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THE DISTRICT GRAND LODGE OF BOMBAY

The Ancient Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Bombay
under the United Grand Lodge of England

RW BRO. PERCY JAMSHED DRIVER,
District Grand Master

VW BRO. ARUN JAGANNATHRAO DESHMUKH
Deputy District Grand Master

W BRO. SURESH RAMKRISHNA DIXIT
Assistant District Grand Master

W BRO. ANIL VEDPRAKASH MALHOTRA
District Senior Grand Warden

W BRO. NEIL IAN PATEL
District Junior Grand Warden

FREEMASONS' HALL,
D. SUKHADWALA MARG,
MUMBAI 400 001

1 September 2014

Dear Sir and Brother,

Subject : HALF-YEARLY COMMUNICATION, DECEMBER 2014

By command of the RW District Grand Master, you are summoned to attend the 310th Communication (Half-Yearly) of the District Grand Lodge of Bombay under the United Grand Lodge of England on Saturday 6 December 2014 at Freemasons' Hall, 1 Ahilya Devi Marg, Opposite Circuit House No.1, Cantonment, Jabalpur 482001.

The District Grand Lodge will be opened at 6.30 p.m. sharp, for which purpose you are required to be seated in the Hall by 6.00 p.m.

You are required to confirm your presence/absence well in advance of the day of the meeting.

Yours fraternally,
Kersasp R. Dadachanji
PGStB, PDistGW,
District Grand Secretary

ATTENDANCE All District Grand Officers Present and Past, all Masters, Past Masters and Wardens of Private Lodges in the District are hereby summoned to attend the Communication.

It is expected that District Grand Officers for the current year, especially those holding active ranks, will be present in the Masonic attire of their ranks by 5.30 p.m.

The attendance sheets will be made available for signature from 4.30 p.m. onwards.

Members not attending the Communication are to advise the District Grand Secretary well in advance of the date of the meeting.

An apology of absence will be recorded only if it is received by the District Grand Secretary in writing (letter or email) by 15 November 2014.

DRESS National dress, or uniform, or dark business suit (plain white shirt) with Craft or plain black tie/bow tie.

REGALIA **Grand Officers and District Grand Officers Present and Past:**
Full Dress Regalia. White gloves compulsory. No gauntlets.

Brethren (Master Masons) not holding District Grand ranks:

Lodge regalia of their respective offices, including gauntlets (where applicable).

Qualified brethren should wear the Royal Arch Breast Jewel. Brethren may wear the 150th Anniversary Breast Jewel if they so desire. A limited quantity of the Jewel will be available for purchase for Rs. 5000 apiece at the Communication venue.

VISITORS Master Masons who are not members of the District Grand Lodge of Bombay are invited to be present but may not vote.

SUMMONS This Summons is to be read in open Lodge in all Lodges in the District.

Accompaniments to the Summons

- i. Report of the President, District Board of General Purposes, and audited accounts for the year ended 31.03.2014.
- ii. Audited accounts of the Bombay District E.C. Grand Charity for the year ended 31.03.2014.
- iii. Report of the President, District Board of Benevolence, Bombay, and audited accounts for the year ended 31.03.2014.
- iv. Registration form.

Banquet and Ladies Night

There will be a Banquet and Ladies Night after the meeting.

A G E N D A

1. District Grand Master and Officers enter in procession.
2. To sing the Opening Ode.
3. To open the District Grand Lodge in due form.
4. To read the Summons convening the Communication.
5. To salute according to Antient Custom the District Grand Master, Past District Grand Master, Deputy District Grand Master, Assistant District Grand Master.
6. To receive and salute the Visiting Deputations.
7. To call the Roll of Grand Officers.
8. Announcement of Grand Rank.
9. To salute Grand Officers.
10. To call the Roll of District Grand Officers.
11. To call the Roll of Lodges in the District.
12. Obituary.
13. To confirm the Minutes of the 309th Communication (Annual) held in Mumbai on 1 March 2014.
14. District Grand Secretary's Report.
15. To adopt the Report of the President, District Board of General Purposes along with audited statement of accounts of The District Grand Lodge for the year ended 31 March 2014.
16. To adopt the audited accounts of The Bombay District EC Grand Charity for the year ended 31 March 2014.
17. To adopt the Report of the President, District Board of Benevolence with audited statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2014.
18. To adopt the Notice of Motion (placed at Appendix 1 to this Summons) proposed and seconded at the District Board of Benevolence Meeting held on 1 August 2014.
19. To award the Certificate of Service to Freemasonry (C.S.M.)
20. To present Long Membership Certificates of Appreciation.
21. To announce Merit Awards for Academic Excellence to children of Masons in the District.
22. Social Outreach by Lodges.
23. RW District Grand Master to address the District Grand Lodge.
24. Any other business.
25. To collect alms.
26. Greetings from Visiting Deputations.
27. To close the District Grand Lodge in due form.
28. To sing the Closing Ode and National Anthem.
29. RW District Grand Master retires with his Officers and Visiting Dignitaries in procession.

APPENDIX 1

**Notice of motion for adoption at the Half-yearly Communication,
6 December 2014**

The following Notice of Motion, proposed by W Bro Shrikrishna G. Arole and seconded by W Bro Devesh Hingorani, at the District Board of Benevolence meeting held at the District Office, Freemasons' Hall, Mumbai on 1 August 2014, was recommended to be put for adoption at the Half-yearly Communication 2014 to be held in Jabalpur on 6 December 2014.

RESOLVED that

The mandatory contribution to charity of Rs. 300 made by each member to the District Grand Lodge of Bombay through his Mother /Primary Lodge will be transferred to the Bombay District EC Grand Charity.

Kersasp R. Dadachanji
Secretary BOB

Narendra S. Porwal
President BOB