

**ASSOCIATION OF FOOD SCIENTISTS & TECHNOLOGISTS (INDIA)**  
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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

The Special General Body Meeting (SGBM) of AFST(I) was to be held on 09<sup>th</sup> July 2023 in Southern Star Hotel, Mysuru at 12.00 Noon. However, the meeting was delayed by about 15 minutes and hence, the Chairman adjourned the meeting and requested the general body to assemble back at 12.30. The meeting was attended by 108 members and hence had the quorum required as per the constitution.

Dr N Bhaskar, President of AFST(I) and Chair of the SGBM welcomed the gathering of members and requested Dr Suresh D Sakhare, the Hon. Secretary to take the agenda forward. The Hon. Secretary placed before the GBM the agenda circulated amongst the members and also projected the same before the members. Some of the members requested the Hon. Secretary to explain the rationale for the proposed amendments. During this, the President also contributed and mentioned the chronology as to how the proposed amendments were deemed necessary. He also explained to the SGBM that as per the bye-laws, "any inclusions / modifications of bye-law must pass in two general body meetings" and after this SGBM the same would be again before the AGBM to be held during the International Food Convention (IFCoN) at Mysore.

After due deliberations and discussion among the gathered members, the SGBM unanimously agreed that the following texts shall be inserted under Section 3.8 of the constitution and the same would be circulated again as an agenda item in the upcoming AGBM.

- (a) To contest for the position of **President Designate-HQ**, the interested candidate(s) should be a life member of good standing for **10 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields.
- (b) To contest for the position of **Vice president HQ**, the interested candidate(s) should be a life member of good standing (from HQ area) for **5 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields. Eligible members from **HQ only will vote**.
- (c) Similarly, to contest for the position of **Vice President (Chapters)**, the candidate(s) should be a life member of good standing for **5 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields.
- (d) To contest for the position of **Honorary Joint Secretary**, the candidate should be a life member of good standing for **5 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields.
- (e) To contest for the position of **Honorary Treasurer**, the candidate should have been a life member of good standing for **3 years** with an equal amount of professional experience in the field of food science & technology and allied fields.

The SGBM ended with thanks to the Chair and all the members.

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Dr. Suresh D Sakhare  
Honorary Secretary, AFST(I)  
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