

INDIAN SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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ISS ELECTION 2025 NOTICE

As provided under Article 3 (i) of the Constitution of the Indian Sociological Society (ISS), the term of the office bearers and five members of the present Managing Committee (MC) is expiring on 31 December 2025.

The retiring MC Members are: Ajailiu Niumai (Hyderabad), Balaji Kendre Namdev (Mumbai), Gayatri Bhattacharyya (Kolkata), Tattwamasi Paltasingh (Odisha), and P.S. Vivek (Mumbai) [elected in 2019 for a tenure of six years 2020-2025].

The election of the **President** and **Secretary** (office bearers) and **five members** of the Managing Committee, hence, will take place as per the following schedule. Polling will take place through online voting only.

Life Members whose membership has been accepted and confirmed by the ISS General Body at its meeting held in BMU, Munjal University, Gurugram that is, **till LMI No.6639** (on December 24, 2024), will be eligible to vote in the ISS election.

ISS LIFE MEMBERS MAY UPDATE OR CHANGE THEIR EMAIL BY OCTOBER 30 2025. NO CHANGES WILL BE POSSIBLE THEREAFTER. ISS office will upload the list of Life Members' available emails (as of 31 December 2024) as the list of online voters.

Nominations are invited in the prescribed form, (attached here) to be submitted online to the Election Committee headed by Professor N. Rajaram and Professor Tulsi Patel (<u>electionofficeriss@gmail.com</u>) with a copy to the Society's office (<u>societyinsoso@gmail.com</u>).

Each candidate must sign the Nomination Paper to indicate her/his consent to contest the office for which her/his name is proposed and seconded. The uploaded Nomination Paper must have the signatures of the Candidate, the Proposer and the Seconder; together with details regarding

payment of fees of Rs.5000/- (for the post of President and Secretary) or 3000/- (for the post of Member of the Managing Committee) as mandated by ISS rules.

The payment will be through net banking or <u>bank deposit slip</u> in favour of the **Indian Sociological Society**. The Candidate contesting ISS election should submit an <u>introduction about themselves of about 200 words</u>, <u>a recent passport size photo</u>, a <u>copy of Aadhar Card</u> and a <u>Copy of PAN card</u> with the Nomination Paper <u>as attachment</u> to the Election Committee.

The final list of ISS members eligible for online voting will appear on the ISS website by October 31, 2025. If any candidate wishes to have the list of email addresses of the Life Members a request has to be made to the ISS Office secretary to that effect. Details about the Candidates contesting ISS Elections will be uploaded on the ISS website

The Relevant extracts from the Constitution and the rules of online election are reproduced herewith.

New Delhi 18 October 2025

> Shweta Prasad Secretary, ISS

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ISS Election Schedule 2025

1.	Announcement of Election on ISS Website by Secretary	18 October (Saturday) 2025, 10.00 hours (India time)
2.	Last date for sending the nomination paper through email to the Election Officer with a copy to the Society's Office	30 October (Thursday) 2025, 17.00 hours (India time)
3.	Scrutiny of nomination papers	31 October (Friday) 2025, 10.00 hours (India time)
4.	Last date for withdrawal of nominations through an email to the Election Officer with a copy to the Society's Office	2 November (Sunday) 2025, 17.00 hours (India time)
5.	Announcement of names of contesting candidates on the	2 November (Sunday) 2025, 17.00 hours (India time)
6.	Online Voting	12 November (Wednesday), 10.00 hours
	C	to 18 November (Tuesday) 2025, 17.00 hours (India time)
7.	Counting of votes	18 November (Tuesday) 2025 17.15 Hours (India time)
8.	Declaration of Results on ISS Website	18 November 2025 (Tuesday) 18:30 hour (India time)

Relevant Extracts from the Constitution Article 3: Management

The affairs of the Indian Sociological Society shall be managed by (i) Office Bearers, (ii) Managing Committee, and (iii) Editorial Board.

- i) The Managing Committee shall be composed of the President, the Secretary and not more than fifteen other members, all of whom shall be elected by the Life Members of the Society. The Treasurer shall be nominated by the President from amongst the members of the Managing Committee in consultation with the Managing Committee. The President and the Secretary shall be elected every two years, whereas, there shall be a system of rotation among the members of the Managing Committee by which five members shall retire at the end of every two years. Those who retire shall not be eligible for fresh election before at least a period of two years has elapsed after the expiry of their term. A member contesting the election shall be a Life Member.
- ii) The President and the Secretary shall arrange for the online election of the new Managing Committee in time for it to enter into office without any interregnum.
- iii) The MC will make guidelines for conducting elections, holding conferences, managing Research Committees, giving Lifetime Achievement Awards and defining its relationship with Regional Associations and Institutional Members from time to time. It will also be empowered to set up other committees whose names and terms of references it will decide from time to time.
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 m iv)}$ To promote the goal of 'one member one post' and avoid conflict of interests, members of Managing Committee and Office Bearers cannot become a Convener of any Research Committee (RC) and hold any other post at ISS including that of Editor of any of its Journals.

Article 10: Rights of Members

- ii) Only the Life Members shall be entitled to vote in a meeting for any business of the Society including the elections of the Office Bearers and the Managing Committee members, provided they have been on the register of the Society for not less than one year.
- iii) Only the Life Members, who have been on the register of the Society for not less than one year, are eligible for election as Office Bearers or as Members of the Managing Committee.

Bye Laws for Online Election

- 1.A candidate desirous of contesting election for any position in the Managing Committee falling vacant should have the qualifications prescribed to be eligible to contest the election and to vote in it.
- 2. There will be only one nomination per candidate per post. More than one nomination of the same candidate per post will lead to the invalidation of the candidature.
- 3.A nomination form will be considered as valid only if all the necessary information asked for is filled in at the appropriate places, and if it is duly signed, and dated by the proposer, seconder and the proposed candidate and uploaded on time as notified in the schedule.
- 4.A candidate will have to file separate nominations for each position if she/he desires to contest for more than one position.
- 5.A candidate filing her/his nomination for the position of President or Secretary shall need to make a payment of Rs.5000/- and for the position of the managing committee member of Rs. 3000/- to the Society's bank account through net banking or bank deposit slip. A nomination form not having the details of transaction number and all the required attachments will be treated as invalid and will not be processed.
- 6.An Election Committee consisting of the President, the Secretary, a Life Member nominated by the President, as the Election Officer/s will conduct and complete the process of the election. In case the President or Secretary is standing for re-election, the other officer should take over and aid the Election Officer/s. In case both are standing, the senior most MC member from the five retiring MC Members should assist the Election Officer
- 7. Nomination forms will be scrutinized by the Election Committee on the scheduled date and time announced earlier. The Committee will prepare a list of nominations in alphabetical order that are found valid. An introduction longer than a one page of A-4 size paper will not be uploaded.
- 8. If the number of valid nominations received by the Committee is equal to or less than the number of seats to be elected all such nominated candidates will be declared as elected to their respective positions.
- 9. If the number of valid nominations is more than the number of positions to be elected from that category, then the actual election will be conducted and notified according to the schedule.
- 10. The voter must follow all the instructions given in the notification and the votes will be authenticated by the Election Officer/s.

- 11. The Society's office will help the Election Committee and maintain all the records including the final tally of votes.
- 12. The Election Officer/s will reject paper after the date and time stipulated for its acceptance.
- 13. The results of the election will be announced on the ISS website on the date and time stipulated in the Election schedule and the same will be communicated through email to the candidates immediately. The decision of the Election Committee with regard to the validity or otherwise of a vote will be final. However, the President can overrule the opinions given by the other members with a justification for the same.

INDIAN SOCIOLOGICAL SOCIETY Elections for 2026-2027

Nomination Form

Name of the office for which t candidate is proposed:	he
Full name of the candidate: (In block letters)	LMI No:
Candidate's address:	
Mobile number:	Email ID:
Aadhar Card No: (Attach a copy)	PAN No: (Attach a copy)
Full name of the proposer: [In block letters]	LMI No.
Address:	
Proposer's signature:	
Full name of the seconder: (In block letters)	LMI No.
Address:	
Seconder's signature:	
Payment details: Amount: Rs.	5000/-, Rs. 3000/-
Details of ISS Bank Account:	Name: Indian Sociological Society Bank: Punjab National Bank S/B Account Number: 4114000100575176 Branch: Vasant Kunj, New Delhi IFSC No: PUNB0411400
Transaction ID: (Attach transaction slip)	
	Candidate's Consent
I hereby agree to serve of the Indian Sociological S	ve as President/Secretary/Member of the Managing Committee* Society if I am elected.
Place:	Candidate's signature
Date:	Candidate's name (in block letters)
Attachments:	
 Copy of Aadhar Card (I One Page Bio with Photo 	

^{*} Strike out whichever is not applicable.