

INDIAN SOCIETY OF REMOTE SENSING (Reg. No. 1357/73-74)

CONSTITUTION

(With Amendments as on 2021)

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MEMORANDUM OF THE SOCIETY

- 1. The Society shall be called "The Indian Society of Remote Sensing" (hereinafter called as "Society").
- 2. The registered office of the Society shall be located at Dehra Dun in the State of Uttarpradesh (Uttarakhand)
- 3. The Constitution of the Society shall be consisting of (a) Memorandum, and (b) the Rules and Regulations. The Society shall function under the rules and regulationsframed by it.
- 4. The Society shall have the right to affiliate with any other national / international society with similar scientific aims.
- 5. The Memorandum of the Society can be changed / amended only by an Extraordinary General body meeting of the Society.
- 6. Any case arising from the business and affairs of the Society and of a nature such that it cannot be disposed of by an application of the Society's constitution will be decided by a majority vote at the General body / Extraordinary general body meeting of the Society.
- 7. Aims and objectives of the Society shall be:
 - (a) To help towards advancement, dissemination and application of the knowledge of Remote Sensing technology, which is deemed to include photo interpretation, photogrammetry, aerial photography, image processing, and other related technologies in the field of survey, planning and management of natural resources and other areas of application where the technology is considered to be appropriate.
 - (b) To promote interaction among all persons, bodies, institutions (private and/or state-owned) and industries interested in achieving advancement, dissemination and application of the technology as stated in para 7(a) above.
 - (c) To encourage and undertake research in remote sensing and related technologies.
 - (d) To undertake and execute all acts which shall promote all or any of the aims and objectives of Society.

In the event of an ambiguity in the interpretation of this clause, the clause shall be construed in such a way as to widen not to restrict the aims of the Society.

- 8. To achieve the objectives as laid in Clause 7 above, the Society shall use the following methods:
 - (a) Dissemination of knowledge and information in the field of Remote Sensing and the related technologies by publication of journals, bulletins, newsletters, or any other publications incorporating research and teaching ideas, reviews, new developments and by employing media of mass communication, radio, television, etc., and also by arranging programmes for students or establishing student cadres.
 - (b) Arranging seminars, workshops, symposia, lectures, debates, conferences and films shows on current research topics and other topics of national and local interest pertaining to research, training and applied aspects of Remote Sensing and the related technologies.
 - (c) Providing recognition for outstanding contribution in the field of Remote Sensing and the related field by the way of awards, medals and other suitable methods.
 - (d) Assisting in the organization of chapters of the Society in different parts of the country.
 - (e) Acquiring properties such as land, office premises, auditoria, and hostels for the use of the society.
 - (f) Securing grants, funds and endowments and administering the same for the furtherance of the aims and objectives of the Society, and
 - (g) Appointing personnel for smooth functioning of the Society.
- 9. The business of the Society shall be controlled and conducted by an Executive Council to be elected as explained in the Rules and Regulations.
- 10. The Society shall frame, adopt and/or sanction rules and regulations whereby may think fit to guide itself or whereto the society should conform or have recourse to in carrying out of the objectives and /or otherwise, and from time to time vary, alter or confirm one or the other such rules or regulations.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

R.1 Definitions

For the purpose of interpretation, following words and expressions shall have the meaning as explained below unless it shall be inconsistent with the relevant context.

(a) "Society" means Indian Society of Remote Sensing.

- (b) "Office" means registered office of the Society.
- (c) "Member" means a member of the Society with voting rights, unless specified otherwise.
- (d) "Chapter" means a duly constituted Chapter of the Society.
- (e) "Council" means the Executive Council.
- (f) "Month" means the Gregorian calendar month.
- (g) "Year" means the year beginning from April 01, and ending on March 31 of the following year.
- (h) "Annual Subscription" means subscription for one year.
- (i) "Term" means a two-year period for holding office by the elected members and office bearers from April 01 of the year following the election.

R.2 Registered office

- R.2.1 The registered office of the Society shall be in Dehra Dun and until otherwise determined shall be located at the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, 4 Kalidas Road, P.B. No. 135, Dehra Dun, which would be the official headquarters of the Society.
- R.2.2 Chapters shall have their offices at locations approved by the Council.

R.3 Aims and Objectives

The aims and objectives of the Society shall be as stated in Clause 7 of the Memorandum of the Society.

R.4 Membership

The Society shall have the following categories of members: (i) Honorary Fellows, (ii) Members, (iii) Life Members, (iv) Foreign Members, (v) Sustaining Members, (vi) Patron Members, (vii) Student Members and (viii) Fellows.

R.4.1 Honorary Fellow: A person eminent in the field of Remote Sensing and the related field, after duly nominated by the Council and the nomination ratified by ageneral body meeting of the Society becomes an Honorary Fellow of the Society.

The number of Honorary Fellows cannot exceed one percent of the life membership at any given time.

R.4.2 Member: Any person associated with research, teaching, application, transfer and promotion of remote sensing technology (and having a graduate degree) is eligible to apply for membership after paying requisite amount of admission and membership fees. He shall become a Member of the Society under clause (c) of

Rule 1 and shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of the Society as stated in Rule 5. Institutions are not eligible to become Members of the Society.

- R.4.3 Life Member: Any person eligible to apply for membership may choose to apply for being a Life Member after paying the requisite amount of fee. If approved by the Council, he shall become Life Member of the Society. A Life Member shall be entitled to the same rights and privileges as a Member throughout his life. However, during his stay abroad he shall have to pay annually the difference between the dues payable by a Foreign Member and a Member to be able to enjoy these rights and privileges.
- R.4.4 Foreign Member: Any person who is residing outside India and who is otherwise eligible to become a Member / Life member, can be enrolled as a Foreign Member. Any Member / Life Member of the Society residing outside India shall also be treated as a Foreign Member for the period of his stay abroad. A Foreign Member shall have the same rights and privileges as a Member except the right to vote and the right to hold elective office.
- R.4.5 Sustaining Member: Any institution or a recognized statutory body, a Department of the Central or State Government or a registered Commercial or Industrial undertaking in Remote Sensing technology and agreeing to promote the aims and objectives of the Society and to assist financially in the work of the Society shall be eligible for election as a Sustaining Member. A Sustaining institution has the right to nominate one of their employees as a Sustaining Member. A Sustaining Member shall be entitled to the same rights and privilege as a member except the right to vote and the right to hold elective office. The Sustaining Member shall be given opportunity to have exhibits at the meeting of the Society at confessional rates.
- R.4.6 Patron Member: An institution or a recognized statutory body, a Department of the Central or State Govt. or a Registered Commercial / Industrial undertaking interested in Remote Sensing technology and agreeing to promote the aims and objectives of the Society and to assist the Society on a long-term basis by paying a fixed sum, as decided by the Council, can be elected as a Patron Member. A Patron Member shall be entitled to nominate one of its employees interested in Remote Sensing technology as a Patron Member of the Society. A Patron Member shall have the same rights and privileges as a Sustaining Member.
- R.4.7 Student Member: A student in an undergraduate / post graduate course at an educational course at an educational institution affiliated to a university or enjoying status of deemed university as approved by the University Grant Commission, can be enrolled as a 'Student Member'. He should not be drawing any salary or emoluments other than a scholarship or fellowship. A student member will not have the right to vote or right to hold elective office in the Society. A student member will also not be eligible to receive Journal of the Indian Society of Remote Sensing. He will, however, be eligible to participate in all activities of a chapter, if enrolled in one such chapter.

A student member can become a regular by paying regular membership fee. He will not have to pay admission fee again for membership.

R.4.8 Fellow: An eminent and outstanding scientist who is life member of the Society at the time of nomination and who has been a member / life member of the Society for at least five years and who has made notable contribution in the field of remote sensing can be elected as a Fellow of the Society.

The number of Fellows shall not exceed two percent of the existing life membership at any given time.

R.4.9 Names of Honorary Fellows and Sustaining and Patron Members shall be published in each issue of the Journal of the Society.

R.5 Rights and Privileges

Members shall be entitled to the following rights and privileges:

- R.5.1 To be present and vote in the general body meetings of the Society.
- R.5.2 To participate in all technical meetings of the Society.
- R.5.3 To propose names of candidates for the elected Council Members and office bearers of the Society and to vote in any election held by the Society.
- R.5.4 To have access to the library of the Society and to receive bulletins, journals and other publications issued by the Society on such terms and condition, as laid down by the Executive Council.
- R.5.5 To fill any office of the Society on being duly elected thereto.

R.6 Subscription

Membership fee for the year shall become due immediately on approval as a member or on first day of the year.

- R.6.1 Each member shall pay the requisite amount of admission fee and membership fee as approved by the General body from time to time.
- R.6.2 Fee once paid is not refundable.
- R.6.3 Any member whose subscription is in arrears for more than three months' cease to enjoy the privileges of the Society, and after one year's default shall cease to be a member of the Society. The Council may relax the provision of this rule in special circumstances.

R.7 Executive Council

R.7.1 The affairs of the Society shall be managed by an Executive Council consisting of six office bearers, five elected members, the Ex-Officio Member, and five Zonal Representatives. Five elected members and office bearers are to be elected as specified in R.10 subject to the provision that the Secretary and the Treasurer shall be from the headquarters, will have more than two members in the Council. The headquarters can have not more than three members in the Council.

R.7.1a (Amendments) The affairs of the Society shall be managed by an Executive Council consisting of six elected office bearers (R.8.1), five members (R.7.1b), the Ex-Officio Member and five Zonal representatives. Office bearers are to be elected as specified in R.10 subject to the provision that the Secretary and the Treasurer shall be from the headquarters of the Society and no city or town, other than the headquarters, will have more than two members in the Council. The headquarters can have not more than three members in the Council. In the event of President getting elected from other than Headquarters, the Joint Secretary should also get elected from the same place to facilitate greater co-ordination of ISRS activities.

The Ex-Officio Member shall be responsible for all statutory related matters of the Society.

R.7.1 b (Amendments) The Chief Editor of the JISRS shall be the member of the Council.

The host chapter Chairmen / Organizing secretaries for the ISRS Annual Conventions of the term shall be members of the Council.

The Council shall nominate two members.

- R.7.2 A vacancy occurring in the Council between the elections shall be filled by nomination by the Council within six months of such an occurrence. Transfer of Secretary / Treasurer elected from headquarters shall also be treated as a vacancy for the purpose of this clause.
- *R.7.3* The powers and functions of the Council shall be as follows:
 - (a) To make, alter and repeal Rules and regulations in R.15 through R.18 with the specific concurrence of the President.
 - (b) To receive funds by way of subscription, donations, grants, gifts, consultation fee, etc.
 - (c) To administer the funds of the Society.
 - (d) To give grants, awards, prizes, etc. for promoting the aims and objectives of the Society.
 - (e) To incur expenditure for conducting business of the Society.
 - (f) To acquire, sell, mortgage, change or otherwise dispose of deal with all or any of the properties of the Society for promoting the aims and objectives of the Society.
 - (g) To enroll members of all the categories except under R.4.1.

- (h) To prepare an annual statement of accounts and annual report of the working of the Society.
- (i) To appoint sub-committee, panels, editorial boards, task forces from amongst the members for various activities.
- (j) To take cognizance of or deal with any matter affecting the Society which may be brought to its notice.
- (k) To interpret the Memorandum of the Society and the Rules and Regulations subject to the provisions of the Societies Registration Act XII of 1860.
- (1) To appoint full-time or part-time salaried or honorary staff as and when the need arises and to hire premises for housing registered office, etc.
- (m)To enter into collaboration and /or reciprocal membership with any other similar organization, institution and/or society and to accept and offer concessions in respect of membership dues, etc. on reciprocal basis.
- (n) To undertake any other activity which is conducive to achieving the aims and objectives of the Society as stated under Clause 7 & 8 of the Memorandum.
- (o) To advise the President to suspend and remove any member of the Society if, in the opinion of the Council, there are good and sufficient reasons for doing so. The Member shall be given an opportunity to explain his position to the Council. Thereafter, the decision of the President shall be final and binding in this matter. This clause will not apply to Honorary Fellows.
- (p) To accept resignation of an office bearer of the Society and make alternative arrangement till such time that the regular arrangements are made.
- *R.7.4* The Council shall decide the date, time and place of all meetings. However, the President or the Secretary in consultation with the President, can call special meetings.
- *R.7.5* The members of the Council will meet at least once in every six months. The quorum for such meetings shall be five.
- *R.7.6* The members of the Council or of duly appointed sub-committees and panels shall not be held liable of any act done on behalf of the Society in good faith.
- *R.7.7* Ex-officio Member: Outgoing President shall be an Ex-Officio Member of the Council during the immediately following term.

R.8 Office Bearers

- R.8.1 Office bearers of the Society shall be President, two Vice Presidents, the Secretary, Joint Secretary and the Treasurer.
- *R.8.1 a* (*Amendments*) Office bearers of the Society shall be President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Joint Secretary and the Treasurer.

- *R.8.2* All the office bearers shall be eligible for re-election. The president and Vice-Presidents shall not hold the same office for more than one term in succession. None of the other office bearers shall hold the same office for more than two terms in succession.
- *R.8.2 a* (*Amendments*) All the office bearers shall be eligible for re-election. None of the office bearers shall hold the same office for more than two terms in succession.
- *R.8.3* The normal term for each Council shall be of two years. It may continue to hold office till such time as the newly elected members take charge of their office.
- *R.8.4* The Council shall be elected accordingly to the provision of R.10.
- *R.8.5* The responsibilities of the office bearers shall include the following:
 - (a) President: The President shall preside at all the meetings of the Society and act as the Chairman of the Council. Whenever necessary, the President may delegate his powers to any of the Vice-Presidents except as provided in Rule 7.3 (c).
 - (b) Vice Presidents: The Vice Presidents shall assist the President in all matters and in the absence of the President at any meeting of the Council or of the Society, one of the Vice-Presidents shall perform the duties of the President.
 - (b) (Amendments) Vice Presidents: The First Vice President shall assist the President in all matters. In the absence of the President at any meeting of the Council or of the Society, the First Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President. He shall be responsible for overseeing finances of the Society and drafting resolutions for the Annual meeting.

Second Vice President shall look after the functioning of the Chapters of the Society.

- (c) Secretary: The Secretary shall be
 - (i) In-Charge of correspondence and records of the Society.
 - (ii) Convene all meetings of the Society with the prior concurrence of the President and keep a record of the proceedings of such meetings.
 - (iii) Execute the programme and action decided by the Council
 - (iv) Shall be designated as Publisher of the bulletins, journals and other publications of the Society.
 - (v) Carry out all the financial transactions on behalf of the Council.
 - (vi)

Shall be responsible for proper maintenance and upkeep of the property belonging to the Society.

- (vii) Shall sue and get sued upon all matters relating to or affecting the Society.
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 - (i) In-Charge of correspondence and records of the Society.
 - (ii) Shall be designated as Publisher of the bulletins, journals and other publications of the Society.
 - (iii) Carry out all the financial transactions on behalf of the Council
 - *(iv) Shall be responsible for proper maintenance and upkeep of the property belonging to the Society.*
 - (v) Shall sue and get sued upon all matters relating to or affecting the Society.
- (*d*) Joint Secretary: The Joint Secretary shall assist the Secretary in all matters and in absence of the Secretary shall perform the duties of the Secretary.
- (d) Joint Secretary (Amendments):

(i) Convene all meetings of the Society with the prior concurrence of the President and keep a record of the proceedings of such meeting.

- (ii) Execute the scientific programme and actions decided by the Council.
- (iii) Coordinate programmes with the international societies / institutions.
- (e) Treasurer: The Treasurer shall
 - (i) Keep all the accounts of the Society.
 - (ii) Accept money and issue receipts on behalf of the Society.
 - (iii) Prepare annual budget of the Society for the approval of the Council.
 - (iv) Prepare financial statements for submission to the Council.
 - (iii) Shall get the accounts of the Society audited according to the provision of R.12.4 and R.12.5.
- *R.8.6* An office bearer or any other member of the Society shall not receive directly or indirectly any salary compensation or emoluments from the Society unless specifically, authorized by the Council.

R.9 Chapters

R.9.1 The Society may approve the establishment of a Chapter in response to a request by at least 15 members from a town or a city. Areas lying within 40 Km of a town can be included in the jurisdiction of a Chapter.

- R.9.2 Each Chapter shall have formal recognition from the Council in the form of a Chapter.
- R.9.3 There can be any number of Chapters in a Zone.
- R.9.4 Chapters shall be grouped on a zonal basis for representation in the Council.
- R.9.5 There shall be five zones as follows:
 - (i) Eastern Zone: Assam, West Bengal, Bihar, Manipur, Meghalaya, Orissa, Tripura, Mizoram, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Sikkim, Jharkhand.
 - (ii) Western Zone: Gujarat, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Goa, Daman & Diu, Dadar and Nagar Haveli.
 - (iii) Central Zone: Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Chhattisgarh
 - (iv) *Southern Zone*: Tamil Nadu, Kerela, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Pondicherry and Lakshadweep Islands.
 - (v) *Northern Zone*: Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh UT, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi.

Any other area, State or Union Territory not covered above will be deemed to belong Northern Zone

- R.9.6 Zonal Representatives: Each zone shall have one representative in the Executive Council of the Society, who shall act as a Liaison member for that zone. Zonal representative shall be nominated by the Council from the Chapter Chairman in each zone by rotation in alphabetical order of the name of the chapter.
- R.9.7 Each Chapter shall conduct its affairs in accordance with the Memorandum, and Regulations of the Society.
- R.9.8 Office bearers of the Chapters shall include a Chairman, Secretary and a Treasurer elected once in two years at the Chapter General Body Meeting. All Office bearers shall be eligible for re-election for another term. The term would be coincident with the term of the Executive Council of the Society.

If the membership of a Chapter is fairly large, it may elect a Vice-Chairman and a Joint Secretary in addition to the above mentioned office bearers.

- R.9.9 The Secretary of each Chapter shall forward the reports of all meetings and financial statements of the Chapter to the Secretary of the Society at the end of each year.
- R.9.10 The Society shall provide financial support for the maintenance of the Chapters. The quantum of support will be decided by the Council but will not exceed fifty percent of the annual subscription received from the members of the Chapter.

- R.9.11 The Society may decide to close a chapter by giving a notice of three months if the provision of R.9.7., R.9.8., R.9.9., and R.9.10 are not followed. All rights to funds and properties of the Chapter in that case automatically vest in the Society.
- R.9.12 A member of the Chapter on transfer to a place outside the jurisdiction of the chapter shall have the option to continue as a member of the same chapter, if the new place of residence / work does not fall within the jurisdiction of any other Chapter. He / She may also opt to join any other chapter with the approval of the President of the Society.

R.10 Election and Nomination

- R.10.1 The procedure to elect the office bearers and other members of the Council would be as follows:
 - (a) The Council shall appoint one Returning Officer from amongst the members at least 8 months in advance (i.e. by July end of previous year) before the term of the existing Council expires. The Returning Officer cannot be a candidate for the membership of the Council.

R.10.1 a (*Amendments*) The Council shall appoint one Returning Officer from amongst the members at least 4 months in advance (i.e. by November end of previous year) before the term of the existing Council expires. The Returning Officer cannot be a candidate for the membership of the Council.

(b) The election programme shall be announced in the June issue of the Society's Journals / bulletins / newsletters etc. or through a separate circular, if necessary.

R.10.1. b (*Amendments*) The election programme shall be announced in the month of October through a circular hosted on ISRS website and also through e-mail communication to the members.

- (c) Nomination paper with the written consent of the candidate for any office of the Society or membership of the Council shall be filed with signatures of at least two members having voting rights.
- (d) The electoral college shall consist of all life members and all annual members as on 30th June, i.e. before the commencement of electoral processes. Only those members who have cleared all dues before this date shall be eligible to vote. When the dues are paid through chapters, the information should have been communicated to the Headquarters by this date.

R.10.1. d (*Amendments*) The Electoral College shall consist of all life members and all annual members as on 31st October i.e. before the commencement of electoral processes. Only those members who have cleared all dues before this date shall be eligible to vote. As soon as the dues are paid through chapters, the information should have been communicated to the Headquarters by this date.

- (e) The Returning Officer shall procure the updated electoral roll from the Secretary and scrutinize it for the purpose of elections.
- (f) The Returning Officer shall complete the election process as per the following calendar:

(i)	Circular announcing election and calling for nomination: July 31		
(ii)	Last date of nominations	: September 30	
(iii)	Scrutiny of nominations and informing candidates	: October 15	
(iv)	Last date for withdrawal of candidature	: November 15	
(v)	Printing ballot paper and dispatch	: January 15	
(vi)	Last date of receipt of ballot papers	: February 15	
(vii)	Counting of vote and announcement of result	: February 28	

R.10.1. f (*Amendments*) The Returning Officer shall complete the election process as per the following calendar:

(<i>i</i>)	Circular announcing election and calling for nomination	: November 30
(ii)	Last date of nominations	: December 31
(iii)	Scrutiny of nominations and informing candidates	: January 15
(iv)	Last date for withdrawal of candidature	: January 31
(v)	Dispatch of e-ballots	: February 15
(vi)	Last date of receipt of e-ballot	: February 25
(vii)	Counting of vote and announcement of result	: February 28

(g) The Returning Officer, after the receipt of the ballot papers, will check and count the votes and decide the results on the basis of the number of votes polled by the candidates. The tie shall be decided by a chance procedure, if the need arises. In case the number of candidates from any town is more than two or from the headquarters more than three (R.7.1), the candidate winning the higher office will be elected first by the Returning Officer.

R.10.1. g (*Amendments*) The Returning Officer, after the receipt of the e-ballot, will check and count the votes and decide the results on the basis of the number of votes polled by the candidates. The tie shall be decided by a chance procedure, if the need arises. In case the number of candidates from any town is more than two or from the headquarters more than three (R.7.1), the candidate winning the higher office will be elected first by the Returning Officer.

(h) If no valid nominations or insufficient valid nominations are received for the Council Membership or for the post of an office bearer, the newly elected members of the Council will co-opt members giving due weightage to the Rule and Regulations. (i) Results of the election shall be communicated to the Secretary not later than February 28.

R.11 Meetings

- R.11.1 The Society shall hold general body meetings and scientific meetings at an appropriate time and place as determined by the Council.
- R.11.2 All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the normal parliamentary procedure and a permanent record of the proceedings shall be maintained by the Secretary.
- R.11.3 At least four weeks' notice for all general body meetings and two weeks' notice for all Council meetings shall be given to all the Members or members of the Council as the case may be. The notice shall specify the date, time, place and business to be transacted in the meeting.
- R.11.4 If the business of a meeting cannot be transacted for want of quorum, the meeting shall be adjourned by at least 30 minutes. For this meeting no quorum shall be necessary and scheduled business shall be transacted.
- R.11.5 Ten percent of the total members or 50 members shall form the quorum for General Body Meetings.
- R.11.6 Results of motions shall be determined by a single majority vote, unless otherwise specified in the Memorandum and the Rules and Regulations of the Society. The President shall have casting vote which shall be exercised in the event of a tie.

R.12 Accounts

- R.12.1 All funds and properties shall be managed by the Council and the money shall be deposited with scheduled bank / banks approved by the Council.
- R.12.2 Cheque shall normally be signed by the Treasurer and the Secretary. In absence of the Secretary or Treasurer, President, Vice-President or Joint Secretary shall be authorized to sign.
- R.12.3 Imprest amount may be advanced to an individual for current disbursement as authorized by the Secretary.
- R.12.4 Accounts of the Society shall be maintained in the double-entry system.
- R.12.5 The accounts of the Society shall be audited by a Chartered Accountant appointed by the Council.
- R.12.6 Any member of the Society with the permission of the President and by previous appointment with the Treasurer may inspect the accounts of the Society. Results of such inspection shall be considered by the Council.

R.13 Amendments

R.13.1 For the amendments to the Memorandum of the Society provisions of Section 12

of Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 shall be applicable.

- R.13.2 Amendments to the Rules and Regulations may be proposed by means of a resolution adopted by the Council or by means of a petition signed by at least ten percent of the members.
- R.13.3 For amendments to the Rules and Regulations the Secretary shall send to all members, with voting rights, the proposed amendment accompanied by a ballot paper at least a month before the scheduled date of counting the ballots. The amendment shall be deemed to be adopted on the basis of a simple majority of ballots received. President would have a casting vote in case of a tie. Amendment will apply to all Rules and Regulations.
- R.13.4 The date on which an amendment shall take effect shall be decided by the Council.
- R.13.5 For amendment to the Rules and Regulations specified in R.15 through R.18, R.7.3 (a) shall apply.

R.14 Dissolution of the Society

R.14.1 On request in writing by forty percent Members and Life Members of the Society for the dissolution, the Council would convene a General Body Meeting. The dissolution can be ratified only by a 75 percent majority of the totals votes (direct or proxy). In dissolving the Society, the provisions of section 13 and 14 of the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 shall be applicable.

R.15 Admission / Removal

- R.15.1 Application for admission to the different categories of membership of the Society will be made to the Secretary individually on an application form. One member of the Society shall indicate his support for the applicant. The Secretary shall accept the application subject to approval by the Council.
- R.15.2 All applications for membership shall be put up before the Council in its next meeting for approval.
- R.15.3 When the application is approved by the Council membership period shall be dated as the first day of the month following the date of acceptance by the Secretary and shall extend to the last date of the year or as applicable to the different category of membership.
- R.15.4 An applicant whose application has been rejected may renew his application not earlier than one year following such rejection.
- R.15.5 Notice of admission of membership shall be sent to all categories of members together with copies of the Society and Rules and Regulations to which he shall have deemed to have agreed.
- R.15.6 Members who are in arrears in the payment of dues for more than three months shall not be eligible to vote.

R.15.7 A member in any category of the Society ceases to be a member (a) on death, (b) on resignation, or (c) on suspension owing to non-payment of dues as provided in R.6.

R.16 Admission Fee /Subscription

- R.16.1 The admission fee shall be chargeable only at the time of initial admittance to the Society. Fee for different categories of membership will be determined by the Council subject to ratification by the General Body.
- R.16.2 A member who has been continuously on rolls of the Society for 5 years or more shall have the right to compound for further payments by a single payment of Rs. 600/- only and become a Life Member.
- R.16.3 Entire fee shall be payable in one installment unless otherwise permitted by the Secretary. In no case it shall be paid in more than three installments.
- R.16.4 The last known address of a Member shall be considered as a valid mailing address for correspondence by the Society. Members should ensure that their addresses are kept up-to-date.

Category of Membership	Within India	Outside India	
	SubscriptionFees	Admission	Annual
	(Rs.)	Fee in US	Subscription inUS
		Dollars	Dollars
1. Members (Annual)	Rs. 500	5.00	25.00+ Postage
2. Life Members(a) Admitted before 45 yrs of	Rs. 3,000.00	100**	-
age		250.00*	-
(b) Admitted after 45 yrs of age	Rs. 2,500.00	175.00	
3. Sustaining Members /		-	
LibrarySubscription Rate (Annual)	 Rs. 10,000.00		200.00 + Postage *
4. Patron Members	Rs. 2,00,000.00	3000.00	-

CURRENT RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION As approved by the ISRS Executive Council during 2010 & 2016 (118th, 134th and 137th EC Meetings)

** In order to enroll foreign members, it was decided to offer life membership to foreign students coming to IIRS or other institutes for courses in remote sensing or related field at a discounted fee of 100 USD.

- 1. Any member or life member of the society who is temporarily residing outside India shall have to pay extra mailing charges as decided by the Secretary, apart from normal subscription.
- 2. A member can become a Life Member by paying additional amounts, the details can be obtained from Secretary.

- 3. The entire fee shall be payable in one installment through DD/MO/Cash/UPI/NEFT/Bank Transfer. Outstation cheques will not be accepted.
- 4. The last known address of a member shall be considered as valid mailing address for correspondence by the Society. Members should ensure that their addresses are kept up-to-date.
- 5. Institution and Government Department, Universities or Registered Commercial Undertakings are eligible for sustaining membership of the Society. However, libraries / institutions can also purchase the journal at par with sustaining membership rate, without being member of the Society

R.17 Society Representatives

The Council shall have the authority to nominate representatives of the Society to serve on committees of other bodies and brief them. The representatives shall report to the Council the business transacted during the meeting of the body concerned.

R.18 Common Seal

The Council shall provide for a common seal of the Society and make rules for the safe custody and use thereof. The seal shall never be used except by authority of the Council previously given. Every instrument to which this seal is affixed shall

be signed by the President and the Secretary or some other person authorized by the Council.

R.19 General

All the provisions of the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860 will apply to this Society.