

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee of Maharashtra Chapter of ASI held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at Pune**

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Maharashtra State Chapter of the ASI was held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at Pune as per the notice executed by the Hon Secretary dated 23 March 2025

1. Welcome by President in chair.
2. Attendance
3. Condolences
4. Minutes of the last EC Meeting by Secretary.
5. Report by Treasurer.
6. Report of the MASICON 2025 held at Kolhapur from Chairman / Org. Secretary of MASICON 2025.
7. Preliminary Report of MASICON 2026 by Chairman / Org. Secretary
8. Regional CME/ Workshops by the Members.
9. Any other matter with the permission of the chair
10. Vote of thanks by Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by President Dr. Mahesh Malu.

The following Members were present : Dr Mahesh Malu MASI President, Dr Anand Kamat vice president MASI, Dr Sachin Naik hon Secretary, ,Dr Sanjay Ghate Treasurer MASI , Dr Ajay Punpale IPP MASI, Dr Vikas Jain Jt secretary, Dr Pramod Shinde GC ASI , Dr Siddharth Dubhashi GC ASI, Dr Rajendra Shinde GC ASI , Dr Niranjana Agarwal, Dr Ravindra Khot, Dr Sachin Jamma, Dr Prachi Mahajan, Dr Prafulla Pradhan, , Dr Snehal Fegade, Dr Amol Deshpande, Dr Nandkishore Katore, Dr Vijay Kanase, Dr Deepak Gugale , Dr Novhil Brahmankar

The leave of absence was granted to, , Dr Rajendra Ganeriwal , Dr Nikhil Chauhan, Dr Anil Heroor, Dr Rajendra Singh Arora, Dr Upendra Talathi , who had informed the office of their inability to attend .

Special invitee : Dr Pratapsinh Varute

1. Welcome by Honorary Secretary Dr. Sachin Naik

Honorary Secretary Dr Sachin Naik welcomed President MASI Dr. Mahesh Malu , Treasurer MASI Dr. Sanjay Ghate and all the members of EC and ASI GC members.

Hon. Secretary Dr. Sachin Naik, collared President MASI Dr. Mahesh Malu with Presidential Medallion and he requested the President to call the meeting to order. President called the meeting to order.

Discussions:

Condolences : Hon Secretary Dr Sachin Naik informed about the sad demise of the following members:

Dr. Subhash Athale from Kolhapur

The house observed one minutes silence in respect to the departed soul.

Minutes of the last EC Meeting by Secretary were circulated in the mail.

Minutes of the EC meeting at Kolhapur were confirmed by Dr Anand Kamat, Dr Vikas Jain

Honorary secretary Dr Sachin Naik informed the house about

Emails were sent to more than 900 associate members to become Full members by MASI office .

SAMVAD -MASI 1st newsletter was published . work done by Dr Naresh Row and Dr Prachi Mahajan was appreciated by EC.

MASI office has received a mail from the President Poona surgical society that the Trustees and the executive body of Poona Surgical society after due deliberation, have proposed a plan which involves co-sharing the MASI office space at IMA house Pune. In lieu of this PSS would pay the state body 50% of the annual recurring expense for the premises. The proposal was approved by EC and further communication with the PSS to finalise the terms was decided.

Surgeons day to be celebrated on 15<sup>th</sup> June and surgeons week on 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June

President Dr Mahesh Malu proposed a plan to have WALKATHON on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025 morning as part of the celebrations at all the city branches across Maharashtra . He also encouraged to do various other activities as suggested by ASI HQ.

National blood donation camp to be organized on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2025. National co Ordinator Dr Rajendra Shinde informed about the same. Dr Snehal Fegade was appointed as the State co Ordinator from Maharashtra.

Amendments in the election process : amendments which were discussed in the GBM at MASICON Nashik 2024 and Kolhapur would come in to force from next Masicon . The timeline and vendor to be decided and presented in the next EC meeting.

- Any ASI member for 5 years residing in Maharashtra can contest elections for executive member of MASI from the area he is been domiciled with permanent address. (this address should be the same in the ASI register before declaration of the elections).
- To be eligible to contest for Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary's post, and Organizing secretary of MASICON (As he becomes President eventually , he should also complete at least one term as EC member) one should have at least completed one term as EC member of MASI. However EC members were in fovour of removing the clause of being an EC member for at least one term.
- ASI member from Maharashtra can apply for multiple posts with duly paid money, however can contest for only one post, hence requires to withdraw his/her nomination before the withdrawal date. Any member can contest for only one post and would get disqualified if one fails to withdraw before deadline.
- Proposed next election would be on digital format so that many members can exercise their right to vote. The election officer appointed by the MASI President along with election

committee would ask for applications for the vendor, check credentials of the vendor and put forth in front of EC Committee and get approval from the EC- MASI before finalizing the vendor for the same.

- Applications of the vendors with negative credentials or involved in faulty affairs should not be considered for the elections process.
- If any post remains vacant after the last date of filing, the MASI President and EC would coordinate with the local surgical societies and few nominations can be invited from that area with extension of the filing date only for that area so that single elections can be conducted online before GBM.
- Any faculty not delivering his/her scientific commitment without valid reason and any delegate/faculty involved in unruly behavior should not be allowed for next three masicons.

zonal distribution of Masicons and subcommittee report :

As per the discussions held during the GBM at MASICON Kolhapur on 8th February 2025, a committee has been formed to work on the zonal distribution of MASICON into four zones, as suggested by the then President, Dr. Ajay Punpale.

The following members will be part of this committee:

Dr Mahesh Malu , Dr Sachin Naik ,Dr. Ajay Punpale ,Dr. Rajendra Shinde , Dr. Rajendra Ganeriwal ,  
Dr. Sachin Jamma , Dr. Niranjana Agarwal

The committee worked on the proposed zonal distribution and presented its views as

#### Zone wise rotation of MASICON venue

It is proposed that MASICON be held in different zones of the state by rotation.

#### **\*Shortcomings of the present system\***

Societies with large membership are likely to get the benefit in allotment of the MASICON. For example, in a Thane MASICON, if Mumbai bids for the next MASICON, it is likely to garner more support due to large attendance owing to vicinity. Societies like Amaravati may not get the majority in case of voting. The zonal rotation would thus do justice to other societies.

The zonal rotation would also eliminate the election process (or at least minimize). The time saved would be utilised more effectively for constructive agenda in the GBM

#### **\*Benefits of the proposed method\***

This method would help propagate the objective and the spirit of the MASICON movement to every nook and corner of the state. Participation of surgeons from all areas would improve.

#### **\*Guidelines for allotment for MASICON\***

There would be following 4 zones

Mumbai / Konkan (Mumbai, Thane , Nashik, Ahilyanagar, Dhule , Jalgaon )

Western Maharashtra (Pune , Kolhapur, Solapur , Satara , Sangli)

Marathwada (Ch. Sambhajinagar , Nanded , Latur , and rest of Marathwada)

Vidarbha (Nagpur, Amaravati , Akola , Gondiya and rest of Vidarbha)

-The rotation of each zone will start by the city which has not conducted Masicon in the recent past.

-The cities in the zone will bid with consensus among themselves.If consensus is not reached,EC should be empowered to allot Masicon by rotation by evaluating chronology of preceding years.

-If GBM approves this proposal, then the order of zone will be decided by lottery in GBM.

Minimum guidelines would be necessary in allotting the MASICON to a new city as below:

1. The location should be fulfilling minimum infrastructure and logistics requirements. The location should have a good venue fulfilling the requirements as mentioned in MOU and minimum 600 rooms of 2 star and above rating.
2. Good road/rail/air connectivity from all over the state.
3. Written approval/recommendation by the concerned EC member.
4. In case of application of new city,EC will review the performance of the city in terms of no of academic and social activities.EC will go through its presentation and if satisfied EC will put forth to GBM. The decision of GBM would be final. This is to be done before the new city gets an opportunity to presents it's bid.

The EC approved these suggestions and it was discussed that it will be put up for approval at GBM at Gondia and subsequently at GBM at Thane. If approved , MASICON 2029 would be decided as per zonal system.

Best chapter awards at state level would be same as Academic and Social as previous years.

Report by Treasurer.

The audited accounts for the year 2024-25 were presented by Treasurer Dr Sanjay Ghate and were approved by the EC.

Report of the MASICON 2025 held at Kolhapur from Chairman / Org.Secretary of MASICON 2025.

Dr Anand Kamat , Org. Secretary presented the detailed report The attendance , various academic events and highlights of the conference were shown in a power point presentation. The office bearers of Kolhapur surgical society and Masicon 2025 handed over a cheque of Rupees Eight Lac to MASI . Dr Rajendra Shinde suggested that the share to MASI should be increased or should be in percentage of the total profit.

Preliminary Report of MASICON 2026 by Chairman / Org. Secretary

Release of conference brochure of MASICON 2026 at Gondia

Dr Vikas Jain presented various steps taken for the preparation in a power point presentation and urged all to help increase registrations. He also suggested various ideas like

-To have pre conference skill courses as per ASICON . These would help increase the attendance on CME day.

- To keep Meet The Masters on all conf days at breakfast

Which were approved by EC.

Regional CME/ Workshops by the Members.

NSSCON – 12<sup>th</sup> /13<sup>th</sup> July 2025 Nashik , Dr Vasant Rao Pawar oration awarded to Dr Jyotsna Kulkarni

ENDOSURG -5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> July 2025 Ch. Sambhajinagar

KSS Dr Himmatrao Baviskar social activity 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025

MSSCON – 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025 Chembur Mumbai

Thyroid Conference 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> September 2025 – MIMER /PSS Pune

Any other matter with the permission of the chair Nil

Dr Sanjay Ghate Hon. Treasurer proposed the vote of thanks.