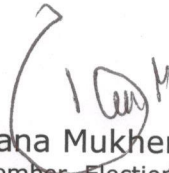


**MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH MEETING DATED 26.02.2021 OF THE
ELECTION COMMITTEE FOR ELECTION OF SCBA 2020-21**

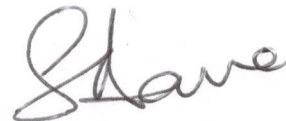
1. There have been formal and informal representations from some of the candidates with suggestion to arrange for e-Voting terminal(s) in the Supreme Court premises or at venue(s) outside to enable members / voters to cast vote. The consistent stand of this committee has been that there is no difference between this suggestion and the arrangements of physical voting which is not permitted as noted in earlier meeting(s). We are not in position to join issue with the Health Advisory Committee or have any venue(s) inside or outside Supreme Court premises for the purpose of e-Voting. The candidates who interacted with this Committee appreciated this stand and also agreed with possible misuse of private centres for e-Voting.
2. It may also be noted that the option for physical voting was exercised by 14 individual letters/emails, one collective letter with 5 voter members and another collective letter with 23 voter members before the stipulated date of 22.02.2021. However, none of these or other voter members have so far come forward to express any difficulty to vote online or need for online voting centre(s) for e-Voting. This demand of e-Voting centre(s) for online voting appears more of candidate driven suggestion than one from voter-member.
3. The Committee does not see any reason to depart from earlier decisions recorded, in particular, in the minutes of 22.02.2021 (fourth meeting) and 24.02.2021 (sixth meeting).
4. The candidates are advised to end the campaigning in all forms by 5:00 PM on 26.02.2021.
5. The minutes of this meeting be put up on the notice boards and website of SCBA immediately.



Pallav Shishodia (Sr.)
Chairman, Election Committee



Rana Mukherjee (Sr.)
Member, Election Committee



Siddhartha Dave (Sr.)
Member, Election Committee