

# GRAND LODGE OF INDIA



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To  
Secretaries, all daughter Craft Lodges

Dear Sir & RW/VW/W/Brother

In view of the improvement in the Covid-19 pandemic situation and withdrawal of almost all the restrictions imposed by the Central and State government, the Grand Lodge of India has decided to modify the guidelines for physical meetings of Lodges.

Secretaries of Lodges will henceforth issue "Summons" and not "Invitation". Lodges are now required to hold all their Regular meetings as stipulated in the Bye-laws of the Lodge. The directions of the Grand Lodge (Circular no.84/17 dated 12.10.2020) to insert the paragraph "Attendance is voluntary and mandatory. A Brother who attends the Meeting shall do so of his own free will and accord, and will follow the Guidelines issued by the Grand Lodge of India on 12th October 2020 for physical meetings" in the Summons of the Lodge meetings also stands withdrawn. However, Lodges must follow the guidelines issued by the local Government authorities in respect of Covid-19 pandemic.

Circular no. 55/17 dated 24.04.2020 permitting Virtual Meetings of Craft Lodges and Circular no. 99/17 dated 12.04.2021 which reiterated that attending a Lodge meeting is voluntary and it is up to each Lodge to take a call on holding physical meetings stand withdrawn with immediate effect.

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Notwithstanding the directions issued in this Circular, all Lodges must follow the guidelines issued by the local Government authorities in respect of Covid-19 pandemic.

This Circular must be read in the First Rising of the next Regular Meeting of your Lodge.

With Best Wishes

Yours Fraternally

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