8.ELIGIBILITY OF THE MEMBERS

a. Life Member:

Both male and female who possess a qualified degree (M.ch / DNB or an equivalent degree) in Neurosurgery and who have registered their name permanently in the TAMIL NADU MEDICAL COUNCIL and is a practicing Neurosurgeon in TAMIL NADU OR PUDUCHERRY only can become a life member of the Society. A candidate, who wishes to join as a new member into the society, shall fill up the prescribed Application form provided for this purpose and send it to the president. The president shall scrutinize all those applications before the executive Committee meeting. The majority of Executive members should give their consent to admit the applicant as a Member and they also have the power to reject the application form of a New Candidate or Candidates. The Admitted Members names shall be filed up in Form No.:7, of the Society and this will be produced to the Registrar of Society, along with the fees prescribed within 3 months after the admission of the members.

b. Associate Member:

- 1. Students pursuing their post-graduation in the field of Neurosurgery shall be admitted as associate member. At the end of their Post-graduation, the associate membership stands cancelled. They can apply for a fresh Life membership or Associate membership depending on their eligibility for either of the membership.
- 2. Other allied specializing members shall also be entitled to become an associate member.
- 3. Qualified Neurosurgeons (M.ch / DNB) not registered in TAMIL NADU MEDICAL COUNCIL or registered in TAMIL NADU MEDICAL COUNCIL but not practicing in TAMILNADU OR PUDUCHERRY can become an associate member.

4. Any person who is eligible for Life membership of the TANS is not eligible to become an Associate Member.

c. Honorary Life Membership.

Senior Neurosurgeons or senior people of Allied Neurosciences or Invited Faculty can be offered Honorary Life Membership without receiving Membership Subscription with the approval of EC and General Body. However honorary members will not have Voting Rights.

d. ENTRANCE FEE OF MEMBERS:

Any person who is qualified to become a **Life Member** will qualify to become a Life member of the Association on payment of such fees as may be fixed by the **Executive Committee** of the Association. The present fee for life membership is Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only). A person undergoing post-graduation in Neurosurgery who is qualified to become an **Associate Member** will qualify to become an Associate member on payment of Rs.2000/- (Rupees Two Thousand Only). Other allied specializing members and other neurosurgeons who do not qualify to become Life members shall also be entitled to become an **Associate Member** on payment of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only).

9. THE PROCEDURES TO DISMISS A MEMBER:

1. Those who act against the aims and the rules and regulation of the Society can be dismissed by the Executive Committee.

- 2. Those who are entering into a Criminal Offence and Convicted by the Court of Law will be dismissed by the Executive Committee.
- 3. Those that are affected for the aforesaid reasons and dismissed can make their appeals to the General body of the Society and the decision of the General body will be final.

10. RESIGNATION BY THE MEMBERS:

Those who like to resign from the membership shall apply to the president of the Society in writing. Till the Executive Committee approves the resignation, it will not be considered resigning. For approving the resignation, there must be consent by more than half of the Executive Committee members.

11. THE RIGHTS OF THE MEMBERS:

Each Life member is eligible for only one vote per membership.

12. THE DUTIES OF THE MEMBERS:

The member shall abide with the aims and rules or the Society. They shall pay the regular subscription and other fees without making any delay. Those who fail to adopt the above principles are liable for suitable action and punishments by the society further. The General body members or the Executive Committee member should be never getting any funds from the society for their personal use.