



## Hindu Ahlaya Sangam Qld Inc. (HASQ)

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Dear HASQ Members, Donors and Wellwishers/Stakeholders,

### Draft Constitution

Thank you very much for your comments on the draft amendments for the HASQ constitution. I would like to point out that at this stage, we have invited comments only from the current financial members. However, comments received from others will be considered along with stakeholders yet to comment, therefore, there is no need to resubmit.

The current constitution was drafted in 1995 and it needed amendment because some of the issues are outdated. For this purpose, the previous management committee (Mr M Surendra, Mr T Sivanathan, Mrs R Paramanathan, Mr M Srirajalingam, Dr N Jeyarajan, Mrs R Nithianathan, Mr S Palamuthusingam and Mr T Surendran) and co-opted members for this review. This sub-committee which included Dr R Jeyarajan, Mrs P Nabanidham, Mr K Gunarajah, Mr K K Sivakumar, Dr R Ramalingam and Dr V Kanagarajah as co-opted members, and Mr M Surendra, Mr T Sivanathan, Mrs Paramanathan, Mr Srirajalingam from the management committee, undertook an extensive review of the current constitution over a long period of time and prepared the draft.

HASQ had planned the following steps (given below) in the process of review of the draft constitution including suggestions from the financial members and other stakeholders:

- a) Each current financial member has been invited to express his/her comments, (Completed)
- b) Comments received from the members and the stakeholders will be discussed at a meeting of interested parties and the required amendments will be finalised. (By end of November)
- c) Process will be put in place to ensure that all compliance have been met. (By end of November)
- d) The final draft constitution will be submitted at a Special General Meeting for voting. (By 9<sup>th</sup> of December)

Based on this process, we have already received comments from the current financial members. The next phase of the process was to be undertaken as outlined above.

However, we now understand that some of the members and stakeholders (who have sighted the document before we could send it to them officially) have not had an opportunity to review the draft constitution in detail, leading to some confusion and misunderstanding. As a result of this, and as part of the consultative process, we will now arrange a formal meeting to go through the suggested changes and explain the rationale for such suggestions. Details of the forthcoming meeting will be announced at the temple website and by individual mail/e-mail.

This is a painstaking and lengthy process. However, the proposed new constitution will guide the future generations to operate the temple under the rules acceptable to our community. We are confident, that this can be achieved and it is our intention to complete this exercise as soon as possible.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs S Devi Viveganantham  
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