

Election Notification of ARTEE For the term 2011-2013

In pursuance of Rule 22 (ii) & 32 of the Constitution of ARTEE, I hereby appoint Sh. Ashok Pant, AE, O/o DG:AIR as Returning Officer (R.O.) to conduct elections of office bearers of the Association for the term 2011-2013. Sh. Ashok Pant, vide provision of Rule 32, will be the member of the Central Working Committee during the elections and for further six months after the elections. Two numbers of Assistant Returning Officers will be selected by the Returning Officer. Five Zonal Assistant Returning Officers (ZARO) will assist the RO as per the constitution. The names of ZARO will be notified on being nominated by respective zonal committees.

Date: 10/09/2010
New Delhi.

Sd/-
(Anilkumar S)
President

Schedule for Election

Dear members,

I have been appointed as returning officer to conduct elections of ARTEE for 2011-2013. Elections shall be held for the following posts as per the schedule given below.

Last date for receiving the nomination papers	22 October 2010 (upto 1600 hrs.)
Scrutiny & circulation list of valid nominations	25 October 2010
Last date for the withdrawal of nominations	15 November 2010 (upto 1600 hrs.)
Circulation of final list of candidates	18 November 2010
Last date for receiving Ballot papers (by R.O.)	28 January 2011 (upto 1600 hrs.)
Counting of votes –	29 & 30 January 2011
Declaration of results –	31 January 2011

Election shall be held for the following posts:

Central Office:

President (one), General Secretary (one), Additional General Secretary (one), Treasurer (one), Vice President (AIR) (one)
Vice President (TV) (one), Secretary (AE), Secretary (SEA/EA), Secretary (Sr Tech/Tech), Secretary (Helper)(One post each)

Zonal Office:

North Zone (Delhi); East Zone (Kolkata); West Zone (Mumbai); South Zone (Chennai); North-East Zone (Guwahati)

Vice President	(one from each zone)
Assistant General Secretary (AIR)	(one from each zone)
Assistant General Secretary (TV)	(one from each zone)
Joint Secretary (SEA/EA)	(one from each zone)
Joint Secretary (Sr. Tech/ Tech)	(one from each zone)
Joint Secretary (Helper)	(one from each zone)

State Office:

State Secretary to be elected by members from the respective states as per the list given below. Nominations for the post of State Secretary are to be filled up by the members who are posted at centres (AIR or TV) given in bracket against each state.

State Committees

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| 1. Andaman & Nicobar (Port Blair) | 11. Himachal Pradesh (Shimla) | 21. Nagaland (Kohima) |
| 2. Andhra Pradesh (Hyderabad) | 12. Jammu&Kashmir (Jammu/ Srinagar) | 22. Orissa (Bhubaneshwar/ Cuttack) |
| 3. Arunachal Pradesh (Itanagar) | 13. Jharkhand (Ranchi/ Jamshedpur) | 23. Punjab, Chandigarh (Jalandhar) |
| 4. Assam (Guwahati) | 14. Karnataka (Bangalore) | 24. Rajasthan (Jaipur) |
| 5. Bihar (Patna) | 15. Kerala (Thiruvananthapuram) | 25. Sikkim (Gangtok) |
| 6. Chhattisgarh (Raipur) | 16. Madhya Pradesh (Bhopal) | 26. Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry (Chennai) |
| 7. Delhi (Delhi) | 17. Maharashtra (Nagpur) | 27. Tripura (Agartala) |
| 8. Goa (Panaji) | 18. Manipur (Imphal) | 28. Uttaranchal (Dehradun) |
| 9. Gujarat (Ahmedabad) | 19. Meghalaya (Shillong) | 29. Uttar Pradesh (Lucknow) |
| 10. Haryana (Rohtak) | 20. Mizoram (Aizwal) | 30. West Bengal (Siliguri) |

I seek co-operation of all the members in conducting the elections in most free and fair manner.

As per clause 30(6), I hereby nominate S/Sh. Dinesh Chand, SEA, DDK, Delhi & Vishnu Verma, EA, AIR, BH, New Delhi as Assistant Returning Officers, to assist me in conducting the elections smoothly.

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or

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New Delhi
10.09.2010

(Ashok Pant)
Returning Officer

Election Bye-laws

1. Election should take place every 2 years and no member can hold the same post for more than two successive terms for any elected post.
2. All members desirous of contesting the election to any of the posts notified in the election notification shall apply to Returning officer on the prescribed nomination form (Appendix – III).
3. A member may file nominations for more than one post but shall be permitted to contest for only one post with the following conditions:
 - a) Separate nomination forms shall be used for each post
 - b) Nomination for one post will be free of cost
 - c) A non-refundable fee of Rs.200/- per post shall be paid for nomination on every other post
 - d) The fees shall be deposited only through DD drawn in favour of ARTEE, payable at New Delhi. Cheques will not be accepted.
 - e) Fee shall be paid along with the nomination. In case of filing nomination for more than one post without paying the fee, all the nominations shall be rejected.
4. a) A member working in any unit of AIR/DD media can contest for the posts in Central office except the posts of Additional General Secretary, Treasurer, & Secretaries(AE, SEA/EA, Sr.Tech/Tech, Helper).
- b) For the posts of Additional General Secretary, Treasurer, & Secretaries (AE, SEA/EA, Sr.Tech/Tech, Helper), candidates should be posted in any office at Delhi at the time of filing nomination for election.
- c) A member working in any unit of AIR media in the particular zone can contest for the post of Assistant General Secretary (AIR) in Zonal office. Similarly a member working in any unit of Doordarshan media in the particular zone can contest for the post of Assistant General Secretary (TV) in Zonal office.
- d) For the posts of Zonal Vice-President & Joint Secretary (SEA/EA, Sr. Tech/Tech and Helper), candidates should be posted in any office at the Zonal headquarters (Delhi/ Mumbai/Chennai/ Kolkata/ Guwahati) at the time of filing nomination for election.
- e) A member working in any unit of AIR/DD media in the place mentioned in bracket in the particular state (at the time of filing nomination for election) can contest for the post of State Secretary for the following states.

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| 1. Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Port Blair) | 11. Himachal Pradesh (Shimla) | 21. Nagaland (Kohima) |
| 2. Andhra Pradesh (Hyderabad) | 12. Jammu & Kashmir (Srinagar/Jammu) | 22. Orissa (Bhubaneshwar/ Cuttack) |
| 3. Arunachal Pradesh (Itanagar) | 13. Jharkhand (Ranchi/Jamshedpur) | 23. Punjab & Chandigarh (Jalandhar) |
| 4. Assam (Guwahati) | 14. Karnataka (Bangalore) | 24. Rajasthan (Jaipur) |
| 5. Bihar (Patna) | 15. Kerala (Thiruvananthapuram) | 25. Sikkim (Gangtok) |
| 6. Chhattisgarh (Raipur) | 16. Madhya Pradesh (Bhopal) | 26. Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry (Chennai) |
| 7. Delhi (Delhi) | 17. Maharashtra (Nagpur) | 27. Tripura (Agartala) |
| 8. Goa (Panaji) | 18. Manipur (Imphal) | 28. Uttaranchal (Dehradun) |
| 9. Gujarat (Ahmedabad) | 19. Meghalaya (Shillong) | 29. Uttar Pradesh (Lucknow) |
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Any other State if formed by Union Govt. of India.

5. VP(AIR), VP(TV), AGS (AIR), AGS (TV) will be elected by the paid up members of the respective media (i.e, AIR or DD)
6. For the posts of VP(AIR) & AGS (AIR) the candidates should be serving in AIR at the time of filing his/her nominations.
7. For the posts of VP(TV) & AGS (TV) the candidates should be serving in Doordarshan at the time of filing his/her nominations.
8. The members working in the O/o the Chief Engineer [R&D, STI(T) & RSTI(T)] shall be considered to be working in AIR media for the purpose of election.
9. For the post of Secretary (AE, SEA/EA, Sr.Tech/Tech and Helper) and Joint Secretary (SEA/EA, Sr.Tech/Tech and Helper) the candidate should be from the respective cadre.
10. For the post of Secretary (AE, SEA/EA, Sr.Tech/Tech and Helper) and Joint Secretary (SEA/EA, Sr.Tech /Tech and Helper) every member irrespective of his or her cadre in both media shall cast his/her vote.
11. No member of the Central working Committee, shall propose or second the nomination of any candidate.
12. Nominations proposed or seconded by the CWC members shall be rejected outrightly.
13. a) A member seeking election to a post shall essentially have to be a paid up member of the Association for the preceding two years from the date of notification of Election. His proposer and seconder shall have to be a paid up member for the preceding one year from the date of notification of Election.
- b) If candidate/ proposer/ seconder are in arrears of subscription, nominations will be declared invalid by R.O.
- c) The member seeking election has to give an undertaking that he is not a member of any other cadre based sister Association/joint platform where ARTEE is not a constituent for the period as mentioned in 13(a) otherwise Nomination will be rejected.
- d) Nomination will be rejected if he/she has membership in any other Association as mentioned in 13 (c).

- e) Any member who is having any outstanding of any loans from the association for more than one year on last date of nomination, shall be barred to contest ARTEE election at any level. However efforts should be made to settle all pending loans / advances prior to last date of Nominations.
14. a) Withdrawal of nominations shall be duly verified by the Unit Secretary [along with his signature unit secretary will put his rubber stamp giving full details such as Name of the Media Station, Place, Pin code & State].
b) In case a member remains in contest for more than one post after withdrawal date, all his nominations shall be rejected automatically.
15. In appeals soliciting votes, the candidates and their proposers/supporters shall refrain from commenting on the other candidates in the fray.
a) Unopposed elected candidate should restrain himself/herself for campaigning in favor of any candidate in the ongoing election.
16. a) The R.O shall send the ballots to unit secretaries with his ink signatures and in turn, at the time of distributing the ballots the unit secretary shall also sign on each ballot paper with ink pen and put his rubber stamp.
b) If ballot papers have not reached any unit 3 weeks before the last date for receiving ballot papers by R.O, the unit secretary will inform telephonically/telegraphically or by fax to the R.O immediately.
c) Accordingly R.O. will send the ballots immediately to the respective unit through speed post/ courier.
17. a) Every paid up member shall have one vote to be exercised for each post. Paid up member means a member who has paid his subscription upto the date of notification of Election.
b) Every unit secretary shall send a certified list of paid up members to the General Secretary (ARTEE) at least 15 days before the last date for receiving the nomination papers. The General Secretary shall submit a list of Unit wise/ State wise/ Zone wise members to the R.O. at least 7 days before the last date for receiving the nomination papers. The GS shall verify with R.O. that proposer/seconded and candidates are not in arrears of subscription.
c. (i) All Unit Secretaries will send Membership (M) form containing the details of the paid up members posted in their station. These M forms will essentially have Residential Address of Unit Secretary. Ballots will be sent on this address. Voter list shall be finalized by the General Secretary 7 days before the last date of submission of nomination.
(ii) Where less than three members are working, individual members can send their details and ballots will be sent to them directly.
(iii) A draft voter list shall be published in Association's website providing One Month's time for verification and necessary correction by the individual member. The Election shall be conducted on the basis of final electoral list prepared and published by the RO in consultation with GS & Treasurer. Efforts will be made to remove name of Retired/Expired members from Voter List.
c) While certifying the paid up membership, unit secretary has to ensure that amount has already reached the Central Headquarter.
18. Members shall mark **X** in the box against the name of the candidate for whom they cast their votes. After casting their votes they can send the ballots individually or through Unit Secretary (in individual sealed envelop) to R.O.
19. a) The ballot papers must be sent by ordinary post to the RO, ARTEE, Post Bag No.3, New Delhi - 110001.
b) For hand delivery or through Courier the ballot papers may be delivered at Room No. 28, Ground Floor, All India Radio, Broadcasting House, Parliament Street, New Delhi –110001
c) RO will provide a Postal address for the purpose of communication and delivery through speed post/ Courier (Room No. 28, Ground Floor, All India Radio, Broadcasting House, Parliament Street, New Delhi –110001).
d) RO will provide an email ID exclusively for use of election.
e) Ballots of zones will have different colors and same color envelopes in equal number of Ballots will be dispatched along with Ballots. After Voting Member will seal his/her vote in the envelope and hand over to Unit Secy. or send it directly to R.O.
f) In case of hand delivery the Ballots must be properly sealed in the envelop.
g) The Ballots received will be verified with the Signatures of Unit Secretary on M Forms.
h) All Ballot paper should have Hologram to avoid duplicity
20. a) Candidate may send one representative with a letter of authority or be present him/her self if he/she so desires during the counting of votes.
d) The candidates or their representatives attending the counting shall sign as witness to the results declared by R.O.
c) No TA/DA etc. shall be paid to the candidates/representatives, attending the counting.
d) All arrangements of counting and recounting including security arrangements will be done by President and General Secretary.
21. Once the result of the election for any post is declared by R.O, further request for re-counting should be addressed to the President, within three days. President along with General Secretary and R.O will make the arrangement for recounting, within next three days.
b) After declaration of results R.O will seal the ballot box and will keep it under safe custody for another 90 days.
c) The difference of defeated candidate with the winning candidate must be less than 1% of total casted votes (one Vote Minimum) for the respective post is the minimum condition of recounting.
22. a) All appeals, petitions and election irregularities may be brought to the notice of the R.O in writing within 30 days after the declaration of the result.

- b) If need be, R.O. may advise the President to constitute an inquiry committee or other wise stating reasons in detail.
 - c) On the recommendation of R.O., President (ARTEE) shall constitute three member inquiry committee including R.O.
 - d) No TA/DA shall be paid to the petitioner, if the committee calls him/her or representative for evidence.
 - e) This committee shall submit their report to the President within a time period of one month.
 - f) The decision of the committee shall be final
23. The jurisdiction for legal disputes in connection with election shall be Delhi only.
24. Conduct of a Candidate during election should be under observation and use of un-parliamentary language with any candidate, President, General Secretary and election team will strictly be restricted. If any untoward incident is reported President on complaint or suo moto can constitute an inquiry committee and on the recommendation of committee, can take preventive action in consultation with General Secretary. The action will be ratified in next Central Council Meeting.
25. A scanned copy of Nomination/Withdrawal may be sent simultaneously through email on the email ID provided by RO. But Nomination/Withdrawal will be valid only after receiving the hard copy.
26. A draft Nomination/Withdrawal list will be published on website of Association 5 (five) days prior to last date of Nomination/Withdrawal and if name of candidate is missing he can send the nomination/withdrawal through email/Fax with the proof of sending it earlier.
27. Nominations/Withdrawals should be signed either by Unit Secretary or any two Members of the Association who are not due for subscription of Association.
28. All Duplicate ballot papers will essentially have different color and will only be counted after removing original ballots.
29. If any Unit Secretary/ Assistant U.S. /Treasurer is contesting the election, an impartial Local RO who is member of the Unit will be appointed by Unit Secretary and election in that Unit will be conducted by LRO.
