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Eligibility Criteria for Candidates contesting election of Student's Union

- 1) Under graduate students between the ages of 16 and 26 shall be eligible to contest elections.
- 2) The candidate shall in no event have any academic arrears in the year of contesting the election.
- 3) The candidate shall have attained the minimum percentage of attendance as prescribed by the university or 75% attendance, whichever is higher.
- 4) The candidate shall have one opportunity to contest for the post of office bearer
- 5) The candidate shall not have a previous criminal record, that is to say he/she shall not have been tried and/or convicted of any criminal offence or misdemeanor.
- 6) The candidate shall also not have been subjected to any disciplinary action by Medical College/Institution/University authorities.
- 7) The candidate shall be a regular, full time student of the Medical College/Institution/University. That is to say that all eligible candidates shall be enrolled in a full time course.
- 8) All candidates have to give an undertaking in the prescribed format

Code of conduct for Candidates contesting elections


1. No candidate shall indulge in, nor shall abet, any activity, which may aggravate existing differences or create mutual hatred or cause tension between different castes and communities, religious or linguistic, or between any group(s) of students.
2. Candidates shall refrain from criticism of all aspects of private life, not connected with the public activities of the other candidates or supporters of such other candidates. Criticism of other candidates, or their supporters based on unverified allegations or distortion shall be avoided. Criticism shall be confined to policies, programs, past record and work. There shall be no appeal to caste or communal feelings for securing votes. Places of worship, within or without the campus shall not be used for election propaganda.

3. All candidates shall be prohibited from indulging or abetting, all activities which are considered to be "corrupt practices" and offences, such as, bribing of voters, intimidation of voters, impersonation of voters canvassing , holding public meetings during the period of 24 hours ending with the hour fixed for the close of the poll, and the transport and conveyance of voters to and from polling station.
4. No candidate shall be permitted to make use of printed posters, printed pamphlets or any other printed material for the purpose of canvassing, candidates may only utilize hand-made posters for the purpose of canvassing, provided that such hand-made posters are procured within the expenditure limit set out herein above.
5. Candidates shall only utilize hand-made posters at certain places in the campus, which shall be notified in advance by the election commission/ Medical College/Institution/University authority.
6. No candidate shall be permitted to carry out processions, or public meetings, or in any way canvass or distribute propaganda outside the Medical College/Institution/University campus.
7. No candidate shall, nor shall his/her supporters, deface or cause any destruction to any property of the Medical College/Institution/University campus, for any purpose whatsoever, without the prior written permission of the college/university authorities. All candidates shall be held jointly and severally liable for any destruction/defacing of any Medical College/Institution/University property.
8. During the election period the candidates may hold processions and /or public meetings, provided that such processions and/or public meetings do not, in any manner, disturb the classes and other academic and co-curricular activities of the Medical College/Institution/University. Further, such procession/public meeting may not be held without the prior written permission of the Medical College/Institution/University authorities.
9. The use of loudspeakers, vehicles and animals for the purpose of canvassing shall be prohibited.
10. On the day of polling, student organizations and candidates shall (i) Co-operate with the officers on election duty to ensure peaceful and orderly polling and complete freedom to the voters to exercise their franchise without being subjected to any annoyance or obstruction: (ii) not serve or distribute any eatables, or other solid and liquid consumables, except water on polling day; (iii) not hand out any propaganda on the polling day. Excepting the voters,



(ii) not serve or distribute any eatables, or other solid and liquid consumables, except water on polling day; (iii) not hand out any propaganda on the polling day. Excepting the voters, no one without a valid pass/letters of authority from the Medical College/Institution/University authorities shall enter the polling booths.

11. The Medical College/Institution/University authorities will appoint impartial observers.
12. All candidates shall be jointly responsible for ensuring the cleaning up of the polling area within 48 hours of the conclusion of polling.
13. **Any contravention of any of the above recommendations may make the candidate liable to be stripped of his candidature, or his elected post, as the case may be. The Election Commission/ Medical College/Institution/University authorities may also take appropriate disciplinary action against such a violator.**
14. **In addition to the above-mentioned code of conduct, certain provisions of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (Section 153-A and Chapter IX-A – “Offences Relating to Election”), will be applicable to the student elections.**


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