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MODEL CODE FOR THE IICC ELECTIONS JUNE 2024 - AUGUST 2024

1. General conduct

- a) No candidate shall indulge in any activity which may create misunderstanding, mutual hatred, or cause tension amongst the members of the IICC.
- b) No candidate shall criticize any other candidate, criticism if any, shall be confined to their policies and programs and work. Candidates shall refrain from criticism of the private life of a contesting candidate. The criticism of unverified allegations or distortions shall be scrupulously avoided.
- c) Candidate(s) or any member of the IICC shall not use any part of the entire IICC premises for the purposes of conducting election meetings/ discussions, till the declaration of election results.
- d) The entire premises of the IICC shall not be used as a forum for election propaganda. Circulation/ pasting of posters/ pamphlets is strictly prohibited inside the IICC premises. Furthermore, no poster/bill should be affixed even on the outer wall of the premises.
- e) All candidates shall scrupulously avoid all undesirable practices to solicit support.
- f) No IICC member or candidate shall create obstructions to canvassing by the other candidate.
- g) No worker/supporter of any candidate with badges/leaflets or posters of the candidate shall move above within the

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IICC premises.

- h) No rooms or conference halls shall be allowed to be booked by any member of IICC in India Islamic Cultural Centre for 11.08.2024 and 12.08.2024.
- i) All the members of IICC are advised to strictly adhere to the instructions which shall be issued shortly. Any ballot, whether cast in person or received through post shall be declared invalid if the same is not in accordance with the instructions provided.

2. Canvassing

No Banner poster shall be allowed to be pasted or posted within a radius of 100 meters from the Building of the Centre. Badges or any other form of medium portraying a candidate shall not be permitted within the premises of the Centre.

3. Period of sending/ receiving of postal ballots (04.07.2024 – 11.08.2024)

- a) No candidate(s)/ his authorized representative or any member of IICC shall enquire about any details related to postal ballots from the office of the returning officer. The details regarding the postal ballot paper shall be maintained by the office of the returning officer in a fair and proper manner and uploaded on the official website of IICC on the final day of receipt of ballots received by post.
- b) A ballot paper sent by post to a member at the address mentioned in the list of eligible voters, if returned undelivered for any reason whatsoever, will not be sent again. Such requests, by any member, will not be entertained by the returning officer.

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4. Polling day

- a) All candidates shall cooperate with the election officials (including those designated by the IICC management as election staff) on duty to ensure peaceful and orderly polling with complete freedom to voters without being subjected to any annoyance or obstruction.
- b) Candidate(s) shall not allow unnecessary crowds to be gathered near the entry gates of the IICC, to avoid confrontation and tension among workers and sympathizers of the candidates.
- c) All candidates shall cooperate with election staff in complying with the restrictions imposed for conducting an orderly election.
- d) No camps shall be allowed to be set up by the candidates within the IICC premises.
- e) No vehicles of any candidate or member of IICC shall be allowed to enter from gate no. 3 and parking in the front area shall be strictly prohibited.
- f) No member of IICC (who is eligible to vote) shall be allowed to cast a vote without a valid IICC membership card or a valid government-issued photo ID card.
- g) No candidate or his representative shall be allowed to enter the first entry point leading to the polling booth, except once, when they will be allowed to enter to cast their vote. However, only the candidate will be allowed to re-enter from the main entry gate after casting their vote, subject

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to verification of the ID card issued by the returning officer to the candidate.

- h) Only members who possess voting rights shall be permitted to enter the IICC premises on the polling day. Once a member has cast their vote have to mandatorily leave the IICC premises from the exit gate(s). No member (except the candidates only with a valid pass issued by the returning officer) shall be allowed to re-enter from the main entry gate.
- i) No member shall be allowed to carry a mobile or any electronic device in the polling area.
- j) No member shall be allowed to wait in the polling booth area, upon casting the vote, he/she shall immediately leave the polling booth area.
- k) Members of IICC eligible to cast their vote only through postal ballot, shall not be allowed to cast their vote physically on the polling day under any circumstances.
- All efforts shall be made to give priority to members of IICC (having voting rights), who are senior citizens or differently-abled persons, to cast their vote swiftly.
- m) To maintain transparency in the polling process, live screens will be set up which will continuously display the polling area.

5. Conduct of incumbent office bearers of the IICC

Candidates occupying positions in the current governing body, which are acting under the observation of an election observer appointed by the Hon'ble High Court of

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Delhi, shall ensure that no cause is given for any complaint that they have used their official position for the election campaign and in particular:

- a) They shall not mix their canvassing with their official work as office bearers of the IICC. They shall not be allowed to hold any speech or conference till the declaration of the election results.
- b) They shall not use or cause to use IICC's official facilities (including email, WhatsApp), online or offline, or office personnel for any canvassing-related activity.
- The use of official stationery and IICC's letterheads for canvassing shall be banned.
- d) No paid advertisements, which may provide an edge to the incumbents, shall be issued at the cost of the IICC during the election period.
- e) No photographs of any event or otherwise shall be allowed to be displayed on any noticeboards within the IICC premises.
- f) The incumbent office bearers shall continue to act under the observation of Ld. Court Observer during the entire election period, as per the directions/ orders passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi.
- g) No new programs shall be started during the election period; however, only the essential office work may go on as usual.

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h) Nothing shall be done by the incumbent office bearers that can give an advantage to them over the candidates who don't have access to the IICC resources.

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