UPOA ELECTION 2026 – 2027
CODE OF CONDUCT

Dear UPOA Election Contestants

The conduction of a fair electoral process is the foundation on which our proud association rests and flourishes.

All the contestants are strongly advised to strictly adhere to the CODE OF CONDUCT to avoid forfeiting their candidature as decided and passed by the Executive Committee.

The CODE of CODUCT will come into effect the day it is uploaded to the UPOA website and will remain enforced till the declaration of results.

1. Each contestant is permitted-

   I. Prior to commencement of online voting:

      a. Total of THREE online appeals. These may be in the form of SMS, Email or WhatsApp (or other messaging apps). He may choose any of these provided that the sum total does not exceed three.

      b. One personal phone call.

      c. One hard copy of appeal posted by surface mail.

   II. After online voting starts:

      a. Total of TWO online appeals. These may be in the form of SMS, Email or WhatsApp.

      b. One personal phone call.

2. In case there is a written complaint by any member to the Election Officer with documentary evidence of harassment or nuisance by any contestant such will be forwarded to President and Secretary who will then take further decision in consultation with returning officer.

3. In case of any dispute arising during Online Voting, the decision of Election Officer along with Observers will be final. Once the election commences official complaints will only be entertained by the election officer via email.

4. No one should misrepresent UPOA by using ‘UPOA’ & UPOA Logo in bulk messages.

5. All contestants will be required to sign a statement promising to abide by these regulations before the start of the online voting.

6. The two Election Observers shall be part of election process.

7. Attempting to contact / influence the Online election vendor will be deemed an unfair practice and may result in disqualification of the contestant.

8. Prior to the commencement of the counting procedure, all contestant will have to give a written & signed consent testifying that they have no objection with the complete procedure of election.
9. Counting will occur ONLY in the presence of:
    i. UPOA President & Secretary
    ii. UPOA Election Officer
    iii. Two Election Observers
    iv. Contestant / Representatives
    v. Election vendor personnel (physical or virtual)
10. Results will be officially declared by the Election Officer during the GBM in UPORTHOCON 2027 at Kanpur.

Signature of contestant
Name:

Date: