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Dear Esteemed Members

A meeting with Mr Chandra Mohan K Nair,JP,PBM, Legal Advisor for SBDTA, was arranged on Thursday, 22nd August 2013 at 11.00 am at Mr Mohan's office. Josephine, Felix and Molly were present at the meeting and had brought up the proposals for amendments to the SBDTA Constitution for discussion and his expert advice.

Under the section CLASSES OF MEMBERS , paragraph 8, Life Members, as suggested by Mr Mohan, a clause was to be included and approved/passed by the Management Committee 2013/2014 based on the rationale as follows:

Under the section CLASSES OF MEMBERS , paragraph 8, Life Members

Existing Rule:

An Ordinary or Associate member who has attained 50 years of age and has been a member of SBDTA for a continuous period of 20 years and is not in arrears of any monies due to SBDTA shall be eligible to be Life members and shall thereafter continue to be a member of SBDTA without payment of subscription on such terms and conditions as may be decided by the Management Committee from time to time.

Rationale for the Clause to be added

Working on the Annual Financial Planning for SBDTA, its main source of income is through subscriptions collected from the members. In view of the membership strength, age distribution and a drafted budget of membership collection against expenditure, it is noted that the income from membership subscription is too low to sustain the development of the objects of the SBDTA if such approvals are given continuously in the next few years . As the Association is a non-profit making body, it is thus proposed to suspend further approval of Life Membership till the SBDTA has attained a higher realm of financial status.

Clause to be included:

The existing rule is suspended till further notice by the Management Committee. The Management Committee will still honour the rule for existing Life Members of SBDTA prior to the inclusion.

The above had been approved unanimously by the Management Committee on 5 September 2013.

Kind Regards
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