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THE
WESTERN INDIA
NATIONAL LIBERAL
ASSOCIATION,
BOMBAY.



Servants of India Society's Home,
SANDHURST ROAD, GIRGAUM,

Bombay, 21st July 1919.

From
Sir Dinsha Edulji Wacha, Kt.,
President, The Western India National Liberal Association,
Bombay.

To
The Secretary To The Government of Madras,
Madras.

Sir,

"The Western India National Liberal Association" has been formed in
pursuance of a Resolution passed at the All-India Conference of the
Moderate Party at its first sessions held in Bombay in November 1918.

The aims and objects of the Association, and its policy and methods
are set out in the Rules, a copy of which is enclosed herewith. The
Association has for its members leading men of this Presidency represent-
ing all classes and communities. A list of the members of the Council and
of the President, the Vice-President and the Secretaries is also enclosed

The Association has pledged itself to undertake and participate in
all movements which are meant for progressive advance for Indians on
constitutional line with sobriety.

I request you therefore that you will kindly order the issues of the
Government Gazette and all other publications as may be issued from your
Government to be sent to the Association at the address mentioned above.

Yours faithfully

D. Wacha
President.

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THE WESTERN INDIA NATIONAL
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(Established in 1919.)

CONSTITUTION & RULES.

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THE
Western India National
Liberal Association.

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CONSTITUTION & RULES.

- I. The name of the Association shall be
Name. "The Western India National
Liberal Association".
- II. (1) This Association is formed, in
Aims and pursuance of clause (b) of Re-
objects. solution XI of the 1st session
of the All-India Conference of the Moderate
Party, with a view
 - (1) to do sustained work for the politi-
cal progress and the moral and
material welfare of the people,

- (2) to give expression from time to time to the considered opinion of the party on matters of public interest, and
- (3) to inform and educate public opinion in this Presidency in support of its views, policy and methods.

(2) The Association accepts article I of the Constitution of the Indian National Congress Organisation and will work for the fulfilment of the declaration made by his Majesty's Government on the 20th August 1917, in accordance with the principles embodied therein.

III. For the promotion of its aims and Policy and objects, the Association shall methods. pursue the following principles, policy and methods:—

- (a) Law-abiding and constitutional methods of agitation or work,
- (b) Co-operation with Government, whenever possible and Constitu-

tional opposition to it, whenever necessary.

- (c) Fostering a spirit of broadminded liberalism based on principles of liberty, equality and fraternity, among the different classes and communities of the people.

IV. In due fulfilment of its aims and Educational objects and in strict conformity with its policy and propagandist methods, the Association will work. carry on educative and propagandist work by means of

- (a) leaflets, pamphlets and other publications
- (b) memorials to Government and
- (c) meetings or conferences, study classes, lectures and all such methods as may be deemed practicable and expedient to educate public opinion.

V. Having regard to the funds at its disposal from time to time the Association shall establish and maintain a library containing books, reports and journals and other publications necessary for the study of public questions and the promotion of its objects.

The Association will

- (a) provide facilities to members to meet constantly and exchange views on current topics and promote social intercourse among them,
- (b) make arrangements, whenever desirable and possible, to collect information on questions of general or special interest,
- (c) and generally take such action as may further the aims and objects of the Association and all matters pertaining thereto.

VI. The headquarters of the Association
 Headquarters will be located in Bombay,
 and Branches. and Branches may be esta-

lished in the Bombay Presidency, wherever necessary.

VII. Any person who is above 21 years of age and who expresses in writing, on the prescribed form of application, his acceptance of the aims and objects and methods and policy of the Association laid down in Rules II and III and his willingness to abide by them, and whose name is duly proposed, seconded and supported in writing by any three members of the Council of the Association, shall be eligible for election as a member of the Association. Members shall be elected by the Council of the Association at its meetings, due notice of the proposed election being given to every member of the Council, and no one who fails to secure the votes of at least two-thirds of the number present at any such meeting shall be considered to have been elected. The voting shall always be by ballot.

VIII. The Association may elect from Patrons and Vice-Patrons. time to time Patrons, from among those who make bene-

factions to the Association. Such election shall be made at a meeting of the Association on the recommendation of the Council.

Subscription of members. IX. Members shall be of three classes :—

- (a) Life-members paying Rs. 200.
- (b) Ordinary Members residing in Bombay paying Rs. 10 a year.
- (c) Non-resident members paying Rs. 5 a year.

X. Members shall have the right to be present and to vote at all Rights and Privileges of meetings of the Association and shall be entitled to copies of such papers and publications as the Association may issue and to the use of the Library and Reading Room of the Association subject to the bye-laws in that behalf.

XI. Upon the unanimous recommendation of the Council, the Association may elect persons of Honorary members. special distinction as its Honorary Members.

XII. The work of guiding the policy and The Council of administering the affairs of the Association. Association shall vest in an executive Committee to be called the Council, consisting of not more than 36 members, exclusive of Office-bearers, the first Council being elected by the Promoters from among themselves for a period of three years and having the power to co-opt 10 additional members from the general body of whom five shall be from among the non-resident members. The subsequent elections of the Council shall also be triennial, but in the second and all following elections, out of the total number of members, 15 shall be elected by the retiring Council and the rest by the general body. All vacancies caused by resignations, default or death shall be filled by the Council itself.

XIII. All decisions and proceedings of Reversal or modification of the Council, except the election of members, will be subject to reversal or modification on motions brought by requisitions signed

by at least one-fifth of the total number of members of the Association on 15 days' notice and passed at a meeting of the Association by a majority of at least two-thirds of the total number of the members present at such meeting.

XIV. The Association shall have a President, not more than four Vice-Presidents, not more than four Secretaries, and one Treasurer. All Office-bearers shall hold office for three years and shall so continue until new office-bearers are elected by the Members of the Association at the General Meeting next following the expiry of their term of office.

XV. There shall be at least one meeting of the Council every month. Meetings and Rules in relation thereto. There shall be at least one half-yearly meeting of the Association besides the Annual General Meeting which shall be held in the month of March to review and adopt the Annual Report and the Audited Statement of Accounts.

XV. Seven shall form the quorum of a meeting of the Council, and sixteen of the meeting of the Association. A quorum shall not be necessary for a Meeting adjourned for want of quorum. Fresh notice of a Meeting so adjourned shall be given.

XVII. The President of the Association shall preside at all meetings of the Association, and of the Council, and in his absence any one of the Vice-Presidents, and in their absence the meeting shall elect its own chairman.

XVIII. The Chairman, with the consent of the Meeting, may adjourn any Meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any such adjourned Meeting other than the business left unfinished at the Meeting from which the adjournment took place.

XIX. Every resolution or amendment thereto submitted to a meeting shall be

decided in the first instance* by a show of hands, but a ballot shall be taken if demanded by any three of the members present. Such demand must be made immediately on the Chairman declaring the counting.

XX. All moneys belonging to the Association shall be banked or invested in such manner as the Council may from time to time decide.

XXI. The Council shall keep or cause to be kept a minute book to record the proceedings of all the meetings. All books, papers and accounts in connection with the Funds of the Association shall be open to members for inspection during office hours.

XXII. For the study, consideration and discussion of public questions, and educative and propagandist work in furtherance of the objects of the Association, special Committees, consisting of members of the Association, shall be

appointed by the Council. Each such special Committee shall elect its own Chairman and a Secretary from among such members of the said Committee as are members of the Council. Each such Committee shall include at least 5 members of the Council and one of the Secretaries of the Association. Each such Committee shall submit to the Council annually a report of the work done by it during the course of the year.

XXIII. Except Rules II and III, which Change of Rules. can be altered only by a unanimous vote of the Association, the General Body of the Association shall have the power to change, amend, or make any addition to the Rules, provided that the meeting of the Association called for the purpose shall be attended by at least half the total number of members of the Association and the motion for the alteration, addition or amendment in question is accepted by a majority of at least three-fourths of the total number of members present at the meeting.

XXIV. No such proposal for change, amendment or addition shall be brought before the Association unless it has been previously recommended by the Council in office for the year.

XXV. The Council may frame bye-laws not inconsistent with these rules for the purpose of carrying on the work of the Association.

Home (Mis) Dept.

Letter [Ref] No. No 5240-2

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To ^{Chief}
The Secy to the Govt of Bombay.
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Sir,

P.C.F.

I am directed to enclose
copy of an application received
by this Govt. from the President
of the Western India National
Liberal Association, Bombay,
and to request that, with the
permission of His Excellency
the Governor in Council, this Govt.
may be furnished with information
as to the Status of the Association
and as to the privileges that
have been accorded to that body
by your Govt.

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General Department.

Bombay Castle, 5th September 1919.

From

G.A. Thomas, Esq., I.C.S.,

Secretary to the Government of Bombay.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Home (Miscellaneous) Department.

Sir,

p4ante With reference to your letter no. 5240/2, dated the 4th August 1919, I am directed to say that the ---- Western India National Liberal Association, Bombay, is supplied with official publications of this Government and to recommend that its request for the supply of the official publications of the Government of Madras may be complied with.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

Ch Thomas
Secretary to the Government of Bombay.
X.N.B.

Home (Mis) Dept.
Editor's Table Privileges.

[No 5240] From the President, the Western India National Liberal Association, dated the 21st July 1919.

U.S.

An ack^t is subd. for signature.

2 As the Association is of recent origin, the Govt of Bombay may be consulted as regards the status of the body and as to the privileges that have been accorded by that Govt to the Assoc.
Draft letter subd.

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[Issued as letter No 5240-2 Home (Mis) 4 August 1919]

[C No 5774] From the Secy to the Govt of Bombay, Genl. Dept, No 7486 of 5 Sep 1919

U.S.

The Western India National Liberal Association are supplied with the official publications of the Bombay Govt and the Bombay Govt recommend its request for the supply of the official publications of this Govt.

2 The recommendation may be accepted. It appears to be enough to supply the association with annual departmental reports. - vide for precedent portion marked

(R) on p 9 of G.O. No. 1208 of 14. Aug 1919

3 The Gazette is not supplied free to any newspaper or instn.

4 A draft order is subd. It may perhaps be sent to Public for perusal before issue.

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It is an extra Presidery Association. We are always chary of supplying ET papers to institutions outside the Presidery.

Draft saying all ET papers are given to the Press. The Association can have access when for the newspapers.

Much of this will not be interesting to an amate outside the Presidery.

Re the gazette etc.

W. J. 17.9.19

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Home (Mis) Dept.

A revised draft declining all E.T. privileges to the assocⁿ is subd. with refce. to the Secy's orders above.

≡ In the original draft it was proposed to give the association only annual departmental reports and this was done in view of the recommendation of the Bombay Govt. It is for consideration whether the Assocⁿ may not be given these reports

(R) - vide for precedent pp 5-9 of G.O. No. 1208/14.5.19

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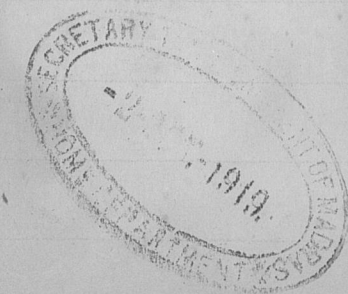
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These Associations spring up like mushrooms & I see no reason to waste postage & stationery on extra Presby bodies. The chances are that all existing whitish associations will be remodelled when the Reforms come in.

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