

(b) Putting more than one mark against the same name or voting for fewer number of posts than required or leaving blanks, without marking the cross against the candidates of certain posts, will not invalidate a ballot, provided other conditions are satisfied.

9. **Counting.-** (i) Immediately after the poll, on the same day, the votes shall be counted without any interruption and the votes tally shall be prepared, and signed by the Election Committee.

(ii) One agent will be allowed for each candidate, if the latter specifically requests so. The counting will be done under the supervision of Chairman and Scrutineers. The Election Committee may draw the required members from the meeting to assist the polling and counting of votes.

(iii) Immediately on completion of counting, the results shall be declared by the Chairman of the Election Committee and such declaration shall be final and no discussion thereupon shall be permitted.

(iv) The Election Committee will give a certificate to every elected person to that effect.

(v) All arrangements and expenditure for the election shall be provided by the General Secretary/Secretary-Finance as desired by the Election Committee.

10. **Miscellaneous.-**

(i) A contestant can send an appeal to the members highlighting the policies and programmes he would follow if elected.

(ii) Any aspect not explicitly covered in these Rules shall be issued as and when found necessary by the Election Committee and shall be scrupulously followed.

(iii) The Chairman of the Election Committee may order re-counting of ballots on a written request from a contestant/group of contestants after getting the opinion of the three Scrutineers. The request for recounting shall be made before the declaration of results.

(iv) No member or group of members shall approach any court and seek legal remedy on his rights in relation to the elections.

(v) A member/group of members if they feel that an election has not been conducted in accordance with bye-laws of the Association can invoke their right to call for Special General Meeting by getting signatures of not less than 25% of the total members, on the rolls of the Association, to seek fresh election.