OFFICE OF THE RETURNING OFFICER ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA (V.F.I) [2024 - 2028]

POLL DAY ARRANGEMENTS, PROCEDURE OF VOTING AND COUNTING

The poll for the Constitution of the New Executive Body of the Volleyball Federation of India (VFI) will be held on the 17th February 2024 at Sports Authority of India, TEAMS Division, Ramp No. 5, 1st Floor, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Lodhi Road, New Delhi from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm and the counting of votes will be taken up from 2:00 pm onwards at the same venue. Carrying Mobile phone, camera etc. is not allowed inside the polling station. Such gadgets should be deposited at the counter with the officials on duty and should be taken back after casting vote.

VOTING PROCEDURE

- 1. A person whose name is notified in the Electoral College, vide order dated 30th January, 2024 is only eligible to cast vote.
- 2. An elector has to bring any Govt. issued document having Photograph and Signature such as Aadhar Card, Election I.D. Card, Passport, Driving License etc. to establish identity.
- 3. He/she has to sign at appropriate place and then six ballot papers of different colors pertaining to 6 category of posts will be issued.
- 4. Instructions for marking vote in the ballot paper has been given in each type of ballot paper.
- 5. Marking of ballot papers shall be done only with pen provided at the polling station and it shall be marked with putting a tick sign(✓) against the name of the candidate at appropriate place. Marking ballot paper with any other pen, pencil; putting mark at any other place other than the space provided; writing anything on the ballot paper; marking vote for more than the maximum permissible number, will render the ballot paper invalid.
- **6.** A voter who is in the queue by 1:30 pm will be allowed to vote.
- 7. Inside the polling booth, tables with official pens will be provided and voters can mark ballot papers there, fold them and drop them in the designated ballot boxes in the presence of officials and exit the polling booth. He/she has to collect back mobile phone etc. before leaving the booth.
- **8.** Proceedings of polling will be videographed.

COUNTING OF VOTES

- 1. Counting of votes will be taken up at the polling booth itself at the appointed time i.e. at 2.00 p.m. Sequence of counting votes will be as follows:
 - 1. Executive Member (5)
 - 2. Joint Secretary (2)
 - 3. Treasurer (1)
 - 4. Secretary General (1)
 - 5. Vice President (2)
 - 7. President (1)

All the contesting candidates or their authorized representative, of a particular post will be allowed to sit in front of the counting table for observing counting process during counting of votes.

2. Ballot box will be opened in presence of the candidates and after tallying with the number of votes, votes cast by each candidate will be recorded in the counting sheet. Candidates can see all the ballot papers and their markings from a distance but will not be allowed to physically access. They may raise question against the validity or otherwise of a ballot paper and the RO/ARO will answer them. However, the decision of the RO will be final in the matter.

Candidate(s) who secure majority of votes will be declared elected.

- 3. In case there is a tie and candidates secure equal number of votes, winner will be decided by draw of lots.
- **4.** Proceedings of counting will be videographed.

Place: New Delhi Date: 10.02.2024 Justice P. Krishna Bhat (Retd.) Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka

Returning Officer for the elections of the VFI [2024]

Justice P. Krishna Bhat (Retd. Hen ble High Court of Karnataka And Returning Officer V.F.I Elections - 2024