

*Elections of Teachers for the Membership of
Senate, Syndicate, Academic Council and
Representation Committee for Appointments to the
Senate COMSATS University Islamabad, Statutes,
2019*

ELECTIONS OF TEACHERS FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF SENATE, SYNDICATE, ACADEMIC COUNCIL AND REPRESENTATION COMMITTEE FOR APPOINTMENTS TO THE SENATE COMSATS UNIVERSITY ISLAMABAD STATUTES, 2019

1. PREAMBLE

- I. Section 18(1)(j) and 18(3) of the COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018 provide for prescribing a procedure for appointment of four (04) University Teachers of various categories to the **Senate** of the University on the basis of elections, through voting by various categories of University Teachers;
- II. Section 21(1)(f) of the COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018 provides for prescribing a procedure for appointment to the **Syndicate** three (03) Professors from different departments, who are not members of the Senate, to be elected by the University teachers in accordance with procedure prescribed by the Senate;
- III. Section 23(1)(e) of the COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018 provides for prescribing a procedure through election for appointment to the **Academic Council** five (05) Teachers representing the departments, institutes and the constituent colleges to be elected in the manner prescribed by the Senate;
- IV. Section 23(1)(g) of the COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018 provides for prescribing a procedure through election for appointment to the **Academic Council** five (05) Professors to be elected in the prescribed manner;
- V. Section 25(3)(b) of the COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018 provides for the constitution of **Representation Committee** for appointment to the Senate, having two (02) persons nominated by the University teachers from amongst themselves in the prescribed manner.

2. TITLE

These Statutes, framed in pursuance of the Sections 27(1) (p) and 27(2) of the COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018 shall be called, "*Elections of Teachers for the Membership of Senate, Syndicate, Academic Council and Representation Committee for Appointments to the Senate COMSATS University Islamabad Statutes, 2019*".

3. COMMENCEMENT

These Statutes shall come into force from August 21, 2019.

4. DEFINITIONS

All expressions and terms used in these statutes shall have the same meanings as are assigned to them under Section 2 of the COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018, except the following:

- a. "*Act*" means the COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018.
- b. "*Administrative Officer*" means such OG-I to OG-IV Scale non-faculty Officer who is not a Principal Officer under clause 7 of the Act.
- c. "*Candidate*" means a University Teacher of the level of a Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant professor or a Lecturer serving the COMSATS University Islamabad, expressing intention in writing of becoming a member of the University Senate, Syndicate and Representation Committee for Appointment to the Senate, in accordance with the numbers and criteria for membership specified in the Act and having placed in the list of validly nominated persons as a candidate under these Statutes. For the membership of Academic Council, together with University Teacher, the teacher of the institutes and the constituent colleges of the University may also be the candidate if he/she fulfils the other conditions.
- d. "*Constituency*" means the teachers of the COMSATS University Islamabad, constituent colleges and institutes, as the case may be at the level of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor or Lecturer of the University listed as registered voters with the Registrar, to cast votes for the elections.
- e. "*Election*" means election of candidates for the membership of the University Senate, Syndicate, Academic Council and Representation Committee for Appointment to the Senate.
- f. "*Electoral Rolls*" means the list of teachers prepared and maintained under these Statutes.
- g. "*Elector*" means any person whose name is borne on the Electoral Rolls prepared and maintained under these Statutes.
- h. "*Polling Station*" means the venue at different Campuses of the University designated for casting votes by the Electors.
- i. "*Polling Officers*" means such Principal Officers/ Administrative Officers/ Teachers appointed by the Rector to assist the Registrar in conducting elections, supervision of polling and counting of votes at the polling stations on the polling day.
- j. "*Polling Agent*" means an employee of the University authorized by a candidate to be present on his/her behalf at the time of cast and count of votes on the poling day.

- k. "Professor" means a Teacher engaged whole-time by the University at the level of Professor, Eminent Professor or Emeritus Professor;
- l. "Returning Officer" means the Registrar of the University.

5. PREPERATION AND MAINTAINANCE OF ELECTORAL ROLLS FOR UNIVERSITY TEACHERS

The Registrar COMSATS University Islamabad shall prepare and maintain a list of all the regular University Teachers and teachers working in its constituent colleges and institutes which shall contain their respective dates of appointment as well as the designations whether each such teacher is a Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor or Lecturer. The names of those who are on study leave or leave without pay or on deputation shall not be included in this list.

6. PRELIMINARY ELECTORAL ROLLS

The Registrar shall be responsible to prepare and circulate the preliminary list, mentioned above, by the date to be fixed by the Registrar and circulate widely through all means including website of the University among all the teachers at the campuses, its constituent colleges and institutes, as the case may be.

7. PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS AND OBJECTIONS

Teachers claiming to have their names entered in the list and teachers if having any objections to make against any entry therein shall make their claims and objections in writing to the Registrar within Five (05) days of the date of circulation of the preliminary list.

8. DISPOSAL OF CLAIMS AND OBJECTIONS

The Registrar shall decide the claims and objections within Three (03) days following the last day fixed for the receipt of claims and objections.

9. APPLICATION FOR REVISION OF THE ORDERS OF THE REGISTRAR

Any appeal against the orders of the Registrar under Section 8 of the instant Statutes may be submitted not later than three days of the said order which will be decided by the Appellate Committee constituted by the Rector for the said purpose.

10. AVAILABILITY AND INSPECTION OF ELECTORAL ROLLS

The copies of the final Electoral Rolls shall be made available by the Registrar for any teacher to inspect, in the office of the Registrar or/and at designated offices at all Campuses during office hours.

11. ELIGIBILITY FOR ELECTIONS

No teacher shall be qualified to vote unless his/ her name is on the electoral rolls or to contest the elections unless his/ her name is on the electoral rolls and he/ she possesses the minimum service prescribed for contesting the elections.

12. RETURNING OFFICER FOR THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS

The Registrar being the Returning Officer shall be responsible for conducting the elections in accordance with the provisions of these Statutes.

13. NOTIFICATION REGARDING ELECTIONS

Whenever a date or dates are fixed for holding elections for a vacancy, the Registrar shall issue a notification specifying the following: -

- a. Number of Members and categories of teachers, to the Senate/Syndicate/Academic Council/ Representation Committee for appointment to Senate, to be elected;
- b. Nomination day and time by or within which nomination papers shall be received by the Returning Officer;
- c. Scrutiny day for the scrutiny of nominations;
- d. Withdrawal day for the withdrawal of candidature;
- e. Polling day, hours and place(s) at which a poll shall be taken, and ballot papers be counted.

14. NOMINATIONS OF CANDIDATES

- I. An elector may propose, on a prescribed format obtainable from the Registrar office, any other elector to be a candidate for election which will be seconded by another elector. The name and the particulars of the proposer and the seconder mentioned in the nomination form should be the same as in the Electoral Rolls and the person contesting the election must sign the nomination form showing his/ her willingness to stand as candidate for election.
- II. The nomination forming a specific format shall be forwarded to the Registrar or his/ her nominee so as to reach to them not later than the day and time specified in the election schedule.

- III. The Registrar and/or his/ her nominee shall maintain the record of the date and time of the receipt of each nomination and shall issue an acknowledgement receipt.

15. NUMBER OF NOMINATIONS

An elector shall nominate maximum of one candidate for election against each vacancy/seat in an Authority.

16. INVALIDATION OF NOMINATIONS

If a proposer or a seconder has signed the nomination papers of more than one teacher contesting election for a particular authority/ committee, all nomination papers signed by him/her for that particular authority/ committee shall be declared invalid.

17. SCRUTINY OF NOMINATIONS

- I. The Registrar shall issue the list of all the nominees (candidates), on the next day following the nomination day, along with the names of their respective proposers and seconders as shown in the nomination papers. After scrutiny the Register shall declare which of the nominees have been validly nominated and are qualified for election and publish a list of the validly nominated persons in an alphabetical order. The rejection of a nomination paper shall not result the invalidation of the nomination of a candidate under any other valid nomination paper.
- II. In case the number of candidates are equal or less than the number of vacancies of any authority/ committee to be filled, the Registrar shall declare all the candidates elected.

18. WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDATURE

- I. Any candidate, who is not declared elected, may withdraw his/ her candidature within the office hours of the withdrawal day and once withdrawn the candidature the said candidate shall not be allowed to cancel his/ her withdrawal.
- II. In case the number of candidates, who have not withdrawn, is less than or equal to the number of vacancies to be filled, the Registrar shall declare all the candidates elected.

19. POLLING OFFICERS TO ASSIST RETUNING OFFICER

The Rector shall appoint Principal Officers/ Administrative Officers/ Teachers as Polling Officers to collaborate with the Registrar in the conduct of election, supervision of polling and counting of votes at the polling stations if so required and none of these be a candidate in the election.

20. BALLOT PAPER(S)

- I. The ballot paper of each category/ authority/ committee of elections, must contain the names of candidates in alphabetical order with their titles and addresses as shown in the nomination papers.
- II. The Registrar shall make sure that Ballot Papers in requisite number, for each category/authority/ committee of elections, are made available to the designated polling officers at polling stations of different campuses of the university at least three days before the day of polling.

21. PRESENCE OF CANDIDATE OR POLLING AGENT

A candidate may or in his/ her absence nominate a University employee as polling agent to be present during the voting time and at the time of counting of votes.

22. VOTING PROCEDURE

- I. On the day of polling and during the time of voting a voter shall provide his/ her identity to the polling officer, in the presence of the Polling Agent, and shall receive the ballot paper from polling officer at the time of voting on the polling day.
- II. The voter shall then cast vote by putting a \surd or X marked stamp in the space provided on the ballot paper for the said purpose, against the name of the candidate to whom he/she intends to vote.
- III. The voting shall be by secret ballot and voter will put his/ her dully filled ballot paper in one of the locked boxes placed in the polling place for the said purpose.
- IV. No ballot paper shall be issued by the polling officer or received for casting vote after the expiry of the time notified for the purpose.
- V. In case a ballot paper has inadvertently been damaged by the voter in such a manner that it cannot properly be used then after handing over the spoiled ballot paper to the Polling Officer, may obtain another ballot paper if so permitted by the Polling Officer. In such case the counter-foil of the spoiled ballot paper shall be marked as cancelled and the alternate supplied together with its counter-foil shall be marked as duplicate.

23. CONTESTING AND VOTING RIGHTS OF UNIVERSITY TEACHERS FOR DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF AUTHORITIES/ COMMITTEE

- I. For the membership of four (04) University Teachers in the **SENATE** the candidates shall contest for one position each of the four categories of Professors, Associate Professors,

Assistant Professors and Lecturers and for each category the candidates having the designation of that particular category shall be entitled to contest (*i.e.* Lecturer for the category of Lecturer and so on). All the teachers having the designation of that particular category, at different constituent Campuses, shall be entitled to vote for the candidates of their respective category (*i.e.* Lecturers will be entitled to vote only to the candidates in the category of lecturers and so on);

- II. If at any time a teacher of any Campus is already serving on the Senate, against one of the four seats of University Teachers, then for the elections of remaining categories of the teachers, no teacher of said Campus shall be entitled to contest the election, however, shall be entitled to vote to the teachers of their respective categories contesting elections from some other Campus;
- III. For the membership of three University Professors in the **SYNDICATE** the candidates having the designation of Professor shall be entitled to contest only, however, for the said membership all the University Teachers having the designations of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Lecturer of the University shall be entitled to vote for the candidates;
- IV. Any Professor serving as member on Senate shall not be eligible to serve simultaneously as member on University Syndicate, under the category of three University Professors from Different Departments;
- V. If at any time a Professor of any Department and/ or any Campus is already serving on the Syndicate, against one of the three seats of University Professors, then for the elections of any vacant position of said category, no Professor of said Department or said Campus shall be entitled to contest the elections, however, shall be entitled to vote to the Professors of some other Department and Campus contesting elections;
- VI. For the positions of five (05) members (teachers) on **ACADEMIC COUNCIL**, representing the departments, campuses, institutes and the constituent colleges, the Teachers of the University, institutes or constituent colleges shall be entitled to contest for one position in the category of Associate Professors, two positions in the category of Assistant Professors and two positions in the category of Lecturers and for each category the candidates having the designation of that particular category shall be entitled to contest (*i.e.* Associate Professor for the category of Associate Professors, Assistant Professor for the category of Assistant Professors and Lecturer for the category of Lecturers). All the Teachers having the designation of their particular category, at different departments, centers, campuses, institutes and the constituent colleges of the University, shall be entitled to vote for the candidates of their respective category (*i.e.* Associate Professor shall be entitled to vote only to the candidates for the category of Associate Professor, Assistant Professors for the category of Assistant Professor and Lecturers for the category of Lecturer only);

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- VII. If at any time the Associate Professor, Assistant Professor or a Lecturer of any Department, Campus, Institute or the constituent College is already serving on ACADEMIC COUNCIL, against one or more of the five membership positions, then for the elections of any remaining vacant position(s) of any category, no teacher of that particular Department, Campus, Institute or the constituent College, which is already being represented in the existing Academic Council, shall be entitled to contest the elections, however, shall be entitled to vote to the candidates of his/ her own category;
- VIII. For the membership of five University Professors in the **ACADEMIC COUNCIL**, the candidates having the designation of Professor shall be entitled to contest the election in the said category and all the Professors shall be entitled to vote for the candidates during the elections of said category;
- IX. If at any time a Professor of any Department and/ or any Campus is already serving on the Academic Council, against any of the five seats of University Professors, then for the elections of any vacant position of said category, no Professor of said Department and/ or said Campus shall be entitled to contest the elections on these seats, however, shall be entitled to vote to the Professor of some other Department and/ or Campus contesting elections.
- X. For the positions of two persons not below the level of Associate Professor, as members of the **Representation Committee for appointments to the Senate**, the candidates having the designations of Professor or Associate Professor shall be entitled to contest the elections, however, for the said membership all the University Teachers having the designations of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Lecturer of the University shall be entitled to vote for the candidates.
- XI. If at any time a Professor or Associate Professor of any Campus is already serving on the Representation Committee for appointments to the Senate, then for the elections of any vacant position of said category, no Professor or Associate Professor of said Campus shall be entitled to contest the elections, however, all the University Teachers of said Campus shall be entitled to vote to the Professor or Associate Professor of some other Campus contesting elections.

24. SCRUTINY OF BALLOT PAPERS

- I. After the expiry of the notified time for the closing of the poll, the Polling Staff shall open the ballot box in the presence of the Polling Officer or a person nominated on his/her behalf and such of the candidates or their authorized agents as may be present. The Polling Officer shall examine each ballot paper and may reject any invalid Ballot Paper.
- II. A ballot paper shall be invalid if:

- a. it does not bear any official mark;
- b. it has been left blank/without tick (✓ X) marked stamp by the voter;
- c. it bears any identifying mark;
- d. there is any name, word or sign upon it by which the person voting may be identified;
- e. the vote has been casted in favor of more candidates than the number of persons to be elected;
- f. the vote has not been casted in the prescribed manner;
- g. there is any tempering/ defacement creating a doubt that there has been an attempt to alter or erase the mark of voting; or
- h. there is any uncertainty about the identity of the candidate in whose favor the vote has been casted.

25. COUNTING OF VOTES AND FINALIZATION OF RESULTS

- I. After the scrutiny of ballot papers, the Polling Officer shall proceed towards counting the valid ballot papers in the presence of relevant candidates or their authorized agents and write down the total number of valid votes casted in favor of each candidate of all such categories and for all such authorities/ committee for which the election is being conducted;
- II. After completing the counting of valid votes, casted in favor of each candidate of all such categories of Teachers and for all such authorities/ committee of University for which elections are being held, the Polling Officer(s) shall write down total number of valid votes casted in favor of each candidate, on the relevant result sheet, and shall obtain the signatures of such of the candidates or their authorized agents, as may be present, on the relevant result sheet, and will himself/ herself also sign all the result sheets and will send the scan copy of Result Sheet(s) to the Registrar immediately after completion of counting and will send the original sheet through post/ courier together with all the record of elections;
- III. The Registrar on receiving the results from all the concerned Campuses shall compile the cumulative result sheet of all such categories of University Teachers and for all such authorities/ committee of University for which elections are being held. While calculating the %age of votes obtained by each candidate the calculations will be done up to 2 decimal places. In case of equality of valid %age of votes between two or more than two candidates, the Registrar shall finalize the results on the basis of drawing lots in the presence of the concerned candidates or their authorized agents.
- IV. For the membership of four University Teachers in the **SENATE** (one from each category of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Lecturer), the Registrar shall ensure that not more than one University Teacher is declared as member on University

Senate from a single Campus at the same time. For the said purpose the Registrar shall adopt the following procedure for the declaration of the names of successful candidates;

- a. If elections of University Teachers of more than one categories are being held at the same time, then on the finalization of result compilation Registrar shall calculate the %age of votes secured by each candidate of all such categories of teachers for which elections are being held. First of all, result of that category of teacher will be finalized where the candidate has secured maximum %age of votes and such candidate will be declared successful in his/ her respective category. Consequently, all the candidates of the said Campus for remaining categories of teachers shall automatically lose their entitlement for being member of Senate from their respective categories. **(Explanation:** If the elections are being held for all the 4 categories of teachers for the membership of Senate and highest %age of votes, among all categories, have been secured in the category of Lecturer by a candidate from Vehari Campus then he/ she shall be declared successful in the category of Lecturer and consequently all the remaining candidates from Vehari Campus who contested elections in the categories of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor shall stand ineligible for appointment as member on Senate and their names shall be removed from the result sheet of their respective categories).
- b. Similarly, for the next position among the remaining categories of teachers, for which elections are being held, the result of that category will be finalized in which the eligible candidate has secured highest %age of votes then the eligible candidates of other categories of teachers. Consequently, all the candidates of the said Campus for the remaining categories of teachers shall also automatically lose their entitlement for being member of Senate from their respective categories and their names shall be removed from the result sheet of their respective categories. **(Explanation:** If among the remaining 3 categories of teachers highest %age of votes have been secured by an Associate Professor from Abbottabad Campus then he/ she shall be declared successful in the category of Associate Professor and consequently all the remaining candidates from Abbottabad Campus who contested elections in the categories of Professor and Assistant Professor shall stand ineligible for appointment as member on Senate and their names shall be removed from the result sheet of their respective categories).
- c. For the next position among the remaining categories of teachers, the result of that category will be finalized in which the eligible candidate has secured highest %age of votes then the eligible candidates of another category. Consequently, all the candidates of the said Campus for remaining category of teachers shall also automatically lose their entitlement for being member of Senate and their names shall be removed from the result sheet of their respective category. **(Explanation:** If among the remaining 2 categories of teachers highest %age of votes have been

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secured by an Assistant Professor from Lahore Campus then he/ she shall be declared successful in the category of Assistant Professor and consequently all the remaining candidates from Lahore Campus who contested elections in the category of Professor shall stand ineligible for appointment as member on Senate and their names shall be removed from the result sheet of their respective categories).

- d. For the remaining category of teachers, the eligible candidate securing highest %age of votes than other eligible candidates of said category shall be declared successful. **(Explanation:** Among the remaining category of Professor highest %age of votes, among all the eligible candidates, have been secured by a Professor from Islamabad Campus then he/ she shall be declared successful in the category of Professor).
- V. For the membership of three University Professors in the **SYNDICATE**, the Registrar shall ensure that none of the Professors being elected under the said category can serve simultaneously as member in the University Senate and not more than one University Professor is declared as member on University Syndicate from the same Department and/ or from a single Campus at the same time. For the said purpose the Registrar shall adopt the following procedure for the declaration of the names of successful candidates;
- a. If elections of University Professors are being held for more than one seats of Syndicate at the same time, then on the finalization of result compilation Registrar shall calculate the %age of votes secured by each candidate. The name of that candidate shall be declared successful who had secured maximum percentage of votes. Consequently, all the candidates (Professors) of the said Department and the said Campus to which successful (candidate) Professor belongs shall automatically lose their entitlement for the remaining seat(s)of Syndicate in the said category and their names shall be excluded from the result sheet.
 - b. Similarly, for the next vacant position in the Syndicate, the candidate securing highest %age of votes among those remaining on the result sheet, after the exclusion of candidates as per above mentioned procedure, shall be declared as successful. Consequently, all the candidates (Professors) of the said Department and the said Campus to which successful (candidate) Professor belongs shall automatically lose their entitlement for the remaining seat, if any, of Syndicate in the said category and their names shall be excluded from the result sheet.
 - c. If needed, for the third vacant position of Professors in the Syndicate, the candidate securing highest %age of votes among those remaining on the result sheet, after the exclusion of candidates as a result of declaration of results of above mentioned two positions, shall be declared as successful.

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- VI. For the five positions of **ACADEMIC COUNCIL** membership of teachers, representing the departments, campuses, institutes and the constituent colleges, the Registrar shall ensure that not more than one Associate Professor, two Assistant Professors and two Lecturers can become the member on University Academic Council and not more than one of these positions can be represented simultaneously by the teachers from the same department, center, campus, institute and/ or the constituent college. For the said purpose the Registrar shall adopt the following procedure for the declaration of the names of successful candidates:
- a. For the elections of Teachers, in the category of five positions of **ACADEMIC COUNCIL** membership, the Registrar shall calculate the %age of votes secured by each candidate of all such categories of teachers for which elections are being held. First of all result of that category of teacher shall be finalized where the candidate has secured maximum %age of votes and such candidate will be declared successful in his/ her respective category. Consequently, all the candidates of the said department, center, campus, institute and/ or the constituent college for remaining seats of same or other categories of teachers shall automatically lose their entitlement for being member of Academic Council from their respective categories. (**Explanation:** If the elections are being held for all the 5 positions of all the three categories of Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Lecturer for the membership of Academic Council and highest %age of votes, among all categories, have been secured by a candidate in the category of Assistant Professor, working in the Department of Mathematics at Vehari Campus then he/ she shall be declared successful in the category of Assistant Professor and consequently all the remaining candidates from Vehari Campus and from the Department of Mathematics of all the Campuses, Institutes and constituent Colleges of the University, who contested elections in the categories of Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Lecturer shall automatically lose their entitlement for the remaining seat(s) of Academic Council and their names shall be excluded from the result sheet.
 - b. The results of all the remaining candidates contesting elections for the vacant seats on different categories of University Teachers for five positions of Academic Council shall be finalized and declared by the Registrar in the above-mentioned manner.
- VII. For the membership of five University Professors in the **ACADEMIC COUNCIL**, the Registrar shall ensure that not more than one University Professor is declared as member on Academic Council from the same Department or from a single Campus at the same time. For the said purpose the Registrar shall adopt the following procedure for the declaration of the names of successful candidates:
- a. If elections of University Professors are being held for more than one seats at the same time, then on the finalization of result compilation Registrar shall calculate the

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%age of votes secured by each candidate. The name of that candidate shall be declared successful who had secured maximum percentage of votes. Consequently, all the candidates (Professors) of the said Department and the said Campus to which successful candidate (Professor) belongs shall automatically lose their entitlement for the remaining seat(s) of Academic Council in the said category and their names shall be excluded from the result sheet.

- b. Similarly, for the next vacant position in the Academic Council, the candidate securing highest %age of votes among those remaining on the result sheet, after the exclusion of candidates as per above mentioned procedure, shall be declared as successful. Consequently, all the candidates (Professors) of the said Department and the said Campus to which successful candidate (Professor) belongs shall automatically lose their entitlement for the remaining seat, if any, of the Academic Council in the said category and their names shall be excluded from the result sheet.
- c. If needed, for the remaining vacant positions of Professors in the Academic Council, the results shall be finalized and declared by the Registrar in the above-mentioned manner.

VIII. For the positions of two persons not below the level of Associate Professor, as members of the **Representation Committee for appointments to the Senate**, the Registrar shall adopt the following procedure for the declaration of the names of successful candidates;

- a. If elections of two persons not below the level of Associate Professor are being held for both the seats of the Representation Committee for appointments to the Senate, at the same time, then on the finalization of result compilation Registrar shall calculate the %age of votes secured by each candidate. The name of that candidate shall be declared successful who has secured maximum percentage of votes. Consequently, all the candidates (Professors/ Associate Professors) of the said Campus to which successful candidate belongs shall automatically lose their entitlement for the remaining seat of said Representation Committee and their names shall be excluded from the result sheet.
- b. Similarly, for the remaining vacant position in the said Representation Committee, the candidate securing highest %age of votes among those remaining on the result sheet, after the exclusion of candidates as per above mentioned procedure, shall be declared as successful.

26. **DECLARATION AND PUBLICATION OF THE RESULT OF THE ELECTION**

After finalization of result, the Registrar shall declare/ announce the result of all the categories of candidates for all the authorities/ committee for which the election was held.

A copy of the list having election results shall be circulated as well as posted on the website of the University, as soon as possible but not later than three working days of the elections.

27. ELECTION PETITION

- I. The election of any candidate can only be challenged by means of an election petition, which shall clearly mention the nature of the objection and should be submitted to the Registrar within three days of the declaration of the election result. The Registrar shall be responsible for placing all the petitions received within due time before the 3 members' committee constituted for the said purpose,
- II. The said petition(s), if any, shall be decided by a 3 members Committee, constituted by the Rector for the said purpose.
- III. The decision of the said Committee will be taken within a week time by majority of votes and shall be final.

28. PUBLICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

The names of the successful candidates elected during the elections shall be published by the Registrar.

29. PRESERVATION OF ELECTION PAPERS

The Registrar shall keep all the papers relevant to the election in safe custody for a maximum period of six months from the date of the election and shall then cause them to be destroyed.
