REINSTATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

According to Bye-Law 9.5.1, members whose subscriptions have not been paid for more than six (6) months after the due date would be notified by the Hon. Secretary in writing. In the event of continuation of default for three (3) further months and in the absence of satisfactory explanation by letter, the General Council shall expunge the name of the defaulter from the Membership Register after a final 14-days notice is issued.

In summary, the entire procedure of expulsion would take at least some of 9 to 10 months; and practically 12 months to effect.

Procedures and conditions for reinstatement of membership were set and approved by the General Council at its meeting on 10th November 1998 and came into effect from 1st January 1999.

The aforesaid procedures and conditions were reviewed and discussed at a meeting of the Working Group on Reinstatement of Membership on 1st September 2014; and the recommendations on the new procedures and conditions for reinstatement of membership are as follows:

a. expunged members could apply for reinstatement ONLY if the application is made within a grace period of 12 calendar months after expulsion is effected;

b. for successful cases of reinstatement applications, the original membership number and hence the issued Certificate of Membership could both be retained;

c. all subscriptions in arrears must be settled;

d. pay an application fee for reinstatement which is equal to the application fee for admission into membership;

e. submission of record of CPD events he has attended during the period after the expulsion to prove that he has complied with the Mandatory Continuing Professional Development requirement of the Institute;

f. if application is attempted after the grace period of 12 calendar months after the expulsion is effected, then expunged member could only apply for re-admission of membership and the by-then current admission criteria would be made applicable;

g. the above criteria shall be made applicable to all classes of Corporate Membership, Associate Members, Probationers as well as to Students.

These guidelines will be effective on 1 April 2015