
Memorandum

And

Articles of Association

of

COMMUNITY RADIO ASSOCIATION

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(A society registered under the Societies Registration Act No. XXI of 1860 as applicable to the National Capital Territory of Delhi)

1. The name of the Society shall be

“COMMUNITY RADIO ASSOCIATION ” and hereinafter referred to as “CRA”

2. **REGISTERED OFFICE:**

The registered office of the Society, at present is situated at 46 Ishwar Nagar Colony East, New Delhi 110065.

3. The Society will operate on all India basis.

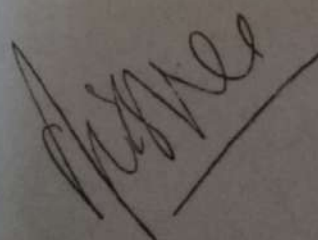
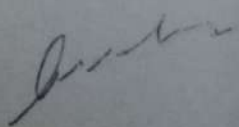
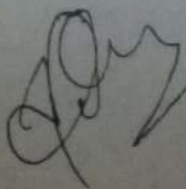
4. **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:**

The aims and objectives for which the Society is formed and registered are the following:-

(i) Community Radio Association of India will be a non-profit, non-political and non-sectarian association.

(ii) To bring all the desirous and functional Community Radio Stations under one banner to strengthen and develop the Community Radio movement in India to represent the voice of the voiceless.

(iii) The main objective of the CRA is to promote,



encourage, support and facilitate all functional and desirous Community Radio Stations in India and abroad, if necessary and required,

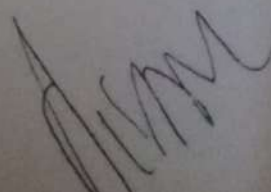
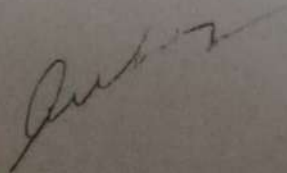
- (iv) To promote the concept of the CRS in areas those are hitherto unreached and provide a voice to communities across the country, through this medium. To promote community radio as a tool for empowerment, peace and harmony, development and inclusive growth by disseminating information
- (v) To create opportunities and infrastructure for consultancy, for training Community Radio Stations in India and abroad
- (vi) To promote interest in general public in Community Radio Stations and spread the benefits of Community Radio Stations far and wide
- (vii) To use the audio - visual media for furtherance of its aims and objects
- (viii) To receive grant, donation, fee, support and assistance in any form for the furtherance of the objectives of the society
- (ix) To subscribe or provide grants/assistance.
- (x) To liaise with Government and any other agency regarding smooth functioning of Community Radio Stations all,over India.
- (xi) To hold local, regional and national based camps

and conduct workshops to strive and achieve the objectives.

- (xii) To create systems and models on technical excellence and innovative programs to achieve the objectives of the association.
- (xiii) To offer training courses on its own or in association with national and international organizations/institutions of repute.
- (xiv) To serve as a facilitation agency to existing and new applicants of Community Radio.
- (xv) To work constantly for networking and exchange of programs between Community Radio Stations and content providers based in India.
- (xvi) To promote, maintain and set up Community Radio Association of India standards to provide a self-regulatory mechanism for maintaining standards.
- (xvii) To develop a model policy for sustainability aspects.
- (xviii) To protect the interests of CRS practitioners and ensure security for all operational radio stations.
- (xix) To evolve a self-sustainable policy/model for community radio and evolve a CRA rating system, which may be acknowledged worldwide.
- (xx) To serve as a single clearing agency for the expeditious setting up of and operationalizing of

the community radio.

- (xxi) To expand the scope of CRA by setting up regional and state chapters, advisory groups, consultative committees, working groups that would work in the interest of the community radio
- (xxii) To create a code of best practices and institute awards, rewards, fellowships or scholarships or any other such incentives that may guarantee a healthy competitive spirit among community radios and also help in furthering the cause of the community radio.
- (xxiii) To purchase, lease, secure by exchange or license, hire or otherwise acquire any moveable or immovable property and any interest, easement right and privilege necessary or alter any moveable and immovable property of the Society and undertake such other activities as may be necessary and incidental to the objects of the Society.
- (xxiv) To frame bye-laws and rules and regulations for the conduct of the business of the Society and its officers and employees.
- (xxv) To do all such other lawful acts, deeds and things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objectives or any of them.



(xxvi) All the income, earnings, moveable properties of the society shall be utilized and applied towards the promotion of its aims and objectives only as set forth in the "Memorandum of Association" and no profit or part thereof shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly by way of dividends, bonus, profit or in any manner whatsoever, to the members of the society or to any other person. No member of the society shall have any personal claim on any moveable or immovable properties of the society or make any profits, whatsoever, by virtue of his/her membership.


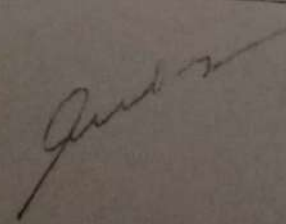
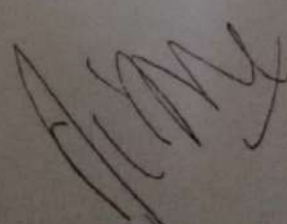
5. GOVERNING BODY

The names, addresses, occupations of members of the Governing body, to whom the management of the Society shall be entrusted, as required under section 2 of the societies Registration Act 1860, as applicable to the National Capital Territory of Delhi are as follows:-

S.No	NAME	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION
1	Dr.Kandarpa Das	37, Gauhati University campus, Guwahati - 781 014, Assam	Teacher
2	Virender Singh Chauhan	House No. 3, Type E 2, Chaudhary Devi	Teacher

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		LalUniversity, Sirsa, Haryana	
3	Archana Kapoor	233, Gulmohar Enclave, New Delhi 110049	Social Activist
4	Braham prakashyadav	WP-152/C, Pitampura, N.Delhi 110034	Radio broadcaster
5	Dr.Ankuran Dutta	KKHSOU, Housefed Complex, Dispura, Guwahati-6, Assam	Teacher
6	Madhusudanpandit	Naibasti Fateh Pursiwan (Bihar)	Social activist
7	N, A. Shah Ansari	Konark, District - Puri, Orissa 752 111	Social Activist
8	M.S.H. Beg Mshbeg	46, Jshwarnagar, Opposite Surya Hotel, New Delhi-65	Businessman
9	Barsha Chabaria	A-8 B, Block C, Radio Salaam Nameste, IMS College, Noida Sector 62	Radio Broadcaster
10	Prof. Ashok Singh Sunhal	Alwar Ki Awaz, All	Chief Manager

		India Society for Advance Education & Research, North Extension MIA Alwar (Raj) - 301030	Projects Station Director /
11	Neeraj Sharma	KRIMS FM Spasth Education Society	Director
12	Dr. Amol Goje	Baramati Vidyanagari, Bhigwan Road, Baramati (Dist.) Pune- 413 133 Maharashtra	Director

COMMUNITY RADIO ASSOCIATION

1. Name: The name of the society : "COMMUNITY RADIO ASSOCIATION " and called Hereinafter referred to as "CRA".

i. Membership: Any subscriber to the Memorandum of the Society, members of the Governing Body and every person who accepts the aims and objects of this society may apply for membership in the prescribed application form.

ii. It is the prerogative of the governing body to accept or reject the application, recording reasons for the same. However, the Applicant shall be heard before rejecting his/her application. Furthermore, the members are of three

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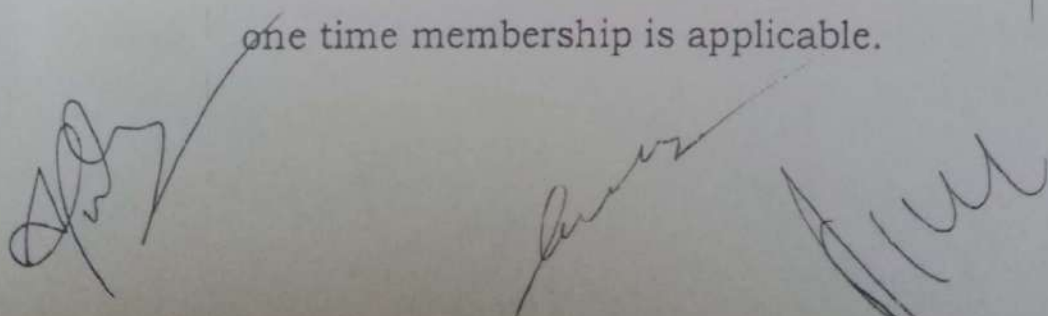
- a) Institutional Members- Community Radio Stations
Individual Community Radio Practitioners
- b) Associate Members
 - Community Members
 - Students
- c) Corporate Members
 - International agencies
 - Educational Institutions.

iii. Institutional and Institutional Members: Implies one nominated member by the institution having single vote. **Only institutional members shall have the right to elect or get as members of the Governing Body of the Association.**

iv. Subscription: There shall be a membership fee and annual subscription for all members. The rates applicable to different categories of membership are as under **Institutional and individual Members: Rs.5000/- as one time membership fee and Rs.1000/- as annual fee.**

a) **Corporate members:** Rs. 10,000/- as one time membership fee and Rs.5000/- as annual fee.

b) **Students:** Rs.100/- as annual fee. No one time membership is applicable.



c) **Community members:** Rs.50/- as annual fee. No one time membership is applicable.

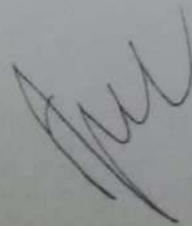
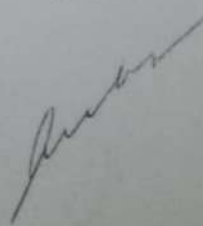
d) **International agencies:** Rs.1 Lakh membership fee. No annual fee will be applicable

v. **Cessation of Membership:**

(i) A person shall cease to be a member of the society by resignation death, disqualification, insolvency or liquidation or for non-attending three consecutive meetings of the General Body without taking leave for absence.

(ii) A member shall be deemed to have become disqualified, if in the view of the other members expressed by a resolution of the majority of the total member of the members, he is of unsound mind, or has worked against the aims and objects of the society or has committed an act, which makes it undesirable to have him as member or his membership cease to be in the interest of the society.

(iii) All institutional members will nominate a representative from their organization who will represent the organization in all meetings. Also in case the representative resigns or leaves the organization, s/he will no longer represent the organization and another



member will be nominated within days by the organization.

(iv) **Removal of membership:** any member or office bearer who has been found violating the laws of the land, or to whom charge sheets have been framed under a court of law, or anyone whom the majority of general body feels is acting against the interest of the CRA will be removed at the annual general body meeting.

(v) **Refusal:**

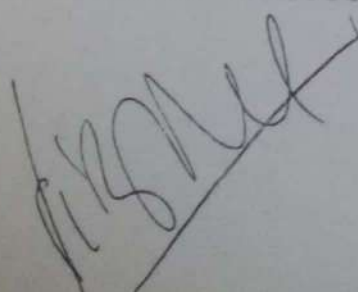
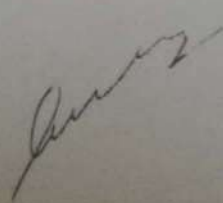
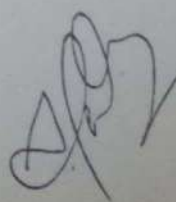
The Governing Body of the society may refuse any person the membership of the association and record reasons for such refusal.

A. Governing Body of the Society:

i. The management of the affairs of the society shall vest in the Governing Body. The Governing Body shall consist of not less than 08 and not more than 22 members who shall be elected by the members of the society. Secret ballot shall be the mode of election.

ii. Term of Governing Body Members:

The members of the Governing Body shall hold office for a term of two years from the date of their assuming charge and shall be eligible for re-election Unless otherwise



decided by the Governing Body, a member of the Governing Body shall continue to be in office after the expiry of his term until his successor assumes charge. No member can hold office in the same capacity for more than two terms. **They will cease to be an office bearer if they do not represent their parent institution for the community radio.**

- iii. Vacancy of Governing Body: In case a member of the Governing Body resigns, dies, ceases to be a member, is removed from office or vacates office otherwise, the vacancy may be filled by the Governing Body by nomination from among the members for the balance term.
- iv. Not attending in three consecutive meetings of the Governing Body without taking leave for absence.

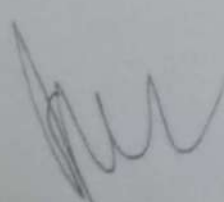
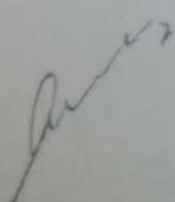
B. Powers of the Governing Body:

Without prejudice to the generality of the powers of the Governing Body to do such things as it may consider necessary or shall be expedient for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Society, the Governing Body shall exercise the following powers.

- a) Open bank accounts in the name of the society with such bank(s) or other institution (s) as it may think fit

from time to time, **and authorize any two out of three** of its members to operate such accounts).

- b) The general superintendence and control of the affairs and funds of the society shall be vested in the Governing Body which may exercise all powers and do all acts and things which may be exercised or done by the society.
- c) Defray the expenses of the society activities and make contribution from the funds of the Society to any other Trust or Society or Association, having objects similar to those of the Society.
- d) Invest/deposit such funds of the society as may not be immediately required, in such manner as may be determined by the Governing Body from time to time, subject to any statutory restrictions and realize or vary such investments.
- e) Borrow money for the purpose of the Society and if necessary, create lien on the assets of the Society.
- f) Appoint and, at the discretion, remove or suspend employees of all categories of the Society and, from time to time determine their powers and duties and fix their remuneration and terms of employment.
- g) Delegate any of its powers to such committees or sub-committees as it may constitute, consisting of such



members and or to any member of the Governing Body or office bearer of the society.

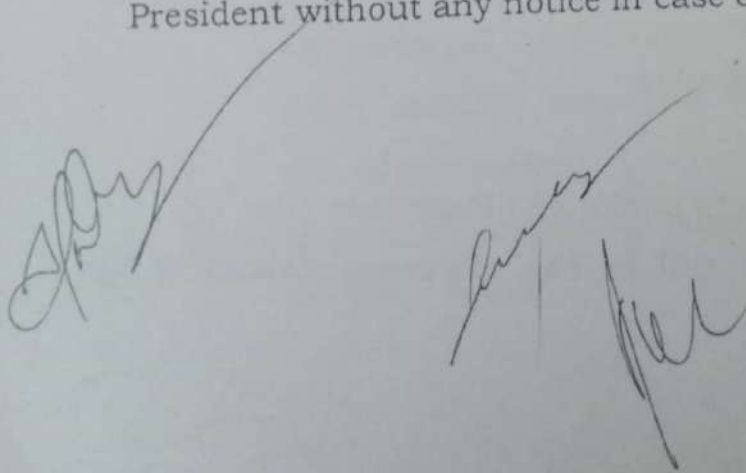
- h) The Governing Body shall have powers to make such bye-laws as they deem fit for the regulation of the business of the Society and in particular with reference to the preparation and sanction of budget estimates, sanction of expenditure, entering into contracts, and investment of the funds of the society through its authorized signatories for financial transactions including projects

C. MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY:

The Governing Body shall meet as and when a meeting is convened by the President OR requisitioned by at least one third of members of the Governing Body, provided that it shall meet at least twice in a year.

D. NOTICE FOR MEETING:

At least one weeks notice shall be given for a meeting of the Governing Body, but a meeting may be called by the President without any notice in case of exigencies.

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E. QUORUM FOR MEETING:

Presence of 1/3rd members of the Governing Body, personally present, shall form the quorum for a meeting of the Governing body.

F. DECISION:

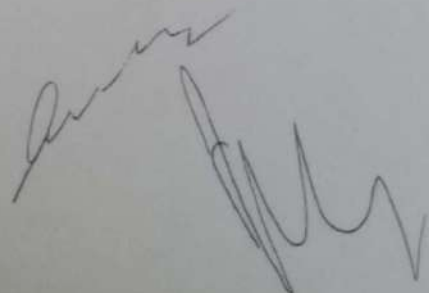
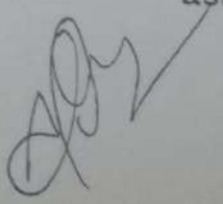
The Governing Body shall take decisions by consensus. In case of a tie the President or chairman of the meeting shall have the deciding vote.

G. RESOLUTION BY CIRCULATION:

The resolution passed and accepted by the majority of the members of the Governing Body shall be, after circulation amongst the entire members for the time being in India, an effective and binding as resolution passed at a meeting of the Governing Body.

H. OFFICE BEARERS; the society shall have the following office bearers:

1. President
2. **Six Vice Presidents- one each of south, north, east , west, central and northeast regions of India**
3. Secretary General
4. Three Joint Secretaries
5. Treasurer
6. Executive members minimum (maximum 10).
7. **DR. R. Sreedhar will be the Founder Patron of the association**



I. The President of the society shall be the chairperson of the Governing Body, All the office bearers of the society shall be elected in the General Body meeting.

J. The office bearers as specified in clause 4 above shall have the following powers/functions.

K. PRESIDENT

i. He/she shall preside all the meetings of the General Body and Governing Body or in his absence one of the Vice Presidents or one of the governing body members as decided by the members

(ii) In case of equality of votes in any meeting he/she shall have a casting vote.

(iii) He/she shall oversee the work of other office bearers of the Society.

L. SECRETARY & GENERAL

i. S/he shall represent the Society,

ii. S/he shall maintain all records including the register of members, minutes books etc.

iii. S/he shall undertake all type of correspondence on behalf of the society.

iv. S/he shall convene the meetings of General body on advice of the President and shall also inform every member regarding the time, date, venue etc. of the meeting.

v. S/he shall perform all other functions as may be assigned to him.

M. **TREASURER:** S/he shall collect subscriptions, gifts, grant / aids / donations etc., from the members, general public and s/he shall also be responsible for keeping and maintaining true and correct accounts of the society.

N. **FINANCIAL YEAR:** The account of the society shall be prepared from 1st April to 31st March, every year.

O. **AUDIT:** The annual accounts of the society shall be audited by any Chartered Accountant appointed by the General Body as auditor of the Society.

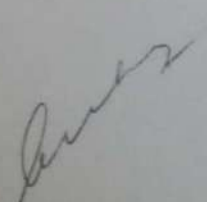
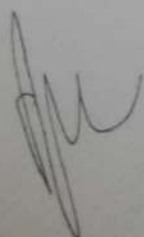
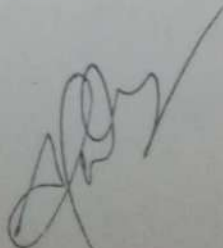
P. **GENERAL BODY OF THE SOCIETY:**

There shall be a General Body of the society consisting of all the members. The meeting of the general body shall be held once every year with a **minimum of 33% quorum**. No quorum shall be required in the adjourned meeting. An emergent meeting of the General Body may also be summoned on the written request of 3/4th members, with 07 days prior notice. The members who could not attend in person may nominate a proxy for such meetings

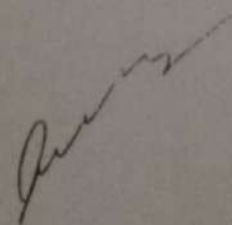
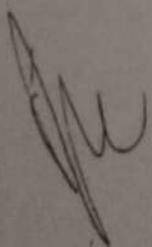
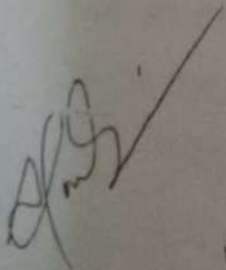
The notice period of the meeting of the General Body shall be 7 days. The following business shall be transacted in these meetings:-

To prepare annual programs and policies.

- (i) To discuss and to decide all such matters and issues which are directly or indirectly related to the affairs of the society.



- (ii) To approve annual budget of the society.
- (iii) To appoint a qualified auditor for conducting annual audit of the society.
- (iv) To consider any other business brought forward by the Governing Body.
- (v) The provision applicable to Governing body shall apply mutatis- mutandis to general meetings.
- (vi) The Regional vice president who is elected by the General Body will be the ex officio President of the Regional chapter of CRA. He will form his own working group to carry out the activities of CRA in the respective region. State chapters of CRA will also be encouraged and the President of the state chapter will automatically become the regional vice president of CRA. **The state chapter will collect the membership fee in the form of crossed AC payee cheque in the name of CRA only and send it to the headquarters. 25% of the money so collected will be earmarked to the state chapter for its activities and 15% of the money collected from each one will be earmarked for the regional chapter for their activities. But**



there will be only one bank account in the name of CRA and the treasurer will disburse the money as per norms to the state chapter president for which mutual mode of working will be arrived at.. Every donation or payment received must be in the form of cheques or DDS or bank transfers only and CRA would resist from taking cash as membership fee.

(vii) Governing body will nominate a coordinator for the projects received from Govt and other sources. Separate bank accounts will be opened for projects and the signatories will include one office bearer of the CRA and the other the coordinator. If the coordinator is not an office bearer of the association, he/she is eligible for suitable remuneration. Officer bearers are eligible for reimbursements of the expenses plus a reasonable per diem on par with GOI rules or the funder organisation's guidelines

Q. ANNUAL LIST:

Every year a list of Governing Body Office Bearers and members shall be filed in the Office of Registrar of Societies Delhi as required U/S 4 SR Act, of 1860.

R. AMENDMENT:



Any amendment in the memorandum of rules of this Society shall be carried out in accordance with procedure laid down U/S 12 and 12A of SR Act, of 1860.

S. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS:

The society may sue or be sued in the name of its President as required U/S 6 of SR Act of 1860.

T. INCOME NOT TO REVERT:

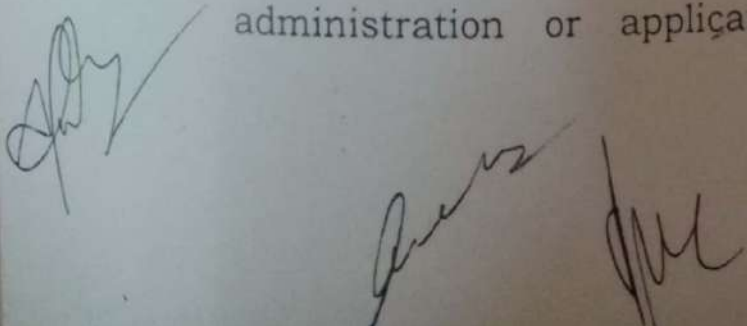
The income of the society from its property or donations, whatsoever derived shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Society as set out in its Memorandum of Association and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly to the persons who at any time are or have been members of the society or to any of them or any person claiming through any of them.

U. DISSOLUTION:

The society may be dissolved in accordance with the procedure laid down U/S 13 & 14 of SR Act. of 1860.

V. EXCLUSION OF PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY:

No member of the Governing Body shall be answerable or personally liable for any loss arising from the administration or application of the funds and

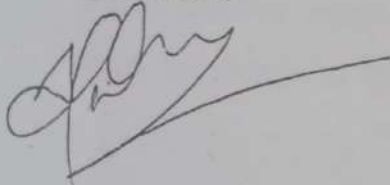


properties of the Society unless such loss or damage is caused through willful default or breach of trust or culpable negligence on his/her part.

W. APPLICABILITY OF THE ACT: All the provision of the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860 Act, as extended to the National Territory of Delhi, will apply to this society.

We, the undersigned, person's president, Secretary and Treasurer of the Governing body certify that this is a true copy of RULES AND REGULATION of COMMUNITY RADIO ASSOCIATION.

PRESIDENT



SECRETARY GENERAL TREASURER

