REASEARCH SOCIETY OF ANAESTHESIOLOGY & CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY (RSACP)



MEMORANDUM WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS

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MEMORANDUM

1. The name of the Society- the Society shall be known as "RESEARCH SOCIETY OF ANAESTHESIOLOGY & CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

II. The aims and objects of the Society

- 1. To Associate together in one corporate body all reputable and registrable medical men and women practicing or interested in the science and art of Anaesthesia.
- 2. To encourage specialization in this branch of medicine.
- 3. To edit and publish JOURNAL of ANAESTHESIOLOGY & CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY
- 4. To determine the competence of specialists in Anaesthesia and conduct examinations for certificates to be issued to voluntary applicants.
- 5. To protect the public against irresponsible and unqualified practitioners who profess to be specialists in Anaesthesia.
- 6. To encourage scientific research and experimental work on Anaesthesiology problems.
- 7. To hold scientific discussions and read papers on Anaesthesiology.
- 8. To watch and advise on legislations affecting the Anaesthesiologists.
- 9. To hold periodically conferences in various big cities for the betterment of the cause of Anaesthesia in India.
- 10. To receive donations and subscriptions from persons who are eligible and desire to join the society and to hold the funds for the advancement of Anaesthesiology.
- 11. To cooperate with other medical scientific associations.
- 12. To arrange exhibitions of implements, appliances etc. pertaining to Anaesthesia in different parts of the country and suggest improvement in these implements and appliances.
- 13. To make rules, when deemed necessary, relating to the discipline and professional conduct of Anaesthesiologists.
- 14. To make bye-laws, rules and regulations of the society and to delete, change or add to the same as and when necessary.
- 15. To do all such things as may be incidental or conductive to the attainment of all or any of the above objects.
- 16. To prepare of directory of specialists in Anaesthesiologists in India.

RESEARCH SOCIETY OF ANAESTHESIOLOGY & CLINICAL PHARMOLOGY

Rules and regulations adopted by the Governing Body

ARTICLE – I

Preliminary,

- 1. The society shall be called the "Research Society of Anaesthesiology & Clinical Pharmacology" with the aims and objects specified in the Memorandum of the Society.
- 2. In the construction of these rules and regulations generally, unless repungnant to the context, the singular shall include plural, masculine the feminine and vice versa and writing shall include printing, lithograph or other substitute for printing or writing.

ARTICLE-II

Registered Office

Registered Office of the Society shall be located at a place or address of the Honorary Secretary cum Treasurers until such time that a permanent headquarter of the Society is established.

ARTICLE - III

Membership

There shall be the following classes of members: -

1. **Honorary Members**: Those persons, who have rendered outstanding service to Anaesthesiology and contributed in exceptional degree to the advancement of this specialty, shall be eligible for this membership provided their names have been unanimously recommended by the Governing Council and passed by a two-thirds majority at a meeting of the General Body. They shall not vote or hold office in the Society.

2 Life membership

- a. Medical Practitioners of Modern Scientific Medicine registered in India or holding a qualification in Modern Scientific Medicine registrable in India and practicing the Science and art of Anaesthesiology shall be eligible for life membership
- b. Medical Practitioners or Scientists engaged in the practice of branches of Modern Medical Sciences ancillary to the specialty of Anaesthesia and interested in Anaesthesia are eligible for life membership. They shall be entitled to all privileges and rights of life member, but they shall not vote or hold office.
- c. Anyone of those registered as practitioners of Modern Medicine and is even under training in the specialty of Anaesthesiology can become life member.

- **3**. **Founder Members**: Members of the society who assisted in its inception shall be known as Founder Members.
- 4. **Conference Members**: The spouses and children up to the age of 12 years of the delegate members attending the conference of the society will be registered as co delegates at half of the delegate fee for the conference. If the spouse happens to be an anaesthesiologist the full fee as delegate will be charged.
- 5. Overseas Members: Medical Practitioners of the Modern Scientific Medicine registered in India or holding the qualification in Modern Scientific Medicine registrable in India and practicing the science and art of Anaesthesiology will be eligible for overseas membership if residing outside India. They will not be eligible to hold any office. The membership of the ordinary member of the Society whose address is changed to that of a foreign country will be classified as overseas member. They will pay the subscription for overseas member.

Membership will commence from the date of receipt of application form.

ARTICLE - IV

Enrollment of Membership,

1. Application for membership (other than honorary) shall be made on an application form obtainable from Hony. Secretary. This shall be duly completed by the applicant and proposed and seconded by two ordinary members of the society whose names appear on the register of the society as existing members. Such application shall be scrutinized by the Hony. Secretary who shall submit such applications to the Governing Council. The council shall have the right to decide the eligibility and class of membership. Such decision shall be final. Pending final election of the applicant by the governing council, Honorary Secretary may enroll an applicant temporarily as member on receipt of the application and subscription, which will entitle the applicant to privileges of his class of membership without any rights of voting or attending business meetings.

ARTICLE - V

Cessation of Membership,

Membership of the Society will cease:

- 1. By voluntary resignation as from a specified date.
- 2. If the Governing Council decides by a two-thirds majority to delete the name of a member from the membership for any proved unprofessional behaviour or conduct, or action prejudicial to the interest of the Society the membership of such member shall remain suspended till his name is deleted by the General Body at its next meeting. Before any disciplinary action as such a nature is taken the offending

- member will be served with the notice in writing to appear before the next meeting of the Governing Council and will be given an opportunity to explain his conduct.
- 3. A member whose name has been removed from the membership of the Society under above clause may be readmitted on expiry of three years or thereafter provided his application for reenrollment is approved by two-thirds majority of the Governing Council and confirmed by the General Body at its next meeting. He must also submit a written apology acceptable to the Governing Council.

ARTICLE-VI

Management:

The management of the society shall be vested in a governing council consisting of:

- Patrons
- President
- Vice-President
- President Elect
- Honorary Secretary
- Honorary Treasurer
- Joint Secretary
- Editor of Journal of Anesthesiology Clinical Pharmacology.
- Two Immediate Past Presidents.
- Immediate Past Secretary
- Executive Members of the Society elected by General Body.

ARTICLE-VII

Elections:

- 1. The President Elect and the Vice- President shall be elected at an annual meeting the General Body. They shall hold office until the end of the succeeding two annual general body meetings at which they shall install their successors. The past President will not be eligible for re-election to any office of the Society. Before contesting for the post of President Elect, Vice President and Secretary, a member must have completed one term as Governing Council Member in addition to other eligibility conditions.
- 2. The Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer and other members of the Governing council shall be elected at an annual meeting of the general Body. The honorary Secretary shall hold office for three years and for maximum two terms (or six years). The term of Treasurer shall be three years, maximum of two terms (or six years). The other members of Governing council shall hold the office for

two years after which period they will be eligible for re-election (maximum two terms). Chief Editor of Journal of Anaesthesiology Clinical Pharmacology will hold office for three years and for maximum two terms (or six years). Ballot papers of Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer will be combined and they will be voted as a team by one single vote. The Term of Joint Secretary will be for three years. Hony. Secretary, Hony. Treasurer, Chief Editor of Journal of Anaesthesiology Clinical Pharmacology and other members of Governing Council shall be eligible for re-election only for two terms for the same post.

- 3. Hony. Secretary shall notify in the Journal of Anaesthesiology Clinical Pharmacology or otherwise, the number of vacancies in the Governing council to be filled at the forthcoming election to be held at the time of Annual General Body Meeting.
- 4. Every nomination together with the written consent of the candidate to contest the election, duly proposed and seconded by two ordinary members shall be sent to the Hony. Secretary under registered cover or hand delivery and a receipt obtained, so as to reach him not later than the last post of 30th November each year or 30 days before the date of Annual general Body meeting at which election will be held. The Hony. Secretary shall place all the nomination received by him before the Governing council at their Annual meeting for scrutiny. One member will be allowed to contest for one post in the Governing council.
- 5. All nominations found in order by the Governing council shall be placed before the General Body for election.
- 6. In the absence of any valid nominations as stated above, the General Body shall proceed to hold the election of the office bearers from amongst those members present and eligible. All ordinary members will be eligible for voting or nomination for office bearers
- 7. The nomination can be withdrawn by the candidate before the commencement of election by a written request.
- 8. The election shall be by secret ballot with single non-transferable vote per vacancy. The Hony. Secretary shall distribute to each eligible voter a ballot paper showing name of all valid nominations. All ballot papers will be collected and scrutinized by the scrutiny officers nominated by the President. Signing or initialing the ballot papers by the voter will make the paper invalid. The result of the elections shall be announced by the Hony. Secretary before the conclusion of the Annual General body meeting.
- 9. No person can hold an office unless he is ordinary member for not less than five years and not less than ten years for the post of President and Vice President, and has attended not less than three conferences in proceeding five years. No member of Organizing Committee of RSACPCON is eligible to contest for any post in RSACP Governing Council/Office Bearer/Executive Committee till audited

- accounts of RSACPCON are submitted and approved by Governing Council and AGBM.
- 10. In the event of the vacancy occurring amongst the office bearers viz; the President, President elect Vice-President, Hony. Secretary and Hony. Treasurer and other Governing Council members during the course of any year, the existing numbers of Governing Council shall elect the office bearer or office bearers in the vacancy or vacancies and persons so elected shall hold office for the remaining period for which his predecessor would have held the office.
- 11. Office bearers shall cease to hold office.
- a. When the period of their election is over.
- b. If by a resolution the General Body decides by a two thirds majority of the members presents that such office bearers be removed from office.

ARTICLE - VIII

Meetings

- 1. The Governing Council shall meet at least once a year, preferably before the commencement of annual conference, 1/4th of the total number of members of Governing Council shall form a quorum.
- 2. The Hony. Secretary shall circulate the agenda for the meeting at least three weeks before the holding of the meeting.
- 3. If it is found inconvenient or impracticable to hold meeting of the Governing Council and if the Hony. Secretary and/or the President deem it desirable that the opinion of the Governing Council be obtained they shall do so by post and act in accordance with the view of the majority.
- 4. The Hony. General Secretary shall arrange to hold an Annual meeting of the General Body every year at the time of the annual conference of the Society. The quorum for the General Body shall be 54 or ¼ of the members of the society whichever is smaller.
- 5. Any member desiring to move a resolution at the Annual general meeting shall give notice of the same in writing to the Secretary at least forty days before the date fixed for the meeting.
- 6. The Honorary Secretary shall circulate the agenda along with proposed resolutions vide Clause 5 for the General body meeting at least three weeks before the holding of the meeting of the General Body. Amendment to the resolution will be received until 48 hours before the General Body Meeting.
- 7. The President when Present shall preside at the meetings of Governing Council, General Body and at the Annual Conference.

- 8. In the absence of the President, the President elect shall officiate for him. In the absence of the President elect the Vice-president, and in the absence of vise President the senior-most past President shall preside over the meeting. If necessary the meeting may elect its own Chairman and for the purpose of the meeting he shall have all the powers of the President.
- 9. The President or Chairman in the event of a tie will have a casting vote.
- 10. The voting may be by show of hand or by ballot whichever is thought desirable by the President except for elections to the Elective Posts.
- 11. The ruling of the President or Chairman shall be final provided it is within the constitution rules and regulations of the Society.
- 12. The President may whenever he thinks necessary and shall upon a requisition signed by at least fifty ordinary members of the society, convene a "Special General Body Meeting" at such place he may decide. Such requisition must clearly state the subjects of the special meeting proposed to be called and shall be addressed to the Hony. Secretary, such special general body meeting shall be held within sixty days from the date of receipt of such requisition.

ARTICLE - IX

Journal of the Society:

- 1. The Society will publish an official journal called "Journal of Anaesthesiology Clinical Pharmacology" under the direction of an Editorial Board. The Editor of the Journal shall be elected by the General Body. The Editor shall nominate other members of the Editorial Board with approval of the President.
- 2. The President, Vice-President and Hony. Secretary shall be the ex-officio members of the Editorial Board.
- 3. The Editorial Board shall have the right to form separate bye-laws for the conduct and publications of the Journal.
- 4. Separate accounts shall be maintained by the Editor for the Journal. The accounts shall be operated by the Editor. These accounts shall be duly audited and submitted to the Governing Council and the General Body for adoption.
- 5. The amount equivalent to 1/3rd of the total received annually by way of subscriptions from all categories of members shall be transferred to the Journal Fund.
- 6. A loan may be given from time to time by the society to the journal for meeting contingencies after taking prior approval of the general body who shall direct as to how the same is to be utilized.

ARTICLE-X

Hony. Secretary

- 1. Subject to the control and regulations, if any, of the general body, the Hony. Secretary shall be responsible for carrying out the directions and decisions of the governing council and general body.
 - In Particular the Secretary shall;
- o Convene meeting of the governing council and general body whenever necessary or called upon to do so.
- o Have administrative control over all the affairs of the society.
- o Have change of the office and correspondence of, or in relation to, the society.
- o Keep minutes of all meetings of the Association, Governing Council and Committees thereof.
- o Prepare the annual report of the Society.
- o Be in charge of the furniture, books and all documents and other assets of the Association.
- O Collect all dues of the Society and pay all such amounts into the banking account of the society and inform the treasurer from time to time the amount so paid.
- o Make disbursements and maintain vouchers, provided that any extraordinary expenditure exceeding Rs.100/- shall be made after obtaining the sanction of the governing Council.
- o Perform all such other duties as are incidental to his office
- 2. All notices, communications, letters, memoranda and other papers, whether they are acts of the Governing Council, or of the General Body, or of any officer of the Association shall be signed or authenticated by the Hony, Secretary and when so signed or authenticated shall be conclusive.
- 3. The President may allocate all or any of the powers and duties under this or any other clause of these rules to the Hony. Secretary.

ARTICLE - XI

Treasurer:

- 1. The Hony. Treasurer shall be from the same place as that of Hony. Secretary.
- 2. In extra ordinary circumstances, General Body or Governing Council may direct the Hony. Secretary to work as Secretary Treasurer
- 3. The Treasurer shall maintain true accounts of the funds and other assets connected with or in any way controlled by the society.

- 4. i) The Property, movable or immovable belonging to the Society shall best in the Governing Council.
 - ii) No sale, mortgage, lease or other transfers of immovable property belonging to the society shall be valid unless at least the President, or the Vice-President, and Hony. Secretary shall execute the document of transfer.
- 5. i) All money of the society shall be deposited and/or invested:
 - a. In approved bank or banks.
 - b. In government and other negotiable securities or in any other mode permitted under the act or in accordance with the orders of the government from time to time.
 - ii) Accounts and other investments in the name of the society shall be operated by Hony. Treasurer (Subject to clause 2 above)
- 6. The accounts of the society shall be audited every year by one or more registered chartered accountants appointed for the ensuing years by the general body at the annual general meeting each year. The audited accounts shall be placed before the general body for adoption, the auditor or auditors shall be paid such remuneration or honorarium as the general body may fix at the annual general meeting at which such auditor or auditors may be appointed.

ARTICLE - XII

Conference:

- 1. General Body at their annual meeting shall decide the venue of the Annual Conference of the following year, taking into consideration the recommendation of the Governing Council.
- 2. A local Secretary and a local Treasurer shall be elected by the general body to make necessary arrangements for the conference. They will be responsible to the Governing Council of Research Society of Anaesthesiology & Clinical Pharmacology.
 - Where a city branch exists, local secretary and local treasurer shall be nominated in the form of a majority resolution of the general body of the city branch concerned and such resolution shall reach the Hony. Secretary before the meeting of the Governing Council one year before the conference. In extra-ordinary circumstances general body or governing council may direct the local secretary to work as local treasurer of the annual conference.
- 3. Local secretary will attend the meeting of the governing council preceding the conference on special invitation.

- 4. If for some unavoidable reason the question of selecting the venue of the Annual Conference and election of local secretary could not be decided by the general body the same shall be decided by the governing council.
- 5. The selection of papers to be presented at the conference will be made by a committee of members residing at the venue of the conference and recommended by the Hony. Secretary of the Society.
- 6. Symposia or Panel Discussion may be arranged at the time of the annual conference subjects of which shall be decided by the general body of the previous year or recommendations of the governing council of the previous year.
- 7. No paper which has been published in any of the journal or has been accepted for publication by any journal will be read at the conference.
- 8. Papers read at the annual conference will be published subsequently in the Journal of Anaesthesiology Clinical Pharmacology.
- 9. Registration fee for the annual conference shall be waived of in case of Past Presidents, Founder Members, Past Chief Editors, current President, current Secretary and current Chief Editor. The accommodation will be provided to the Past Presidents, current President, Secretary and Chief Editor during the annual conference of the society.
- 10. 15 % of the total receipts (collection) of RSACPCON will be given to RSACP by the organizers of RSACPCON within six months of RSACPCON. The balance money after contributing to RSACP will be used for academic activities ie CME/Workshop to be conducted at the local level under the auspices of RSACP to promote and popularize the society. This money has to be utilized within two years of conclusion of the respective conference. No member of Organizing Committee of RSACPCON is eligible to contest for any post in RSACP Governing Council / Office Bearer / Executive Committee till audited accounts of RSACPCON are submitted and approved by Governing Council and AGBM.
- 11. The dates of Annual Conference RSACPCON changed from September /October to March (Mid February to Mid April). The Conference and Workshop Guidelines are: Total three days Conference; Day 1 Workshops and Days 2 & 3 Conference. Local State can have not more than 20 % participation in Lectures. There shall be two Halls A & B and Hall C shall be for free papers only. E-Posters shall be preferred.

The workshop coordinators will be appointed by the governing council. The coordinators will develop modules of the workshops during RSACPCON so that there is uniformity in workshops held under the banner of RSACP. They shall conduct the workshops and will guide the org committee to select faculty of the workshops in consultation with the Secretary RSACP.

12. The PAN Number of society will not be used by Org Committee of RSACPCON. The Org Committee will have to get its conference /city or state branch PAN.

13. Seed Money for Conference, CME/Workshop:

A interest free, returnable seed amount of one and a half lac INR shall be given to Org Committee of RSACPCON to meet initial expenses. This amount shall be credited to the authorized bank account of the RSACPCON. The amount is to be returned to RSACP within six months of the conclusion of RSAPCON.

A sum of INR 20,000 shall be given to the organizing committee of CME/Workshop exclusively conducted under the banner of RSACP. This amount will be returned to RSACP after the CME/Workshop, if funds are surplus. Maximum of five such grants per year shall be given.

ARTICLE – XIII

Change in the Rules

- 1. The Governing Council shall have the power to recommend to the General Body any change in the rules of the Society provided the proposed changes are circulated amongst the members at least 15 days before the meeting of the general body.
- 2. Any member desirous of proposing any change in the rules of the society shall give at least one month notice in writing of such a proposal to the Hony. Secretary signed by a proposer and seconded and supported by five other ordinary members of the society.
- 3. No amendment variation, repeal or addition to the existing rules shall be made without the sanction of at least ¾ majorities of the members present and voting at a general body meeting.
- 4. Amendment, variation, repeal or addition to the existing rules shall be made only in the annual general body meeting.

ARTICLE – XIV

Branches of the Society

1. Governing Council may allow the formation of a branch of the society at any place in India either as "STATE BRANCH" or as "CITY BRANCH, provided;

In case of 'STATE BRANCH' a written application is made by not less than ten ordinary members residing in not less that five different places in the state and names of these members appear on the register of the society at the time of application.

In case of 'CITY BRANCH' a written application is made by not less than ten ordinary members residing in that city and name of these members appear on the register of the society at the time of application.

2. The branches thus formed shall have some aims and objects as that of the society but shall have a right to elect their own governing council and fix their own local subscription beside the annual subscription to the parent body.

A constitution may be adopted by such branches for their own governing provided the constitution does not contradict the aims and objectives or the constitutional provisions of the Research Society of Anaesthesiology & Clinical Pharmacology/Indian Society of Anaesthesiologists.

- 3. Honorary Secretary of such branches shall be responsible for collection of the subscription of the members.
- 4. 25% of the annual subscription of the members may be retained by the State branch during the calendar year at the discretion of the Governing Council.
 - Where a city branch exists in the state along with the state branch, 15% of the annual subscription of the members may be retained by the city branch. This 15% shall form part of the 25% of the subscription retained by the state branch. Where no state branch exists, city branch may be allowed to retain 25% of the annual subscription of its members by the governing council.
- 5. The Secretary of such branches shall submit an annual report and balance sheet of accounts to the Governing council every year.
- 6. General body shall reserve the right to withdraw recognition of any branch at any time on recommendation of the governing council.
- 7. The governing council may withdraw the authority of the branch to retain the share of the subscriptions if the branch has failed to send balance sheet of the accounts for the year along with the annual report.

ARTICLE - XV

ORATIONS & AWARDS

1. RSACP PAST PRESIDENT ORATION

The orator for the annual conference orations will be selected by the Governing council two years in advance. The selected orator will be given an honorarium of INR Ten Thousand, Medallion, Shawl, Certificate and Memento.

2. **RSACP ORATION**

It will be open to all except Past Presidents of RSACP. The Secretary shall consult Governing Council and Org Committee of RSACPCON and finalize

- the Orator. The selected orator will be given an honorarium of INR Ten Thousand, Medallion, Shawl, Certificate and Memento.
- 3. **RSACP LIFE TIME ACHIEVMENT AWARD** The recipient will be selected by the Governing council. The recipient shall be presented Medallion, Shawl, Certificate and Memento.

4. RSACP AWARDS

- 1. **RSACP Best Paper Award:** for best research paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON.
- 2. **RSACP Best Poster Award:** for best research poster presentation in this category during RSACPCON.
- 3. **KLM Award (Pain):** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Naveen Malhotra, Rohtak, Haryana.
- 4. **R.K.Sethi Award (Critical Care):** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Sunil Sethi, Rohtak, Haryana.
- 5. **Pt. Balbadhra Kaul Award (Obstetric Anaesthesia):** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Tej K Kaul & Family, Ludhiana, Punjab.
- 6. **Dr Usha Mehta Award (Cardiac Anaesthesia):** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Yatin Mehta, Gurgaon, Haryana.
- 7. **Basudeo-Kaushalya Award (Neuro Anaesthesia):** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Ashok Kumar, Patna, Bihar.
- 8. **Dr. G.K.Sinha Young Researcher Award (JR/SR)**: for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. Only Junior and Senior Residents are eligible. Certificate from Department necessary. The award is sponsored by Dr Girish Kishore Sinha, Patna, Bihar.
- 9. **Padmakant Award (Pediatric Anaesthesia)** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Tarlika Doctor, Gujarat.
- 10. **Parita Award (Trauma)** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Tarlika Doctor, Gujarat.
- 11. **Suman Award (Regional Anaesthesia):** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Naveen Malhotra, Rohtak, Haryana.
- 12. **Promilajeet Virk Award (New Technique / Innovation):** for best paper presentation in this category during RSACPCON. The award is sponsored by Dr Anju Grewal, Ludhiana, Punjab.
- 13. **J.S. Virk Award (Best Letter to Editor):** for the first author of Letter to Editor accepted for publication / published in JOACP during the period 1st

January to 31st December every year (January, April, July & October, issues of JOACP). The award is sponsored by Dr Anju Grewal, Ludhiana, Punjab.

All the awards will be given by President RSACP during RSACPCON. The sponsor or his/her family member will accompany the President. Two prizes will be given. First prize will comprise of certificate, medal/trophy and INR 5000 and second prize will comprise of certificate, medal / trophy and INR 3000 only. The Scientific Committee in association with Hon Secretary of Society will allot the research papers to different competitive categories. Only life members of RSACP are eligible to present papers and compete for the awards.

5. RSACP RESEARCH AWARDS

1. RSACP YOUNG RESEARCHER AWARD

The award is for the first author of the article accepted for publication/published in JOACP during the period 1st January to 31st December every year (January, April, July and October issues of JOACP). The award comprises of a Certificate and Ten Thousand Rupees only. The applicant should be below the age of 35 years. The applicant should be life member of RSACP. The application should be sent to the Secretary RSACP by 31st January.

2. RSACP RESEARCH AWARD

The award is for the first author of the article accepted for publication/published in JOACP during the period 1st January to 31st December every year (January, April, July and October issues of JOACP). The award comprises of a Certificate and Ten Thousand Rupees only. The age of applicant is no bar. The applicant should be life member of RSACP for at least three years. The application should be sent to the Secretary RSACP by 31st January.

The awards will be presented during the Annual RSACPCON.

ARTICLE – XVI

President:

- 1. The President, when present, shall preside at all the meetings of the governing council, General Body, Conference and at any other committee meeting of which he may be a member.
- 2. Shall attempt in all possible ways to contribute to the welfare of the people through the medical specialty of Anaesthesiology furthering the aims of the society to the full extent and perform such other services of leadership as are customary.

- 3. Shall regulate the proceedings of the meetings and the conference, interpret the rules and bye-laws, decide doubtful points and put the resolutions, motions to vote. The ruling of the President or Chairman shall be final provided that it is within the constitution, rules and regulations of the society.
- 4. Shall perform such other duties as are provided in the rules and regulations of the society.

President Elect

- 1. In the absence of the President, the President Elect shall officiate for him.
- 2. Shall assist the President in the performance of his duties

Vice – President;

- 1. In the absence of President and President Elect the Vice President shall officiate for them .
- 2. Shall assist the President and the President Elect in the performance of their duties.