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Minutes of the Trust Board Meeting of the Kandivali Medical Association held on Wednesday February 25, 2026, from 2 PM to 3 PM at Kandivali Recreation Club, Kandivali West, Mumbai - 400067.

The meeting was attended by:

Dr. Saurabh Dani	Dr. Utpa Sheth	Dr. Rohit Roygaga
Dr. Atul Shah	Dr. Pankaj Shah	Dr. Vijay Shah
Dr. Harshad Solanki		

Dr. Saurabh Dani welcomed the trustees and informed the house that the meeting was mainly regarding GST compliance. The GST department has clarified that GST must be collected on applicable payments. For example, if Rs100 is charged for a CME program, GST may apply to that amount.

Dr. Atul Shah raised whether the IMA is charging GST or not?

Dr. Saurabh Dani explained that many medical associations like IMA have been charging GST, but there has been confusion for several years because the matter of GST applicability on associations is currently under litigation in the Supreme Court.

Dr. Saurabh Dani clarified that GST registration was taken recently because once an organization crosses Rs.20 lakh turnover, GST becomes mandatory. Since the association's revenue crosses ₹20 lakh during conference years, it was safer to register for GST to avoid legal complications or allegations of negligence.

He further explained the system that will be followed:

New membership applications will be charged 18% GST.

Once a person becomes a member, charges for association events will be inclusive of taxes, and GST will not be shown separately.

Non-members participating in events will be charged fees plus GST separately.

For example, if the member fee is Rs.100 (inclusive of all taxes), the non-member fee may be Rs.200 + GST.

He also explained the GST filing cycle, where accounts must be submitted by the 10th of every month and GST must be paid by the 20th. Therefore, the association's accounting system is now being streamlined.

Due to the earlier accountant's health issue, the accounting work was pending. Now the accounts and GST filing responsibilities have been transferred to Rabiya and her team, and the process is being organized properly

Dr. Saurabh Dani also clarified that sponsorships, advertisements, and promotional activities normally attract GST, because they involve giving something in return (such as stalls, branding, or



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speaking opportunities). However, pure donations without any return benefit can be treated as donations.

Finally, it was agreed that the association will follow proper GST procedures, even if some penalty is required initially, to ensure that all accounting and compliance remain transparent and legally correct.

Dr. Saurabh Dani informed the house that he had discussions with the Trust Board regarding the need to frame a clear policy for providing subsidies for non-scientific events such as picnics, trekking, sports activities, and cultural programs. Earlier, the Association had a practice of providing a **15% subsidy**, which was mainly applicable to overnight picnics. Over time, the same practice started being extended informally to other activities such as trekking and cultural programs. However, with the increase in costs of hotels, rooms, buses, and other arrangements, the 15% subsidy sometimes resulted in a very high amount. Therefore, members felt that there should be a clear rule with a maximum financial limit.

After discussion, a proposal was suggested that the Association may provide a **subsidy of 15% of the total event cost, subject to a maximum of Rs.25,000 per event, whichever is lower**. It was also clarified that such subsidies would be provided **only after approval from the Managing Committee or Office Bearers**. The rule would apply to **non-scientific activities**, including cultural programs, sports activities, trekking, picnics, and public awareness initiatives organized under the Association.

Some members also suggested that an **annual cap on subsidies** could be considered, for example **Rs.1,00,000 per year**, so that multiple events during the year do not exceed the Association's budget. It was further emphasized that event organizers should plan carefully. If participation is lower than expected, for example if rooms or bus seats remain vacant, a financial loss may occur. Therefore, organizers were advised to charge participants slightly higher, around **90%–92% of the estimated cost**, to create a buffer and avoid financial shortfall.

Dr. Saurabh Dani also informed the house that the **Kandivali Medical Association** is in the process of modernizing its payment systems. A new **operational bank account with IndusInd Bank** has been opened. The Association has also integrated **Razorpay** to facilitate online payments and QR code transactions. Members were informed that **UPI payments do not attract transaction charges**, whereas **credit card payments may involve applicable transaction fees**.

The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks by Dr. Saurabh Dani.