

Constitution of the 'Nidahas Janatha Peramuna' (Freedom People's Front) Party

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1. Name of the Party

Nidahas Janatha Peramuna (Freedom People's Front)

2. Address

No. 5/1, Liberty Plaza, Colombo 03.

3. Introduction

The **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** is a people's movement aimed at building a complete nation by moving beyond traditional methodologies. As a political organization, it is a collective of patriotic, independent thinkers. Subject to the primary objectives and policies of the Front, its members are free to hold independent opinions and engage in political and social activities within a democratic framework without hindrance.

The primary objective is to equip and empower civil society through a positive socio-political process, fostering a social discourse centered on policies such as:

- A productive citizen for the country.
- A strong economy.
- Justice for all.
- Proper environmental management.
- A virtuous society.

The membership aspires to provide their maximum contribution through the Nidahas Janatha Peramuna to achieve the common goal of making Sri Lanka a complete nation, acting as a group of responsible citizens who love the country and the nation. Accordingly, within the democratic framework, the Nidahas Janatha Peramuna will contest national elections and, on appropriate occasions, support other political parties and candidates who align with the party's primary objectives.

4. Primary Objectives

The primary objectives of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** party are as follows:

- Contesting national elections and obtaining governing power.

- Establishing an equal law for all and a clean, accurate system of governance.
- Creating sustainable development and a burgeoning economy.
- Implementing a non-aligned and friendly foreign policy.
- Ensuring a home for all and providing shelter over every head.
- Introducing an education system suited for the modern world.
- Building a healthy society through free healthcare.
- Establishing sustainable environmental management.
- Creating a sensitive society that values art and culture.
- Fostering an active and healthy younger generation.
- Providing the rightful place for empowered women and ensuring the protection of all children.
- Attracting investments that build the nation.
- Ensuring a sense of nationality free from racism and religious freedom free from religious extremism.

5. Organizational Structure

The organizational structure of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** party primarily consists of five tiers.

5.1 Membership

Any Sri Lankan citizen who voluntarily comes forward to contribute toward the development of the country and social progress may apply for membership in the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** party.

5.2 Branch Organizations

- **5.2.1** The smallest unit of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** party is the Rural Branch, established by a group of no fewer than 7 persons. The only requirements for establishing a branch are the mutual identity of the group and a willingness to contribute toward a common goal.
- **5.2.2** A branch is approved by the National Coordinating Committee through a proposal submitted via the General Secretary of the party.
- **5.2.3** The Board of Officers of a branch consists of 3 members:
 1. Branch Chairperson
 2. Branch Secretary
 3. Branch Treasurer
- **5.2.4** There must be at least one female representative within the Board of Officers.
- **5.2.5** There is no limit to the maximum number of members in a branch, but the minimum must be 7.
- **5.2.6** Promoting membership is a primary responsibility of the Board of Officers of every branch.
- **5.2.7** The frequency of branch meetings is decided by the branch Board of Officers, but they must meet at least twice a year.
- **5.2.8** Branch meetings are convened by the Chairperson of the branch.
- **5.2.9** The Board of Officers is elected by the branch members through a vote once every 3 years.

- **5.2.10** If an officer's position becomes vacant within the branch committee before the end of the three-year term, a new officer must be appointed for that position by a majority vote of the committee members.

5.3 Electoral District (Seat) Coordinating Committee

- **5.3.1** The Electoral District Coordinating Committee consists of the Chairpersons and Secretaries of all branches within an electoral district (seat), the Seat Organizer appointed by the party, and members appointed with the approval of the Political Operations Committee.
- **5.3.2** Based on the recommendations of party activists and socially recognized opinion leaders sympathetic to the party, the General Secretary shall appoint the Organizer for each seat upon the advice of the Political Operations Committee.
- **5.3.3** The party reserves the power to appoint as well as remove the Seat Organizer; such decisions are implemented by the General Secretary on the advice of the Political Operations Committee.
- **5.3.4** The Seat Organizer serves as the *ex-officio* Chairperson of the Electoral District Coordinating Committee.
- **5.3.5** The Electoral District Coordinating Committee shall have a Board of Officers consisting of 11 members:
 1. Chairperson of the Seat
 2. Secretary of the Seat
 3. Treasurer of the Seat
 4. Vice Chairperson of the Seat
 5. Deputy Secretary of the Seat
 6. Youth and Sports Affairs Organizer of the Seat
 7. Women's Affairs Organizer of the Seat
 8. Religious and Community Affairs Organizer of the Seat
 9. War Heroes (Ranaviru) Affairs Organizer of the Seat
 10. Professional Affairs Organizer of the Seat
 11. Business Affairs Organizer of the Seat
- **5.3.6** There must be at least one female representative within the Board of Officers.
- **5.3.7** Except for the *ex-officio* Chairperson, the other officers of the Electoral District Coordinating Committee are elected by a majority vote of the committee members once every 3 years.
- **5.3.8** If the Chairperson or Secretary of a branch changes during this three-year period, the newly appointed officers shall represent that branch in the Electoral District Coordinating Committee.
- **5.3.9** If an officer's position becomes vacant within the committee before the end of the three-year term, a new officer must be elected by a vote of the committee members. This appointment can be made at a special meeting called by the Secretary or at a general committee meeting.
- **5.3.10** The frequency of committee meetings is decided by its Board of Officers, but the committee must meet at least twice a year.
- **5.3.11** Meetings of the Electoral District Coordinating Committee are convened by the Chairperson of the committee.

5.4 National Coordinating Committee

- **5.4.1** All national-level activities of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** party are governed by the National Coordinating Committee.
- **5.4.2** The National Coordinating Committee consists of all members of the Political Operations Committee of the Nidahas Janatha Peramuna, all Seat Organizers, and members appointed with the approval of the Political Operations Committee.
- **5.4.3** The Power to remove a member appointed to the National Coordinating Committee with the approval of the Political Operations Committee rests with the Political Operations Committee; this is implemented through the General Secretary of the party upon the advice of the Political Operations Committee.
- **5.4.4** The Board of Officers of the National Coordinating Committee consists of 15 members, comprising 9 *ex-officio* members and 6 elected members.
- **5.4.5** The Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, General Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, National Organizer, Propaganda Secretary, and Secretary of International Affairs of the Political Operations Committee of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** shall *ex-officio* be appointed as the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, General Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, National Organizer, Propaganda Secretary, and Secretary of International Affairs of the National Coordinating Committee.
- **5.4.6** In addition, 6 officers shall be elected to the National Coordinating Committee by the vote of its members:
 1. Youth and Sports Affairs Organizer
 2. Women's Affairs Organizer
 3. Religious and Community Affairs Organizer
 4. War Heroes (Ranaviru) Affairs Organizer
 5. Professional Affairs Organizer
 6. Business Affairs Organizer
- **5.4.7** There must be at least one female representative within the Board of Officers.
- **5.4.8** The term of office for the elected officers of the National Coordinating Committee is limited to 3 years.
- **5.4.9** The new Board of Officers shall be elected by the members of the committee at a meeting held once every three years; there is no hindrance for a member who previously held office to be re-elected to the same or a different position.
- **5.4.10** If a change occurs in the Board of Officers of the Political Operations Committee before the end of the three-year term, the new officer appointed to the relevant position in the Political Operations Committee shall also assume the corresponding position in the National Coordinating Committee.
- **5.4.11** If an officer's position becomes vacant within the National Coordinating Committee before the end of the three-year term, a new officer must be elected by the committee members. If the position is one held *ex-officio* by a member of the Political Committee, the new officer appointed to fill the vacancy in the Political Committee shall be assigned to fill the vacancy.
- **5.4.12** Meetings of the National Coordinating Committee are convened by the General Secretary of the party.

5.5 Political Operations Committee

- **5.5.1** The Political Operations Committee of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** is the highest authority regarding national-level constitutional and policy decisions, as well as party discipline.
- **5.5.2** The Political Operations Committee holds the final power to cancel, amend, or change any decision made by any committee of the party, and the decision of the Political Operations Committee shall be final.
- **5.5.3** The Political Operations Committee of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** consists of the members named by its founding Chairman by the end of 2016 and members invited to the Political Operations Committee with the majority consent of the committee.
- **5.5.4** A new member may be invited to the Political Operations Committee at any time with majority consent. Such a new member must be proposed and seconded by two members of the Political Operations Committee and submitted for the committee's approval.
- **5.5.5** The Board of Officers of the Political Operations Committee of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** consists of 9 members.
- **5.5.6** The Political Operations Committee of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** shall appoint a Board of Officers once every 5 years.
- **5.5.7** The following Board of Officers shall be determined by general consensus or by a majority vote of the Political Operations Committee of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** party:
 1. Chairperson
 2. Vice Chairperson
 3. General Secretary
 4. Deputy Secretary
 5. Treasurer
 6. Deputy Treasurer
 7. Propaganda Secretary
 8. Secretary of International Affairs
 9. National Organizer
- **5.5.8** There must be at least one female representative within the Board of Officers.
- **5.5.9** Positions within the Political Operations Committee can be changed at any time through an election called upon a written request submitted to the Chairperson by no less than one-third of the members of the Political Operations Committee. For this purpose, a quorum of two-thirds of the Political Committee must be present, and the necessary changes can be made by a majority vote.
- **5.5.10** All members of the Political Operations Committee of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** are *ex-officio* members of the National Coordinating Committee. The committee must meet at least once a year.
- **5.5.11** If an officer's position becomes vacant within the Political Operations Committee before the end of the five-year term, a new officer must be elected by the vote of the Political Operations Committee members.
- **5.5.12** A meeting of the Political Operations Committee is convened by the Chairperson of the party or the General Secretary of the party.

6. Officers of the Party

The officers of the Freedom People's Front party are considered to be the officials holding the positions of Chairman, General Secretary, Treasurer, and Deputy Secretary of the Political Operations Committee and the National Coordination Committee

7. General Convention of the Party

- 7.1 The General Convention of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** party must be held at least once every two years.
- 7.2 Only the following members are eligible to attend and vote at the General Convention:
 - 1. Members of the Political Operations Committee.
 - 2. Members of the National Coordinating Committee.
 - 3. Members of the Electoral District (Seat) Coordinating Committees.
- 7.3 The General Secretary of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** must notify all Electoral District Coordinating Committee Chairpersons at least seven days prior to convening the General Convention. It is the responsibility of the Electoral District Coordinating Committee Chairpersons to inform the relevant officers.
- 7.4 Any proposal presented to the General Convention must be proposed and seconded by two party members and passed by a majority of the assembly.

8. Membership Fees

Membership fees shall be determined by the National Coordinating Committee.

9. Resignation or Removal from Membership

- 9.1 A member may resign from membership by submitting a letter of their own accord.
- 9.2 The Political Committee of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** has the power to remove, following a disciplinary inquiry, any member who acts contrary to the objectives or policies of the party or acts in a manner detrimental to the reputation of the party.
- 9.3 The power to appoint a Disciplinary Committee rests with the Political Bureau. It shall be appointed by the General Secretary based on the majority consent of the Political Bureau.
- 9.4 During a disciplinary inquiry, the relevant member shall be given an opportunity to present cause/explanations, and the decision of the Disciplinary Committee shall be referred to the Secretary of the National Coordinating Committee.

- **9.5** The final decision regarding a breach of discipline rests with the Political Operations Committee, and the decision of the Political Operations Committee shall be the decision of the majority.

10. Amending the Party Constitution

The Constitution of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** may be amended at any time based on a proposal passed by no less than two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Political Operations Committee. The amendment shall come into force only after it is passed by a majority approval at a meeting of the National Coordinating Committee.

11. Contesting Elections

- **11.1** In the event the party decides to contest an election, the Political Operations Committee must appoint a Nominations Board, through which suitable candidates are selected and nominations are prepared.
- **11.2** In the event the party contests an election in alliance with other political parties and groups, memorandum of understanding/agreements may be entered into with the other parties and groups of the alliance regarding the conduct of the said election.
- **11.3** Subject to the approval of the Political Operations Committee, the power to sign such agreements on behalf of the party is vested with the General Secretary.

12. Audit

The responsibility for maintaining the accounts of the **Nidahas Janatha Peramuna** party lies with the Secretary and the Treasurer of the party. The party accounts must be audited by a registered Auditor. The accounting year shall be considered the period from January 1st to December 31st of each calendar year.

This is a translation from the original party constitution written in Sinhala. For any clarification, please refer to the Sinhala text
