



## INDIAN PSYCHIATRIC SOCIETY - SOUTH ZONAL BRANCH ELECTION COMMISSION

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*Dear Fellow Members of IPS-South Zonal Branch,*

*Nominations are invited for election of the following posts of IPSSZB for the year 2026:*

Category	No. of posts	Tenure	Period
Vice President cum President Elect	1	One Year	2026-2027
Honorary General Secretary	1	Two Years	2026-2028
Honorary Treasurer	1	Two Years	2026-2028
Zonal Representative to National Executive Committee	1	Three Years	2026-2029

Nomination form is enclosed along with the notification.

Kindly send the duly and completely filled nomination form along with **Bio-data** and a **Passport size Photograph** to the following e-mail: [ipsszbelections@gmail.com](mailto:ipsszbelections@gmail.com)

### Eligibility Criteria:

The individual nominated for the post of the Vice President cum President Elect must be a Life Fellow of the Indian Psychiatric Society as well as Life Fellow of IPS South Zonal Branch for a period of minimum 10 years and must have served at least one full term of Two Years as an Elected Member of the Council of IPS South Zonal Branch (or) should have served as the President of the State Branch on or before 2021 (provided he/she has completed 10 years as Life Fellow of Indian Psychiatric Society and also as Life Fellow of IPS South Zonal Branch).

The person nominated for the post of Honorary General Secretary and Honorary Treasurer must be Life Fellow of the Indian Psychiatric Society as well as a Life Fellow of IPS South Zonal Branch for at least 5 years and must have served at least one full term of 2 years as an elected member of the Executive Council of IPS South Zonal Branch or as an Elected Office bearer of the State Branch of Indian Psychiatric Society.

A life fellow who has served in the post of Honorary General Secretary and Honorary Treasurer for Two terms, cannot be re-nominated for the same post.

Honorary General Secretary or Honorary Treasurer who desires to get nominated for election to any other posts as office bearer shall be eligible only after a period of one year from the end of his current tenure as Honorary General Secretary, or Honorary Treasurer.

The Zonal Representative to National Executive Committee must be a Life Fellow of Indian Psychiatric Society for at least 5 years (who is also a member of the South Zonal Branch) and must have served one full term of 2 years as an elected member of the Executive Committee of the South Zonal Branch.

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One who is already in the IPS South Zonal Branch Executive Council elected from the States cannot contest for the post of Zonal Representative to National Executive without resigning his post as the State Representative to the Zonal Branch Executive Council.

If the audited accounts of any IPSOCON or any MID TERM CME of the Society, including that of the PG Training Program, have not been submitted to the Council within 6 months of the conclusion of the event, the Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer of the Organizing Committee of the said events will not be eligible to hold any elected post of the Society for a period of Three Years.

The contestants cannot contest for more than one post though they can apply any number of posts, but by the last date of withdrawal, he/she should withdraw from all other posts except the one he/she wants to contest for. Else, he/she shall be disqualified from the contest/election.

The nominations should be proposed and seconded by Life Fellows of the Indian Psychiatric society who are also the Life Members of the IPS South Zonal Branch.

### **Time-line for the IPS-South Zonal Branch Election 2026**

<b>Date of Election Notification</b>	<b>June 15, 2026</b>
<b>Last date of filing nominations</b>	<b>July 15, 2026</b>
<b>Scrutiny of nominations</b>	<b>On or before July 25,2026</b>
<b>Last date for withdrawal of nominations</b>	<b>August 10, 2026</b>
<b>Publication of Candidates' list in website</b>	<b>August 15, 2026</b>
<b>E-voting starts on (with candidates' profile and procedural information)</b>	<b>* September 25, 2026</b>
<b>E-voting ends on</b>	<b>October 9, 2026 at 5 P.M.*</b>
<b>Declaration of Results in Annual General Body Meeting</b>	<b>October 17, 2026</b>

Please note: \* **Voting period is limited to 'Fifteen Days'** from this year onwards.  
Kindly exercise your franchise early without fail.



**Dr.T.Kumanan,**  
Chair-Person,  
IPS-SZB Election Commission.