

Dated: 30-06-2018

Minutes of the Emergency General Body Meeting of Computer Society of India

Venue: INDIA ISLAMIC CULTURAL CENTRE (IICC), NEW DELHI

Date: 30th June, 2018, the Saturday.

D: Discussion
A: Action Point
R: Resolution

The meeting was to start at 5.30 PM but postponed for half an hour due to lack of quorum, which was again started at 6.00 PM.

Welcome:

President; Mr. Sanjay Mohapatra welcomed all members present for the Emergency General Body Meeting. After welcome address, Mr. Sanjay Mohapatra, informed that the Emergency General Body Meeting (EGM), has been convened under clause 4.1.4 Section 'C' of Page No. 5, of the CSI Constitution 2013. The meeting was started as per the Agenda circulated on 16th June, 2018, for the EGM.

D1: The Minutes of the Special General Body Meeting (SGM) held on 20th May, 2018 at IICC, New Delhi, were circulated and read out. Minutes were discussed and resolved to be confirmed and approved.

D2 (A): The members were apprised of the developments leading to the suspension of the Vice President cum President Elect; Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, working as Scientist G at RCI Lab, DRDO, Hyderabad. The following are the serious irregularities, committed by Mr. Gautam Mahapatra:-

1. Impersonation and fabrication of Bank Resolution by Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, as Chairman of CSI Hyderabad Chapter and Ms. Rama Devi, as Treasurer of CSI Hyderabad Chapter as on 01-04-2018 to close the CSI Hyderabad Chapter SB Account No. 52097335494 of CSI Hyderabad Chapter, at State Bank of Hyderabad.
2. Hiding of the facts / documents from the CSI HQ, by Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, Vice President cum President Elect that he is still operating this bank account, in the name of CSI Hyderabad Chapter, as signatory, where as the official signatories of the official bank account of the CSI Hyderabad Chapter are different.
3. Holding multiple parallel accounts in the name of CSI Hyderabad Chapter having different signatories, at the same point of time, and operating it for several years.
4. Transfer of huge amount of funds to the tune of approximately 70.00 Lakhs from this account, with illegal signatories and impersonating the Bank Resolution.
5. Operating CSI activities and manipulating the CSI membership database under the name of storing, updating, validating and authenticating CSI database using the computers, network and internet resources of RCI lab in DRDO, for over one year. One Mr. Shantanu Chatterjee, Scientist at RCI Lab, DRDO, Hyderabad, has been made the incharge of the Database manipulation by Mr. Gautam Mahapatra for doing all these illegal activities.

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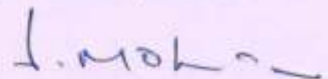
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- D2 (B): Constitution of the three members Investigation Committee, out of Finance Committee, comprising of Mr. Manas Pattnaik (Hony. Treasurer), Prof. A. K. Nayak (Hony. Secretary) and Mr. R. K. Vyas (Immediate Past Treasurer), to investigate the irregularities committed by Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, Vice President.
- D3 (C): The General Body has viewed these irregularities very seriously and were deeply concerned over the current state of affairs.
- R 1: After due deliberations, the suspension of Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, Vice President cum President Elect was ratified by the General Body. It was also resolved that the suspension shall continue till the final report of the Investigation Committee is submitted. Further, the General Body ratified the formation of the Investigation Committee, as mentioned above under D2(B). General Body also authorized the Investigation Committee to co-opt a Chartered Accountant, not connected with the Society, to facilitate the financial aspects of the Investigation. The Investigation Committee was further directed to submit the final report within three months.
- D3 (A): It was informed to the Members that the Adhoc Nomination Committee (NC), headed by Prof. K. K. Aggarwal, Fellow, LTAA and Past President, CSI, appointed by the Special General Body Meeting (SGM) held on 20th May, 2018 at IICC, New Delhi, started the election process, as per the provisions of CSI Constitution 2013. Call for Nominations were uploaded on the CSI website and also sent for the publication in CSI Communications on 29th May, 2018. However, without any information to the NC, the same were first de-activated and then removed from the CSI website. The ExecCom, through Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, repeatedly asked the NC to complete the election within 30 days, in clear violation of the provisions of CSI Constitution, which the Adhoc NC did not accept. The Adhoc NC repeatedly requested the ExecCom to instruct the CSI HQR. to extend the required administrative support for conduct of election in fair and transparent manner, as per the provisions laid down in CSI Constitution, but all efforts of NC went in vain. Finally, the ExecCom, through Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, Vice President, informed the Adhoc NC that the Election has been put on hold. Further to make the NC handicapped, the CSI official portal www.csi-india.org and all the official email accounts were hijacked by Mr. Gautam Mahapatra and hence Adhoc NC was not able to conduct the Elections, despite continuous and repeated efforts. Mr. Gautam Mahapatra is now posting illegal and unauthorized notices / messages / communication using hijacked version of the official website and the emails. Complaint of the same has already been lodged in Cyber Cell.
- D3 (B): It was more serious to note that, on contrary to the mandate of the SGM to the Adhoc NC to conduct the elections for 2018-2019/2020, Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, when failed to influence the Adhoc NC to conduct the elections 2018-2019/2020, by violating the CSI Constitution, started communicating with the old NC, whose term had already expired on 31.03.2018 to conduct elections 2018/2019/2020. It is pertinent to note here that old NC, when was in power, was not allowed to conduct the elections 2018-2019/2020 by the ExecCom, during the entire year. Despite the fact that Dr. K. Subramanian, initially refused to undertake the task, resigned in view of the fact that their term expired on 31.03.2018 and his poor health, second


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elected member Dr. Brojokishore Mishra also refused to do so, Mr. Gautam Mahapatra kept persuading and finally succeeded in making the third member Mr. Subimal Kundu, as the Chairman of the NC with two nominated members to conduct the elections 2018-2019/2020. Consequent upon this, the old NC, issued the Call for Nominations at the hijacked version of the website and sent email to the members for the same, in clear violation of the CSI Constitution, for conduct of the elections. CSI Constitution enforces to give minimum 30 days time for the voting (as per CSI Byelaws 5.5), whereas the old NC, illegally brought in action, has given only 15 days time for the voting, which was the one of the requests of Mr. Gautam Mahapatra to the Adhoc NC appointed by the SGM, which was rejected by the Adhoc NC, out rightly, citing that it violates the provisions of the CSI Constitution. This act of Mr. Gautam Mahapatra, was also viewed very seriously as an open offence and clear dis-respect / contempt to change / overturn the decision of the SGM held on 20th May, 2018 in New Delhi. Members were deeply concerned over the current style of the working of the present ExecCom, forcing the Adhoc NC to stop the elections, despite the mandate of the SGM to the Adhoc NC to conduct the elections and opening parallel communications with the old NC, whose term has already been expired on 31.03.2018, which constitutionally cannot be extended beyond its terms, in any case.

D3 (C): Further, during deliberations, it was also noted that the CSI elections 2017-2018/2019 were also conducted, in clear violation of the CSI Constitution, by the then President; Prof. Anirban Basu, setting aside the duly elected NC, in clear violation of the CSI Constitution. It is pertinent to note that out of a total Voting membership base of 17,413, at that time, only 4997 members (that too with many fake IDs) were permitted to vote. This means that only 28.69% members (that too with many fake IDs) were allowed to vote and 71.31% bonafide members were denied the Voting Rights. On top of it, the irony was to the extent that many Candidates, who were declared as valid candidates to contest elections, were not permitted to vote. Voting Right of the bonafide members cannot be withdrawn, under one or other pretext. Further, the voting period was also reduced from 30th days to 15 days and many other provisions of the CSI Constitution were violated. The members of the then NC and also over 1000 members, from all over the country, repeatedly expressed their anguish, displeasure and strong resentment over the manner in which the elections of 2017-2018 was hijacked and directly conducted by the then President, Prof. Anirban Basu, but no cognizance of the resentment by the NC / other members was taken by the ExecCom or Prof. Basu. Hence, the current ExecCom, is the outcome of the illegal Election conducted by Prof. Anirban Basu, the then President. It was also noted that it has become the repeated habits of the ExecComs, since last two years, to initially prohibit the duly elected NC, on one or other pretext, from the conduct of the elections, create a constitutional crisis and then conduct election in violation of all the provisions of the CSI Constitution to get elected the members of their choice for the next ExecCom. General Body was deeply upset and expressed their strongest aguish on this repeated habit of ExecCom.

R 2: The members empowered the same Adhoc NC, headed by Prof. K. K. Aggarwal, Fellow, LTAA and Past President, CSI, appointed by the SGM held on 20th May, 2018 at IICC, New Delhi, to immediately undertake the steps required to conduct and

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complete the elections, as per CSI Constitution, within two months. The Adhoc NC was further empowered to undertake all steps including signing of Agreement with the vendor, maintaining website for conduct of election, dispatch of letters and emails for the conduct of the election, or whatever is required to conduct fair and transparent election, on their own, within the time frame. No intervention / interference, whatsoever, from any body of the CSI will be entertained.

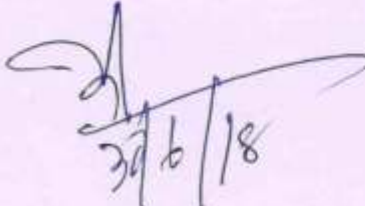
R 3: The members resolved that the existing ExecCom 2017-2018/2019, which is officiating till now, in the absence of duly elected ExecCom for 2018-2019/2020, on account of non-conduct of the elections for 2018-2019/2020, has miserably failed in its duty to discharge the services to the Society and protect & uphold the Constitution. The General Body resolved to dissolve the existing ExecCom 2017-2018/2019, with immediate effect. All powers and privileges of the 06 ExecCom members (RVP 1, RVP 3, RVP 5, RVP 7, Chair-Div 1 & Chair-Div 5), whose terms are valid till 31.03.2019 will stand withdrawn, in all respect, till the elections for 2018-2019/2020 are complete and the duly elected members takes over the charge to make the ExecCom a full fledge constitutional Body, as per the CSI Constitution of the ExecCom. However, the General Body requested the outgoing Hony. Secretary to work as a Caretaker Hony. Secretary along with the current Hony. Treasurer and remain official signatories for the banking operations to only release the top emergency and statutory payments, involving serious Govt. liabilities on account of its non-payment along with the release of required payment to conduct elections 2018-2019/2020 by the Adhoc NC and payment related to Legal and court related matters. No other payment, whatsoever, shall be released, in any case. This arrangement will be enforced till the duly constituted ExecCom takes over the charge.

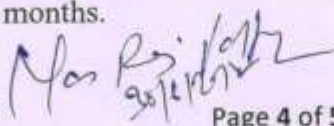
R 3: The Caretaker Hony. Secretary, Existing Hony. Treasurer and the Immediate past President (IPP) were directed to undertake all the required steps, including legal support, to get the control of the CSI Official Web-Portal www.csi-india.org back and also extend all required support to the Adhoc NC for smooth conduct of fair and transparent election.

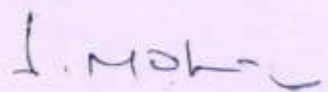
R 4: The members constituted the following Adhoc Committee to investigate the violation of the CSI Constitution in Conduct of the CSI elections 2017-2018/2019 and non-conduct of timely elections for 2018/2019/2020:-

1. Justice Talwant Singh
2. Advocate Yudhister Sharma
3. Mr. Ved Prakash Goel
4. Dr. S. K. Yadav
5. Mr. Sushant Rath

The committee will examine all the related aspects leading to violation of the CSI Constitution for conduct of the elections, fix up the responsibility of the people involved in it, for further necessary action and also suggest the required measures / amendments in the Constitution to safeguard the interest of the Society and ensure that no future ExecComs should interfere in the election process and dare to create such constitutional crisis and delay the elections. The Committee was directed to submit report within three months.


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R 5: Mr. Sanjay Mohapatra, IPP, was authorized to look after all the matters related to the court cases, other affairs with the Registrar of the Society, and other legal affairs, till the duly elected ExecCom takes over the charge.

Confirmation of the Minutes:

At the end, the final minutes along with all the Resolutions were read out in the meeting and confirmed for immediate further action, as mandated above.

As there were no other items, the meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

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