



# Indian Academy of Neurology

## Revised Constitution and Bye-laws

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Section	Amended Version
1.	The name of the Academy shall be "Indian Academy of Neurology" and herein after the word 'Academy' refers to 'Indian Academy of Neurology'.
2.	The aims and objectives for which the Academy is set up are:
2.1	To help in amelioration of human distress particularly among socially and economically backward sections of society for charitable purposes.
2.2	To maintain close association and co-operation among those devoting full time to any branch of neurological sciences.
2.3	To maintain the highest standard in the ethics and practice of the speciality and its subspecialties, to recognize and encourage merit in the speciality and its subspecialties.
2.4	To maintain this high standard, every endeavor shall be made to give adequate training to those who are properly qualified and intend to take up this speciality.
2.5	To conduct scientific meetings, symposia, workshops and continuing medical education programmes in the speciality or subspecialties for maintaining the upto-date knowledge in neurology and to fulfill these objectives, neuroscientists of international repute from India or abroad may be invited.
2.6	To promote and encourage research in the clinical and experimental work pertaining to this speciality and to provide funds for publications of scientific material if possible.
2.7	To promote liaison with the national and international agencies in the field of neurosciences.
2.8	To receive and accept donations, gifts, grants or contributions in kind from any person or persons, associations, societies, companies, authority or Govt. for the furtherance of the aims and objects of the Academy, in its absolute discretion as it may deem fit. (Bye Law).
2.9	To provide travel fellowships to members to attend national and international scientific meetings subject to availability of funds.
3.	In pursuit of the above-listed objectives, there shall be Founding Fellows, Fellows, Honorary Corresponding Members, Life Members (LM), Life Associate Members (LAM) and Associate Members (AM) and the Academy shall undertake appropriate activities.
	Life Membership (LM)
4.	Admission to Life Membership shall be restricted to (both the conditions need to be fulfilled):
4.1	(i) Those who are trained in neurology/paediatric neurology/geriatric neurology and are in full time practice of neurology/pediatric neurology/geriatric neurology.; and
	(ii) Those passing a postgraduate degree in neurology/paediatric neurology/geriatric neurology (DM, DNB or MCI recognized foreign equivalent degree).
4.2	Applications for "Life Membership" shall be proposed and seconded by a Life Member only. The applications will be screened by the Secretary but the authority to admit new Life Members will be the Executive Committee.
4.3	IAN LM No. will be assigned only to those eligible members who have paid their membership fees and are ratified by EC and GB. Only members having LM No. will have voting rights.
5.	Life Associate and Associate Membership
5.1	Life Associate Member (LAM) shall be open to those who are in full time practice of any branch of neurological sciences other than neurology/paediatric neurology/geriatric neurology.
	Associate membership shall be open to registered post graduate students pursuing their status in the speciality of neurology/paediatric neurology/geriatric neurology or allied specialities and research associates.
5.2	LAM/AM shall be proposed and seconded by a Life Member only. The application will be screened by the executive committee and admitted as LAM or AM if the applicant fulfils the criteria.
5.3	LAM/AM would take part in all activities of the Academy by presentation of papers at meetings, participate in discussions, or publish papers in the journal of the Academy, etc., and shall have all the privileges of membership, except that they shall not have the voting rights and shall not be eligible to hold any office of the Indian Academy of Neurology other than in their subsection.
5.4	Life Associate Members (LAM) will have voting rights in their relevant subsection to which they are contributing additional annual subscriptions and they will also be eligible for the post of Convener / Secretary / Member / National Delegate of the subsection.
5.5	Persons belonging to allied specialties of neurology shall be inducted as Life Associate Members (LAM). Persons in training in neurology/paediatric neurology/geriatric neurology shall become Associate Members (AM) for at least 3 years to begin with. On completion of training and obtaining required qualification they can be nominated for Life Membership. Such an application will then be screened by the Executive Committee for admission as Life Member if the applicant fulfills all criteria.
6.	The Academy shall maintain a category of membership to be designated as Corresponding Members
6.1	Honorary Corresponding Membership shall be restricted to persons of eminence working in the field of neurological sciences from countries other than India.

6.2	An Honorary Corresponding Member shall be proposed and seconded by Fellows only. The applications shall be screened by the Executive Committee and he/she shall be invited by the Academy to this category of membership. At least two fellows should submit a brief statement of the scientific or professional achievement of the proposed person to the Secretary at least a month before the Executive Committee Meeting. The secretary shall then place these proposals before the Executive Committee for consideration. Final approval rests with the Executive Committee to be ratified by the General Body.
6.3	Honorary Corresponding members shall have all the privileges of membership, except those of voting and service as office bearers. They shall be exempted from payment of any subscription and will receive the journal of the Academy free of cost.
6.4	Corresponding Membership may be granted to persons residing abroad and in full time neurological practice after completion of requisite training in neurology in a foreign country. They would pay the same subscription as Life Members residing abroad in foreign currency. They shall not have any voting rights or rights to contest for any official positions of the Academy.
7.	Subscriptions LM / LAM / AM shall pay the subscription to the Academy as proposed by the Academy which will change from time to time with the approval of the General Body of the Academy.
7.1	Life Members (residing in India) Rs.8,000/- in one installment, along with GST (18%) as applicable. (Bye Law) Associate Members may convert to Life Members on completed to DM/DNB (Neurology/Pediatric Neurology) by submitting their DM/DNB Degree Certificates.
7.2	Life Associate Members (residing in India) Rs.8,000/- in one installment, along with GST (18%) as applicable. (Bye Law)
7.3	In-training Associate members Rs.6,000/- in one installment, along with GST (18%) as applicable (Bye Law) Associate Members may convert to Life Members on completed to DM/DNB (Neurology/Pediatric Neurology) by submitting their DM/DNB Degree Certificates.
7.4	Life Members (residing abroad) and overseas corresponding members Rs.10,000/- or equivalent in foreign exchange in one installment. (Bye Law)
7.5	Life Associate Members (residing abroad) Rs.8,000/ or equivalent in foreign exchange in one installment.
7.6	The General Body reserves the right to revise subscriptions from time to time based on recommendation of the Executive Committee.
8.	Admission to Fellowship (FIAN)
	The following points will be taken into consideration in evaluation for grant of FIAN to <u>Life members of IAN</u> :
	Experience in medical profession (after postdoctoral degree in neurology or equivalent course * Number of years of experience after the degree
	Qualifications * DM/DNB/MCI recognized foreign equivalent degree * Postdoctoral degree
	Publications * National neuroscience journals * International neuroscience journals * Chapters in books pertaining to neuroscience * Editor of neuroscience journal, book, monograph * Write-ups for Public awareness
	Honors and awards * State level * National level * International level
	Research conducted, at least of 3 months duration' from Govt. owned funding agencies.
	Services to IAN * Organising Secretary/Treasurer/ Chairman at Zonal level neurological conferences * Organising Secretary/Treasurer/Chairman at National level conferences * Awarded oration and/or special guest lecture at annual conference of IAN.
	Extracurricular activities for the benefit of masses and public awareness like organisation of voluntary camps talks on radio, television or article in the newspaper.
	Fellow of other national medical organizations.
8.1	Those neurologists who are Life Members of the Academy for more than 10 years would' be eligible for election to the Fellowship of the Academy.
8.2	The application for Fellowship will be in the form of nomination proposed and seconded by Fellows of the Academy and the Nomination Committee shall screen it and give recommendations to the Executive Committee. The Nomination Committee shall consist of the President and two immediate Past Presidents.
8.3	Not more than 8 Fellows will be elected in a year The maximum strength of the Fellows shall not increase at any time to more than 10% of the total Life Members of the Academy.
8.4	Nominations sent once will be eligible for consideration by the Nomination Committee for three consecutive years. (Bye Law)
8.5	Nominations will be judged on the basis of data provided in the evaluation form mainly in respect of service, teaching, achievements and research. (Bye Law)
	8.5.1 Qualifications and experience: All nominees should have DM / DNB / equivalent foreign qualification of at least 13 years duration. Experience should be a minimum of 13 years after the qualifying degree. (Bye Law)
9.	The Executive Committee (EC)
9.1	The Executive Committee shall consist of -- President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor of the Journal of the Academy, two immediate past Presidents, a CME Convener and four elected Members of the Executive Committee.
9.2	9.1.1. Convener of the CME programme will be an elected member of the EC (Bye Law)

9.3	The office bearers of the society shall be: 1. The President; 2. The President-Elect; 3. The Secretary; 4. The Treasurer; and 5. The Editor of the Journal of the Academy.
9.4	The term of the President will be for one year and another two years as the Past President in the Executive Committee. No one can be elected President for a second term and once he/she completes their term with the Executive Committee he/she shall not be eligible to hold any other elected post in the Executive Committee.
9.5	The term of the President Elect will be for one year. At the end of one year the President elect would automatically assume the office of the President.
9.6	The Secretary and the Treasurer and the Editor of the AIAN shall remain in the office for 3 years and thereafter shall be eligible for re-election for one more term only. In the event of any unexpected vacancy during this term the EC shall appoint interim office bearers till the alternative arrangement is made subsequently. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be Life Members of the Academy of at least 10 years standing and have served in the EC in any elected post for a minimum period of 3 years.
10.	Elections
10.1	Notification of vacancies and invitation of nominations by the Secretary shall take place by 30th April of the corresponding year. Address, mobile phone number, landline phone number, and email id of the electoral officer will be published in the newsletter.
10.2	The electoral process will be conducted by the President-Elect who shall act as the Electoral Officer.
10.3	Nomination papers, duly proposed and seconded by Life Members should be received by the Electoral Officer within 4-6 weeks from the date of issue of notice inviting nominations. This will be accompanied by a 'no objection certificate' from the candidate and a brief bio-data of the proposed candidate.
10.4	The Electoral Officer would scrutinize the nomination papers and will issue a list of valid nominations to all the candidates within a fortnight.
10.5	Withdrawals, if any, should be intimated within 2 weeks from the date of intimation of acceptance of the nomination papers.
10.6	In the event of more than required numbers of candidates, the Electoral Officer will send a brief bio-data of each candidate along with the ballot papers which should be posted to all Life members within 2 weeks of the last date of withdrawal of nomination.
10.7	Ballot papers to be returned within 6 weeks from the date of despatch from the office of the Electoral Officer.
10.8	The ballot papers duly signed by the Electoral officer to be sent under certificate of posting to members eligible for voting. Returning officer will send post paid envelope (A) along with ballot papers.
10.9	Each ballot paper is to be returned in a triple envelope. The middle envelope (B) which would be used for putting the signature and full name of the voter in block letters, would be posted by the voter after putting the inner envelope (C) unsigned and containing the ballot paper. These double envelopes would be returned by the voter to the Electoral Officer on or before the due date in the third envelope (A) which would bear the name and address of the Electoral Officer. All envelopes would be duly sealed and the outermost envelope duly stamped. Any deviation from the above would render the ballot liable to be cancelled as desired by the Electoral Officer.
10.10	Candidates seeking election for any post shall not canvass support by issuing an appeal soliciting votes or casting aspersions on a candidate or by collecting votes personally.
10.11	Complaints, if any, about canvassing or malpractices should be made by the complainant in writing to the President and the Electoral Officer. These two officers shall decide upon the most appropriate course of action through mutual consultation. Final judgment rests with the Electoral Officer (President-Elect).
10.12	The counting of votes will be held during the Executive Committee meeting preceding the Annual Conference of the Academy. The counting will be supervised by the Electoral Officer who may seek assistance from one or two members of the Academy of his choice. No ballot papers should be opened prior to the time of counting. Cancellation of ballot will be at the sole discretion of the Electoral Officer (President-Elect). Candidates who wish to send their representatives as observer during counting should take prior permission, in writing, of the Electoral Officer. These observers shall not take part in the counting process. In event of any conflict, the final decision will be that of the electoral officer.
10.13	The results of the election will be announced by the Electoral Officer at the Annual General Body Meeting of the Academy.
11.	Powers
11.1	The General Body (GB) is the supreme body of the Academy. The Executive Committee shall transact all business of the Academy under the chairmanship of the President. However all decisions of the EC need to be ratified by the General Body.
11.2	President
	a. President shall be highest office bearer of the Executive Committee and will be assisted by the Executive Committee in carrying out all the activities of the Academy.
	b. President will be the chairman of the scientific committee dealing with all scientific activities of the Academy.
	c. President shall conduct all the Executive Committee and General Body meetings of the Academy.
	d. President shall lead the Inaugural function and Valedictory function of the annual conference in association with the Secretary and Local Organizing Committee.
	e. President shall deliver Presidential Address during the annual conference of the Academy.
	f. In the absence of the President, the President-Elect shall be the officiating President.
11.3	President-Elect.
	a. President elect shall officiate as the President to carry out all the activities, if President is not present.
	b. President elect is the Electoral Officer to conduct the election of the Academy

	c. President elect shall be the chairman of the Continuing Medical Education (CME) Programme organized during the annual meeting and shall be assisted by the convener/ co-convener CME appointed by the EC/General Body of the Academy.
11.4	Secretary
	a. Secretary shall be responsible for conducting all the day to day activities of the Academy under the guidance of EC.
	b. Secretary shall be the editor of IAN Newsletter which is published periodically from his/her office and posted to all the members of the Academy. Secretary shall maintain official website of the Academy.
	c. Secretary shall assist the President / President Elect in discharging all their duties.
	d. Secretary will undertake any other activity as authorized by Executive Committee or General Body from time to time.
11.5	Treasurer
	a. Treasurer shall be responsible for operating and maintaining all the financial accounts of the Academy and shall report to the Executive Committee and General Body of the Academy
	b. Treasurer shall file the income tax returns of the Academy every year.
	c. Treasurer shall officiate as secretary in his/her absence.
11.6	Editor
	a. Editor shall be responsible for publishing the official journal of the Academy. Editor shall be guided by the Editorial Committee appointed by the Editor and report to Executive Committee and General Body
	b. Editor shall maintain all the financial accounts pertaining to the journal and shall work in liaison with the Treasurer for this purpose. Financial accounts of the journal will be amalgamated with the statement of accounts of the Treasurer of the Academy.
	c. Final accounts of the Academy will be published in the Newsletter.
	d. Editor shall comply with the responsibility given by Executive Committee and General Body of the Academy from time to time.
11.7	The Executive Committee may form sub-committees to assist various activities as and when needed.
12.	Subsections of the Academy (Bye Law)
12.1	There will be subsections in the following fields :
	Stroke.
	Neuromuscular disorders.
	Movement disorders.
	Behavioral and Cognitive Neurology.
	Pediatric Neurology.
	Neuro-epidemiology.
	Headache.
	Clinical neurophysiology.
	Tropical neurology.
	Advocacy
	Autoimmune Disorders
	Neuro-rehabilitation
	Neurootology
	Interventional Neurology
	Neuro-ophthalmology
	Neurocritical Care
12.2	To become a member of a subsection, members should pay a onetime subscription of Rs. 1000/- to the Treasurer of the Academy with information to the convener of the sub-section. (Bye Law).
12.3	Each subsection members will elect their Convener and President. Each subsection will also elect a member who will be national delegate to the International Organization in the theme of subsections. Members of each section will have to pay additional subscriptions to be paid to the International Bodies. The name of the national delegate of each subsection will be forwarded to the International Organization by the Academy and the subscription of the subsection members will also be routed through the Academy. The term of national delegate from each subsection to any International Organization will be four years. Re-nomination can be allowed subject to re-election by the subsection. Members (LM and LAM) of the academy can be members of more than one subsection provided subscription is paid for each subsection. (Bye Law).
12.4	The members for the subsection can raise funds for the promotion of the scientific activities of the subsection. Permission in writing to do so from the Executive Committee of the Indian Academy of Neurology needs to be taken prior to this and proper accounts to be maintained and forwarded to the Treasurer of the Academy (Bye Law).
13.	Meetings
13.1	There shall be at least one annual meeting (conference) of the Academy every year - ordinarily between the third week of September and the first week of November. This meeting shall comprise of: 1. Scientific sessions; and 2. Business and Administrative Meetings.

13.2	a. Proposal for such annual meeting shall be called at least 2 years in advance. Those registered neuroscience associations / institutions willing to conduct an annual conference shall apply in the proper format and are expected to present the proposal before the Executive Committee and General Body.
	b. If needed a sub-committee consisting of President / President-Elect and Secretary/Treasurer along with one of the Executive Committee members shall visit the proposed sites of the conference to inspect the venue and report to the Executive Committee well in advance.
	c. Executive Committee after hearing all the proposals received shall deliberate and take the final decision regarding the venue, date, the organizing secretary and the registration fee of the annual meeting. This shall be ratified by General Body.
	d. Local Organizing Secretary shall have his/her own organizing committee to support him/her in smooth conduct of the conference.
	e. Fifty percent of the registration fee collected from the all the attendees of the annual meeting shall be contributed by the Local Organizing Committee to the Academy during the valedictory session of the said conference.
	f. The local organizing committee has to bear the cost of publication of the CME books titled as 'Reviews in Neurology' and is expected to make a generous contribution to the finances of the Annals of the Indian Academy of Neurology. Any other financial obligations as laid out by the Executive Committee/general body from time to time shall be binding on the local organizing committee of the annual conference. Audited statement of accounts is to be submitted by local organizing committee to the Treasurer, IAN within six months completion of conference.
	g. All other financial dealings shall be the responsibility of the Local Organizing Secretary and Organizing Committee. Academy shall have no binding in these matters.
13.2.1	The Scientific Sessions would be open not only to all categories of members of the Academy, but to others, including practitioners and students of the medical sciences. Scientific talks and papers (including oral and poster) presentations can be presented by only those who have registered for the Conference as delegates. It is mandatory that any delegate who wishes to present a paper and is eligible for IAN Life/Associate/Life Associate Membership should become a Life/Associate/Life Member before submitting an abstract. Academy shall try to organize Orations / Symposias / Special Lectures / Seminars according to the decision of the Executive Committee.
13.2.2.	The scientific programme shall be formulated by the Scientific Committee which would be chaired by the President and would include the Secretary and two other members of the Executive Committee.
13.2.3.	a) The scientific programme shall include a Continuing Medical Education (CME) programme which will be held on the first day of the annual meeting and would be formulated by the CME convener in consultation with the President Elect for the year. b) The convener shall be elected, hold officer for a period of three years and be responsible for publishing the CME book. Convener of CME would submit the report to EC. Convener shall also submit a report to General Body during the annual conference meeting every year.
13.2.4.	The proceedings of the CME programme would ordinarily be published in the form of a book titled, "Reviews in Neurology" edited by the CME Conveners. The book must be clearly identified as a publication of the Indian Academy of Neurology.
13.2.5.	The annual meeting would include 4 orations including the Presidential oration. The other 3 orations will be a) The IAN oration held every year. b) The NH Wadia / BS Singhal oration held every year but named after Dr. NH Wadia and Dr. BS Singhal in rotation every other year. c) the J S Chopra, Baldev Singh and Dasgupta oration held in rotation once in every 3 years. Funds for the named oration will be amalgamated so that all invited speakers for the named orations will receive an equal amount of honorarium.
13.2.6.	Abstracts of all papers for presentation at the Annual Meeting should reach the Secretary, Indian Academy of Neurology before 31 <sup>st</sup> May of the year in which the meeting is to be held. In case the conference dates are altered, the Secretary will inform the members by post or through the Newsletter of the Academy. The abstracts should be between 150-200 words, and should comprehensively delineate the subject matter of presentation comprising Aims, Methodology, Results, and Conclusion. The papers / posters will be judged and selected on merit, at the sole discretion of the scientific committee. (Bye Law)
13.2.7.	Each delegate to the Annual Meeting shall ordinarily be allowed to present only one paper. (Bye Law)
13.3.	The Business and Administrative Meetings of the Academy shall consist of 1. General Body meeting for which all members (LM, LAM) are expected to be present; and 2. An Executive Committee meeting. The latter shall meet before and if necessary after the General Body Meeting. A mid-term Executive Committee meeting shall also be held.
13.3.1.	Notice for the Annual General Body meetings will be issued by the Secretary along with the Agenda at least 6 weeks prior to the date of the meeting. The meeting will be presided over by the President. A minimum of 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> the number of members would form the quorum. In absence of quorum, the said meeting maybe adjourned and reconvened 10 minutes later without any quorum. Any member wishing to raise any matter pertaining to the activities of the Academy must inform the Secretary at least 4-8 weeks prior to the date of the meeting. Valid resolutions passed in the meeting must receive support of at least 2/3 <sup>rd</sup> of the attendees
13.4.	An extraordinary General meeting may be convened by the Secretary in consultation with the President to discuss any emergency situation giving at least one month notice. The procedure would be similar to that of the Annual General Meeting except that only the proposed agenda shall be discussed.
13.5.	The Academy shall encourage local meetings of neurological interest in different centers of the country. Organizers of such meetings shall inform the Secretary the date and venue of the meeting at least 3 months in advance to avoid overlap.
13.6.	Regional, national or international meetings organized by a LM of the IAN should seek IAN endorsement.
13.6.1	Sub-section meetings. The President / President-elect and Secretary should be invited to the sub-section meetings. If the president or president-elect cannot attend the meeting they should depute another member of the EC in their place.
13.6.2.	All the publications including programme book published during such meetings should be superscribed 'supported by IAN'.
13.6.3.	There shall be no financial commitment by the Academy for such a meeting.
13.7.	Awards: There will be special awards for the best scientific presentation (both platform and poster) during the annual scientific conference. Number of awards and modalities will be decided by the EC. Any new awards to be introduced shall be approved by EC and General Body

14.	<p>Accounts</p> <p>The audited accounts of the Academy will be submitted by the Treasurer of the Academy to the Executive Committee during the annual meeting. The editor should appoint official Auditors on annual contract basis, which should be approved by the Executive Committee. Once approved in the Executive Committee, the audited accounts would be placed in the General Body meeting during the annual meeting of the Academy.</p>
14.1.	<p>The audited accounts of the Annals of Indian Academy of Neurology shall be submitted to the Treasurer by the Editor. The audited accounts of the Journal should be submitted to the Treasurer by the Editor. The treasurer shall present the joint accounts of the Academy and the journal to the Executive Committee and the GB. The editor is expected to be present at such meetings to clarify any matters that may arise.</p>
14.2.	<p>The financial year of the Academy and Journal shall be from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March.</p>
15.	<p>Amendments to the Constitution</p> <p>An Extraordinary General Body Meeting may be convened to consider the proposals for the amendments of memorandum, rules and bye-laws of society.</p>
15.1.	<p>Any proposal for amendments to the Constitution and Bye-laws shall be submitted to the Secretary at least 6 months before the General Body meeting and the Secretary shall forward a copy of the same to the Executive Committee members and to every member of the Academy at least one month before the next General Body meeting. The Secretary shall then present the opinions on proposal communicated to him in writing by members in absentia. A final count shall be made of the votes and the proposals. The amendments shall be accepted only if 2 / 3<sup>d</sup> of those who have voted (either in person or in absentia) are in favour of such amendment of proposal. Those who are not present in person and who have also not communicated their opinion on the proposals to the secretary before the meeting shall be taken to abide by the majority decision as arrived at above.</p>
16.	<p>The Indian Academy of Neurology shall be affiliated to the World Federation of Neurology, international bodies of sub-sections created under clause 12 and other such international bodies as decided from time to time by the Executive Committee of the Academy. The affiliation fees of these International Bodies will be paid from the Academy's accounts by the Treasurer of the Academy.</p>
16.1.	<p>The application fee for the sub-section towards the international bodies shall be met by the individual members of the section and may be subsidized by the sub-section funds. The fee will be forwarded to the Treasurer for payment to the international body.</p>
17.	<p>The Secretary, Indian Academy of Neurology would be responsible for acting legally, for and on behalf of the Academy.</p>
18.	<p>Journal</p>
18.1.	<p>The journal of the Academy will be called Annals of Indian Academy of Neurology and this shall be the official publication of the Indian Academy of Neurology. The number of issues may be extended to 6 per year depending on the demand of articles in the said journal and this decision is left at the discretion of the Executive Committee in consultation with the editor of the journal.</p>
18.2.	<p>a. The Editorial Board shall consist of an Editor along with an Advisory Board whose members should be formed from amongst the members of the Academy and should represent various aspects of neurological disciplines. The editor is authorized to nominate members to the Advisory Board.</p> <p>b. All original articles accepted by the Journal for publication become the property (copyright) of the Journal and may not be reproduced in another text without permission from the editor/and author.</p>
18.3.	<p>As and when a paper is received by the editor, he/she shall scrutinize it and submit it to at least two members of the editorial board of reviewers, inviting his / her comments. (Bye Law)</p>
18.4.	<p>The Editor may send the manuscripts to any member of the Academy or to a renowned neuroscientist of repute in India or abroad for editorial comments even if such a person is not a member of Academy. (Bye Law)</p>
18.5.	<p>If one of the reviewers recommends publication and the other does not, the Editor shall refer the paper to a third referee for his independent opinion or the Editor himself may be the 3<sup>rd</sup> referee if the subject matter of the paper is in his discipline. (Bye Law)</p>
18.6.	<p>In the event of modifications or alteration being suggested by one or both reviewers, the appropriate unsigned comments on the paper shall be communicated by the Editor to the author. (Bye Law)</p>
18.7.	<p>The final decision regarding publication would lie with the Editor. (Bye Law)</p>
19.	<p>Dissolution</p>
	<p>In the event of winding up or dissolution of the Academy, if there remains after satisfaction of debts and liabilities, any property / funds whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Academy, but shall be given or transferred to some other Institution/Society/Association/Academy having objectives similar to the objectives of the Academy to be determined by the members of the Academy on or before the time of dissolution.</p>