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**CONSTITUTION OF
NON-RESIDENT NEPALI ASSOCIATION
CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED
(Including Amendment 2009 and 2011) 2005**

39 **CONSTITUTION OF NON-RESIDENT NEPALI ASSOCIATION CO-ORDINATION**
40 **COMMITTEE AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED**

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42 **Section – 1**

43 **1. Definitions**

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45 1.1 In these rules:

46 **Association** means Non-Resident Nepali Association Co-ordination Committee Australia
47 Incorporated in NSW.

48 **Biennial Convention / Biennial General Meeting** means a general meeting of the association where
49 the registered members have right to vote for and to be the candidate of Executive Members of
50 NRNA – CC Australia and NRNA ICC Representatives.

51 **Execom** means Executive Committee of Non-resident Nepali Association Co-ordination Committee
52 Australia

53 **NRN** means Non Resident Nepali

54 **NRNA – CC Australia** means Non-resident Nepali Association Co-ordination Committee Australia

55 **Ordinary member** means a member of this organization meeting definition of NRN as described in
56 4.1 of this constitution

57 **Registered member** means the registered members of the Association as described in 4.3.4 of this
58 constitution with voting right and right to contest for elective positions to be elected from General
59 meeting of the Association.

60 **SAARC Countries** means member countries of the South Asian Association for Regional cooperation

61 **Special general meeting** means a general meeting of the association other than the Biennial general
62 meeting.

63 **The constitution** means the constitution of Non-Resident Nepali Association Co-ordination
64 Committee Australia Incorporated in NSW.

65 **The Act** means the Associations Incorporation Act 1984 of New South Wales

66 **The Council** means Council of Nepali Community Association Advisory committee Australia.

67 **The Fund** means Fund of NRNA Australia

68 **The Regulation** means the Associations Incorporation Regulation 1999 of New South Wales

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70 **2. Name, Scope and Effective Date:**

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72 ***Preamble***

73 This constitution has been adopted to establish the objective, the rules and procedures of the Non-
74 Resident Nepali Association Co-ordination Committee Australia (NRNA – CC Australia). NRNA – CC
75 Australia will be an independent, not for profit, non political and nongovernmental organization
76 dedicated to the basic human rights, multiculturalism, the safeguard of the rights and welfare of the
77 people from Nepali origin living in Australia & the development and promotion of Nepal from
78 Australia.

79 **2.1 Name**

80 The name of the association shall be Non-Resident Nepali Association (NRN) Co-ordination
81 Committee, Australia (NRNA - CC Australia)

82 2.2 Scope

83 This constitution shall govern the conduct of all the activities of the NRNA - CC Australia. The NRN-CC
84 Australia shall operate in Australia. It will operate as a not-profit organization. The members NRNA –
85 CC, Australia can participate in other countries to meet the objectives of the Association on the
86 formal decision of the Executive Committee.

87 2.3 Effective date

88 This constitution shall be effective from the date of the registration on 21 February 2005 in
89 Australia.

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91 **3. Objectives**

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93 3.1 The NRN – CC Australia is associated with the Non Resident Nepali International Co-ordination
94 Council (NRNA ICC) and aims to support its objectives by organizing and managing NRN activities in
95 Australia.

96 3.2 The objectives of this Association shall be to contribute to the economic, social and cultural
97 development of Nepal by Non-Resident Nepali (NRN) community living in Australia. The motto of the
98 Association shall be BY NEPALI FOR NEPALI. To meet the objective, NRNA – CC Australia shall play
99 the role of facilitator and organizer of the programs that supports:

100 3.2.1 Fostering closer co-operation among the NRN communities scattered in Australia;

101 3.2.2 Creation of conducive environment for the investment by the NRNs in Nepal and
102 utilization of the talents and skills of the NRNs in Nepal;

103 3.2.3 Establishing the Association as a national forum for the promotion and protection of
104 interests of the NRNs both in Nepal and in Australia;

105 3.2.4 Networking with the different organizations in Australia and NRN National Co-
106 ordination Councils around the world for co-operation and coordination;

107 3.2.5 Promotion of Nepali culture and tourism in Australia;

108 3.2.6 Facilitating and attracting NRN and Foreign Investments in Nepal; and

109 3.2.7 Fostering relationship with other Australian communities, Federal, State / Territories
110 and local Government to promote multiculturalism in Australia.

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112 **Section – 2**

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114 **4. Membership**

115 4.1 NRN refers to both people of Nepali origin who has acquired foreign citizenship except for the
116 citizenship of SAARC countries and people of Nepali origin who currently hold Nepali passport but
117 who have lived outside Nepal other than SAARC countries for a minimum period of 183 days in a
118 year.

119 4.2 Nepali citizen holding position in the Resident Mission of Government of Nepal (G/N) shall not be
120 covered by this statute.

121 4.3 There shall be the following membership of the association:

122 4.3.1 Ordinary member: Ordinary members of the Association shall be all NRN as described
123 in 4.1

124 4.3.2 Associate Member: Associate members shall be the people of foreign origin with an
125 interest in promoting and helping Nepal. Executive committee of NRNA – CC Australia shall
126 make decision in issuing Associate Membership to the people from any origin except for
127 Nepal

128 4.3.3 Honorary Member: NRNA – CC Australia may issue Honorary membership to the
129 people from any origin except for Nepal who have records of significant contribution in
130 protection and promotion of Non Resident Nepali

131 4.3.4 Registered Member: Registered member of the Association shall be NRN as described
132 in 4.1 who shall have right to

133 4.3.4.1 attend the general meeting and special general meeting of NRNA – CC
134 Australia;

135 4.3.4.2 vote for a elected position of NRNA – CC Australia;

136 4.3.4.3 contest for an elected position of NRNA – CC Australia;

137 4.3.4.4 vote for the selection of the participants in the International conference of
138 NRNA ICC from Australia;

139 4.3.4.5 contest for the participant in the International Conference of NRNA - ICC
140 from Australia; and

141 4.3.4.6 vote and right to contest for the position of elected member of NRNA – ICC
142 from Australia

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144 4.4 The association shall issue registered membership upon meeting criteria of NRN and

145 4.4.1 submission of duly completed online application form together with applicable
146 membership fee; or

147 4.4.2 submission of signed application form prescribed by the Execom of the Association
148 together with applicable membership fee if execom decides to accept manual form because
149 of failure in online application system

150 4.4.3 Application form approved by the Execom shall be made available by the Execom in its
151 website or manually if it decides to accept manual application

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153 4.5 Application made, paid and accepted online is considered to be accepted and recorded as
154 registered member of the Association unless otherwise notified by the Secretary as per the decision
155 of the Execom. Online confirmation of registration constitutes the notice of registered membership
156 of the Association by the Secretary.

157 4.6 The Secretary of the Execom should update member register as soon as practical after the
158 receipt of a valid paper nomination application made as per clause 4.4.2. The secretary must notify
159 the receipt of the nomination application to the applicant as soon as practicable. This notice
160 constitute the confirmation of nomination as registered member of the Association by the Secretary.

161 4.7 As soon as practicable after the receipt of the nomination application, the secretary must
162 present the application in the meeting of execom for approval.

163 4.8 The Secretary must send a notice to the applicant whose application is not accepted, outlining
164 the reasons and enclosing the refund of application fee, within 7 days of Execom decision.

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168 **5. Membership Fee**

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170 5.1 No membership fee shall apply to Ordinary members and Honorary members.

171 5.2 Membership fee for Associates Members and Registered members shall be decided by
172 Execom.

173 5.3 Execom may review Membership Fee within 6 months after the most recent General Conference
174 of the Association.

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176 **6. Cessation of membership**

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178 6.1 An ordinary member ceases to be a member of the association if the person dies or if the person
179 ceases to meet definition of NRN described at 4.1

180 6.2 An associate member, a registered member or an Honorary member cease to be an associates
181 member, registered member or an Honorary member if the person

182 6.2.1 dies; or

183 6.2.2 resigns from the membership of the association; or

184 6.2.3 is expelled from the association; or

185 6.2.4 does not pay prescribed annual membership fees; or

186 6.2.5 ceases to meet definition of NRN described at 4.1

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188 **7. Membership entitlements is not transferable**

189 Rights and obligation of a member is not transferable to any other individual or legal entity.

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191 **8. Resignation from a membership**

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193 A registered member, an Associate member & an honorary member of the association may resign
194 from the membership of the association by first giving to the Secretary written notice of at least one
195 month (or such other period as the committee may determine) of the member's intention to resign
196 and, on the expiration of the period of notice, the member ceases to be a member.

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198 **9. Register of members**

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200 9.1 The secretary of the association must establish and maintain a register of members of the
201 organization specifying the name, address and other contact details of each person who is a
202 member of the association together with the date on which the person became a member.

203 9.2 The register of members must be kept at the principal place of administration of the
204 association and must be open for inspection, free of charge, by any member of the association at
205 any reasonable hour if the request of inspection is made in writing and Excom approves the
206 application.

207 9.3 The confidential information of members should be kept confidential at all time as per the
208 Privacy Act 1988 of the Commonwealth of Australia. However, private information in the register of
209 members can be used for the activities of the Association.

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211 **10. Members' Liabilities**

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213 The liability (if any) of Registered members of the NRNA - CC Australia is to contribute towards the
214 payment of the debts and liabilities of the association or the costs, charges and expenses of the
215 winding up of the association. Ordinary, Associate and Honorary members will not have any liability
216 in case of winding up of the association.

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218 **Section - 3**

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220 **11. The Funds of the Association**

221 11.1 Source of fund

222 Activities of the association shall be financed from the funds received from following sources:

223 11.1.1 Annual Subscription;

224 11.1.2 Donation;

225 11.1.3 Savings generated from the implementation of its programs;

226 11.1.4 The voluntary contributions received from members; and

227 11.1.5 Governments grants.

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229 11.2 Management of the Funds

230 11.2.1 Any amount received by the Association shall be deposited in the bank designated by
231 the Executive Committee (Execom). As much as practicable, all the transactions shall be
232 carried out through bank. The Treasurer and the President of the Association or office
233 bearer designated for this purpose by the President shall jointly sign for the operation of the
234 bank account.

235 11.2.2 The Treasurer shall maintain appropriate records of all funds received, expenditures
236 incurred and balance. The Treasurer shall furnish the statement of income and expenditure
237 to the Biennial Annual General Meeting (AGM)/convention.

238 11.2.3 The Executive Committee (Execom) shall direct or approve the expenditure from the
239 fund in accordance with this statute and in the best interest of the NRNA - CC Australia. The
240 Execom may delegate its authority of fund management to an individual of the executive
241 committee or to a committee formed under this constitution by developing adequate
242 guidelines.

243 11.2.4 The fund of the association shall be held in the bank account designated by the
244 Excom. Expenditure from the fund shall be incurred with the joint signature of at least two
245 members of the Excom (President or designate and Treasurer).

246 11.2.5 The officers of the Association shall comply with the accounting and audit
247 requirements of the law of Australia where the Association has its registration relevant to
248 the income/expenditure level of the Association, with regard to:

249 11.2.5.1 the keeping of accounting records of the Association.

250 11.2.5.2 the preparation of Annual Financial Statements for the Association;

251 11.2.5.3 the auditing or independent examination, of the financial statement of
252 the Association; and the preparation of the annual report and the sending of it
253 together with the financial statement of an appropriate appointed official agency.

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255 **Section – 4**

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257 **12. General Meeting**

258 All members of the association are able to participate in biennial general meeting which will take
259 place at the time and place determined by the Execom. However, only the registered members are
260 entitled to take part in election process.

261 12.1 General meeting of the association shall be the supreme body of the Association. It will be held
262 once in every two years

263 12.2 Execom of the association may postpone or delay the General Meeting for maximum of 2
264 months after two years of previous General Meeting or minimum 2 weeks prior to the international
265 conference of NRNA – ICC whichever, comes first

266 12.3 The date and venue of the General meeting should be formally announced by the Execom of
267 the association minimum of three months prior to the date of the General meeting

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269 **13. Business of the General Meeting**

270 General meeting of the association shall perform the following tasks:

271 13.1 To evaluate the performance of the Execom of the association and give necessary direction

272 13.2 To Conduct election of the Execom of NRNA – CC Australia

273 13.3 To conduct election for the position of elected member of NRNA ICC

274 13.4 To conduct election for the selection of representative to participate and take part in election
275 process of International conference of NRNA ICC

276 13.5 To determine the policy and program of the association to meet its objective

277 13.6 To amend the constitution of the association if required

278 13.7 To adopt the recommendation from various task forces

279 13.8 To adopt the audited financial reports

280 13.9 To adopt the special procedure followed by the election committee in agreement with Execom
281 in order to make election process scientific, effective and efficient

282 13.10 To discuss and decide on any other relevant issues raised during the general meeting

283 13.11 To provide recognition to different categories of community personalities

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285 **14. Special General Meeting**

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287 14.1 The President must call Special General Meeting (SGM) within 30 days of the recommendation
288 or request if:

289 14.1.1 execom decides to recommend the president for SGM to resolve important issues for
290 which it is not in the best interest of the association to wait until regular general meeting; or

291 14.1.2 requested in writing by minimum 51% of registered members specifying the reason/s
292 to hold such meeting

293 14.1.3 requested by special committee formed by most recent general meeting of the
294 association to further discuss and recommend constitutional amendment and / or any other
295 specific task/s

296 14.2 The special general meeting shall be chaired by the president. In the absence of the president, a
297 vice president of the association shall chair the meeting as per the decision of Execom.

298 14.3 All members can participate in the Special General Meeting of the association. However, only
299 registered members shall be entitled to vote.

300 14.4 Special General Meeting can make decision only on the issues decided in the meeting of
301 execom or in the application requesting the call of Special General Meeting.

302 14.5 The president shall decide online or physical SGM depending on the issue/s raised and
303 recommendation of Execom
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305 **Section – 5**

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307 **15. National Co-ordination Committee**

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309 15.1 An executive committee of NRNA - CC Australia shall be formed to implement the policy and
310 program passed by the General meeting and to perform the day to day function of the association

311 15.2 The executive Committee (Execom) of the association shall comprise of **41** members
312 including 9 office bearers & **32** members as mentioned below:

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314 1. President 1 (Centrally elected)

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316 **2. Vice-Presidents 3**

317 (Elected from the states / territories ranked top 3 in terms of membership number as at 31st May of
318 election year)

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320 3. Secretary 1 (Centrally Elected)

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322 4. Joint Secretary 3

323 (Elected from the states / territories ranked top 3 in terms of membership number as at 31st May of
324 election year)

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326 5. Treasurer 1 (Centrally Elected)

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328 **6. Members: 42**

329 • Elected proportionately based on membership number as at 31st May of election year from
330 states / territories. Each state / territory will be allocated minimum 1 member regardless of
331 their membership number **17**

332 • Elected from council of Nepali Advisory community Association of Australia **10**

333 • President of Nari Nikunj Australia **1**

334 • Nominated by the president **4**

335 **Total members: 32 (committee of 41 people)**

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338 15.3 Functions of the Executive Committee (Execom) - The Excom is the main body of the
339 Association. The major functions of the Excom shall be as follows:

340 15.3.1 To prepare policy and program of the Association and submit to the Biennial General
341 Meeting (AGM)/ convention.

342 15.3.2 To plan and implement projects in accordance with the objective of the Association

343 15.3.3 To constitute committees and sub-committees to perform specific tasks as decided

344 15.3.4 To review activities of the Association and adopt appropriate actions plan

345 15.3.5 To review the operation and management of the fund

346 15.3.6 To establish excellent working relationship and contact with other community
347 organizations for the interest of the Association

348 15.3.7 To establish work procedures of the Association, committees and sub-committees

349 15.3.8 To perform any other tasks that may deem necessary to meet the objectives of the
350 Association.

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352 15.4 Duties of Office bearers: The duties of the office bearers of the Excom shall be as follows:

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354 15.4.1 President

355 The President shall function as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and presides all meetings of
356 the Association. He/she shall maintain contact with external parties (national and
357 international authorities, institutions and individuals) to achieve the objectives of the
358 Association, liaise with the ICC of the NRN, advise Secretary to hold Execom meetings, keep
359 oversight of the functions of other office bearers and members, appoint committees to in
360 agreement with the Excom members, nominate up to 3 executive members and lead the
361 Association to achieve its objectives

362 15.4.2 Vice-Presidents

363 The Vice Presidents' (VPs) main responsibility shall be to support the President in discharging
364 his/her responsibilities, preside the meeting of the Association in his/her absence and
365 perform any tasks delegated by the President. In addition, Vice Presidents shall lead the
366 State / Territory committee, co-ordinate activities of NRNA – CC and develop relationship
367 with relevant government and non government organizations in the relevant state /
368 territory.

369 15.4.3 Secretary

370 The Secretary shall keep the records of all official documents of the Association including the
371 list and contact address of all members and shall perform such other duties as may be
372 assigned to him/her by the Excom or by the President. The Secretary shall be responsible to
373 call the Excom and all other meetings, consolidate agenda for the meetings, maintain
374 minutes of the meetings and advise all office bearers of the minutes.

375 15.4.4 Joint Secretary

376 The joint secretary shall support the Secretary in discharging his/her responsibilities. In
377 addition, Joint Secretary shall keep and maintain register of member in the state as per the
378 guide lines developed by the Execom and perform secretariat duties in the relevant State /
379 Territory Committee as directed by the relevant Vice President and the State Committee

380 15.4.5 Treasurer

381 The Treasurer shall manage assets of the Association. He/she shall receive donations,
382 contributions from members and external parties. He/she shall be custodian of the funds of

383 the Association and shall invest and/or disburse them subject to the rules and/or as decided
384 by the Excom.

385 15.4.6 State / Territory Coordinator

386 State Coordinator is responsible to coordinate state affairs of NRN Australia including call
387 and chair the meetings of state committee, report the state's activities to Execom of NRNA -
388 CC Australia, execute the National Committee's decisions, perform any task delegated by
389 NRN Australia National Committee and the President

390 15.4.7 State / Territory Secretary

391 The State / Territory Secretary's main responsibility shall be to support the State
392 Coordinator in discharging his/her responsibilities, preside the meeting of the state in
393 his/her absence and perform any task delegated by the State Coordinator.

394 15.4.8 Members

395 Members shall support in implementing the programs of the Association, attend meetings
396 and perform tasks assigned by the Excom.

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398 16. Honorary Members and Advisors

399 The NRNA – CC Australia may from time to time decide to appoint people of high standing or those
400 with a long and/or outstanding record of contribution to the development of Nepali community or
401 any other person deemed deserving by the Excom as Honorary members and advisors of the
402 Association. However, the number of advisors may not exceed 10 at one time. Advisors shall be
403 invited to attend Execom meeting, express their opinion, offer advice but shall have no voting right.
404

405 17. Conduct of Execom office bearers, members and ICC members

406 No Execom office bearers, members or ICC members shall use the good name of the Association in
407 order to get personal, business or other direct or indirect benefits. He /she must maintain good
408 moral character and integrity. He / she should not be involved in any activities that damage the
409 reputation of the association.

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411 18. Expulsion

412 Any member of the association who may be guilty of any conduct which in the opinion of the
413 Execom renders her or his membership detrimental to the interests of the association may be
414 requested to resign, if refuses to do so, may be expelled, by a resolution of the Execom, subject to
415 an opportunity being given to him or her to explain his or her conduct. Any such resolution shall
416 require a majority of not less than two-thirds of the Execom members present and voting.

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418 19. Provision to fill vacancies

419 In case of vacancy arising in the Excom prior to the normal tenure of the Excom, the President in
420 consultation with the Excom members shall nominate members to fill the position until next election
421 is held.

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423 20. Election Procedure

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425 20.1 Officers of Execom shall be elected for 2 (two) years only, but shall be eligible for re-election.
426 The tenure shall start from the date of declaration of election result.

427 20.2 Eligibility of candidates

428 20.2.1 The President of the Association shall not be eligible for re-election in the same
429 position for more than two consecutive terms.

430 20.2.2 Any registered member holding position of President, Vice President or General
431 Secretary in any other organization/s will not be eligible to stand for the position of
432 President, Vice President and General Secretary in Excom of NRNA-CC Australia. Anyone
433 holding such position in other organization/s must present evidence of his / her resignation
434 approval from other organization/s before lodging application for nomination for a position
435 in the Excom of NRNA – CC Australia.

436 20.2.3 Candidates of all positions must be of good moral character and integrity. He she
437 should declare in the application for nomination that he/she has not been involved in any
438 unacceptable practices including criminal activities and fraud of any kind.

439 20.3 The NRNs who become registered members by the end of May of the election year will be
440 able to participate in election process.

441 20.4 The president, Secretary and Joint Secretary shall be elected by all the registered members. All
442 the other elected positions are elected among the members of the respective state / territory.

443 20.5 Execom shall constitute an Election Committee consisting of members from among the
444 registered members at least 45 days prior to the date of General Meeting. Election Committee shall
445 consist of a coordinator and four members. However, the committee may appoint more registered
446 members to assist in performing the election process.

447 20.6 Members of the Election Committee shall not be eligible to be candidate for executive
448 members of NRN ICC and NRNA-CC Australia. However, the newly elected president shall nominate
449 them as executive members or advisors where appropriate. The Election Committee shall decide its
450 own procedure to hold election.

451 20.7 Election Committee shall decide the method of voting including postal, online or any other
452 method in consultation and agreement with Execom.

453 20.8 Election Committee shall make voting arrangements in the states where 25% or more
454 registered members are located. However, election committee may make voting arrangement in all
455 states subject to the availability of resources.

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457 **Section - 6**

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459 **21 State / Territories Committee**

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461 21.1 A State / Territory Committee shall be formed in each state and territory of Australia including
462 New South Wales, Australian Capital Territory, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Western
463 Australia, Tasmania and Northern Territory

464 21.2 Formation of State / Territory Committee

465 21.2.1 State / Territory Committee shall consist up to 11 members including a State /
466 Territory Co-ordinator, State / Territory Secretary and 9 members.

467 21.2.2 Vice President representing an eligible state / territory in the Execom shall act as
468 State / Territory Co-ordinator and Joint Secretary representing the eligible State / Territory

469 in the Execom shall act as State / Territory Secretary. All the other members of the Execom
470 representing the state / territory (including elected members, nominated by president and
471 nominated by the Council of Advisory community Association of Australia) shall be member
472 of the State / Territory Committee. Additional members shall be nominated by the Execom
473 in consultation with state / territory representatives in the Execom.

474 21.2.3 Where a State / Territory is not eligible for Vice President and Joint Secretary, the
475 State / Territory Co-ordinator and State / Territory Secretary shall be elected among the
476 members representing the State / Territory in the Execom. Where a State / Territory
477 representatives are divided equally, the president shall make the decision. Additional
478 members shall be nominated by the Execom in consultation with State / Territory
479 representatives in the Execom.

480 21.2.4 Where a state / territory has only one member representing the state / territory in
481 Execom, the representative shall automatically be the State Coordinator. Secretary and
482 members of the State / Territory Committee shall be nominated by Execom in consultation
483 with the State Co-ordinator 21.2.5 Each State / Territory Committee is headed by State /
484 Territory Co-ordinator. State / Territory Secretary shall assist State / Territory Coordinator in
485 the secretariat tasks

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487 21.3 Function of State / Territory Committee

488 21.3.1 State / Territory Committee shall develop and propose NRNA activities and
489 programs to Execom for approval

490 21.3.2 State / Territory Committee shall run approved activities in the state

491 21.3.3 State / Territory Committee must keep records of activities, finances and
492 correspondences intact and make them available to Execom when requested

493 21.3.4 State / Territory Committee shall present report of activities and programs including
494 evaluation and finance report to the President within 2 weeks of the completion of such
495 activities / programs

496 21.3.5 State / Territory Committee shall develop relationship with other communities and
497 Australian government agencies

498 21.3.6 State / Territory Committee shall plan and perform any other activities directed by
499 the Executive Committee

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501 21.4 The Execom may decide to operate a Bank Account dedicated to a State / Territory Committee
502 if Execom is satisfied that the account is necessary for a state / territory to run and manage NRNA
503 activities and programs in the state / territory. Execom shall decide extent of operational freedom in
504 running and managing the account in accordance with the guidelines developed as per 11.2.3 of this
505 constitution

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507 **22 Council of Nepali Community Associations Advisory Committee**

508 **Australia**

509 22.1 The Association shall co-ordinate with other Nepalese associations in different parts of Australia
510 to achieve its objectives. To achieve the objectives of NRNA Australia and to create a common
511 platform for all Nepali community associations, NRN Australia with consultation of other Nepali

512 community associations shall form a “Council of Nepali Community Associations Advisory Committee
513 Australia”

514 22.2 The members of “Council of Nepali Community Associations Advisory Committee Australia”
515 shall consists of the Presidents of incorporated Nepali Community Associations in Australia

516 22.3 The function of the “Council of Nepali Community Associations Advisory Committee Australia”
517 includes:

518 22.3.1 Advising NRNA - CC Australia to achieve its objectives

519 22.3.2 Advising NRNA - CC Australia to resolve major community disputes

520 22.3.3 Advising NRNA – CC Australia and other Nepali Community Associations not to
521 duplicate the same activities

522 22.3.4 Advising NRNA – CC Australia to stage mega events such as Nepal Festivals,
523 establishing Nepalese Community Centre, advising operation of NRN Social Welfare Fund
524 Australia

525 22.3.5 Advising NRNA – CC Australia to lobby local/state and federal government to get the
526 grants to run the community activities

527 22.3.6 Advising NRNA - CC Australia to foster the relationship with local/state and the
528 federal governments

529 22.3.7 Nominating 10 members from the Nepali Community Associations to represent in the
530 Execom of NRNA Australia. These nominated members shall have similar right as other
531 executive members in the Execom of NRN Australia

532 22.3.8 Playing a bridge role between the NRNA - CC Australia and the Nepali Community
533 Associations

534 22.3.9 Making NRNA - CC Australia a common platforms for every Nepali residing in Australia
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536 22.4 Formation of Council of Nepali Community Associations Advisory Committee, Australia

537 22.4.1 Execom of NRNA - CC Australia coordinates the formation of the advisory committee

538 22.4.2 The advisory committee shall consist of all presidents of Nepali community
539 associations incorporated in Australia. The coordinator shall be elected among the
540 presidents of Nepali community associations incorporated in Australia.

541 22.4.3 NRNA – CC Australia execom coordinates the formation of the Council as per the
542 procedures decided by execom of the Association in consultation with president of the
543 incorporated Nepali Community Associations in Australia.
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545 **23. NRN Social Welfare Fund**

546 23.1 NRNA – CC Australia shall facilitate formation of NRN Social Welfare Fund. The objective of NRN
547 Social Welfare Fund shall be to provide:

548 23.1.1 immediate financial support to a person (or family of a person) of Nepali origin living
549 in Australia as a loan or grant in case of financial hardship causing from accidental injuries,
550 unexpected death, serious diseases requiring high financial costs for treatment and recovery
551 and permanent disability causing from some incident;

552 23.1.2 financial support to Nepali people living in Nepal in case of natural disaster or similar
553 crisis of serious nature for which Nepali government and/or NRNA ICC and/or NRNA – CC
554 Australia make call for assistance;

555 23.1.3 financial support to a person of Nepali origin living outside Australia and Nepal for
556 which Nepali government and / or NRNA ICC and / or NRNA – CC Australia makes call for
557 assistance.
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559 23.2 NRNA – CC Australia shall form task force for the formation of separate and independent
560 NRN Social Welfare Fund
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562 **24. Nari Nikunj, Australia**

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564 24.1 NRNA – CC shall form a women forum called Nari Nikunj, Australia

565 24.2 Nari Nikunj Australia shall be operated to achieve the following objectives:

566 24.2.1 Uniting Nepali women living in Australia and use their strengths in achieving
567 objectives of NRNA – CC Australia

568 24.2.2 Creating an environment of mutual support and co-operation among NRN women
569 living in Australia

570 24.2.3 Researching, identifying and deciding the key area of involvement in Nepal and in
571 Australia to support disadvantaged Nepali women

572 24.2.4 Plan, propose and run fund raising activities to support programs decided as per
573 clause 24.2.3.

574 24.3 All women general members of NRNA – CC Australia shall be general member of Nari Nikunj,
575 Australia

576 24.4 All women registered members of NRNA – CC Australia shall be registered member of Nari
577 Nikunj, Australia. Only registered members of Nari Nikunj, Australia shall be eligible to take part in its
578 election procedure

579 24.5 NRNA-CC may set up an account dedicated to Nari Nikunj, Australia. Extent of freedom on
580 account operation shall be decided by Execom of NRNA – CC Australia

581 24.6 Execom of NRNA – CC Australia shall issue directives for the formation and operation of Nari
582 Nikunj – Australia. The directives shall include (but not limited to) organisational structure, election
583 procedure, operational rules and duties and responsibilities of executive committee and its
584 members.
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586 **25. Patron Council**

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588 25.1 A permanent council named “Patron Council” consisting of individuals who have made
589 significant contributions in forming, promoting and protecting NRNA – CC Australia shall be formed.

590 25.2 Member of the council must be of good moral character and integrity. He / She:

591 25.2.1 must have played significant role in the formation and establishment of NRNA - CC
592 Australia; and

593 25.2.2 must have been continuously involved in defending, promoting and safeguarding
594 image and importance of NRNA – CC Australia, in and outside Australia; and

595 25.2.3 must have made significant contribution in institutionalising the National and
596 international coordination council; and

597 25.2.4 must understand norms, values, principal and constitution of the organisation so that
598 he/she can explain features of the organisation to general public; and

599 25.2.5 must have excellent track record of supporting NRNA – CC Australia and NRNA - ICC
600 morally, physically, financially and intellectually; and
601 25.2.6 must have been continuously participating in International, National and Regional
602 NRN activities and conferences where possible; and
603 25.2.7 must demonstrate strong commitment on active participation in future NRNA
604 activities and protecting NRNA interest within Australia and internationally.

605 25.3 Patron council shall consist of 7 members including 3 past presidents and other individuals at
606 the time of fourth general conference of NRNA – CC Australia. Number of member in the council
607 shall be increased by 1 after adding immediate past president of NRNA – CC Australia in every two
608 years at the time of general conference of NRNA – CC Australia.

609 25.4 Member of the Patron Council shall be nominated by the Fourth General Conference of NRNA –
610 CC Australia in recommendation of a 3 member special committee consisting of the past three
611 presidents before the fourth General Conference of NRNA – CC Australia.

612 25.5 Power of Patron Council

613 25.5.1 Eligible to take part in every activities of NRNA – CC Australia
614 25.5.2 Eligible to receive information regarding the activities of NRNA – CC Australia
615 25.5.3 Eligible to take part in all meetings of NRNA – CC Australia. However, they shall not
616 have voting right
617 25.5.4 In case the NRNA – CC Australia became inactive because of any reasons, patron
618 council may direct the Execom to call a meeting; and if meeting is not called or the direction
619 is not followed, the Patron Council will call meeting of past office bearers, executive
620 members and advisors and protect the organization as per the decision of the meeting. If
621 NRNA – CC Australia is unable to hold meeting of its Execom for 6 consecutive months
622 except for exceptional circumstances in which the President or Execom does not have
623 control, NRNA – CC Australia is considered to be inactive for the purpose of this part of the
624 constitution.

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626 25.6 Duties and responsibilities

627 25.6.1 Attend meeting of NRNA – CC Australia on regular basis and provide advice
628 25.6.2 Contribute to the programs organized by NRNA – CC Australia
629 25.6.3 Perform any other duties requested by NRNA – CC Australia

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631 25.7 A Patron Member can only be removed by General Convention of NRNA – CC Australia in
632 recommendation of the executive committee just before then, if he / she:

633 25.7.1 Resigns; or
634 25.7.2 Does not participate in the meeting and activities of NRNA Australia for more than
635 50% of the time invited without valid reasons and notice; or
636 25.7.3 Involve in activities that contradicts the interests of NRNA – CC Australia; or
637 25.7.4 Proven evidence of involvement in fraud and criminal activities; or
638 25.7.5 Any other proven reasons that are serious and damaging to the reputation and
639 future of NRNA – CC Australia

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642 **Section - 7**

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644 **26. Interpretation of the Constitution**

645 26.1 The right of interpretation of this constitution shall rest on the 3 members Constitution
646 Committee formed by Execom of the Association. Chairperson of the Committee shall be chosen
647 among the three members.

648 26.2 The Execom should make formal request in writing to the chair person of the Constitution
649 Committee seeking advice on specific constitutional issues. Constitution Committee must provide
650 opinion in writing to Execom through the president within shortest possible time but not exceeding
651 two weeks of the request.

652 26.3 In case of any unforeseen issues arise, Execom with two third majority may request opinion
653 from Constitution Committee in writing, the Constitution Committee shall formulate rules
654 and procedures to resolve the issues based on the spirit & objective of the constitution. Unforeseen
655 issues are considered to be those which have not been mentioned or provisioned in the existing
656 constitution.

657 26.4 Opinion of the Constitution Committee in relation to 26.2 shall be final & should be
658 implemented by Execom.

659 26.5 New rules formulated by the Constitution Committee as per 26.3 shall be a part of the
660 constitution until the next general meeting of the Association.

661 26.6 New Rules formulated by the Constitution Committee as per 26.3 must be presented before the
662 forth coming National Conference or Special General Meeting for decision and if not approved shall
663 be void and null. However, action taken based on the new rules shall be considered to be officially
664 valid.

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666 **27. Alterations**

667 Any of these rules may be rescinded or amended by the resolution passed at General meeting or
668 Special General meeting of the association by the two third majorities of the Registered Members
669 present and voting. The notice of such resolution, stating the nature of the proposed alteration and
670 the names of the proposer and secondor, should reach the members at least fourteen days before
671 the date fixed for such meeting. Such alterations shall be valid with simple majority vote.

672 **28. Dissolution**

673 The Association may be dissolved or disbanded by a resolution passed at any Bi annual Convention
674 or Bi AGM or SGM of the Association by a two-thirds majority of the registered Members present
675 and voting. However, such resolution will not become effective until one year the adoption of such a
676 resolution and approve by the Office of Fair Trading NSW.

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678 **29. LOGO**

679 The Association has its own logo "NRN logo with the wording Non-Resident Nepali Association –CC
680 Australia" as per Appendix 3

681 **30. Applicable Law**

682 The governing law of Australia and the Government of Nepal shall apply to the matters relating to
683 the NRN – CC Australia in operating its program in Australia and Nepal respectively.

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Appendix 2
(Rule 3 (1))

FORM OF APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

I, (Full name)
of (Address)
being a member of Non-Resident Nepali Association Co-ordination Committee Australia... hereby
appoint (Full name of
proxy) of
(Address) being a member of that incorporated association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf
at the general meeting of the association (annual general meeting or special general meeting, as the
case may be) to be held on the.....day of.....and at any adjournment of that
meeting. (Month and year)

* My proxy is authorized to vote in favor of/against (delete as appropriate) the resolution (insert
details). * To be inserted if desired.

..... Signature of member appointing proxy Date:

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Appendix 3

NRN Australia Logo

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Appendix 4

NRN Australia Registered member Card