

API ANNOUNCEMENT

ELECTIONS OF API, ICP AND PRF

(Full details circular No. 1 & 2/2026)



Election for Governing Body of API, Board of PRF and Faculty Council of ICP are announced for the following posts:

Governing Body of API:

President-Elect: One; Vice President: Two (One VP for 3 years & One VP for 1 year); Hon. General Secretary: One; Elected Members: Six and Hilly Zone (Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Jammu & Kashmir) - one for 2 years (2027-2028)

Board of PRF:

Director-Elect: One; and Board Members: Three (Out of these three members, one post will be reserved for a female candidate).

- Separate nominations must be submitted for each post.

Faculty Council of ICP:

Dean-Elect: One; Vice Dean: One; and Elected Members: Six posts (Out of these six posts of Faculty Council Members, one post shall be reserved for a female candidate).

Eligibility Criteria to contest election for the Governing Body of API posts:

- A) **President-Elect:** To contest for the post of President-Elect, the candidate should be a life member of API for at least 12 years and have completed at least 3 full terms of 3 years each in any elected position in the Governing Body.
- B) **Vice President:** To contest for the post of Vice President, the candidate should be a life member of API for at least 9 years and should have completed at least two full terms of 3 years in any elected position in the Governing Body.
- C) **Hon. General Secretary:** To contest for the Post of Hon. General Secretary, the candidate should be a life member of API for at least 6 years and should have completed at least one continuous full term of 3 years in any elected position in the Governing Body.
- D) **Governing Body Member/Zonal Member:** To contest for all other elected positions, continuous membership of the Association of at least 3 years is mandatory.

Eligibility Criteria to contest election for the Board of PRF posts:

- A) **Director-Elect:** A member of API for at least 10 years with research experience and have 10 research publications in peer-reviewed indexed journals.
 - B) **Board Member:** A Member of API for at least 10 years with research experience and having 5 research publications in peer-reviewed indexed journals.
- Note: The members contesting for the PRF election must attach copies of the Research Papers as mentioned above; this is mandatory.

Nominations shall be made on prescribed forms stating the office for which nominations are filled. (Nomination form is available on the website). The nominations for API/PRF posts shall be proposed by one valid member and seconded by another valid member of API and duly signed by them. The candidate must sign a declaration signifying his/her willingness to stand for election and serve on the Governing Body, if elected, & affirming his/her commitment to abide by all rules and regulations and to uphold the society's constitution throughout the election process and their subsequent term of office.

Eligibility Criteria to contest election for election to ICP posts:

- A) **Dean-Elect:**
 - i. A member of API for at least 15 years, and
 - ii. A Founder Fellow or a Fellow of the College of 7 years standing, and
 - iii. Any person who has held the position of President/Secretary of API or served as Vice Dean for one full term or elected member of the Faculty Council for two terms.
- B) **Vice Dean:**
 - i. A member of API for at least 12 years, and
 - ii. A Founder Fellow or a Fellow of the College of 5 years standing, and
 - iii. Any person who has held the position of Secretary of API or has been a Jt Secretary from HQ or one full term member of the Faculty Council.
- C) **Elected Members:** A member of API for at least 10 years and a Founder Fellow or a Fellow of the college of 3 years standing.

Nominations shall be made on prescribed forms stating the office for which nominations are filled. (Nomination form is available on the website). The nominations for ICP posts shall be proposed by one valid Founder Fellow/Fellow and seconded by another valid Founder Fellow/Fellow of ICP and duly signed by them. The candidate must sign a declaration signifying his/her willingness to stand for election and serve on the Faculty Council, if elected, & affirming his/her commitment to abide by all rules and regulations and to uphold the society's constitution throughout the election process and their subsequent term of office.

General Guidelines:

- A) A member shall not contest simultaneously for more than one post (i.e., President-Elect, Vice-President, Hon. Treasurer; Member of the Governing Body/Zonal Member; Dean-Elect; Vice Dean and Elected Members of Faculty Council; and Director-Elect and Board Members of PRF). Post means not only an office-bearer but also a member of the Governing Body of API or Faculty Council of ICP or Board of PRF.
- B) Every member is supplied with a nomination form. The nomination form completed in all respects should reach the API Office not later than 1st June 2026, 5 pm (31st May 2026 falling on Sunday). For every post on the Governing Body/Faculty Council/Board of PRF, the nomination must be accompanied by a Demand Draft (Payable at Mumbai) ONLY of Rs. 7,500/- + 1,350/- (GST) i.e. Total Rs. 8,850/- (Rupees eight thousand eight hundred & fifty only). The Nomination fee is NON-REFUNDABLE. For Nomination, no cheque/Net Banking will be accepted.
- C) Canvassing in any form is strictly not allowed. Any contestant who is found to be canvassing will be disqualified as per the provisions of the constitution of API/ICP/PRF.
- D) All the contestants are requested to send a short bio-data NOT MORE THAN 200 words along with the nomination paper which will be placed on the API website. Excess bio-data beyond the first two hundred words shall be deleted.
- E) The contestant will have to sign the declaration that the particulars submitted by him/her in the nomination form are true & correct. And he/she will abide by all rules and regulations and uphold the society's constitution throughout the election process and their subsequent term of office.
- F) The results will be declared at the end of counting of votes and announced in the subsequent issue of JAPI. The report will be placed before the Governing Body for approval.
- G) For full information regarding elections eligibility, schedule of elections, and any other information please visit the website: apiindia.org

IMPORTANT DATES FOR ELECTION SCHEDULE

Last date to receive the nomination at API Office:	1st June 2026, 5 pm
Last date for withdrawal:	10th June 2026, 5 pm
Last date to receive ballot papers at API Office:	31st August 2026, 5 pm
Counting of ballots:	6th September 2026, 9 am
Declaration of Election Results:	6th September 2026, 4 pm

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