

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY
STATE OF MISSOURI

VENKAT VALLURURPALLI)

and)

SUREN PATHURI,)

Plaintiffs,)

vs.)

SATYA GUDIVADA,)

Defendant,)

and)

THE INDIA ASSOCIATION OF ST. LOUIS,)

Nominal Defendant.)

Cause No: 24SL-CC00751

Division No: 7

**THE INDIA ASSOCIATION OF ST LOUIS'S MOTION REGARDING JULY 25, 2026
BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION**

COMES NOW Defendant The India Association of Saint Louis ("IAS") motion, states as follows:

1. Pursuant to this Court's order of May 26, 2026 the current board of directors ("BOD") scheduled a general body meeting and election of the IAS board of directors for July 25, 2026.
2. Pursuant to IAS Bylaws Article IX, the BOD appointed 3 IAS members to be the Election Commission.
3. The Election Commission, pursuant to the BYLAWS, published the nomination form and required that the nominations be sent certified mail to an identified PO Box and received by July 1, 2026.

4. Subsequent to July 1, 2026 the Election Commission reviewed the received nomination forms, in the presence of Plaintiffs and Defendants and ultimately made a decision regarding the nominee forms received as follows:

ELIGIBLE NOMINEES:

1. Sridhar Nhadikudi
2. Sridhar Kothamasu
3. Nanda Kishore Rai
4. Haridas Kartha
5. Sharat Rao
6. Jayprakash Patel
7. R. K. Daggumati
8. Mahendr Gunnapooti
9. Raghavan Rajagopalan

INELIGIBLE (Stricken) NOMINEES:

1. Pravin Pachbhai: Ineligible due to **Incomplete Nomination and No Seconded by signature on the nomination form, not a certified/registered mail, stamped with \$0.78.**

2. Manhar Bhakta: Late arrival, picked up on July 5th, **Reason for Disqualification**

3. Pandu Ranga Rao Koya: Reason – there is no postal date stamped on the envelope.

4. Vijay Sakshi: Reason – he has been expelled from the organization due to cause as per ARTICLE II, Section 4 of the Bylaws.

5. Suren Pathuri: Reason – he has already served 2 consecutive terms in the Board and is not eligible for reelection for a period of two years as per ARTICLE VI Section 2 of Bylaws. Two times applied nominations 2019 and 2022 and elected as director served since 2019.

If any of Eligible Nominee withdraws then elections need not be conducted as per Article V

6. Krishna Bayya: **Reason for Disqualification ***.**

7. Veerabhadrrao DaSari: **Reason for Disqualification ***** and Incomplete Nomination, Nomination name missing.

8. Dr. Naveen Krishna: **Reason for Disqualification ***.**

REASON FOR INELIGIBILITY

***According to the **India Association of St. Louis (IAS) Bylaws, Article VI, Section 1**, active participation, meaningful contribution, and support of the Association's activities are important factors in determining a member's eligibility to serve in an elected Board of directors position.

Based on the Election Commission's review of the Association's records and past activities, the candidates **Krishna Bayya, Veerabhadrrao Dasari, and Dr. Naveen Krishna** have not demonstrated sustained active participation or meaningful contributions to IAS since becoming members of the Association. The records do not indicate significant involvement in IAS programs, cultural or community events, volunteer activities, committees, disaster fundraising efforts, or other Association initiatives. In addition, there is no record of their contributing to the planning, organization, coordination, or execution of IAS events or serving as a resource to support the Association's mission and objectives. No evidence of events or other participation.

After reviewing the available information and applying the eligibility criteria set forth in the IAS Bylaws, the Election Commission concluded that these candidates do not satisfy the active participation and contribution requirements under **Article VI, Section 1**. Accordingly, the Election Commission determined that they are **ineligible** to contest the election.

9. Based on the above the Election Commission has determined that there are only 9 eligible nominees to fill the 9 available BOD positions and intent to announce the results of the election at the General Body meeting on July 25, 2026.

Wherefore Defendant India Association of St Louis, request that the Court allow the IAS and its Election Commissioners to certify the election results and appoint the new Board of Directors and for any further relief the Court deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on July 22, 2026 , a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was filed with the court's electronic filings system which, pursuant to Missouri Rule of Civil Procedure 103.08, will send notice to all counsel of record. In addition, pursuant to Rule 55.03(a), Counsel hereby certifies that he has signed the original.

/s / Randall D. Grady