

**Nomination Form for the Election of Trustees
Of The Funds & Properties of the Parsi Panchayet Bombay**

Mumbai, Date :

MOBILE NO. :

To,
The Trustees of
Funds & Properties of the Parsi Panchayet
Bombay

EMAIL ADDRESS :
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Madam / Sirs,

We the members of the General Register / Donor Register hereby state that we propose and second the following lady/gentleman as the candidate for the Trusteeship of the Funds and Properties of the Parsi Panchayet Bombay. We have been assured that he / she is a Parsi, and follows the Zoroastrian Religion and he/she has completed 30 years.

Full Name of the Candidate : _____

Address : _____

Profession : _____

Date of Birth : _____

Bio-Data : _____

Pending Disputes with the Trust, if any: _____

Full Name of the Proposer : _____

Address : _____

Profession : _____

***Register No. General Register / Donor Register:** _____

Full Name of the Seconder : _____

Address : _____

Profession : _____

***Register No. General Register / Donor Register:** _____

Signature of the Proposer : _____

Signature of the Seconder : _____

I agree with the above proposal.

Signature of the Candidate: _____

*** Mention the Register No. of the Members of the General Register / Donor Register.
Nomination Form of Trustees Election–**

CODE OF CONDUCT

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ELECTIONS OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FUNDS AND PROPERTIES OF THE BOMBAY PARSI PUNCHAYET

Words and expressions used in the Code of conduct will have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the Scheme.

1. The Election Commissioners appointed by the Hon'ble Bombay High Court shall be the final authority on aspects concerning the holding of Elections, subject only to a challenge by an aggrieved person to a Court of Competent jurisdiction.
2. Co-operation should be extended by all concerned to the Election Commissioners to ensure peaceful and orderly holding of elections and voting/poll.
3. Directions, orders and instructions of the Election Commissioners shall be obeyed in all matters relating to the election and electoral process.
4. Each candidate who wishes to contest the elections shall also submit a copy of the Code of Conduct, duly signed by him or her, at the time of filing his / her respective nomination/candidature form.
5. Each contesting candidate shall not be permitted to spend, directly or indirectly, an amount exceeding ₹ 5,00,000/- for his or her entire election campaign. All amounts spent by a candidate for their election campaign must be paid through normal banking channels and a receipt for the same is to be properly preserved by the candidate for verification and accounting purposes.
6. All Parsi Media must adopt a uniform rate of charges for advertisements placed by candidates in that Parsi Media. It is, however, clarified that no Parsi Media is bound to display advertisements of every candidate.
7. Irrespective of whether a candidate pays for advertisement in any Parsi Media, the rate or cost for issuing such advertisement will be deemed to be an election expense incurred by such candidate.
8. If any Parsi Media treats letters of support for a candidate as an 'advertisement' and charges rates applicable to advertisements as such, then such Parsi Media must uniformly apply this policy for letters of support of all candidates.
9. Without prejudice to the generality of powers and functions of the Election Commissioners, any grievance or complaint in regard to advertising in the Parsi Media and the accounting of the same within the prescribed limit of ₹ 5,00,000/- for election campaign expenses shall be determined by the Chief Election

Commissioner by following procedure for such adjudication prescribed in the Scheme.

10. No Parsi Media shall publish any defamatory article or letter about any candidate and/or their family member. It is clarified that this Clause shall apply to the publication 'Parsi Junction', 'Pol Khol' and Wapiz page as well.
11. The candidate will maintain *inter alia*, an account of expenses incurred for publishing / advertising any article in the Parsi Media and will submit the same to the Chief Election Commissioner or any Assistant Election Commissioner so designated by the Chief Election Commissioner, one day after the date on which the election takes place or any such date thereafter as may be advised by the Election Commissioner.
12. Criticism of other candidates should be restricted only to their policies, programme, past record and work. No ad-hominem allegations or allegations of a personal nature should be made by any candidate, his/her family members or authorized representatives against another candidate or his/her authorized representatives or family members. No unparliamentary or abusive language shall be permitted in print or in speech as part of an election campaign. No aspect of the private life of the candidates or their family members or workers shall be permitted to be criticized. Candidates or their family members or workers shall not be criticized based on unsubstantiated or unverified allegations or on distortions.
13. Demonstrations or picketing before or outside the houses of individuals by way of protesting against their opinion or activities shall not be resorted to.
14. No disturbances shall be created in public meetings or processions organised by other contesting candidates.
15. No inducement, financial or otherwise, shall be offered to the voter. None of the contesting candidates shall offer dinners or food or liquor or refreshments at their campaign meetings or at the time of the voting after filing their nominations. Only water may be provided by the candidate at election meetings.
16. Use of loudspeakers or any other such facilities for any proposed meetings shall be strictly in accordance with municipal regulations pertaining to the use of loudspeakers.
17. None of the Fire Temples of the community or the Towers of Silence or any other place of worship shall be used as places for election propaganda, including speeches, posters, music, etc.

- 18.** All forms of campaigning including canvassing must stop the day before notified Election Day. This prohibition will apply to the entire day before the date of the elections. For the avoidance of doubt it is clarified that the campaigning and canvassing prohibited herein will include campaigning and canvassing through displaying the name and image or likeness of the candidate on any apparel or clothing or on vehicles or displayed in any other form of publicity.
- 19.** Posters issued by other candidates shall not be removed or defaced. However, it shall be the responsibility of all candidates to ensure that within 24 hours of the elections their posters and any other publicity material will be removed from all locations where they were displayed.
- 20.** Without prejudice to generality of the above provisions of the CoC, posters, flags, symbols or any other propaganda material shall not be displayed in the place being used on the day of poll for any purpose.
- 21.** On the election date no candidate will move with any arms or armed guards with or without concealed weapons, etc. within 200 meters of the election booth.
- 22.** On the day of the election, no person who perceives himself to be under a security threat and has therefore employed security guards, armed or otherwise, shall enter the vicinity of a polling station premise (within 200 meters) with security personnel.
- 23.** Except voters, candidates and their authorized representatives (not exceeding two for each candidate per venue), only persons with a specific valid authority letter from the Election Commissioner can enter any polling station/premises in which the voting will take place. It is clarified that the candidates and their authorized representatives cannot enter the polling booth/place at which the vote is cast, except for casting their own vote. The Election Commissioners will identify a designated area within a polling station or in its vicinity at which the candidate or their authorized representatives can remain on the date of the elections.
- 24.** No sitting Trustee or any other person shall enter any polling station or the place of counting unless he or she is a candidate or their duly authorized representative, except for the purpose of casting his/her own vote.
- 25.** At the time of counting of votes, the candidate and/or his representatives of not more than two (2) per voting centre shall be permitted to be present.
- 26.** Any act or attempt to commit an act of bribery, undue influence, intimidation of voters, impersonation, blackmail, or such other similar act, shall constitute a

'corrupt practice'. Any 'corrupt practice' that is established shall amount to a serious electoral offence.

- 27.** Without prejudice to the generality of the powers and functions of the Election Commissioners, the Chief Election Commissioners will be entitled to inquire into and adjudicate upon the alleged commission of a corrupt practice being a serious electoral offense.
- 28.** No candidate or Trustee or any other person shall resort to intimidating or browbeating or abusive behaviour with the Election Commissioners, Trust staff or any other person/representative of any service provider in relation to the elections, during the electoral process.
- 29.** The procedure set out in the Scheme for adjudication of an election related disputes including for alleged breaches of the CoC shall be followed by the Chief Election Commissioner.
- 30.** All proceedings pertaining to complaints received regarding infringement of the Code of Conduct, shall be held by the Chief Election Commissioner on working days (Monday-Friday) during working hours (10 am to 4 pm) only.
- 31.** Any complaint or grievance regarding the conduct of elections shall be brought to the notice of the EC in writing at the earliest.
- 32.** Without prejudice to the procedure for inquiry as set out in the Scheme, it is clarified that all proceedings pertaining to disqualification of candidates shall be conducted strictly in accordance with principles of natural justice. While investigating any offence pertaining to disqualification of a candidate, it would be incumbent upon the Chief Election Commissioner to issue a Show Cause Notice to the concerned candidate prior to holding a hearing in respect thereof.

Any decision of the Election Commissioner must be reasoned and in writing. Any decision of disqualification of a candidate from the election or any decisions holding the election of a candidate being invalid by reason of a breach of the Scheme or the CoC, such decisions shall not be acted upon or given effect to for such period mentioned in the Scheme.
- 33.** In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this CoC or the Scheme, the provisions of the Scheme shall be applicable.