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Election Rules for Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Adarsha Mahavidyalaya Students' Union (PDUAMSU) (2024-2025)

Eligibility Criteria for the Candidates

a) All regular students have the right to contest in the process of the PDUAMSU, Dalgaon election.
b) The candidates can contest maximum for one session for a single post of the office bearer. Each candidate can contest for a single post throughout his/her period of study.
c) A candidate can file nomination papers for a single post only once.
d) The candidate should in no event have any financial dues to the college and should not have any academic arrears in all previous semesters/examinations for contesting the election. The academic arrear shall include the students who have dropped from any final/end semester examination or required to clear any back paper.
e) Undergraduate students of H.S. 1

st yr. and Degree 1

st, 2nd year may contest in the PDUAMSU,
Dalgaon election.

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g) The candidates should have attained a minimum of 75% class attendance in atleast one course in previous semester to contest in the PDUAMSU election.

h) During the period of election, no person, who is not a regular student of the college shall be permitted to take part in the election process in any capacity. Any person, candidate or member of the student organization is found violating the rule shall be subjected to disciplinary proceedings, in addition to forfeiture of his/her candidature as the case may be.
i) The candidate must not have any previous criminal records and he/she should not have been subjected to any disciplinary action by the College Authority. Candidate must submit a self-declaration form along with the nomination form.
j) A contesting candidate can propose or support another candidate.
k) In case, no candidate contests for a post or the nomination papers filed by the candidate/candidates in that particular post is found to be invalid, the college authorities shall have the right to nominate a candidate for such a post.

PDUAMSU Election Committee:

Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Adarsha Mahavidyalaya Students' Union Election shall be conducted by the Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Adarsha Mahavidyalaya Student's Union Election Committee duly formed by the college authority. The committee shall conduct election according by the Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Adarsha Mahavidyalaya Students' Union Election Rules.

Submission of the Nomination Paper:

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3. There shall be no appeal on caste and communal feeling for securing votes. Place of worship with in or outside the campus shall not be used for election propaganda.
4. All candidates shall be prohibited from indulging in or abetting any activities which are considered to
be "corrupt practices" and offences, such as bringing of voters, intimidation of voters, impersonation of voters, canvassing or the use of propaganda within l 00 meters of polling station, holding public meeting during the period of 24 hours ending with the fixed for the close of the poll, and providing of transport and conveyance to voters to and from polling station.
5. No candidate shall be permitted to make use of printed posters, printed pamphlets, or any other printed material for the purpose of canvassing. Candidate may only utilize handmade posters procured within the expenditure limit set out in these rules.
6. Candidates may only utilize handmade posters at certain places in the campus, which shall be notified in advance by the PDUAM Election Committee constituted by the college authority•
7. No candidate shall be permitted to carry out processions or hold public meetings or in any way canvas or distribute propaganda materials outside the college campus.
8. No candidate shall nor his /her supporters paste posters, deface or cause any destruction to any property of the college.
9. During the election campaigning period the candidates may hold processions and/or meetings inside the campus provided that such processions or meetings do not, in any manner, disturb the classes and other academic and co-curricular activities of the college. Further, such procession/meeting shall not be held without prior written permission of the Principal of the college. Campaigning inside the class room is strictly prohibited.
IO. The use of loudspeakers, vehicles and animals for the purpose of canvassing is strictly prohibited.
11. On the day of polling, student organization and candidates shall:
1. Co-operate with the officers on election duty to ensure peaceful and orderly polling and provide
complete freedom to the voters to exercise their franchise without being subjected to any annoyance or obstruction.
11. Not allowed to serve or distribute any eatables or other solid and liquid consumable except
water.

111. Candidate may appoint maximum one polling agent inside polling booth.
12. Except the voter, no person without a valid pass/letter of authority from the election conduct committee of the college shall enter the polling rooms.
I 3. The election committee of the college shall appoint impartial observers to oversee the process of nomination of the candidates having any specific complain or problem regarding the conduct of the election; they may bring the same to the notice of the observers.
14. All the candidates shall be jointly responsible for ensuring the cleaning up the polling area within 48 hours of the conclusion of polling.
15. Any contravention of any of the above recommendations may make the candidate liable to be stripped of his/her candidature, or his/her elected posts, as the case maybe. The Election Committee of the college may also take appropriate disciplinary action against such a violator.
16. Campaigning should end at 4 pm on the previous day of the election date.
17. No booth is allowed to be constructed on the day of the election.

Casting of votes:
Voting shall be done on the date of the election from 8:30 am to I :00 pm in some venues fixed by the PDUAM Student's Union Election Committee. A group of faculty members shall act as the Presiding Officers. In case of any dispute regarding the election process the decision of the Presiding Officer will be final. A polling agent appointed by each of the candidate will witness the voting process. After the stipulated time the ballots boxes shall be sealed properly and return the boxes to the returning officers

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· · f b II s I d boxes shall be kept in the police along with the Presiding officers diary and account o a ots. ea e
custody til I the counting of votes. d • d f If any candidate or his/her supporters are found misbehaving with any election _official, the can '. ature 0 the said candidate will be cancelled and disciplinary action can be initiated against both the candidate and his/her supporters. During the period of election no outsider shall be allowed to put forth th~ir opinions ~n the ongoing election. If any student is found casting vote impersonating as other student, his/her vote will be immediately cancelled and disciplinary action will be initiated by the authority. All decisions taken by the Election Committee will be final. If required the rules for conducting the electoral process can be changed by the Election Committee.

Counting of Votes:
Counting of ballot papers/votes shall be done as scheduled. College authority shall appoint the required counting officers from the faculty members of the college. Counting agents (one for each candidate) duly appointed by the candidate can witness the counting procedure. If any anomaly occurs during the process of counting of votes, the decision to suspend or recount of votes will be taken by the Retuning Officer. Neither the candidate nor the counting agent will be allowed to take their phones inside the counting booth.

Declaration of Result:

After the counting is over, returning officers shall handover the result to the principal, PDUAM and the final result shall be notified by the Principal, PDUAM.

Recounting of Votes:
Any objection related to the counting of ballots shall have to be raised by the dulr appointed counting agents during the counting process. For recounting, the concerned candidate shall submit an application along with recounting fee Rs. 500 in support of his/her demand to the returning officer after the declaration of the result within the specified time given in the election notification. Final decision of recounting of votes shall be taken by the Office of the Election Board, PDUAM, Dalgaon.

Eligibility of Voters:
a. All the regular students of PDUAM will have right to vote in PDUAM Student's Union Election.
b. The _college authority shall upload the provisional voter's list at college website at an early date before the date of election. The final voter's list will be uploaded before the date of election.
c. Identity card with photograph issued by the principal of the college must be produced by the voters before casting vote, otherwise, he/she will not be allowed to cast his/her vote.
d. All candidates and voters should be present in full uniform on the day of the election.

Election Related Expenditure:
I. The maximum permitted expenditure per candidate shall be t5000/-
2. Each candidate shall submit complete and audited accounts, certified by the candidate himself/herself to the Election Conduct Committee of the college within 14 days of the declaration of the result. The college shall publish such audited accounts within 2 (two) days of the submission of such accounts through its official websites.
3. The election of the candidate will be nullified in the event of any non-compliance or in the event of any excessive expenditure.
4. With the view to prevent the inflow of funds from political parties into the student election process, the candidates are specially barred from utilizing funds from any other sources.

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Non-compliance/Violation of the Rules:

~ny con_travention of any of the above recommendations may make the candidate liable to be stripped of hts candidature or his elected post as the case may be. PDUAMSU Election Committee may also advise the college authority to take appropriate disciplinary action against such a violator. In addition to the above, a candidate may also be prosecuted for any violation under provision of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (Section 153 and Chapter IX A "offences relating of Election") if it is so decided by the principal m
consultation with the Election Committee.

Maintenance of Law and Order:

Any instance of acute lawlessness or the commission of a criminal offence shall be reported either to the Grievance Redressal Committee of PDUAM or to the local police by the Principal of the college as soon as possible.

Removal of Challenges:
The Principal/Returning Officer shall issue necessary instructions/guidelines in consonance with these rules for removal of all challenges in the matter of holding elections and matters connected to and ancillary thereto and for smooth conduct of elections and for effective implementation of the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and shall also be entitled to effect any amendment to these rules.

Assumption of office and handling over charges.
After declaration of the result, the newly elected members of PDUAMSU, Dalgaon shall assume the offices after taking oath in presence of the Principal, PDUAM and the members of the PDUAMSU Election Committee. The Principal of PDUAM, Dalgaon will notify for the assumption of office of the newly elected office bearers of PDUAMSU.

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