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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

E COMP PERCY JAMSHED DRIVER,
M.E. Grand Superintendent in and over Bombay

E COMP ARUN JAGANNATHRAO DESHMUKH
Deputy Grand Superintendent

E COMP SURESH RAMKRISHNA DIXIT
Second District Grand Principal

E COMP PICHUMANI VENKATRAMAN
Third District Grand Principal

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

29 January 2015

Dear Sir and Companion ,

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION, MARCH 2015

By command of the M.E. Grand Superintendent, you are summoned to attend the 122nd Communication (Annual) of the District Grand Chapter of Bombay under the Supreme Grand Chapter of England on Saturday 14 March 2015 at Freemasons' Hall, Damodardas Sukhadwala Marg, Fort Mumbai 400 001.

The District Grand Chapter will be opened at 3.00 p.m. sharp, for which purpose you are required to be seated in the Hall by 2.30 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 Principals, Past Principals and members of Private Chapters in the District are hereby summoned to attend the Convocation.

It is expected that District Grand Officers for the current year, especially those holding active ranks, will be present in the Royal Arch Masonic attire of their ranks by 3.45 p.m.

The attendance sheets will be made available for signature from 2.30 p.m. onwards.

Members not attending the Convocation are to advise the District Grand Scribe E 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 Scribe E in writing by 10 March 2015.

DRESS

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

REGALIA

Grand Officers and District Grand Officers Present and Past:
Full Dress Regalia: **No gloves.**

Companions not holding District Grand ranks:
Chapter regalia of their respective offices.

Companions should wear the Royal Arch Breast Jewel.

Companions may wear the 150th Anniversary Breast Jewel of the District Grand Lodge of Bombay if they so desire.

Companions are requested not to wear more than two jewels.

SUMMONS

This Summons is to be read in open Chapter in all Chapters in the District, and recorded in the Minutes.

Accompaniments to the Summons

- i. Registration form
- ii. Report of the District Committee of General Purposes
- iii. Accounts of the District Grand Chapter for the year ended 30 September 2014.

Registration fee

Companions are requested to notify their attendance on the Registration form enclosed with this summons. The Registration form is common for the Annual Communication as well as Annual Convocation; the common Registration fee is indicated thereon.

The duly filled Registration form and payment must reach District Grand Secretary, **not later than 8 March 2015.**

Cheques should be drawn in favour of **District Grand Lodge of Bombay**, payable at Mumbai.

A G E N D A

1. M.E. Grand Superintendent, Past Grand Superintendent, along with the Deputy Grand Superintendent, the Second and Third District Grand Principals Present and Past, Grand Officers, and the Officers of the District Grand Chapter of Bombay enter in procession.
 2. To open the District Grand Chapter in due form.
 3. To read the Summons convening the Convocation.
 4. To receive the Visiting Dignitaries.
 5. Announcement of Grand Rank.
 6. To call the Roll of Grand Officers.
 7. To call the Roll of District Grand Officers.
 8. To call the Roll of Chapters in the District.
 9. Obituary
 10. To confirm the Minutes of the 121st Convocation (Annual) held in Mumbai on 1 March 2014.
 11. District Grand Scribe E's Report.
 12. To adopt the Report of the President, District Committee of General Purposes.
 13. To adopt the audited Accounts of The District Grand Chapter of Bombay for the year ending 30 September 2014.
 14. To elect the District Grand Treasurer for the year 2015-16.
 15. To adopt the Notice of Motion (placed at Appendix 1 to this Summons) proposed and seconded at the District Committee of General Purposes Meeting held on 15 January 2015 at Mumbai.
 16. To appoint the Deputy Grand Superintendent for the year 2015-16.
 17. To appoint and invest the 2nd District Grand Principal for the year 2015-16.
 18. To appoint and invest the 3rd District Grand Principal for the year 2015-16.
 19. To appoint and invest District Grand Officers for the year 2015-16.
 20. To appoint the Auditor for the year 2015-16.
 21. To elect three Companions to serve on The District Committee of General Purposes.
 22. M E Grand Superintendent to address the District Grand Chapter.
 23. Any other business which M.E. Grand Superintendent may permit.
 24. To collect alms.
 25. Greetings from Visiting Dignitaries.
 26. To close the District Grand Chapter in due form.
 27. M E Grand Superintendent and Visiting deputations retire.
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APPENDIX 1

Notice of motion for adoption at the Annual Convocation, 14 March 2015

The following Notice of Motion, proposed by E Comp Sudhirkumar C. Choksey, District Grand Treasurer, and seconded by E Comp Kersasp R. Dadachanji, District Grand Secretary, at the District Committee of General Purposes meeting held at Freemasons' Hall, Mumbai on 15 January 2015 was recommended to be put for adoption at the Annual Convocation 2015.

RESOLVED THAT

By-laws No. 4 (Registration fees) and 5 (Other fees and dues) of the District Grand Chapter of Bombay, be amended as shown below, to take effect from January 2016.

The amendments are indicated as underscored italics.

By-Law No. 4. – Registration fees																	
<p><u>Existing</u> The District Grand Officers from Janitor to Scribe N shall, on first appointment of either Active or Past Rank, make a payment of Rs. 800/- each. Such Officers, on promotion to Active or Past Rank, or re-appointment to Active rank, shall pay Rs. 300 for each such promotion or re-appointment. Officers receiving Office will pay a one-time fee as under:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Third Dist. Grand Principal</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs. 2000/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Second Dist. Grand Principal</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs 3000/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deputy Dist. Grand Supt.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs 4000/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grand Superintendent</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs 5000/-</td> </tr> </table>	Third Dist. Grand Principal	Rs. 2000/-	Second Dist. Grand Principal	Rs 3000/-	Deputy Dist. Grand Supt.	Rs 4000/-	Grand Superintendent	Rs 5000/-	<p><u>Proposed Amendment</u> The District Grand Officers from Janitor to Scribe N shall, on first appointment of either Active or Past Rank, make a payment of Rs. <u>1000/-</u> each. <u>Such Officers, on promotion to Active or Past Rank, shall pay shall pay Rs. 500, and for re-appointment to Active rank, shall pay Rs. 300.</u> Officers receiving Office will pay a one-time fee as under:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Third Dist. Grand Principal</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs. <u>3000/-</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Second Dist. Grand Principal</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs <u>4000/-</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deputy Dist. Grand Supt.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs <u>5000/-</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grand Superintendent</td> <td style="text-align: right;">Rs <u>6000/-</u></td> </tr> </table>	Third Dist. Grand Principal	Rs. <u>3000/-</u>	Second Dist. Grand Principal	Rs <u>4000/-</u>	Deputy Dist. Grand Supt.	Rs <u>5000/-</u>	Grand Superintendent	Rs <u>6000/-</u>
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