Postponement of API office activities due to COVID 19 lockdown

Dear All,

This is to inform you that due to COVID 19 lock down, it was perceived in past few weeks that we may have to postpone all the office activities of API especially the initiation of the electoral process. As you all are aware that Mumbai is facing the major brunt of COVID 19 and currently the lock down orders in Maharashtra State are extended upto 31st May 2020 and it may be further extended depending on the situation that time. As the processes of printing Ballots, Hologram, Envelopes and other stationary needs around 1 months time and nearly 2 weeks are needed to post ballots to Members. So, in concurrence with current situation, printing and postal services are unlikely to be available to us for at least up to June last week or July 1st week.

Hence we had taken opinion from all of the Members API Governing Body Nominated/ Invited, Faculty Council of ICP and Board members of PRF by calling them personally. We were unable to reach 7 of 64 members due to the reasons like PHONE not reachable, no reply etc.

All the other members have unanimously approved that all activities to be postponed for next three months with effect from 1st May 2020, and the same will be uploaded on the API Website for the information of all members of API.

There was a suggestion from Dr. Amal Kumar Banerjee that the election work to be postponed till further notice, but almost all other members were of opinion that there should mention of postponement period with an additional line saying the decision might be further reviewed depending on the situation at that time.

This is for your kind information and notice...

Regards

Thanking you Yours sincerely

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