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HQ Southern Air Command, IAF  
HQ training Command, IAF  
HQ Maintenance Command, IAF

### **MEMBERSHIP OF ORGANISATIONS**

1. As per the provisions of Rule 19, Air Force Rules, 1969, serving personnel may become member or may be associated with any society, institution, association or organisation which is recognised as part of the Armed Forces of the Union or is of a purely social, recreational and religious (or educational) nature. However, there have been instances in recent past where complaints of fraud and mis-management against some societies/ institutions, whose members/office bearers were serving Air Force personnel, and were subjected to raids by the IT authorities followed by litigation bringing adverse publicity in media. Such adverse publicity not only brings Air Force into dis-repute but also causes embarrassment to the administration.
2. In view of the above, it has now been decided that while there is no restriction on serving personnel from becoming members of such societies, prior permission of concerned Command HQ before accepting the post of an office bearers, even though an Honourary one, is required. In the case of personnel working in Air HQ and Units under Air HQ are concerned, ; the matter be referred to this HQ (Dte of PS). All cases of officers of Air Cmde and above are required to be referred to this HQ (Dte of PS) for approval by AOA.
3. This may be brought to the notice of all concerned under your HQ through the medium of SROs and suitable confidential order.
4. This supersedes Air HQ letter No. Air HQ/C 23407/1200/PS dated 21 Dec 92.