

ELECTION NOTIFICATION

ISBMT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS – 2025

Dear ISBMT Members

Immediate Past President

Alok Srivastava

President

Shashikant Apte

President-Elect

Navin Khattry

Secretary

Revathi Raj

Treasurer

Jose Easow

Executive Committee

Members:

Sharat Damodar

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1. The Executive Committee (“EC”) of Indian Society for Blood & Marrow Transplantation (“ISBMT” or “Society”) has constituted a Nomination Committee (“NC”) for the ISBMT EC Elections – 2025. The NC would be assisted by the ISBMT Secretariat as well as advised by S.C. Sharada & Associates, Company Secretaries.
2. The Constitution of the NC is as below:
 - i. Dr Shashikant Apte – Chair of NC
 - ii. Dr Revathi Raj – Convener of NC
 - iii. Dr Sameer Melinkeri – Member of NC
 - iv. Dr Sanjeevan Sharma – Member of NC
 - v. Dr Anant Gokarn – Member of NC
3. In accordance with Rule 8.3.5 of the Rules and Regulations of ISBMT, the EC of ISBMT has appointed Sreenivasan Narasimhan, a Company Secretary and Lawyer, as the Election Officer (“EO”).
4. **¹Under Rule 8.3 of the Rules and Regulations of ISBMT, the NC hereby invites nomination from Full Members for the office of Treasurer and 3 Non-Office Bearer (i.e. members of the Executive Committee who are not Office Bearers) positions on the EC of the Society. Only Full Members would be entitled to stand for elections for the Non-Officer Bearer positions and only those Full Members who have previously served as an EC member would be entitled to stand for elections for Treasurer.**
5. The term of the Treasurer would be for a period of One (1) Office Term i.e., commencing from the 5th Annual General Meeting (“AGM”) till the conclusion of the 6th AGM and the term of the Three (3) Non-Office Bearer EC Members would be Two (2) Office Terms i.e., commencing from the 5th AGM till the conclusion of the 7th AGM.
6. The record date to determine the status of Full Membership shall be 03rd April, 2025. Only those persons who are Full Members (as defined in the Rules & Regulations of ISBMT) as on 28th February, 2025 shall be eligible for submitting nominations to contest elections and vote.
7. Full Members are accordingly invited to submit their nominations in a duly filled in nomination form through email to the Nomination Committee – nominations@isbmt.org. Format of the nomination form is enclosed in this Election Notification.
8. Nominations received in any other manner, other than through email shall not be valid. The last date to submit nominations is 15th March 2025. The last date to withdraw nominations is 20th March 2025.
9. Each candidate shall be proposed and seconded by an existing Full Member. The Nomination Proposer and Secunder shall have an option to endorse their candidate either by signing the nomination form through wet-ink or by sending an email of their endorsement to nominations@isbmt.org from their registered email address.
10. While submitting the nomination form, candidates shall confirm the following:

¹ Capitalized terms in this paragraph are defined under Schedule I.

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- i. He/she is a Full Member (as defined in the Rules & Regulations of ISBMT).
 - ii. He/she consents to stand for election to the EC of the Society.
 - iii. He/she is eligible to contest elections for the position of Treasurer. (*Applicable in case candidate is contesting for Treasurer*)
 - iv. He/she commits to serve as an EC member for the full term and discharges such responsibilities as may be expected, if elected.
 - v. He/she is willing to devote adequate time to the Society's work.
 - vi. He/she endeavors to attend at least 75% of the EC Meetings held in a year.
11. The candidate shall submit a write-up containing a brief profile of himself/herself as well as a statement of intent briefly (**i.e. between 500-750 words**) describing how he/she intends to serve the Society.
 12. Candidates will not be considered in the following cases: (a) Pending dues to the Society, if any or (b) Against whom disciplinary action has been taken.
 13. The NC shall accept or reject all nominations received, based on the criteria listed herein. The NC shall be the final deciding authority on all matters relating to the nominations for the election.
 14. Campaigning for elections is discouraged.
 15. All election related notices will be published on the ISBMT Homepage - <https://www.isbmt.org/>. The date of publishing election related notices on the ISBMT Homepage will be considered as the date of publication. Simultaneously, all communications pertaining to the election shall be sent by the NC through e-mail to all the Full Members of the Society. The Full Members are requested to update their contact number and email address with the ISBMT Secretariat.
 16. Pursuant to Clause 8.3.4 of the Rules and Regulations, if only one person opts to stand for elections to the office of the Treasurer and such Non-Office Bearer EC positions, no elections shall be conducted for the particular position and such candidate's name as appearing in the election slate shall deem to have been elected at the AGM unopposed.
 17. All queries pertaining to the election nomination process shall be sent to the NC through email - nominations@isbmt.org.
 18. Elections shall be conducted electronically through a secure e-voting platform. The voting procedure and guidelines shall be described through a separate document issued by the Election Officer ("EO").

19. The proposed dates for the elections shall be as follows:

SI No.	Event	Date & cut-off time if any
1.	Call for nominations / Publication of Election Notification	28 th February 2025
2.	Last date for receipt of nominations	15 th March 2025 – 11.00 pm
3.	Last date for communication of election slate by NC to EC, EO and all candidates.	17 th March 2025 – 06.00 pm
4.	Last date for withdrawal of nominations	20 th March 2025 - 11.00 pm
5.	Circulation of AGM Notice	28 th March 2025 - 05.00 pm
6.	Publication/Circulation of candidate details and Election guidelines	28 th March 2025 – after 05.00 pm
7.	Election opening date	01 st April 2025 – 10.00 am
8.	Election closing date	01 st May 2025 – 06.00 pm
9.	Issue of Election report by Election Officer to NC	02 nd May 2025
10.	5 th Annual General Meeting	03 rd May 2025

The dates may be changed by the NC in consultation with the EO and EC, if required – by suitable announcements on the ISBMT homepage as well as an email communication to all the Full Members.



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Dr. Revathi Raj
Convener
Nomination Committee - 2025
ISBMT

Date: 28th February, 2025



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Sreenivasan Narasimhan
Election Officer

Date: 28th February, 2025

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SCHEDULE I

Extracts of the relevant definitions from Rules and Regulations of the Society are as below:

1.6 “**Full Member**” means any individual who fulfils the below conditions and is admitted as a Full Member in accordance with these Rules:

1.6.1 is a hematologist, oncologist, or transplant physician, AND

1.6.2 has paid the ²Membership Fee, AND

1.6.3 holds a necessary Qualification, AND

1.6.4 is (a) certified by Medical Council of India or National Medical Commission and licensed to practice medicine and perform peripheral blood, cord blood, or bone marrow transplantations, OR (b) has training and experience in hematology, medical oncology, immunology, or pediatric hematology/oncology, AND

1.6.5 has submitted Transplant Data relating to a period of at least three years.

1.15 “**Non-Office Bearers**” means members of the Executive Committee who are not Office Bearers.

1.16 “**Office Bearers**” means the Immediate Past President, President, President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other positions as may be determined by the General Body from time to time, provided that no elected individual shall hold more than one position as Office Bearer at a time.

1.20 “**Qualifications**” means any of the following:

1.20.1 DM/DNB in Clinical Hematology / Medical Oncology / Pediatric Hematology / Pediatric Oncology from India, OR

1.20.2 MD / DNB (Internal Medicine /Pediatrics) with at least 2 years of training in a recognized HSCT Center performing at least 10 transplants in a year, OR

1.20.3 Equivalent qualifications from overseas with at least one year of training in an HSCT Center.

1.27 “**Transplant Data**” means data in relation to bone marrow transplants conducted at the HSCT Center, provided to the Society pursuant to suitable data sharing agreements executed between the relevant HSCT Center and the Society.

1.28 “**Treasurer**” means the individual appointed as the treasurer of the Society elected in accordance with these Rules from time to time.

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² **Membership Fees is not applicable as on date of this notification.**