

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF  
THE ROYAL COLLEGE UNION**

**WHEREAS** consequent to several proposals by members of the Royal College Union Council to amend certain Articles of the Constitution of the Royal College Union, the Royal College Union Council mandated the Constitutional and Legal Affairs Advisory Committee to examine and recommend suitable amendments to the Constitution of the Royal College Union;

**AND WHEREAS** upon careful examination and wide ranging deliberations, the Constitutional and Legal Affairs Advisory Committee recommended several proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Royal College Union;

**AND WHEREAS** the aforesaid proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Royal College Union were circulated to the members of the Royal College Union Council on the 27<sup>th</sup> of April 2018 and thereafter along with the Notice of the Council meeting of 09<sup>th</sup> of May 2018 (Annex-B )

**WHEREAS** the aforesaid proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Royal College Union were approved by the Royal College Union Council at its meetings held on the 09<sup>th</sup> of May 2018, under and in terms of Article 23.1 of the Constitution of the Royal College Union;

**AND WHEREAS** the aforesaid the proposed amendments to the Constitution of the Royal College Union which were approved by the Royal College Union Council under and in terms of Article 23.1 of the Constitution of the Royal College Union are now required to be passed by a two thirds majority of those present and voting at a Special General Meeting of the Royal College Union convened for that purpose;

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT TO AMEND** the Constitution of the Royal College Union, in terms of Article 23.1 thereof, in the following manner:

**1. Amendment of Article 4**

From:

**4.0 CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Members shall be of the following categories:

- 4.1 **Ordinary Membership** – Any past student may be admitted as an Ordinary Member on payment of a membership fee of Rs.1,500/-. Such membership shall terminate after a period of ten years from the date of admission and may be renewed on the same terms for a further period of ten years.
- 4.2 **Life Membership** – Any past student may be admitted as a Life Member on payment of a membership fee of Rs.3,000/-.

To:

#### **4.0 CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Members shall be of the following categories:

- 4.1 **Ordinary Membership** – any past student may be admitted as an Ordinary Member on payment of a membership fee of **Rs.1,000/-**. Such membership shall terminate after a period of five years from the date of admission and may be renewed on the same terms for a further period of five years.
- 4.2 **Life Membership** – Any past student may be admitted as a Life Member on payment of a membership fee of **Rs.3,500/-**.

#### **Changes**

- (i) Decrease in the fees of Ordinary Membership from Rs.1,500/- to Rs. 1,000/- and change in the period of Ordinary Membership from ten to five years.
- (ii) Increase in the fees of Life Membership from Rs. 3,000/- to Rs. 3,500/-.

## **2. Amendment to Article 5.1 and Schedule I**

From:

**Article 5.1** - Every application for membership shall be subject to amendment thereof by the Council, be on the relevant form set out in **Schedule I** and shall be accompanied by the proper membership fee payable for the category of membership sought by the applicant.

#### **Schedule I – Membership Form**

As per the attached document.

To:

## **Article 5.1**

5.1 Every application for membership shall be subject to approval thereof by the Council, be on the relevant form set out in Schedule I and shall be accompanied by the proper membership fee payable for the category of membership sought by the applicant.

5.1.1 The membership form set out in Schedule I may be amended by time to time with the approval of the RCU Council. For the avoidance of doubt, any such amendment to the membership form set out in Schedule I shall not be deemed to be an amendment of the Royal College Union Constitution and thus shall not require an amendment set out in Article 23 of the Constitution.

## **Schedule I – Membership Form**

As per the attached document.

### **Changes:**

- (a) Specific inclusion of a provision stating that any further amendment to the membership form shall not require an amendment to the Constitution.

## **3. Amendment to Article 10.1.4**

From:

**Article 10.1.4** - The President and Secretary of the Union shall, with the consent and concurrence of the Council, at the first meeting of the Council after the Annual General Meeting of the Union, be entitled to appoint as members of the Council, not more than twenty persons from among the members of the Union.

To:

**Article 10.1.4** - The President and Secretary of the Union shall, with the consent and concurrence of the Council, at the first meeting of the Council after the Annual General Meeting of the Union, be entitled to appoint as members of the Council, not more than thirty persons from among the members of the Union.

### **Changes:**

- (b) Specifically to increase the number of appointed members to the Council from twenty to thirty

The aforementioned Resolution will be presented at the Special General Meeting of the Royal College Union convened for this purpose to be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July 2018 at the College Hall, and if the aforementioned Resolution is passed by a two third majority of the Royal College Union at the aforesaid Special General Meeting, then the amendments to the Royal College Union Constitution shall be amended accordingly.

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