

English Translation of Objects of Shree Bhatt Mewada Gnati Hitwardhak Mandal, Bombay. The Original being in Gujarati.

- OBJECTS: (1) To spread Physical, moral and political,
 professional and general education among the
 members of the whole community and for that
 purpose to establish and run educational
 institutions, to give scholarships and to
 raise funds for that purpose.
 - (2) To render pecuniary assistance by way of relief to poor and needy members of the community.
 - (3) To publish or cause to be published periodicals leaflets and booklets for the spread of useful knowledge in the Community; to run easy competitions for encouraging literary activities and to render pecuniary assistance to persons or institutions engaged in such publications or in running such easy competitions.



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SHREE BHATT MEWADA GNYATI HITWARDHAK MANDAL, BOMBAY,

English Translation of Rules from the Original in Gujarati.

RULES.

I.

CLASSES OF MEMBERS.

- 1. Any member of the Bhatt Mewada Community male or m female over 18 years of age and desirous of serving the Community or interested in its welfare will be entitled to be member of the Mandal subject to this constitution.
- 2. Members of the Mandal will be of the following classes:(1) Patrons (2) Life Members and (3) Ordinary Members. One who
 pays Rs. 251/- at a time will be the patron. One who pays Rs.51/at a time will be life member. One who pays Rs. 2/- yearly
 subscription or as may be fixed in the Annual General Meeting
 of the Mandal from time to time will be am ordinary member.
 Yearly subscription for ordinary membership for ladies will be
 one rupee, only.
- 3. Persond esigning to be a member of the Mandal shall have to fill up the prescribed form and get the same sanctioned by the Managing Committee. The applicant shall be considered as the Member of the Mandal Ster the Managing Committee has accepted his application. In case the Managing Committee rejects such application the said application shall be placed before the meeting of the General Body. And the decision of the General of the Gen
- 4. In case a life member decides to become a patron the subscription paid by him for life membership will be deducted from the subscription for the patronship.

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II.

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RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

- Each member of amy class, shall be entitled to one vote only.
- Ordinary Members shall be entitled to vote in the meetings of the Mandal for the year for which they have paid their subscription and Patrons and life members shall be entitled to vote for the duration of their life.
- Every member shall be informed about the date, time place and agends of meetings at least two days prior to the day of the meeting but if due to reasonable cause any member is not so informed that alone will not render the proceedings of the said meeting unconstitutional.
- The resolutions passed with the consent of the -- majority at the meetings shall be considered as accepted by all and shall be enforced as such.
- 6. Any member can resign his membership by stating his reasons in a written application and getting the same resignation sanctioned by the Managing Committee But he will be liable to pay the subscription for the year in which he resignated and also any other sum for which he is indebted to the Mandal.
- 7. After he has resigned or after his dismissal from membership of the Mandal such person shall have no right whatsoever over any kind of property of the Mandal.
- 8. Any member of the Mandal will be dismissed from the Mandal by a resolution supported by 2/3 majobity of members present if he (1) acts against to the rules and regulations of the Mandal (2) harms the interest of the Mandal directly or



- (3) hampers the activities of the Mandal by introducing in its affairs private personal or community disputes.
- 9. Every member shall be bound to use polite and cultured language in the general meetings of the Mandal as well as in the meetings of its Managing Committee and also to act accordingly. A member using impolite language or ng raising discussions harmful to the interests of the Mandal will be warned by the President to desist from doing so. If a member persists to do so, in spite of such earning, the President shall order him to leave the meeting and such order shall have to be obeyed implicitely and without arguments.

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(1) The flinalicial year of the Mandal shall be from
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- A member who does not pay his subscription for six months from the commencement of they will not be entitled to work. The cettings.
- (3) As member who has no paid his subscription for eleven months from the commencement of the year will be informed by the Honorary Secretary of such non-payment. If the member fails to pay his subscription within one month thereafter, he will not be allowed to continue as the member

IV.

- (1) A meeting of all the members of the Mandal called to transact the business of the Mandal shall be called the meeting of the general body.
- (2) Annual General Meeting shall be held within two months from the commencement of the year. In this meeting

report of the activities of the Mandal in the previous

Within one month from the date of theannual General Meeting the Managing Committee shall put before the meeting of the general body the programme of the activities of the Managing to be completed in the new year and the Managing Committee shall carry out duringthe year that much of the programme as accepted by such meeting. Any other important programme of work over and above the programme accepted by the meeting of the General body can be undertaken only with the general of the General Body.

- ((b)). In every meeting the business will be transacted as per Agenda previously settled by the Managing Committee. But in case a very urgent matter is brought before the meeting for immediate discussion by any member the same can be discussed if majority of the members can allow to do so.
- (5) When one-sixth of the total number of members residing in Bombay or Bombay Suburbs or eleven (whichever is less) members are present in a the meeting of the General Body they will form quorum for the same. When a meeting is adjourned for want of quorum a duly called meeting thereafter shall be entitled to conduct the business of the adjourned meeting without a quorum.
- (6). Unless specially provided under this constitution the resolutions of the meeting of the General body will be passed by a majority vote.
- The women members of the Mandal can vote by proxy on the Agenda previously fixed.
- (6) In case members of the Mandal want to EXERCIMENT CONVENE a meeting of the General Body, the Honorary Secretary shall call such meeting in case he receives a written application for the



purpose signed by sixteen members. If the meeting is not called within eight days from its receipt the persons who have signed such application shall be entitled to convene the meeting for the said purpose and the meeting so convened shall be constitutional and legal.

- (9) In case due to special win circumstances the meeting of the general body duly convened needs to be postponed, the Honorary Secretary shall, in case he receives an application for the said purpose duly signed by sixteen members place the same before the Managing Committee and the Managing Committee may postpone the said meeting if it thinks proper to do so.
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- of fifteen members. Twelve of them will be elected and the members so elected shall co-opt three more.
- (2)(a) Every year in the beginning of the month of Aso the Honorary Secretary shall invite applications from those who want to stand as candidates for the election.
- (2)(b) Any member of the Mandal shall be entitled to stand as a candidate for election.
- (2) (c) The candidate will have to send their applications to the office of the Mandal before the date fixed.

 Applications received thereafter shall be rejected.
- (2)(d) A voting paper shall be prepared containing the names so received of all the candidates and a copy of the same shall be sent to each member.
- (2)(e) The members will votefor any twelve or less

MANAGING COMMITTEE. candidates as shown in the voting paper. No member shall give more than one vote to each candidate. The voting paper will have to be returned to the office of the Mandal before the date fixed. Voting papers received thereafter shall be rejected.

- (2) (f) The voting papers received in the office of the Mandal on or before the date fixed shall be opened before the scrutinising Committee in the Annual General Meeting and on counting the votes twelve candidates who secure the highest number of votes shall be all declared elected.
- (2)(g) In case any one out of thw twelve elected members expresses his unwillingness to serve as the member of the Managing Committee, the candidate who tops the list of the unsuccessful candidate shall be appointed as a member of the during the year. Managing Committee. Vacancies in the Managing Committee shall also be filled up in the like manner.
- (3) It will be the duty of the Managing Committee to carry on the work of the Mandal properly to make efforts to realise the objects of the Mandal and by expanding the activities of the Mandal to make the mandal an ideal institution.
- (4) If a member of the Managing Committee remains absent in three successive meetings of the Managing Committee he stall be discontinued as a member of the said Committee. But if he sends his reasons for remaining absent before hand or is out of Bombay on the day of the meeting then this rule will not apply to him.
- (5) In case eight members of the Managing Committee resign at a time a new Managing Committee shall be elected.
- (6) The quorum for the meeting of the Managing Committee shall be one third the number of members in the Managing Committee.

VI.

FFICE BEARERS FITHE MANAGING OWNITTEE.

- (1) The following will be the office bearers in the Managing Committee and they will be elected out of the members of the Managing Committee in the same order (1)President (2)Vice President (3) Two Honorary Secretaries (4) Treasurer.
- of the general body as well as shose of the Managing.

 Committee shall maintain order in the meetings and shall prevent those using improper or impolite language from doing so and from raising discussion on irrelevent points.
- (3) The President shall have a costing vote in case there is a tie in the meetings of the general body or that of the Managing Committee.
- (4) (a) The President shall see that the office bearers of the Mandal discharge their duties properly. He shall have the right to give proper direction or guidance to the office bearers in shall have the right to call meetings of the general body or of Managing Committee if necessary.
- (b) Vice-President shall preside over meetings in absence of the President and shall be entitled to use all his powers.
- (c) In the absence of the President or Vice-President the members present in the meetings shall elect a president for the said meeting and the President so elected shall conduct the meetings and shall be entitled to use the powers of the President.

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The Honorary Secretaries shall prepare and present the Agenda for the meetings of the general body as well as that of Managing Committee shall enforce and impliments at the resolutions passed in the meetings; shall recover subscriptions and other contributions; shall carry on the work of the Mandal systematically and constitutionally and shall keep full and complete records of the Mandal's work and its activities.



- (6) The Treasurer shall maintain the accounts of the Mandal and shall manage the with the consent of the Managing Committee the property and funds of the Mandal as per rules for that purpose.
- (7) The Treasurer shall present in the annual General meeting through the Hon: Secretaries the yearly statement of account of income and expenditure duly audited by auditors.
- (8) The Treasurer shall answer all questions relating tincome and expenditure of the Mandal in the meetings of the General Body as well as that of the Managing Committee.
- (9) At theend of the year after new elections every office bearer shall hand over the charge of his office within a week to the new Office bearers.
- (10) Every year the Mandak shall celebrate the following festivals viz. (1) Eklingeshwar Mahotsav (2) Shankwar-Acharya Jayanti (3) Thread ceremony festival.

In case during these festivals programme for mass dinner is kept the expenses of such programme are never to be met from the funds of the Mandal. Such expenses may be met by contribution from individual members.

(11) Before the members of the Managing Committee take charge of their office they shall have to sign a declaration on oath

in the following form to remain faithful to Mandal.

Declaration on oath:

I, the undersigned before accepting my office as the member of the Managing Committee through this declaration on oath bind myself to be faithful to Mandal and to serve it with all my ability. So long as I am in office I shall not take part in any activity against the Mandal and shall never take any steps harmful to Mandal. In addition if I come to know during the time I am in office any secret matter of the Mandal exposition of which may be harmful to the Mandal, I declare myself bound not to expose or make public the same at any time.

VII.

- 1. In order to fulfill the objects and aims of the Mandal the Mandal shall be entitled to accept presents from any one after taking into consideration its propriety and shall be entitled to raise funds.
- 2. Excepting ear marked funds, the Mandal shall be entitled to use the funds of the Mandal as per aims and objects of the Mandal.
- 3. The Treasurer shall keep at the most Rs. 300/with him. The balance shall be invested with the consent
 of the Managing Committee in Banks, Government Securities
 or sound Trust Securities off account of and at the risk
 of the Mandal in the joint names of the Trustees,
- 4. The Trustees may transfer deposit or withdraw the funds referred above or sell the securities with the consent of the Managing Committee.

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The Trustees shall be four in number; every three years out of the members of the Mandal, four respectable persons shall be elected as Trustees by the meeting of the General Body. The said Trustees shall manage the funds and properties of the Mandal as per rule VII of this constitution.

The Trustees and Managing Committee shall manage the funds and properties of the Mandal with due diligence and care. In spite of that if the funds and properties suffer any loss the Trustees or members of the Managing Committee shall not be responsible for the same. But if membersofthe Managing Committee or the Trustees misuse the funds and properties against the provisions made herein, the person or persons misusing shall be personally liable for the same.

The Managing Committee can as per aims and objects of the Mandal spend Rs.300/- in one year. The consent of the general body shall be necessary for expenditure over and above that mentioned above.

8. A receipt duly signed by Hom. Secretary and Treasurer shall always be given for all moneys received by orpaid to the Mandal.

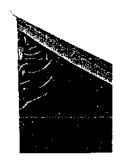
Excepting property entrusted to Mandalon special Conditions, the persons donating any gift, money or subscription shall have no right whatsoever except his right as a member of the Mandal.

VIII.

An Auditor shall be appointed every year in the Annual General Meeting to audit the accounts of the Mandal.

Members of the Managing Committee or trustees of the Managing Committee or trustees of the Mandal are debarred from being appointed as auditors.

AUDITOR.



- The Auditor shall be entitled to inspect the accounts and vouchers etc.on any day at proper time previously arranged and shall see that the money spent during theyear are duby sanctioned under the rules, regularions and resolutions of the Mandal.
- from the Honorary Secretaries and Treasurer on any point with regards the accounts and shall report to the general body any irregularities in the accounts.

IX.

Resolutions passed or decisions taken in themeetings of general body or managing committee shall not be changed
before six months from the date of passing the resolution or
decision.

X.

Amendments to the constitution shall have to be moved in the meeting of the general body. Such amendment must first be forwarded to the Managing Committee the Managing Committee shall consider the same and shall present them—in the meeting of the General body. Every member shall be given a written notice of such amendments at least fifteen days before they are presented in the meeting of the general body. Amendments shall require two thirds majority of the members present in the meeting in order to be effective.

XI.

Whenever necessary the Managing Committee shall be entitled to appoint sub-Committees of three or more members in order to facilitate the work of the Mandal.

XII.

Rulings of the President shall be final on all

questions of interpretation of the constitution.

XIII.

The old rules and regulations of the Mandal shall be null and void from the date when this constitutions comes in force.

Every member must inform the office about the change of his address. The Honorary Secretaries shall not be responsible if a member does not receive any information relating to Mandal for want of such intimation of change of address.

XIV.

In case the Managing Committee receives a motion for vote of non-confidence duly signed by at least twenty members of the Mandal against office bearers, members of the Managing Committee and trustees of the Mandal or any of them, the Managing Committee shall place the same before the General Body of the Mandal within one month from the date of receipt of such motion. Such motion can be considered as passed if it receives support of at least 2/3rd of the members present and voting. The person or persons against whom such motion of non-confidence is passed shall hand over the charge of his diffice within three days from the date of passage of such motion.

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