

SIGNIS INDIA

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(Refer page 3 for the guidelines to apply for the membership.)

SIGNIS INDIA is the Indian National Chapter of SIGNIS WORLD. SIGNIS INDIA is the National Catholic Association for Social Communications and is recognized as such by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India. Social Communications include all the field relating to Communication and Information such as Radio, Television Film, Audio Visuals, Information Technology, Graphics, Group Media, Folk Arts, Performing or Fine Arts, Production and Distribution of audiovisual and multimedia programmes, Media Education, Training., Academic Teaching and Research. The area of written Press, however, is reserved for ICPA.

01. NAME OF THE APPLICANT.....

02. NATURE AND CATEGORY OF ELIGIBILITY (Tick one only)

02.1 National Centre.....

02.2 Regional Centre.....

02.3 Diocesan Centre.....

02.4 Religious Congregational Centre.....

02.5 Professional Media Institution Run by Catholics.....

02.6 Other Catholic Organizations with a media wing.....

02.7 Individual Catholic Members - Lay and Religious.....

03. ADDRESS.....

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Telephones..... Mobile.....

E-Mail.....

04. **Include a BRIEF REPORT of Activities**

The application must be recommended by 2 active National/Regional members of Signis India and an active member is entitled to recommend a maximum of two applications in a year.

05. RECOMMENDING MEMBERS

05.1 Name and Signature

05.2 Name and Signature

06 SIGNIS REGION.....

07. RECOMMENDING AUTHORITY (**Not Applicable for Lay Faithful**)

07.1 NAME.....

07.2 DESIGNATION.....

07.3 SIGNATURE & SEAL.....

07.4 RECOMMENDING REGION.....

08. THE APPLICATION SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:

The application for National/Regional membership shall be addressed to the National/Regional President, at least three months prior to a National/Regional Assembly, supported by the recommendation of two active National/Regional Members.

09 The application must be recommended by CBCI OSC Chairman for National Members, Regional Chairman for Regional Centres and Diocesan Bishop for Diocesan Centres and individual diocesans, Major Religious Superior for Religious Centres and individual Religious

10. Application should reach National President / Regional President at least three months before the National/Regional Assembly. The application will be screened by the National/Regional Secretaries and National/Regional Assemblies will vote to admit for acceptance. The Applicant is expected to be present for the relevant assembly and give a report. On admission, the member is required to pay the admission and other fees.

11. Date.....

12. Place..... Signature of the Applicant

13. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES: Individual: Rs. 250.00; Regional: Rs. 700.00

Diocesan / Religious/institutional: Rs.400,00 National: Rs. 2000.00

14 Guidelines to apply for the membership according to the Signis India Constitution

5. MEMBERSHIP

5.2. Membership with voting right in SIGNIS INDIA is offered at Regional or National levels. A Region is the geographical area recognized as such by the CBCI.

5.2.1 Membership at the Regional Level is open to:

5.2.1.1. Catholic lay women and men who are educated or engaged in any field of Social Communication independently, or in a Church related or secular institution within the Region.

5.2.1.2. Individual Priests (Religious or Diocesan), Religious Brothers and Sisters engaged in, or have education or expertise in a field of Social Communications.

5.2.1.3. Diocesan Commissions and Centres for Social Communication within the Region.

5.2.1.4. Religious Communication Institutions within the Region, functioning at local or provincial level.

5.2.1.5. Regional Commission and Centre for Social Communications.

5.2.1.6. Catholic lay professional communication organizations/institutions.

5.2.1.7 Communication Departments of Catholic colleges.

5.2.2 Membership at the National Level is open to:

5.2.2.1. Catholic Institutions, Organizations and Associations that are set up primarily with the purpose of working in any field of Social Communication at the national level, and are registered as a Society with their own bodies. At least 50% of their activities must have a national character.

A Region is the geographical area recognized as such by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India.

6.1. Application for Regional Membership

6.1.2 Applications for membership shall be screened by the Regional Secretary/Treasurer and presented to the Regional Assembly which will confer membership through a secret ballot. A simple majority in favour will confer the membership to the applicant. The decision shall be notified to the National Office by the Regional Secretary-Treasurer, with a copy of the membership form duly filled.

6.1.3. An absolute majority of the Active Members should be present while voting to admit

6.2. Applications for National Membership

6.2.2. Application for National membership shall be screened by the National Secretary/Treasurer and presented to the National General Assembly which will confer membership through a secret ballot. A simple majority in favour will confer membership to the applicant.

6.2.3. An absolute majority of the Active Members should be present while voting to admit new members.