

**Memorandum of Association
of
THE PEOPLE'S EDUCATION SOCIETY
MUMBAI**

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PEOPLE'S EDUCATION SOCIETY, MUMBAI.**Bard of Trustees**

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2. Hon'ble Shri K. H. Ranganath (Trustee)
3. Shri S. S. Rege (Trustee)

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9. Prof. S. L. Khot, M. A., LL.M.,
10. Prof. Arun M. Donde, M.A., LL.B., Ex. MLC.

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Prin. D. J. Gangurde, M.Com., LL.M., Secretary

MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF THE PEOPLE'S EDUCATION SOCIETY, MUMBAI.

Name and objects of the society

1. The society shall be called the People's Education Society and shall be managed and administered by the Buddhists.

2. The office of the Society shall be at Bombay or at such other place as may be decided from time to time.

3. The aims and objects of the society shall be :-

(a) To provide facilities for education, secondary, collegiate, technical, physical and the like;

(b) To start, establish, conduct and/or aid educational and Buddhist religious associations such as schools, colleges, vihars, hostels, libraries, playgrounds, Buddhist Institutes etc. at suitable places in the State of Maharashtra as well as any other parts of India;

(c) To provide facilities for education of the poor and the Buddhists;

(d) To create and foster general interest in education among the Scheduled Castes and Buddhists who are converted from amongst the Scheduled Castes and in particular to give them special facilities, scholarships and freeships for higher education;

(e) To promote science, Buddhist and other literature and fine arts and to impart useful knowledge in comparative studies of religion;

(f) To purchase, take on lease or otherwise acquire property for the Society and to invest and deal with the moneys of the Society in such manner as may from time to time be determined;

(g) to construct, maintain, rebuild, repair, alter, replace or reinstate houses, vihars, buildings or works for the purpose of the society;

(h) to sell, dispose off, improve, develop, exchange, lease, mortgage or otherwise alienate or deal with all or any property of the Society;

(i) to co-operate, or affiliate the Society or any Institution or Institutions run by or belonging to the Society with a view to securing further advancement of the aims and objects of the Society especially of Buddhists;

(j) to raise money with or without security for carrying out any of the propose, aims and objects of the Society;

(k) to procure the Society to be registered or recognized in any state in India;

(l) to do all other lawful things and acts as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the aforesaid aims and objects.

II - Subscribers and patrons

4. Any person paying Rupees ten per year as subscription to the Society shall be eligible to be enrolled as a subscriber of the Society and shall be entitled to the privileges of the subscriber.

5. Any person paying a lump sum donation of Rs. 500 or more to the Society shall be eligible as a patron of the Society and shall be entitled to the privileges of a patron.

III - Control and management

6. The Sociey shall have :-

(i) A Governing Body;

(ii) A Bard of Trustees;

(iii) A General (originally managing) Council;

And

(iv) An Executive Committee for every College, Vihar, School or other institution or a group thereof as the Governing Body may decide for the Management of its affairs.

7. The Governing Body shall consist of eleven members. Out of these eleven not less than seven shall be persons from amongst the Buddhists who are converted from amongst the Scheduled Castes.

7. (a) The Governing Body shall have power to invite any person or persons to be *ex-officio* members of the Governing Body for per poses specified in a special resolution making such appointments. Such a person shall have no right to vote on any question which falls outside the scope or purpose for which he has been appointed.

Where any dispute arises as to whether the question falls within the scope or the purpose, the decision of the Chairman shall be final.

8. The Board of Trustees shall consist of three persons appointed by the Governing Body from among its own members. Of these, at least two shall belong to Buddhists converted amongst the Scheduled Castes.

9. All the properties and funds of the Society shall vest in the Board of Trustees, save as herein otherwise provided.

9. (a) The Board of Trustees shall have the rights to sue and be sued on behalf of the Society in respect of the properties and funds of the Society.

10. (1) There shall be a General Council to supervise and co-ordinate the work of all institutions of the Society. The General Council shall consists of not less than fifteen members nominated by the Governing Body. Out of these 15 members 11 shall be from the Governing Body of whom 8 shall be from the Buddhists who are converted from amongst the Scheduled Caste members of the Governing Body. The rest shall be from the subscribers and patrons.

(2) Unless otherwise provided by the Governing Body the head of every institution will be an *Ex-officio* member of the General Council.

(3) The Resolutions of the General Council shall be recommendatory only.

11. For every College, Vihar, School or Institution of the Society or a group thereof as Governing Body may decide there shall be an Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall consist of not less than five and not more than seven members

appointed by the Governing Body, one of whom shall be the Dean or Principal of the College or School or Institution, the Registrar of the institution, not less than two from the Buddhists who are converted from the Scheduled Castes and one who in the opinion of the Governing Body is an Educationist.

12. The Chairman of the Governing body, who shall be Buddhist, shall be an *Ex-officio* member and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, General (Originally Managing) Council and all Executive Committees. He will be a member of these Bodies in addition to the number of members specified in the above clauses.

12. (a) (1) The Executive authority of the Society shall vest in Chairman.

(2) All deeds, documents and assurances requiring to be executed by or on behalf of the Society may be executed by the Chairman alone and shall be binding on the Society.

13. The supreme control and Governance of the Society, its institutions, its property and its funds shall be vested in the Governing Body.

14. The first members of the Governing Body shall be :-

1. The Hon'ble Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, M.A., Ph.D., D.Sc, Barrister-at-Law, New Delhi.
2. Rao Bahadur, N. Shivraj, B.A., B.L., M.L.A., Madras.
3. Daulatrao Gulaji Jadhav, B.A., LL.B., Bombay.
4. Raja Ram Bhole, B.Sc, LL.B., Poona.
5. J. H. Subbiah, B.A., Secunderabad.
6. Hirjibhai Khushalbhai Patel, B.A., LL.B., Bombay.
7. G. T. Meshram, New Delhi.
8. Rao Bahadur S, K. Bole, Bombay.
9. M. V. Donde, B.A., Principal, Gokhale Education Society's High School, Parel, Bombay.
10. S. C. Joshi, M.A., LL.B., New Delhi.
11. M. B. Samarth, Barrister-at-Law, Bombay.

The Hon'ble Dr. B. R. Ambedkar shall be the first Chairman of the Governing Body and after him he shall always be a Buddhist.

15. The membership of the Governing Body and Board of Trustees may terminate either on death, incapacity, resignation or removal.

16. The term of the office of the members of the General (Originally Managing) Council and of the members of the Executive Committee other than the Dean or Principal and Registrar shall be for three years unless terminated by death, incapacity, resignation or removal. A person whose term of office has expired will be eligible for renomination. The Dean or Principal and Registrar shall countinue as members of the Executive Committee so long as they hold office as Dean or Principal or Registrar.

17. The Governing Body shall have power to remove any member of the Governing body, of the Board of Trustees, of the General (Originally Managing) Council and of any Executive Committee from the body provided that three-fourth of the members of the Governing Body present at a meeting specially called for the purpose vote in favour of his removal.

18. The present Chairman of the Governing Body shall appoint or nominate his successor.

19. In case there is no valid nomination of the successor to the present Chairman, or the person so nominated refuses or fails to accept or ceases to hold the post of any reason whatsoever the Chairman shall be elected by the remaining members of the Governing Body.

20. Subject to the provision herein contained all vacancies in the Office of the other members of the Governing body, the Board of Trustees, the General (Originally Managing) Council or the Executive Committee shall be filled by the Governing Body provided that a vacancy of Buddhist converted from the Scheduled Castes member shall be filled by a person belonging to Buddhist who is converted from amongst the Scheduled Castes only and no other.

21. The Chairman of the governing Body shall be Executive Officer of the Governing Body and will act in consultation with the members of the Governing Body in matters of General Policy and finances.

22. (i) The Chairman may appoint a member of the Governing Body to act as the Deputy Chairman in his absence and delegate to him such authority as he may choose to do.

(ii) The Chairman may also appoint a person to act as the Secretary of the Society and prescribe in writing the duties of the Secretary, his salary and term of his office.

(iii) The Governing Body may also appoint from among themselves one member of the General Secretary of the Society. His term of office shall be three years.

23. The Governing Body may appoint necessary staff for carrying on its affairs and also for running its institutions, fix their scales or pay and service conditions and frame standing orders or rules for the guidance and directions of the staff, authorities and Bodies of the Society and may frame Regulations defining their functions, powers and duties.

24. For each college, Vihar, School or Institution or a group thereof as the Governing Body may decide, the Governing Body may appoint a Registrar.

25. Subject to the superintendence and control of the Chairman, the Registrar will work under the head of the institution. He will perform all the duties pertaining to the day to day administration of the institution in accordance with the standing orders and regulations of the Society.

IV - Funds of the Society

26. The funds of the society shall consist of grants, donations, subscriptions, fees, gifts, etc. received from time to time.

27. Secretary shall maintain proper books of accounts and other documents of the income and expenditure of the Society.

The accounts of the Society shall be periodically audited by the auditors recognised under the Indian Companies Act and appointed by the Governing Body.

28. The Governing Body shall appoint from amongst the members of the General Council and Executive Committee, or Committee, a Secretary who shall carry on the general work of the Council and of the Executive Committee or Committee respectively. The tenure of the office of the Secretary shall be three years.

29. An annual statement of receipts and expenditure of the Society shall be drawn up by the Secretary of the Society and a consolidated statement shall be kept at the Office of the Society and shall be opened at all times for inspection of the members of the Governing Body, Board of the Trustee, General (Originally Managing) Council and Executive Committee, Patrons and Subscribers.

V - General

30. The Governing Body and other Bodies shall discharge their duties and exercise their powers, authorities and functions in accordance with the Articles annexed to this Memorandum (Schedule - A).

31. The Governing Body shall have power to alter, amend, add or modify the said Articles as may be required by circumstances, provided always that such alteration, amendments, additions, or modifications shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Memorandum.

32. This Governing Body shall have power to alter, amend, add or modify this Memorandum save and except provision regarding the composition of the Governing Body, the Board of Trustees, the General (Original Managing) Council and the proportion of representation on each such body of the members of Buddhists who are converted from amongst the Scheduled Castes, the provision regarding the term of the office the first Chairman,

the ex-officio membership of the other bodies of the Chairman, contained in clauses 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 20, and 21 there of provided that three-fourth of the members of the Governing Body present at the meeting specially called for the purpose vote for such alteration, amendment , addition or modification of the Memorandum,

Signed

B. R. Ambedkar.

S. K. Bole.

M.V. Donde.

S.C. Joshi.

M. B. Samarth.

D. G. Jadhav.

9th July, 1945.

H. K. Patel.

SCHEDULE “A”

ARTICLES FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE PEOPLE’S EDUCATION SOCIETY

1. These Articles shall be called the People’s Education Society’s Articles.

2. The Governing Body shall meet every six months to receive and consider reports from all institutions and bodies under its control. The other bodies shall hold their meeting once in a quarter and as often as may, from time to time, be necessary for the transaction of the business of the Society, its institutions, etc. as the case may be.

3. The Governing Body shall hold a meeting to be called the Annual General Meeting ordinarily in the month of April each

year, at which the General Secretary shall submit his annual Statement of Accounts and a report of the work and activities of the Society.

4. The Chairman of the Governing Body in his discretion or on a requisition of any three members may, at the time, summon a special meeting of the Governing Body, Board of Trustees, General Council or Executive Committee as the case may be for any cause that seems to him or them to be sufficient.

5. Notices, in writing, of every meeting whether general, special or adjourned shall be delivered or sent through post to each member ordinarily seven clear days before the date of the meeting. But in the case of an adjourned meeting the notice may be of such duration as the period between the date of the original and adjourned meeting will permit. A notice of a meeting shall ordinarily state and place, date and hour of the meeting and the work to be transacted and a notice of special meeting shall further state the specific matter to be discussed thereat.

6. The number of members required to constitute a quorum shall be four for each body for the time being.

The number of members required to constitute a quorum shall be half of the total number of each body for the time being.

6. (a) Every member of the Governing Body or of a Committee of an institution of the Society shall attend regularly the meeting of the Governing Body or of the Committee as the case may be and in the event of his inability to attend such a meeting he shall ask in writing for permission to be absent from the meeting.

7. If a quorum shall not have assembled within half an hour after the time appointed for any meeting the members or member present may adjourn. A meeting may be adjourned by the Chairman upon the adoption of a resolution to that effect. If at such adjourned meeting a quorum is not present the members present shall be a quorum.

8. The Chairman of the Governing Body shall preside at the meeting of those bodies. Each Body shall at its First meeting in April elect a Vice-Chairman for the year who shall preside in the absence of the Chairman. When both Chairman and the Vice Chairman are absent the members shall elect a Chairman for the meeting from among themselves.

9. Unless otherwise provided for in the Memorandum, every matter shall be determined by the majority of votes of the members present and voting on the question. The Chairman shall have a casting vote whether or not he shall have previously voted on the same question, but no member shall give more than one vote.

10. Any resolution passed by the Governing Body, General Council or Executive Committee may be rescinded or varied from time to time by the members at any other meeting of the Body concerned.

11. The Governing Body may, at any meeting, appoint a person or a Committee for making an enquiry or for transacting any business; but every act and proceeding of the person or the Committee shall be submitted to a meeting of the Governing Body for approval and, shall not be binding upon the Society until approved of by the Governing Body.

12. Each Body shall maintain a minute-book Record of entry into office of a member and of the proceeding of the meetings of Bodies shall be entered in the minute-book and shall be signed by the Chairman of the meeting either at the conclusion thereof or at some future time if they shall have been confirmed.

13. Full account shall be kept in proper books of account, to be provided for the purpose of all moneys received and paid respectively on account of the Society and of its institution such book of accounts shall be made up for each year and shall duly audited by qualified auditors, be examined and passed by the Governing Body at their ordinary meeting in the ensuing year or at some other meeting appointed for the purpose and shall thereupon be signed by the Chairman of the meeting.

14. A list shall be maintained of the subscribers and patrons of the Society.

15. An account for the purpose of the Society shall be open and kept with bankers selected by the Governing Body. Every sum of money received on account of the Society shall, without undue delay, be paid in to the credit of that account unless otherwise expressly ordered by the Chairman.

16. All cheques and orders for the payment of money shall be signed by the Chairman of the Governing Body or by a person or persons appointed in that behalf by the Governing Body.

Certified to be a correct copy of the Articles.

5th July, 1945.

B. R. Ambedkar
D. G. Jadhav
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