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# The Constitution of

**Inland Fisheries Club St. Anthony's College**  
**IFCSAC**

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## Established: 2023

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### ARTICLE 1: Name

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The official name of the club is **“Inland Fisheries Club St. Anthony’s College” (IFCSAC)**. henceforth to be referred as the Club in this document.

**About the Club:** The **Inland Fisheries Club St. Anthony’s College (IFCSAC)** was established by the Department of Fishery Science, St. Anthony’s College, Shillong on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023. The main purpose is to established a synergetic relationship between the Fishery students and the Fish farmers and to augment the fish production and livelihood through fisheries. The Inland fisheries of India has engaged more than 2.3 crores of people (Male 1.3 Crores: Female 1.01 Crores; 2020-21). Fisheries and Aquaculture remains to be an important source of food, nutrition, income and livelihood to millions of people. Fish is an affordable and goods source of animal protein, a good option to reduce hunger and malnutrition in the country. India is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest fish-producing country in the world with 12.12 million tonnes of Inland fish production. The Fisheries sector in India is recognized as a ‘sunrise sector’ in food production. The country has exported fish and fishery products to the tune of 57,586 Crore and contributed 1.1% to the Indian Economy (2020-21).

**Motto:** Fisheries for livelihood and food security.

**Vision:** Self-sufficiency in fish production.

**Mission:** Organising outreach programmes for fish farmers on Aquaculture and conservation measures.

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### ARTICLE 2: Objectives

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The primary objectives of the Club are:

1. To inculcate in students’ interest on inland open water resources.
2. To gain practical experience at the farmer’s level.
3. To build teamwork and leadership qualities.
4. To encourage aquapreneurs.
5. To raise awareness and provide technical advisory to the fishers.



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## ARTICLE 3: Membership

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Section 1: All students of the Department of Fishery Science.

Section 2: Membership to the Club is free of cost.

Section 3: All members are to adhere to the rules and regulations of the Club.

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## ARTICLE 4: Office bearers

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Section 1: The selected office bearers are as follows:

1. President: 5<sup>th</sup> Sem.
2. Vice President: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sem.
3. General Secretary: 5<sup>th</sup> Sem.
4. Assistant Secretary: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sem.
5. Treasurer: 5<sup>th</sup> Sem.
6. Public Relation Manager: 5<sup>th</sup> Sem
7. Event Co-ordinator: 5<sup>th</sup> Sem, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sem & 1<sup>st</sup> Sem.
8. Faculty In-charge: Mr. Wanshaphrang Tiewsoh.
9. Advisors (Teaching faculty of the dept.): Dr. S.M.B. Kharbuli, Dr. R. Nath & Ms. E. Wanniang.

Section 2: The selection of the Office-bearers will be presided over by the Head of the Department and the Faculty members.

Section 3: Office bearers will not receive any honorarium from the Club.

Section 4: Members of the club should inform the Faculty In charge regarding Club related activities.

Section 5: Office bearers are responsible for organising events and overseeing the smooth running of the club.

Section 6: The term of the office bearers will be one year.

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**ARTICLE 5: Duties of the Faculty In-Charge and Officers**

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Section 1: Faculty In-Charge: She/He will have an advisory role and will be responsible for giving necessary guidance and direction for the smooth overall functioning of the Club.

Section 2: President: The President supervises the affairs of the Club and presides over the meetings. The President is required to settle any complaints and disputes openly without bias. If the President cannot resolve them, she/he must seek advice from the Faculty-In-Charge.

Section 3: Vice-President: The Vice-President will assist the president in all activities of the club. In absence of the President the Vice-president will take charge.

Section 4: Secretary: The Secretary is responsible for maintaining records, correspondences and communications involving the Club. She/he notifies meetings to be held and records the attendance and minutes of the Club meetings. He/she is responsible for all the activities of the club.

Section 5: Assistant Secretary: The Assistant Secretary is designated to assist the secretary and take responsibilities of the duties of the Club if the Secretary is unavailable. She/he also has to assist the Secretary in disbursing her/his duties as and when asked for.

Section 6: Treasurer: The Treasurer is responsible for maintaining Club finances. She/he keeps record of all financial matters related to the Club, cash flow and processes transactions after approval.

Section 7: The bank account of the club will be operated either by the Faculty In charge and Treasurer.

Section 8: Event Coordinators: The Event Coordinators are responsible for organising Club events in collaboration with the office bearers and with support and participation of all the members.

Section 9: Public Relation Manager: Managing advertisements of the Club and distributing to its members and for publicity. It also includes taking Geotag photograph of the event and handling the social media account (Facebook & Instagram).



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### ARTICLE 6: Meetings

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Section 1: Meetings of the Club will be presided over by the President. The meetings will be held as and when necessary. These meetings will discuss Club concerns, upcoming meeting and all other issues for the upkeep of the Club.

Section 2: The minimum quorum to transact business in a meeting will be two-third of the total membership.

Section 3: The last general meeting of the year will be for the purpose of auditing of expenditures, records of all the activities during the year, reappointment of the office bearers, handing over charge and future plans of the Club will be discussed.

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### ARTICLE 7: Club Financial Year and Finances

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Section 1: The fiscal year of the Club shall begin annually on the first day of the Odd Semester and close on the last day of the Even Semester every year.

Section 2: The book of Accounts and financial records of the club will be maintained by Treasurer.

Section 3: All finances of the Club will be maintained in Central Bank of India, St. Anthony's Branch, Shillong under the name "Inland Fisheries Club St, Anthony's College"

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### ARTICLE 8: Amendments

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Section 1: This Constitution can be amended when necessary with consultation of the Advisors.