPS shall be final subject to ratification by the General Body at its Annual General Body Meeting.

Every meeting of E. C. shall be presided over by the President, in absence by the Vice-President, and in the absence of both, by a member chosen at the meeting to preside on the occasion.

ARTICLE: .VII CALLING OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

The Annual General Body Meeting shall usually be held within 3 months of the end of the previous financial year (i.e. between April and June, inclusive). It shall be held during the annual state conference of the GPS also called as “GPSyCON”.

Notice and agenda of the Annual General Body Meeting and copies of minutes of the proceedings of the previous year’s Annual General Body Meeting shall be sent by the Hon. Secretary to all Members of the GPS at least 45 days before the meeting.

Any Member may on giving 30 days notice, submit any resolution to the Annual General Body Meeting. The resolution shall be first considered by the Council after which the Hon. Secretary shall put the resolution before the Annual General Body Meeting for their consideration with the comments of the Council, if any.

The Annual General Body Meeting shall be presided over by the President, in his absence by a Fellow elected at the meeting for the occasion.

Business to be transacted: The business to be transacted at the Annual General Body Meeting shall be taken up in the following order:

- (i) Condolence resolution, if any.
- (ii) Confirmation of the minutes of the proceedings of the last Annual General Body Meeting and Extra Ordinary General Body Meeting, if any.
- (iii) Reading and adoption of the Hon. Secretary's Report.
- (iv) Reading and adoption of the Hon. Treasurer's Report and a statement of audited accounts.
- (v) Election of Office-bearers and Members of Executive Council every alternate year
- (vi) Dates and holding of any conference other than GPSyCON
- (vii) Appointment of an Auditor.
- (viii) Amendment of Rules and Bye-Laws, if any.
- (ix) Resolution from members.
- (x) Any other business with the permission of the Chair.

The minutes of the proceedings of the Annual General Body Meeting shall be recorded in a book kept for the purpose and shall be signed by the secretary. These minutes will be circulated to all members 30 days prior to the next AGBM. These minutes will be read out in that AGBM and after incorporating the changes, additions, deletions will be finalized, proposed by a member who was present for the previous year meeting and seconded by a member who was also in attendance for the previous AGBM. Specifically these minutes shall become the record of the society duly signed by the President of the GPS.

QUORUM: The quorum of the Annual General Body Meeting shall be 10% of the Members of

the GPS. The Annual General Body Meeting shall be continued if a quorum is not present even after being adjourned for a period not exceeding half an hour.

ARTICLE: VIII EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL BODY MEETING

An Extra Ordinary General Body Meeting may be called at any time of the year on the requisition of the Council or 20% of the Members of GPS.

- a) Nothing except the business for which it is called be discussed at this meeting.
- b) At least 10 (ten) days' notice of the meeting with the Agenda shall be given to the members.
- c) The quorum for the meeting shall be 15% of the Members of the GPS.
- d) If within half an hour from the appointed time a quorum is not present at the meeting called on the requisition of the members it shall be dissolved. But in any other case, it will stand adjourned to next day at the same time and at same place as previously fixed, and at this meeting, the members present whatever be their number shall form the quorum and carry on the business.

ARTICLE: IX APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

A competent registered auditor shall appointed at the Annual General Body Meeting of the GPS every year for auditing the accounts of the GPS and his duties shall be as follows :-

- (a) Shall audit the accounts at the end of the year and shall certify to their correctness.
- (b) Shall give suggestions for the keeping of accounts as required.

ARTICLE –X SALARIES OR REMUNERATION

The Hon. Secretary shall keep a cash- account not exceeding Rs.5,000/- and shall recoup the amount spent from the Hon. Treasurer on production of vouchers, expenditure exceeding Rs. 1,000/- at a time, except on printing and postage, shall be incurred only with the permission of the Council. If required, and with the approval of the Council, the Hon. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer and the Hon. Editor may keep clerks for the GPS's administrative work. The remuneration of such staff shall be decided by the Council from time to time depending on availability of such personnel and the volume of work involved.

***ARTICLE- XI: FUNDS OF THE GPS
INCOME:***

The funds or income of the Society shall be derived from the following sources.

- (a) Membership subscription fees.
- (b) Donations
- (c) Income from organizing conferences.
- (f) Proceeds from the sale of periodicals books and such other property as may be acquired from time to time.
- (g) Interest on Savings Bank and Deposit Accounts.
- (h) Contribution from Government or Local Bodies.
- (i) Grants received from Local Government, National bodies or international Governmental or Non-governmental organizations

EXPENDITURE: The Council shall, out of the funds of the GPS defray all expenses including

rents, salaries, wages and such other charges as may be necessary for carrying on the GPS.

ARTICLE- XII: CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

1. The EC of the GPS will organise CME, workshops, Symposiums, public meetings, Public lectures, conferences and such other teaching/ training avenues for the skill maintenance and knowledge enhancements of its members from time to time.
2. The EC on behalf of the General Body will also organise one state level annual conference which will coincide with the Annual General Body Meeting of the GPS every year at the stipulated time mentioned in the memorandum of association. After completing the Annual State conference an audited statement of accounts for the index conference should form a part of the Treasurers report at the next years' AGBM.
3. The GPS may collaborate with other Psychiatric associations and societies to organise zonal, national or international psychiatric or allied psychiatric conferences. The proposal for such a conference may be submitted by any member to the EC which will then inform the GB. Where possible the matter will be discussed at the AGBM. If a proposal is received at short notice then the Hon. Secretary will inform members of the GB in writing about the same; should there be any objection from any member, an EOGBM will be called. The financial liabilities of the conduct of the conference will rest with the GB. A suitable organising committee will be drawn from the GB.

ARTICLE XII: SCIENTIFIC PAPERS AND SESSIONS

1. Scientific papers shall be presented at the annual conference of GPS or meetings of the GPS from time to time.
2. GPS and its members shall aid, encourage and mentor psychiatry and allied sciences trainees to present scientific papers at its meetings, psychiatry conferences at local, zonal, national and international level.
3. Research funding for scientific research may be provided to the members on their specific application to the EC of the GPS, who in turn will take approval of such a spending from the General Body.

Presently, Rs. 50,000/- (fifty thousand) is marked as limit for each of the three areas viz community activities, mental health promotion (includes IEC activities and media), and research. Any member can apply to the EC for any of these activities (should submit detailed project plan to the EC) and will be given the amount only at the completion of the project. Any such activity in the above three areas should be explicitly acknowledged as sponsored by PSG. Rs. 15,000/- (fifteen thousand) should be the upper limit for any single research project so as to accommodate up to three proposals in each of the above mentioned areas based on the merits and decided by the EC. The activity areas and the grant limits may be reviewed by the GB from time to time.

ARTICLE- XIV: AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP

The GPS can enter into contract with individuals, institutions, commercial and other bodies to organize competition for prizes, fellowships or bursaries to encourage research in Psychiatry and allied subjects or for any other purpose in keeping with GPS's aims and objects.