



Fifth Annual General Meeting

Rahara 88 Degree East Foundation

Date: 27th April, 2025

Time: 5:00pm onwards

Venue: Virtual Meeting (Google Meet)

Specific references to bye-laws

GENERAL MEETING

Annual General Meeting

Notice : The Secretary shall annually call the Annual General Meeting as per provisions of W.B.S.R. Act, 1961, giving at least 14 day's notice to all members. The notice shall contain the place date, day and time of the meeting.

Agenda:

The business to be transacted at the A.G.M, Shall be : (a) to confirm the minutes of the last A.G.M. and of special general meeting if any, (b) to adopt with or without modification the report of the working of the society for the previous year, (c) to pass audited accounts of the society for the previous year ended, (d) to appoint qualified Auditor or Auditors, (e) to transact such business as may be fixed by the governing Body,(f) to transact such other business as may brought forward by giving 14 days previous notice from any member, (g) to conduct general election.

QUORUM OF THE MEETING

1/3rd members personally present at the commencement of the meeting shall constitute the quorum.

SAFE CUSTODY OF PROPERTIES

The Governing Body shall be responsible for the funds, properties and assets of the Society. The funds of the Society shall be kept in banks/post office/Mutual Funds and be invested in any securities specified under section 20 of the Indian Trust Act, 1882.

Foundation Members

Arindam Dhar	Tirtha Sadhu	Debarya Majumder
Pijush Kanti Das	Priyakanti Das	Jayanta Chatterjee
Kaushik Bhattacharya	Rahul Bal	Abhirup Mukherjee
Soumya Khasnobis	Manabendra Roy	Pradip Adhikari
Biswajit De	Prasenjit Joarder	Sangram Sinha
Sutirtha Mukhopadhyay	Kaustabh Tarafdar	Dipayan Basu
Somenath Mukherjee	Susanta Mazumder	Anik Sengupta
Amit Ghosal	Dipam Banerjee	Subharup Gupta
Arpan Biswas	Gadadhar Joarder	Partha Chakraborty
Prasun Sinha	Tathagata Ray Chaudhuri	Tirthankar Bhattacharjee
Anindya Sundar Nath	Samir Bhattacharya	Subhra Sinha
Santanu Mukherjee	Anikesh Banerjee	Sumit Sanyal
Biplab Bagchi	Subarna Shyam Roy	Indrajit Sengupta
Supratim Biswas	Soumya Sarkar	Soumyendu Sadhukhan
Jayanta Karmakar	Subhradip Ghosh	Kaustabh Debbarman
Jishnu Roy	Sugata Banerjee	Kuntal Roy
Suratna Mukherjee	Bhaskar Roy	Alok Bhattacharya
Sandip Kumar Hore	Kallol Das	Agnibha Dasgupta
Sandip Ghosh	Proloy Karmakar	Sandip Mukherjee
Amit Bardhan	Sushanta Roy	Indraneel Ghosh Dastidar
RAJA CHAKRABARTY	Anupam Banerjee	Biswajit Bose
Pradeep Ghosh	Dilip Das	Badal Das
Saumitra Roychoudhury	Mrinal Chakraborty	Smarajit Sarkar
Kanika Chakraborty	Lopamudra Lahiri	

Total number of members (as on 30th March 2025): 71

Objectives of the Foundation

- To keep close relation among the members of the Foundation for their welfare.
- To take up and handle the problems of the members to try to solve such problems through discussion.
- To establish vocational training institute with prior approval from competent authority and without profit motive for the welfare of local poor students.
- To help the needy members in case of sickness, accidents and death of such members.
- To help the needy students of all communities for the prosecution of studies.
- To organize self – help group based programme for augmentation of livelihood opportunities of the people at grass root level;
- To arrange health awareness programme for the people such as blood donation camp, free health check up camp, etc.
- To arrange and organize conference, meeting etc from time to time for discussion of various problems of the members of the Foundation,
- To help the people in marriage, funeral and cremation of the dead.
- To help the aged, sick, helpless and indigent persons.
- Relief times of famine, flood, draught & earthquake.
- To uplift street children in the aspect of education, social culture and moral development.
- To start free ambulance services to help the people in need.

Agenda Item #1

Welcome address by the President,
Dr Manabendra Ray, and brief on
foundation activities.

Project “Uttoron”

- Around October 2022, project Uttoron was started with two schools in Haringhata.
- Scope was to augment their regular education by engaging a teacher to teach them English and Maths in the evening
 - Around May 2023, one of the schools (Mollabelia) had to be discontinued due to lack of support from the school management.
 - The other school (Adibasipara, Thakurtala) has been doing well. We also have ‘Galpogachha’ running there.
 - Apart from regular studies, cultural programs are organized from time to time
 - We supported a few students who wanted to appear for some competitive (talent search) exams
 - A few students needed help with admission to high school, that has since been provided.
 - We provide school stationeries at the beginning of the academic year & new clothes during Durga puja.
 - Lunch event sponsored by patrons (acquaintance of foundation members) were arranged
 - Overall, this school has been a major success story for us, till date
 - In this school, we also provide evening snacks to the students
- For further reference: visit <https://88degreeeast.in/project-uttoron/>
- Major school events captured in our facebook page: [Facebook page](#)

Project “Uttoron”

- In Jan’2024, we started two schools in Budgebudge
- The model was different – they needed full time teachers, as some of the primary schools are down to just one teacher, who also ends up spending most of her time on administrative work
- Out of the two schools, one of them (Bhetkakhali) closed down almost immediately, as the teacher appointed by us never turned up (basic commitment issue).
- The other school (Mohanpur) started well, however even though we wanted the teacher to focus only on third and fourth grade, and engage in academic activities alone, very soon we found that she got sucked into school administrative work. With virtually no support from the BDO, there was little we could do to change. As there was no real value add, we decided to discontinue this school also in Dec’2024.

Project “Uttoron” – charting out the next steps

- Some challenges that we faced (and learned from them):
 - New BDO’s (who came in after transfer) don’t seem to be taking interest, even when they are not specifically stopping the projects
 - Most cases, interest from school and students are on the lower side
 - Managing remotely continues to be an issue [esp. getting good teachers with some level of commitment is a challenge]
 - Most importantly, WB Government has plans to overhaul the primary education structure – more Government control expected to replace current setup of SSK’s managed at BDO/Panchayat level
 - While we have a working model and wish to scale up to more schools, it is not clear whether this will sustain for a long time.
- Alternate models:
 - Working in the same space but without entirely depending on Government agencies is likely to be more sustainable. There are like-minded organizations, and it is possible to partner with them
 - As a long term goal, we have been thinking about coming up with our own school, and develop that over a period of time
 - While financing the project will be one major area to address, members need to decide on the long term objective of the foundation

“Sopan-Uttoron” Partnership

- In Dec’2024, we entered into a formal partnership (MoU signed) with “**Be-and-Make**”, a like minded NGO working in similar space but with somewhat mature process and larger scale, supporting students under an initiative named “**Sopan**”
- Under “Sopan”, more than ten schools are currently functioning across the state
- We are currently supporting two schools under “Sopan-Uttoron” joint banner:
 - Bhuipara, Pandua, Hooghly
 - Eklashpur, Malda
- We are bringing Haringhata also under one common process (learning methods, activities, monitoring & assessment, reporting), with support from Be and Make staff

Project “Uttoron” - Tracking

- Project coordinators make frequent field visits, foundation members visit on specific occasions (inauguration, parent teacher meet, cultural program, launch of ‘Galpo-gachha’)
- Teachers enter daily logs online (Google form), capturing data related to attendance, content covered, major issues
- Project coordinator creates (and circulates) monthly reports where basic metrics are captured.

For further reference: visit <https://88degreeeast.in/project-uttoron/>

Computer lab in Rahara Ashram

- The project, started in 2019, had to be stalled due to COVID pandemic.
- Classes resumed from Jan 2023.
- However, largely due to lack of interest and support from school authorities (too academically focused, also schedule controlled by mid-layer staff), classes were discontinued and project closed from around June 2024.
- School authorities will decide how best to utilize the lab

Link:

<https://88degreeeast.in/computer-training-for-rahara-ashram-students/>

Other Activities

- First edition of Foundation Newsletter published and dispatched to key donors
- Sponsored one page of souvenir of Rahara Mission Alumni get-together in Jan 2025, on behalf of 1988 batch
- Supported “Khairipiriha Maa Sarada Mani Abinash Smrity Vidyapith”, Purulia - provided one year’s worth stationeries, also ceiling and pedestal fans (patron sponsored)
- Supported Indian food banking network and Rotary club in their nutrition program for villages
- Got appointed as external member of POSH internal committee of CliniOps Techsoft Pvt Ltd
- An engineering graduate will do internship with us this summer

Our Staff

- Project co-ordinator/office assistant
- Accountant (part-time basis)
- Three school teachers
- Helpers in Haringhata school (facilitating evening snacks)

Receipt for contributions made

- For all contributions received in a given month, foundation offices sends e-receipts over email before the tenth of next month
- Occasionally, receipt dispatch gets delayed, as the donor details are not available with office. We try our best to sort this out
- Those interested in 10BE certificate are required to fill a form with details such as PAN card, donation type etc.

Proposed Foundation Programs - current year

#	Title	Details
1	Donor connect: gifting	Gifting all members and key donors, to commemorate 5 years of the foundation
2	Donor connect: virtual interaction session	Invite all patrons to an interaction session - present our achievements & vision
3	Annual day at each school	Annual day, with cultural & sports activities, specific achievements, parent connect, member interaction
4	Set up Galpo-gachha at each school	We already have Galpo-gachha in Haringhata, we can add same to other two schools also. Books are generally donated. We need to purchase shelves from local sources
5	Monthly reports	Office assistant to prepare/compile reports (based on reports submitted by Be-and-Make, plus our own data)
6	Committee review meeting - monthly	Go over monthly report, discuss open issues and progress with the programs
7	Review with Be and Make team - quarterly	Discussion & review with Be and Make team on progress with programs
8	Publish newsletters	At least one newsletter for each year
9	Establish tracking process for teaching activities	Process for teachers to document training plan, log their activities, track performance of students, plan programs/extra curriculars
10	Health camps	Each school - one basic health checkup/dietary advice (similar to what we did in Gobinda Home)
11	Stationeries for school children	Beginning of academic year: provide one set of pen/pencil, notebooks etc to all students
12	Dress for school children	Before Durga puja, provide dress to all (boy and girl) students
13	Fund raising	Members to reach to potential donors, and help raise funds for our projects
11	Planning for school:	
11a	Identify school building	Identify school building (free/nominal rent)
11b	Form a school committee	Form a committee with some of us + external invitees
11c	Come up with a blue print	Blue print comprising - overall objective, delivery model, budget, road map,

Agenda Item #2

Minutes of last AGM: readout by
Secretary.

Link:

<https://88degreeeast.in/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/AGM-2024-MoM.pdf>

Agenda Item #3

Updates on Financials of 2023-24
and compliance status by
Treasurer, Mr Tirtha Sadhu



AUDITOR'S REPORT

To
The Members Of,

RAHARA EIGHTY EIGHT DEGREE EAST FOUNDATION

We have audited the attached Balance Sheet of **Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation** as at 31st March, 2024 and the related Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date annexed thereto, which we have signed under reference to this report. These financial statements are the responsibility of the partners of Association. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amount and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Further we report that -

- (a) We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purpose of our audit.
- (b) In our opinion, proper books of account, as required by law, have been Kept by the Member of Association.
- (c) The Balance Sheet and the Income & Expenditure Account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of account of the partners.





RAHUL BANSAL & ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants

3A, R. K. CHATTERJEE ROAD
KOLKATA - 700 042
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In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said accounts give the information required. In the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India.

In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of the affairs of the Association as at 31st March 2024, and

In the case of the Income & Expenditure Account, of the Association for the year ended on that date.

FOR RAHUL BANSAL & ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants



(RAHUL BANSAL)
MEMBER SHIP NO:068619
PAN:-AIMPB3167B
UDIN: 24068619BKAPYK5477

Date:- 16-08-2024
Place:- Kolkata

RAHARA EIGHTY EIGHT DEGREE EAST FOUNDATION

189, RAMKRISHNA NAGAR, P. O. - NATAGARH, P. S. - GHOLA, NORTH 24 PARGANAS, PIN - 700111

PAN :- AAFAR8966A

12A REGISTRATION :- AAFAR8966A/20206

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	ASSETS	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
<u>CORPUS ACCOUNT:</u>			<u>FIXED ASSETS:</u>		
AS PER LAST A/C		12,80,750.98	OFFICE ROOM		1,56,000.00
<u>CORPUS DURING THE YEAR:</u>			COMPUTER & PRINTER	6,053.00	
CORPUS RECEIVED			LESS: DEPRECIATION	907.95	5,145.05
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	3,44,197.30		MOBILE PHONE	7,299.00	
		3,44,197.30	LESS: DEPRECIATION	729.90	6,569.10
SUB TOTAL		16,24,948.28	FIXED DEPOSIT	4,16,525.00	
			ADD. ACCRUED INTEREST	42,440.00	
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>			ADDITION THIS YEAR	5,46,560.00	
AUDIT FEES PAYABLE		3,500.00	LESS: MATURED	10,15,463.00	5,82,262.00
INCOME TAX AY-24-25 PAYABLE		2,450.00	<u>CURRENT ASSETS:</u>		
			ADVANCE FOR ROOM		10,000.00
			OTHER ADVANCES		12,701.00
			<u>CASH AND BANK BALANCES</u>		
			AXIS BANK LTD.		4,74,317.13
			(A/c No. - 919010096392634)		
			ICICI BANK LTD.		1,41,867.00
			CASH IN HAND		8,037.00
TOTAL		16,30,898.28	TOTAL		16,30,898.28

As per our records of even date
President / Vtd President

PRESIDENT *Mansukh Das Ray*
Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation
Ramkrishna Nagar, Kolkata - 700113

SECRETARY *Anirban Das*
Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation
Ramkrishna Nagar, Kolkata - 700113

TREASURER *Suttha Saha*
Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation
Ramkrishna Nagar, Kolkata - 700113

FOR RAHARA EIGHTY EIGHT DEGREE EAST FOUNDATION
Chartered Accountants

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RAHUL KANSAL - (CA)
SHIP NO - 068619
FRN NO - 0327098E
PAN - AIMPB3167D

DATE :- 16-08-2024

PLACE :- KOLKATA

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RAHARA EIGHTY EIGHT DEGREE EAST FOUNDATION

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PAN :- AAFAR8966A

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

	EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT		INCOME	AMOUNT
		RS. P.			RS. P.
TO	ACCOUNTING CHARGES	8,000.00	BY	DONATION RECEIVED	6,63,607.00
	ADVERTISEMENT	9,000.00		SUBSCRIPTION AND MEMBERSHIP FEES	88,501.00
	AUDIT FEES	3,000.00		INTEREST FROM FIXED DEPOSIT	42,449.00
	BANK CHARGES	244.85		INTEREST FROM SAVINGS BANK	20,129.00
	BOOKS & OTHERS	2,496.00			
	DEPRECIATION	1,637.85			
	FESTIVE EXPENSES	17,179.00			
	INCOME TAX	450.00			
	INTERNET CHARGES	6,699.00			
	MISC EXPENSES	12,893.00			
	OFFICE EXPENSES	33,108.00			
	PRINTING & STATIONERY	14,263.00			
	RENT	28,000.00			
	SALARY AND BONUS	2,67,801.00			
	STUDENTS' Tiffin EXPENSES	21,188.00			
	STUDENTS' WELFARE	32,123.00			
	TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE & CONVEYANCE	7,943.00			
	TEA & Tiffin EXPENSES	1,400.00			
	EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE (TRANSFERRED TO PL APPROPRIATION)	3,46,647.38			
TOTAL		8,14,068.00	TOTAL		8,14,068.00

As per our report of even date

President / Vice President

PRESIDENT *Mandanda Ray*
Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation
Ramkrishna Nagar, Kolkata - 700113

SECRETARY *Arindam Ghosh*
Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation
Ramkrishna Nagar, Kolkata - 700113

TREASURER *Lutfa Khatun*
Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation
Ramkrishna Nagar, Kolkata - 700113

FOR RAHARA EIGHTY EIGHT DEGREE EAST FOUNDATION & ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants



R. K. BANSAL - (CA)
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DATE :- 16-08-2024

PLACE :- KOLKATA

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12A REGISTRATION :- AAFAR8966AE20206

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST 2018						AMOUNT RS. P.	
RECEIPTS		AMOUNT RS. P.			PAYMENTS	AMOUNT RS. P.	
TO	<u>OPENING BALANCES</u>			BY	ACCOUNTING CHARGES		8,050.00
				"	AUDIT FEES PAID		6,500.00
				"	ADVERTISEMENT		9,000.00
				"	BANK CHARGES		244.85
* AXIS BANK LTD. (A/c No. - 919010096392634)		8,76,079.98		"	BOOKS & OTHERS		2,496.00
				"	FESTIVE EXPENSE		17,179.00
				"	INCOME TAX PAID		10,500.00
* CASH IN HAND		4,696.00		"	INTERNET CHARGES		6,600.00
				"	MISC EXPENSES		12,895.00
				"	OFFICE EXPENSES		33,108.00
* <u>DONATION AND SUBSCRIPTION RECEIVED:</u>		6,63,007.00		"	PRINTING & STATIONERY		14,263.00
DONATION RECEIVED		88,501.00		"	RENT		28,000.00
SUBSCRIPTION AND MEMBERSHIP FEES				"	SALARY AND BONUS		2,87,361.00
				"	STUDENTS' Tiffin EXPENSES		21,188.00
INTEREST FROM SAVINGS BANK		20,120.00		"	STUDENTS' WELFARE		32,125.00
INTEREST FROM FIXED DEPOSIT		16,678.00		"	TA & CONVEYANCE		7,943.00
				"	TEA & Tiffin		1,400.00
FIXED DEPOSIT MATURED		4,16,525.00			OFFICE ROOM		1,90,000.00
					ADVANCE FOR ROOM		10,000.00
					COMPUTER AND PRINTER		6,055.00
					FIXED DEPOSIT MADE		5,56,500.00
					AXIS BANK LTD (A/c No. - 919010096392634)		4,74,317.13
					ICICI BANK LTD		1,41,867.00
					CASH IN HAND		8,037.00
TOTAL		20,85,606.98		TOTAL		20,85,606.98	

As per President / VCB / Proactive

PRESIDENT

NT Manabendra Ray
Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation

Rameshna Nagar, Kolkata - 700113

Secretary / Asst. Secretary

SECRETARY

Rahar Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation.

Rameshna Nagar Kolkata - 700113

Immunology / Acid Tolerant

TREASURER

Rahara Eighty Eight Degree East Foundation

Ramkrishna Nagar, Kolkata - 700113

FOR RATE:



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DATE :- 16-08-2024

PLACE - KOLKATA

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Agenda Item #4

Review and approve the Audited statements of Receipts and Payments, Income and Expenditure for the financial year ended 31st March 2024 and the Balance Sheet as on 31st March 2024, together with the Auditor's Report thereon, by passing the following resolution:

“RESOLVED”: that the Audited statements of Receipt and Payments, Income and Expenditure for the year ended on 31st March 2024 and the Balance sheet as on the date, together with Auditor's Report thereon, be and are hereby APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

Agenda Item #5

Proposal to appoint Auditor, for the period from the conclusion of this meeting to the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting, by passing the following resolution:

“RESOLVED”, that M/s Rahul Bansal and Associates, Kolkata, being eligible, be and are hereby appointed as Auditors of the Association to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting, on an annual remuneration not exceeding Rs. 8000/- exclusive of taxes.



RAHARA EIGHTY EIGHT DEGREE EAST FOUNDATION

Publication of the Result of Election to the Governing Body for 2025-26

Dt. 15/04/25

Dear Members,

In line with the Notice dated 16th March, 2025 for election to the Governing Body for the year 2025-26 and subsequent submission of nominations by ten members of this foundation, I, Sri Dipam Banerjee, Returning Officer for conducting the Election, hereby publish the Result of Election to the Governing Body 2025-26.

To this context, I hereby also declare that number of members of the Governing Body is greater than the number of Nominations submitted by the candidates found eligible. No nomination was rejected, withdrawn or cancelled. So, there arises no question about voting and all Honourable Members, who have submitted Nomination, are elected as members of the Governing Body of RAHARA EIGHTY EIGHT DEGREE EAST FOUNDATION for the year 2025-26.

I, therefore, hereby announce that Election Process of the Governing Body of RAHARA EIGHTY EIGHT DEGREE EAST FOUNDATION for 2025-2026 has come to an end on 15th April, 2025.

The names of members found eligible are as follows:

1. Sri Arindam Dhar
2. Sri Kaushik Bahttacharya
3. Sri Pijush Kanti Das
4. Dr. Manabendra Ray
5. Sri Abhirup Mukherjee
6. Sri Anupam Banerjee
7. Sri Tathagata Ray Chaudhuri
8. Sri Suratna Mukhopadhyay
9. Sri Sandip Ghosh
10. Sri Tirtha Sadhu

I wish all success to the newly elected governing body & conclude.

Thanks & regards,

Dipam Banerjee

Returning Officer

Email id: send2dipam@gmail.com

Phone number: 9163348087

Dt. 15th April 2025

Agenda Item #6

Consider and adopt the report of the Returning Officer on the election of the new members of the Governing Body 2024-2025, at the expiry of the term of the current Governing Body.

Agenda Item #7

Discuss any other matter with the permission of the presiding officer.

Agenda Item #8

Vote of Thanks – by Secretary.

- Manabendra Roy – for his tireless efforts in reaching out to friends and acquaintances and raising funds for the foundation's projects,
- Dipam Banerjee - for co-ordinating the election process as the Returning Officer,
- Mr Pradip Adhikari - for his support towards setting up IT infrastructure including web hosting, domain registration, email services and office support
- All the donors - mostly friends and acquaintances of the members - who had faith in our initiative, and came forward to support us through generous donation,
- All our partner organizations
- Finally, all the members of the foundation who have always been generous with their support and donation, often in very short notice.

Closure of the AGM

- Request members to cast your vote online (e-voting) for each of the resolutions
- New Executive Committee members are expected to meet and elect office bearers soon
- Secretary will publish e-voting outcome and also the Meeting Minutes soon