

# Indian Journalists Union (IJU)

## Constitution Amendments - 2011

Sl. No.	Original	Amendment
1	-	The word 'unit' wherever it occurs in the Indian Journalists Union Constitution shall be replaced by the words "State Union" and the word "units" shall be replaced by "State Unions".
2	<p><b>(Rule 5)</b> Membership of units of the Union will be open to:</p> <p><b>Rule 5 (i)</b> 'Working Journalists' as defined In Section 2 (f) of the Working Journalists and other Newspaper Employees (Conditions of Service and Miscellaneous) Provision Act, 1955 and the Wage Board Awards, whether employed by Indian or foreign newspapers or news organizations or employed by Indian concerns but working outside India;</p>	<p>Membership of 'affiliated State Unions' will be open to:</p> <p>'Working Journalists' as defined in Section 2 (f) of the Working Journalists and other newspaper employees (Conditions of Service and Miscellaneous) Provision Act. 1955 and the Wage Board Awards whether employed by Indian or Foreign newspapers or news organisations or employed by Indian concerns but working outside India;</p> <p>"Provided that journalists employed in electronic media whose nature of work is that of working journalists as defined in the Working Journalists and other newspaper employees (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1955 shall also be eligible to be members of the Union."</p>
3.	<p><b>(Rule 9)</b></p> <p>The Union will consist of such registered State Unions as are granted <b>recognition</b> in accordance with this constitution.</p>	<p>The Union will consist of such registered State Unions as are granted <b>affiliation</b> in accordance with this constitution.</p>

4. **Rule 22 (a)**

The National Council shall consists of members elected at the rate of one for 50 members of the respective units plus a major fraction thereof in the manner approved by National Executive Committee according to the convenience of the affiliated units. Each unit shall communicate to the Secretary General the lists of National Council members and delegates within 15 days of holding of the elections and the Secretary-General shall thereafter notify within 15 days of the constitution of the National Council and inform the units.

“The National Council shall consist of 150 members elected by the ordinary members of the respective affiliated State Unions besides the Presidents and General Secretaries of such State Unions in the manner approved by the National Executive Committee. The National Executive shall determine the proportion of representation to each State Union on the basis of their approved membership. Each State Union shall communicate to the Secretary-General the list of National Council members within fifteen days of holding elections and Secretary-General shall thereafter notify within fifteen days of the constitution of the National Council.”

5. **Rule 22 (b)**

There shall be a working committee of not more than 21 members including the President, two Vice – Presidents, a Secretary – General, a Treasurer and four Secretaries.

“There shall be a National Executive Committee consisting of 27 members including the President, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary-General, six Secretaries and a Treasurer.”

6. **Rule 22(b) (i)** is inserted after Rule 22 (b)

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“The IJU representatives in Press Council of India, the Central Press Accreditation Committee (CPAC) and IJU representatives in any International body of which the IJU is an affiliate, shall be Members of the National Executive.”

7. **Rule 22 (c)**

The President and the Secretary-General shall be elected by the primary members through secret ballot and simple majority.

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8. **Rule 22 (d)**

Two Vice-Presidents, four Secretaries the Treasurer and the other members of the National Executive Committee shall be elected by the members of the National Council at the delegates session in the manner by the rules framed by the National Executive Committee.

Three Vice-Presidents, six Secretaries the Treasurer and the other members of the National Executive Committee shall be elected by the members of the National Council at the delegates session in the manner prescribed in the rules framed by the National Executive Committee.

9. **Rule 22 (f)**

Subject to Clause (a) Supra, the National Executive committee shall co-opt four members after the elections in the manner it thinks best to give representation to interests which may go otherwise unrepresented..

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10. DELEGATES' CONFERENCE  
(the headline above Rule 29)

“PLENARY SESSION”

**(Rule 29)**

The delegates' conference of the Union constituting its Plenary Session shall transact the following Business

“The Plenary Session shall be held once in two years. The election of President, Secretary-General. National Council Members and delegates shall precede the Plenary Session. The delegates shall be elected by the primary members whose total number shall not exceed one third of the total number of elected National Council Members. The Plenary Session shall transact the following business.

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The words ‘delegates conference’ shall be replaced with “Plenary Session” wherever they occur in the Constitution.

12. -----

The words “The general body’ shall be replaced by Words “Plenary Session” wherever they occur in the Constitution.

**13**     **(Rule 38 (a))**

Every unit is entitled to send one delegate for every thirty members on its rolls as they existed on December 31 of the preceding year to the delegates' session.

**Para 2.:** Provided that the unit with less than Thirty members shall be entitled to send a delegate for a major fraction of thirty members.

**14.**     The following are the powers of the National Executive Committee in addition to powers enumerated in other clauses of the Constitution.

**15s.**    **(Rule 55)**

The delegates' conference, the supreme Policy making body of the Union, shall consists of (a) the new members of the National Council, and (b) delegates as per Rule 38

Every State Union shall be entitled to send delegates not exceeding one third of the total National Council Members elected from such state, subject to the condition that it shall be minimum of one delegates.

Para 2 shall be deleted.

“National Executive Committee shall meet at least once in a quarter and four times in a year. 15 clear days notice shall be given for convening of the National Executive Committee meeting. Provided that, 50 percent plus one member of the total number of National Executive Committee members can requisition an emergency meeting of the National Executive Committee and such a meeting can be convened with a notice of at least 7 clear days. The following are the powers of the National Executive Committee in addition to the powers enumerated in other clauses of the Constitution.”

The Plenary Session, the supreme policy making body of the Union, shall consist of National Council Members, Presidents and General Secretaries/ Secretaries of the affiliated State Unions and Delegates as per Rule 38.

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