



## **MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION OF THE HIGHRANGE RURAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY (HRDS INDIA)**

- Name** : The name of the Society shall be, The Highrange Rural Development Society (HRDS INDIA)
- Registered Office** : The Highrange Rural Development Society (HRDS INDIA), Near KSRTC Junction, Kothaikunnu Bypass Road, , Thodupzha PO, Idukki, Kerala – 685584 , India.
- Corporate Office** : The Highrange Rural Development Society (HRDS INDIA), J-23 BK Dutt Colony, Near Ministry of Environment, Jor Bagh, New Delhi – 110003.
- Administrative Office** : The Present Address is The Highrange Rural Development Society (HRDS INDIA), Kunnathurmedu PO, Palakkad – 678013, Kerala, India

- I THE AREA OF OPERATION:** The area of operation of the Society shall be extended to the whole India.
- II OBJECTS:** The objects for which the society established are :- To organize, establish, consolidate, carryout, maintain, and develop up-lifting activities aimed at the relief of the poor irrespective of race, community, caste, creed, territory of politics.
- To promote, establish and run projects and activities for the welfare and development of Tribal People, Fishermen Community, Scheduled Caste, Minority Communities as well as other Backward Communities, Poor people and downtrodden people to do the needful for the sustainable livelihood of the same.
  - To implement and undertake activities, programmes and projects such as housing projects, income generating programmes, micro credit, micro finance, mutual funds and various kinds of thrift and saving schemes and all kinds of social activities for the upliftment of socially and economically down trodden groups in the society.
  - To promote, undertake and conduct programmes and projects for tourism development.
  - To establish, run and carry out various business, industries, commercial, mining and trade projects, ventures and programmes anywhere in India. The profits from the above said activities will be completely used for charitable purpose only.
  - To promote, start, undertake and run projects and programmes for the implementation and development of non-conventional energy.
  - To promote, start, undertake Skill Development Training Programmes.
  - To promote, implement and undertake projects and programmes for the development of dairy and agricultural farming both natural and organic.
  - To take up, promote and co-ordinate activities for communal harmony and secularism, national integrity and democracy among the people. And to take up, participate, provide and co-ordinate with all possible actions and activities for preventing terrorism.
  - To promote science, literature, engineering and medicine and to undertake, conduct research, seminars, trainings and debates in the field of natural science, engineering, agriculture, waste management, environment, medical and social science.
  - To establish, promote or assist in establishing or promoting and to subscribe to or become a member of any other association whose object of similar or impart similar to the object of the society.
  - To do all activities, trainings, works shops, seminars, etc., conducive to protect and improve the natural environment, compassion for living creatures, industry, medicinal plant cultivation, agriculture and rural development.
  - To implement and undertake projects and programmes for upbringing of children from wretchedness and activities for the welfare of poor children and destitute.
  - To promote, implement, undertake and run projects, programmes, shelters and institutions for the welfare and development of deserted Women and Children so as to bring them in the main stream of life.
  - To take part and participate in the welfare activities that are organized and sponsored by Government and Non-Government establishments, bodies and organizations within the capacity of the society.
  - To organize, conduct and co-ordinate festivals, seminars, workshops, conventions on socio-medical, cultural, educational, environmental, sports and linguistic activities.
  - To establish and run Old age homes, Home for destitute, Crushes, Palliative Centers etc.
  - To conduct, organize, and co-ordinate awareness classes, seminars, trainings and workshops on various issues such as social welfare, law, self employment, Nature Club, Environment, Human Rights, Women Empowerment, Prevention of HIV/AIDS, Poverty Alleviation, etc.

- To provide financial, material, moral and intellectual support and assistance to the poor and drop out students for their study.
- To start, print and publish periodicals, Books, Leaflets, Brochures and such other kinds of publicity materials for the promotion of literature, science, education, tourism, culture, communal harmony, women empowerment and human rights.
- To start do establish and run any other activities on any subject that are deemed fit and proper for the betterment of the society, in the interest of justice and not against the spirit and rule of the society subject to the decision and approval of the Board of Directors of the society from time to time.
- To convene held and summon any meetings, seminars and conventions independently or jointly with likeminded institutions having the same spirit, interest, goal and motives.
- To initiate, encourage, promote, organize, operate, advice, help societies, marketing organizations and to educate Small Industries, Legal Aid Societies, Non-formal educational centers, Hospitals, Community Programmes, Medical and Health Programmes, Community Service Centers, Holistic Medicine and other institutions, bodies, persons as from time to time that may seem necessary.
- To produce, direct and to print, publish issue and exhibit any film, journals, periodicals, books, papers, pamphlets, advertisements, reports, lecturers and reading matter for the diffusion of medical, agricultural, technical, moral, philosophical, cultural and other useful knowledge for the promotion, benefit and advancement of the charitable ideas, works and activities of the society.
- To establish and run holistic and cultural township comprises 1. The Highrange Rural Development Society (HRDS INDIA) Administrative Office, 2. Spiritual Centre, 3. Pathway- Naturopathy University, 4. Center For Medical & Research Institute, 5. Medical College For MBBS / MD, 6. Nursing College For Gnm /B.Sc /M.Sc, 7. Dental Medical College, 8. Ayurveda Medical College,9. Sidha Medical College, 10. Engineering College, 11. International School, 12. Arts &Science College, 13. Fine Arts/Dance & Music Institute, 14. Old age Home, 15. Children's Home, 16. Town Ship/Shopping Complex/Flat/Villas, 17. Cultural Centre/ Kutthambalam/ Oottupura, 18. International Sports Complex / Golf Club, 19. Museum For Sculpture And, 20. International Library/Broadcasting & Media Center, 21. Theatre For Film And Drama, 22.Banks,23.StaffQuarters/Hostels/Guesthouse,24.Canteens/RestaurantVeg/Nonveg, 25.IT Park/Pharmaceuticals&ResearchLaboratory, 26. International Convention Centre, 27. Five Star &Economic Class Hotels, 28. Lake/Boating/ Real Forest Zoo, 29. Free Buses From Town To Town, 30. Fish Farm/ Organic agriculture Farm/Animal Farm, 31. Horse Farm/ Organic Milk, 32. Botanical Garden/ Rear Species Bank/ Museum, 33. Medicinal Plant Park/Amusement Park, 34. Total Landscaping with Sculpture, 35. Helipad/ Rubberized Road /Water Way, 36. Water Treatment Plant, 37. Pipeline Gas Connection, 38. Total Waste Management System, 39. 24 hours Laundry System, 40. 24 hours Intercom Connectivity, 41. 24 hours Security System, 42. 24 hours Under Ground Power &Water Supply, 43. 11kv ElectricSubstation,44. Cemetery For Christian& Muslim, 45. Electric Crematorium.

### **III. MEANS : For the above purpose:-**

- a To acquire by purchase, Gift, Lease, Mortgage, Loan, Grant, Legacy, Bequeath, Exchange, Right of Privilege or otherwise of any person, Company, Society, Government, Institutional, Establishment or anybody whatsoever, movable or immovable properties of all descriptions for any purpose or purposes of the society. To establish, open and run any institution to deal with finance and other matters subject to abiding by the existing rules of the land and of the authorities concerned.
- b To print, publish, and distribute films, journals, magazines, books, papers, pamphlets, ads, reports, lectures, and reading materials to share useful knowledge in areas like medicine, agriculture, technology, ethics, philosophy, and culture. This is to support and promote the charitable ideas, institutions, and activities of the society. (For private circulation only)

- c To accept, receive, hold, administer, and use any Gift, Bequest, Donation, Grant, Loan, Subscription, or Foundation in cash or kind or other form of property from nationally and internationally for all or any of the objects of the society.
- d To undertake, discharge, carry out the office, duties and functions of the trustees, managers, administrators solely and jointly with others in respect of any such Gift, Bequest, Donation, Trust, Foundation or properties, whether vested in the society for otherwise and to take such steps for securing such contributions to the funds of the society as may from time to time be deemed expedient.
- e To invest, lay aside, deposit in Bank or otherwise deal with the money or funds of the Society not immediately required for the objects of the society and to subscribe to, purchase, acquire, hold, sell, endorse and negotiate in every way debentures, stock, share and securities of every description on the money market.
- f To receive investment globally, loan, funds and donations from individuals, societies, Banks, institutions and establishments with or without securities in any manner the Society may think fit and to repay the same.
- g To negotiate with and to enter into an agreement and arrangement with a Government or authorities, whether Centre, State, District, Municipal, Local, Universities, Board or other Public or Private bodies as may deem conducive to the promotion and accomplishments of the objects of the society or any of them and to apply for, obtain, collect, receive or recover from any such Government or authorities or bodies such Grant, Allowances, Concessions and Privileges as may be from time to time.
- h To use the property and assets of the society and all income from the properties and assets movable and immovable or from the works of the society as such whensoever's derived from the objects of the society as set forth in this Memorandum of Association, provided that no portion thereof is distributed among its members by way of profit, dividend rendered to the society.
- i To impart training to develop works and to carry out research and study on issues affecting the rural and urban poor and their development and to participate and encourage activities that aim in providing relief to victims of natural calamities.
- j To do or cause to be done any all such acts or things shall be in keeping with the objects of the society, provided such things or acts are not being contrary or in consistence with the spirit and the principals of the laws under which this society has been organized and registered.
- k To collect contribution to the fund in which the society is interested in the shape of donation, annual subscription, affiliation fees, and service charges or otherwise.
- l To take any steps by personal or written appeal to public meetings or otherwise as may be from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring.
- m To apply the income and properties of the society for public or charitable purpose, in accordance with the provisions of the sections of 11,12, and 13 of the Income Tax Act 1961 for the time being in force.
- n And more generally to do all acts and deeds which will further the assets and reputation of the society.

**IV. GOVERNING BODY:-** The names and address and occupation of the present members of the Governing Body of the society are as under:-

Sl.No.	Name and Address	Occupation	Designation
1	<b>Srimath Swami Atma Nambi (Nambiyarasan Subramanian)</b> No:14, Kumaravadivel Street, Vazhapadi, Salem, Tamil Nadu - 636115	Spiritual Leader	President
2	<b>K.G Venu Gopal</b> Pachikode House, Balan Menon Lane, Azad Road, Kaloore P.O, Kaloore, Ernakulam - 682017, Kerala.	Social Worker	Vice President
3	<b>Aji Krishnan</b> 3B Skyline Apartments, Palai, Kottayam - 686575, Kerala	Social Worker & Journalist	Founder & Secretary
4	<b>Biju Krishnan</b> Sandram, Puthuperiyaram PO, Thodupuzha, Idukki District - 685 608, Kerala	Social Worker	Director





## **RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE HIGHRANGE RURAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY (HRDS INDIA)**

- 1. INTERPRETATION:** (1) In these rules and regulations unless there is anything in the context repugnant or inconsistent therewith:- (a). The Society” shall mean The Highrange Rural Development Society (HRDS INDIA) (b). “Governing Body” shall mean the Governing Body of the Society constituted as provided by these rules and regulations. It is also known as the Board of Directors of the Society. (c). “The Act” shall mean the Societies Registration Act XII of 1955 of any modifications or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force. (d). “The President” shall mean the President of the Society (e). “The Secretary” shall mean the Secretary of the Society (f). “Director” shall mean the Director of the Society
- 2. MEMBERSHIP:** (2) The members of the Society shall be such persons who shall apply in writing to the governing body to be the member of the Society and who the governing body given its consent unanimously will be the member of the Society and who shall sign the register of members maintained by the Society in token of such consent. On termination and or cessation of membership of any person by the governing body, no such person shall have any right or claim to any right or privilege of membership of the Society and to the governing body or any property of the Society.
- 3. BOUNDED BY MEMORANDUM AND RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Every member of the Society shall be bounded by the provisions of the Memorandum of Association of the Society and these rules and regulations and by all rules and regulation, bylaws and decisions from time to time be made or taken by the Society in general meeting or by the Governing Body.

- 4. PROPERTY AND INCOME:** The property and income of the Society shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Society as set forth in the Memorandum of Association and no portion thereof shall be paid for or transferred directly or indirectly by way of bonus. Dividend and otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the members of the Society that nothing herein constrained shall prevent the payment in good faith or remuneration to employees of the Society of other persons for any service actually incurred for the purpose of the Society. The above clause does not bar payment as TA-DA to the Board members for their services, fees and other expenses that are required.
- 5. TERMINATION OF MEMBERS :** Members of the Society shall ipso facto cease to be member if:
- A member dies or leaves or excluded from the array or
  - Tender his/her resignation in writing to the Society or
  - His/her membership terminated as provided by these rules and regulation.
  - A member, continuously absent in three board of directors meeting without sufficient reason or prior permission, his membership will be ceased.
  - Has been adjudged by a competent court to be insolvent or unsound mind.
  - Has been involved with or convicted for an offence involving moral turpitude.
  - Due to remaining absent in three consecutive meetings of the committee without sufficient reason, prior permission or approval
  - Has taken loan or goods on credit from the society of which he is a member or otherwise indebted to such society and after the receipt of a notice of default issued to him.
- 6 OFFICE BEARERS:**
- There shall be a President, Secretary, Vice-President, Joint Secretary in the Society (hereinafter called the office bearers)
  - The Secretary of the Society is in charge of execution and implementation of social works and other works and activities directed and approved by the governing body from time to time.
  - Any of the office bearers may retire from the office at any time on notice of one month in writing to the Secretary.
  - The general body elects all office bearers for a term of one year or with his office cease unless otherwise specified. But when an emergency exists special general body can be summoned and election of office bearers can be conducted afresh if needed.
  - The term of office for the office bearers or any member of the governing body is terminated as and when the newly elected or appointed assumes charge of his office.
- 7. GOVERNING BODY:** The business of the Society shall manage by a Governing Body of 4 persons who are the office bearers.
- An elected member may retire from office on giving a letter of resignation in writing to the Secretary of the Society
  - If an elected member ceases to hold office by reason of death, retirement or otherwise, at any time before the ensuing election otherwise vacate election at which he/she would otherwise vacate his/her office the Secretary may appoint any member to hold office in his place until the date of such meeting.



- 8. GOVERNING BODY MEETING:** The governing body shall have full power to set notwithstanding any vacancy that may not have been filled up.
- a. The governing body shall meet together at such place and time as it may from time to time determine by the Secretary.
  - b. A meeting of the Governing Body may at any time be called by the President or Secretary at the time deemed necessary or at the written request of majority members of the governing body.
  - c. All meetings of the governing body shall be presided over by the President and in his absence by the Vice President and in their absence one shall elect from those present by a two third majority of votes. Three of these members of the governing body shall form a quorum at any meeting.
- 9. GOVERNING BODY SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING POWERS:** Subject to the restrictions contained in the Memorandum of Association the governing body shall have power to dispose of the funds of the Society for the purpose of the Society.
- a. To manage and superintend the affairs of the Society to exercise all such powers of the Society, as are not under the statues or these regulations required to be exercised by the Society. In General Body Meeting, with power to make regulations and the by-laws for any matters which are authorized by the rules to be determined by regulations and by- laws as also for every case of exigency that arise not provided for by the existing regulations and by-laws, but subject to the ratification of the general body and approval of the governing body.
  - b. To appoint their own meetings and regulate their own proceedings and fix the date of all general body meetings of the Society.
  - c. To appoint professional, technical, practical or commercial, skilled, unskilled or other employees and committees or such purpose as shall in any case be deemed beneficial to the Society.
  - d. If any of the Board Members have the specified duty in the Projects or Institutions run by the society shall be paid honorarium or allowances for their service.
- 10. GENERAL BODY MEETING:** The Society shall in each year hold a general body meeting on or before 31st December as its annual general body meeting in addition to any of the meetings in the year, and shall specify the meeting as such in the notice calling in and not more than 15 months shall elapse between the date of one annual general body meeting of the Society and that of the next. The annual general body meeting shall be held at such time and place as the governing committee shall decide. Two by third of total members shall constitute the quorum. The governing body members are elected by the general body meeting by simple majority of the general body.
- a. The Secretary of the Society may, whenever they may think fit, and the Secretary of the governing body shall on the requisition made in writing by 2/3rd members of the Society stating the object of the meeting convene an extraordinary general body meeting.
  - b. The annual general body meeting called for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by 10 days notice in writing at the least, and a meeting of the Society other than an annual general body meeting for the passing of a special resolution shall be called by 24 hours notice in writing at the least.



- c. The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to or the non-receipt of the notice of a meeting by any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings of that meeting.
- d. No business shall be transacted at any general body meeting, except the selection of a chairman and the adjournment of the meeting unless a quorum of 2/3rd members was present in person at the time when the meeting proceeds to business.
- e. The President or in his absence Vice President of the Society shall be entitled to preside as chairman at all general body meetings and in the absence of one of the above a chairman shall be elected from members of the governing body present at the meeting.
- f. The Secretary shall exercise all such power privileges, and discretion and do all such acts, matters and things as may be necessary or convenient for the control of the general policies and overall directions of measures for the promotion or the accomplishment of the objects of the Society.
- g. The President elected from the governing body for a term of one year or until his office ceases, unless otherwise specified. The Vice President, Secretary, Joint Secretary and Directors are also elected from the governing body for a term of one year. All the members of the governing body first elected by the general body meeting and afterwards elected as the office bearers from the elected members.
- h. The Secretary shall solely open and operate the Bank account for and on behalf of the society. The Secretary is hereby authorized as the sole signatory for all banking operations and all other documents related to the society. Any transactions, withdrawals, or financial activities pertaining to the society's bank account must be approved and executed by the Secretary.
- i. In the event of dissolution the net assets, if any, after satisfying all the debt and liabilities shall either be transferred to societies/ trusts having the same or similar objects or shall be vested with the Government.

#### **11. PRESIDENT :**

The President is the head of the Society. He shall chair the meetings of the Managing Committee and General Body Meeting of the Society. He can do such acts in consultation with the Secretary and to take care of any duties specifically entrusted with him by the Managing Committee.

#### **12. SECRETARY:** The Secretary is elected from the governing body.

- a. The Secretary shall prepare and keep a record of the minutes of the proceedings of every meeting of the Society or of the governing body in a book or books to be kept for the purpose. Such minutes are signed by the President of that or of the next following meeting when so recorded and signed shall be receivable in evidence of the proceedings therein recorded without further proof. All the documents, deeds, covenants, bonds, records and such other documents concerned with landed and other properties of the Society shall be in the name of the Secretary and the Secretary shall execute all documents, deeds and covenants for and on behalf of the Society.
- b. The Secretary shall exercise all such powers and do all such acts as may be required for the proper conduct of the ordinary business and administration of the projects, money and properties movable and immovable of the Society and shall keep the financial accounts of the Society. The Secretary shall be responsible for executing and implementing the projects, programmes and policies laid down and approved by the governing body. The Secretary is authorized to appoint staff

and employees for the Society and its projects and the Secretary has power to take action against their illegal and improper activities against the policies of the Society including termination.

- c. The Secretary shall convene the meeting of the Board of Directors with the consultation with the President at least once in three months.
- d. The Secretary is empowered to keep in his custody an amount not exceeded Rs.20,000/- and more, only on specific purpose as authorized by the Governing body.
- e. The Secretary is duly authorized and empowered to make negotiations and execute projects, programmes, enterprises and undertakings with other Societies, Trusts and Organizations, Companies, establishments and other institutions having the same and similar objects, objectives, projects and programmes and activities of The Highrange Rural Development Society (HRDS INDIA) and he can invest, donate and re-donate funds and facilitate necessary opportunities and infrastructure to accomplish the events, programmes and projects for and on behalf of the Society. The Secretary is also authorized to expand and make payments and disbursements such as service charges, commissions, consulting fees, etc. which are admissible under the law and permissible under prevailing Rules and Regulations of Government of India, that will be needed for the completion and fulfillment of such projects and programmes.
- f. The Secretary shall be responsible for all financial matters and shall sign all documents on behalf of the society. In the event of any legal cases or proceedings against the society, the Secretary will be responsible for handling them.

### **13. VICE PRESIDENT**

To assist the President and take charge in the absence of the President.

### **14. PUNISHMENT**

All or any of the members of the Society shall be undergone penal and legal action, including removal from the office if he/she is detected, involved, accused or punished for his/ her illegal and unethical activities, deeds, action and conspiracy against the Society. The punishment shall be taken by majority decision of the meeting of the Governing Body held for that purpose. The Secretary shall undertake and execute the punishment and decisions taken by the Governing Body.

- 15. DISSOLUTION:** The property and income of the Society shall be applied slowly towards the promotion of the objects of the Society as set forth in this Memorandum of Association and portion of these objects similar to the objects of the society and which prohibits the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members. Such institutions or a society is to be determined by the members of the governing body at or before the time of dissolution specifically as per provisions of Societies Registration Act 1955.

### **16. ARBITRATION :**

If any dispute arise against the Society, the parties will try to settle the dispute amicably and if cannot settle the dispute the matter shall be settled by way of Arbitration and the Jurisdiction of Arbitration will be Thodupuzha. Any Legal action need, it should be in Thodupuzha Court.

## 17. MEMBERSHIP REGISTER

The Register will be maintained under Rule XII (Trav.) of 1955

Sl.No.	Name	Address
1	<b>Srimath Swami Atma Nambi (Nambiyarasan Subramanian)</b>	No 14 Kumaravadivel Street, Vazhapadi, Salem, Tamilnadu – 636115.
2	<b>K.G Venu Gopal</b>	Pachikode House, Balan Menon Lane, Azad Road, Kaloor P.O, Kaloor, Ernakulam – 682017, Kerala.
3	<b>Aji Krishnan</b>	3B Skyline Apartments, Palai, Kottayam – 686575, Kerala
4	<b>Biju Krishnan</b>	Sandram, Puthuperiyaram PO, Thodupuzha, Idukki District - 685 608, Kerala

