

RESOLUTION 25R-25

To request the RI Board to consider amending the provisions of the District Conference Voting Pilot

Proposer(s): Rotary Club of Sambalpur Central, District 3261, India

1 WHEREAS, any club having more than one vote in an election held during the
2 district conference is given a ballot indicating the number of votes to which that
3 particular club is entitled, and

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5 WHEREAS, it has been noted that the identity of clubs having more than one
6 vote is not kept confidential when such votes are tallied, and

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8 WHEREAS, this is inconsistent with the standard of confidentiality set by RI for
9 voting in district elections

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11 IT IS RESOLVED by Rotary International that the Board of Directors of Rotary
12 International consider amending the Rotary Code of Policies (June 2025) in
13 Article 2, Club Membership and Administration, and specifically in subsection
14 2.130.4. as to the voting pilot established by the RI Board for districts in South
15 Asia, as follows:

16 17 **Article 2. Club Membership and Administration**

18 19 **2.130. Pilot Projects**

20 21 **2.130.4. District Conference Voting Pilot**

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23 All districts in Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, and Pakistan. All voting at
24 a district conference or district legislation meeting for all district elections
25 through 2027-28. The district conference or district legislative meeting
26 where the voting takes place shall be held within the district boundaries.

27 During the voting procedure, each ballot shall be counted as one vote. Any
28 club with more than one vote shall be provided with the number of ballots
29 equal to the number of club votes. All such ballots shall be placed in an
30 envelope provided by the election committee and shall be dropped in the
31 ballot box. An independent observer appointed by the serving RI director
32 shall open each envelop and verify that all votes are favoring the same
33 candidate and shall mix the ballots in the ballot box.

(End of Text)

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

- 1 The added measure described in this resolution will help to preserve the
- 2 anonymity of individual clubs voting in district elections.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

- 3 If implemented, this resolution would have no substantial financial impact on RI.