

To impact lives through service

Know More About The Organisation (FAQs)



# FAQs

1 WHAT IS THE NAME OF OUR ORGANIZATION?

Our organization is called Young Minds International.

→ HOW DO WE CALL A CLUB?

A club will be called Young Minds Club of ..... (Club Name). For example, if the name of the Club is Bangalore, it will be called Young Minds Club of Bangalore.

→ CAN WE USE THE ABBREVIATION YMI?

It is important that we establish the name 'Young Minds' in the minds of people. And as there are also other organizations who use the same or similar abbreviations, we do not encourage the use of 'YMI' by itself.

/ WHAT IS OUR LOGO?

Our logo is as follows:



We may also use the following option on a white or light colored background, if needed.





### □ WHAT IS OUR MOTTO?

Our motto is "To impact lives through service"

### WHAT ARE THE PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES OF YOUNG MINDS INTERNATIONAL?

- The purposes and objectives of Young Minds International are:
- To serve people in need, both in the local community and globally.
- To encourage thought and innovation, and to follow universal ethical teachings.
- To foster friendship, family fellowship and networking among members.
- To undertake meaningful projects that protect human rights and the environment.
- To grant charter and affiliate units of Young Minds International.

### 7 WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT LEVELS OF HIERARCHY IN OUR MOVEMENT?

A Young Minds Club is the basic unit. Several Clubs will join together to form a District, several Districts will join to form a Region, several Regions will constitute an Area and several Areas together make up the International.

### O HOWARE OUR AREA, REGIONS, DISTRICTS AND CLUBS NAMED?

Areas are named after a country or a geographical territory. For example, all clubs in India will be part of India Area.

Regions will be named as Region 1, Region 2, Region 3 and so on.

Currently, India Area has 5 Regions:

- Region 1 will cover Middle Eastern countries and all the revenue Districts of Kerala State from Trivandrum to Kottayam.
- Region 2 will cover the revenue districts of Idukki and Ernakulam.
- Region 3 will cover all revenue districts of Kerala State from Trichur to Kasargod.
- Region 4 will cover the entire Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra and Goa states.
- Region 5 will cover all the remaining territory of India.

Districts will also be named as District 1, District 2, District 3 and so on within a Region.

A club can choose the name that its charter members decide on, at the time of forming a new club. It is recommended that Clubs check with the District or Regional Chair while naming their Club, to avoid duplication.



### WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENT ORGANISATIONAL BODIES AND THEIR FUNCTIONS?

The different organizational bodies of Young Minds International are:-

International	International President Honorary Secretary General International Treasurer International Presidium Grand Council International Program Managers		
Area	Area President Area Secretary Area Treasurer Area Council Area Senate		

Region	Regional Chairman Regional Secretary Regional Treasurer Regional Council Regional Senate
District	District Governor/ Chairman District Secretary District Treasurer District Council District Senate
Club	Club President Club Secretary Club Treasurer

## 1 MHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS AND PRE-REQUISITES OF A YOUNG MINDS MEMBER?

- The members shall include all those inducted into membership by Young Minds International, directly or through affiliated clubs, who have agreed to follow the Constitution, Bye-Laws and Rules of Young Minds International.
- Membership is open to men and women aged 18 years and above. Admission shall be through invitation and sponsorship.
- Membership shall not be denied on account of gender, race, religion, colour or nationality.
- Membership is open only to those without criminal records, including involvement in financial offences.
- Individuals can also become members in clubs not in their area and participate in clubs meeting online.

### 1 1 WHAT IS THE ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FOR A MEMBER?

Annual Subscription is fixed at Rs 1000 per member per year, to be paid between July 1st and August 31st of each year. (Individual clubs have the option to include additional funds as part of the subscription to cover expenses such as administration, meetings, and projects.)

# 12 how does the annual subscription get shared at various levels of our organisation?

The subscription collected from a member will be utilised for the growth of Young Minds at different levels as follows:

District :₹150
 Region :₹150
 Area :₹150
 International:₹550



13 is the member expected to pay the subscription in instalments?

No. The Subscription is expected to be paid by a member as a single payment before August 31st each calendar year.

1 / WHATISTHE CHARTER FEE OF A CLUB?

The Charter fee of a Club is Rs 2500 for the first 10 members and Rs 250 each for every additional member. For example, a club that has 10 or less members will pay Rs 2500 as the charter Fee while a club that has 12 members will pay Rs 3000 as the charter fee.

1 ☐ WHAT IS THE PROCESS FOR CHARTERING A CLUB?

A group of like-minded people who qualify for and meet our organization's membership criteria as per our constitution shall submit an application in the prescribed format, along with the Charter fee, to the concerned District Governor who in turn will review the same, complete the background check of the members with the assistance of Cabinet colleagues and approve the application. Subsequently, the members and club officers will be officially installed by the concerned District Governor or anyone else who is authorized by the District Governor.

 $16^{\text{who will be entitled to the charter fee and how will it be utilised?}}$ 

The concerned District is entitled to receive and keep the charter fee; and the same will be utilised by the District Cabinet to provide a Collar for the President, Gavel for the Club, Lapel pins to members, Lapel pins to the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the new club. All these items will be procured by the District team and provided to the Club during the installation of its members and induction of its office bearers. The Collar, Gavel and the Lapel pins of the President, Secretary and Treasurer will be handed over by the outgoing Club President to the new office bearers in the succeeding year at the time of their installation.

1 7 WHAT ARE THE CLUB SUPPLIES/BRANDING ITEMS AVAILABLE?

President's Collar, Gavel, Lapel pins for the President, Secretary and Treasurer as well as for Members are the club supplies that are available currently.

18 WHAT IS A GOOD STANDING CLUB?

Any club that has 10 or more paid members is considered a good standing club, which will have the voting rights as per our constitution.



 $19^{\rm ARE}$  we allowed to have members who are also members of other organizations such as y's men, rotary, lions etc?

Yes.

→ HOWARE ELECTIONS CONDUCTED IN YOUNG MINDS?

The Grand Council at the International level and Senates at other levels are responsible for conducting free and fair elections at the respective level as per an election manual that is approved by the International Presidium.

1 DOWE HAVE A PRESCRIBED FORMAT FOR A CHARTER CERTIFICATE?

Yes. Please see Annexure A

22 DO WE HAVE A PRESCRIBED APPLICATION FORM THAT NEEDS TO BE FILLED AND SUBMITTED BY A NEW MEMBER?

Yes. Please see Annexure B

23 dowe have a new club charter application?

Yes. Please see Annexure C

O / DOWE HAVE A PRESCRIBED FORMAT FOR INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS?

Yes. Please see Annexure D

→ WHO CAN INDUCT A NEW MEMBER?

The Governor of the District in whose jurisdiction the club falls, or anyone else authorized by him can induct a new member.



DO WE HAVE A PRESCRIBED FORMAT FOR INSTALLATION OF OFFICE BEARERS?

77 WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO INSTALL AN OFFICE BEARER IN YOUNG MINDS INTERNATIONAL?

Any leader occupying a position higher than the same position in our Movement can install an office bearer. Additionally, any leader, who has occupied the same position or a higher position in our movement in the past, can also install an office bearer.

) Q WHAT IS THE YOUNG MINDS OPERATIONAL YEAR?

Yes. Please see Annexure E

July 1st of an year to June 30th of the next calendar year is the operational year in Young Minds.

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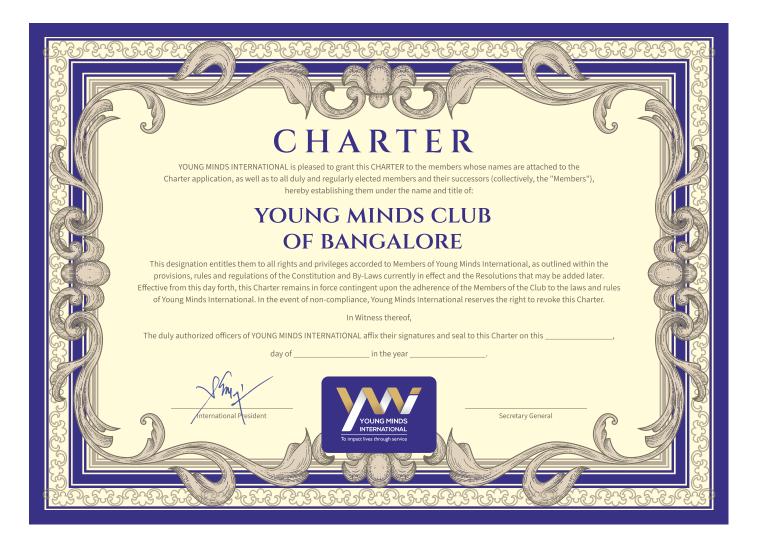
Please see Annexure D.

2 \(\) DO WE HAVE PRAYER AND PLEDGE?

We do not have customised Prayer and Pledge. We will start our meetings with a silent prayer.



# Annexure A Charter Certificate



# Annexure B

# **Member Application**

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NAME		Date of Birth
Young Minds Registration No.		AddressProof*  AAC□ DL□ Rcard□ Oth□
Address		
Phone	Mobile	WhatsApp

# Family Details

Email

Name		Relationship	Date of Birth	ID Card No
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Name:		Name:		
Club:	Club: Date of Joining:			
YMR No.		Place:		
Signature:		Signature:		
Club President	Club Secretary	Membership Com	m. Chairman Region	nal Chairman

### Annexure C

CHARTER NO.	CHARTER DATE



# YOUNG MINDS INTERNATIONAL

# **CHARTER APPLICATION FORM**

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Sl No.			Name		Signature	Year of Birth	Family Details
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#### Annexure D

### **Induction Charter**



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### INDUCTION OF MEMBERS

Welcome to the Young Minds International family! This is your official induction into our vibrant community of change-makers. We are thrilled to have you join us and become part of our Movement dedicated to making a positive impact in the world.

#### ABOUT YOUNG MINDS INTERNATIONAL

Our club is committed to impacting lives through service projects. We believe in the power of unified efforts, of connecting with other members and sharing family values.

Membership is open to anyone interested in service and fellowship irrespective of religion, nationality, language and geography. Each member brings unique skills, experiences and perspectives that enrich our Movement. And we value the contributions you will bring to the community.

Our club fosters a supportive community where members connect, collaborate, network and make meaningful connections. We encourage you to actively participate and share your thoughts as we work together to build an empowering Movement.

Throughout the year, we engage in various activities and initiatives such as volunteering, fundraising, environmental and outreach programs. We believe in creating a better world through collective service.

As a member of our club, we encourage you to attend our meetings regularly, actively participate in activities and support club and International initiatives. Your dedication and involvement are vital to our success.

To confirm your commitment to joining our Movement, say "Yes, Young Minds International."

 $Iofficially\,declare\,you\,as\,member\,of\,Young\,Minds\,International.$ 

Thank you for choosing to be a part of our Organisation. We are excited to embark on this journey with you to make a difference in our world.



#### Annexure E

### **Installation of Officers**



### **INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

#### **Mission Statement**

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Congratulations on your selection as an ......

Remember that the position you will hold is not only an honour but a greater responsibility to the Young Minds International Movement. Genuine leadership is about service, it is about mentoring and creating new leaders who will take up the commitment of continued and collective service. It is never about personal achievement and recognition, but a commitment made to serve others with dedication.

As an officer, you are making a commitment to the organization that you will: -

- Uphold professionalism in managing your office and conducting meetings.
- Ensure transparency in all financial matters, discussions, projects and plans.
- $\bullet \ Implement innovative ideas and technologies that can improve our Movement.$
- Foster a thriving community and collaboration among members and also help nurture the environment.

#### New Officers Oath:

Please raise your right hand and repeat after me:

"I, [state your name], do solemnly swear to uphold the values and vision of Young Minds International, to perform my duties to the best of my ability, and to serve our community with integrity, passion and dedication."

I hereby install ...... and team as ..... of Young Minds International.

We have complete confidence in your leadership and ability to inspire our organization. We trust that you will lead with passion and purpose, opening new avenues for service and increasing member participation, that will advance our Movement's noble cause.



# Annexure F

# What differentiates Young Minds from Ys Men International?

Sl No		Young Minds	Ys Men
1	Annual Subscription	Rs 1000 (Will be shared between Area, Region and District)	Rs 3150 (Only for International)
2	Area dues	0	Rs160
3	Regional Dues	0	Varies from Region to Region
4	District Dues	0	Varies from District to District
5	Club Charter Fees	Rs 2500	Rs 9000
6	Endowment Funds	Nothing as of now. If added in future, that will be minimal and its collection and utilisation will be absolutely transparent and process driven	HRM, DPWAF, PWAF, ASF, BHF, RBM, TOF and so on! And no clarity on the usage of these funds. Lot of allegations of corruption and nepotism which are never investigated or action taken!
7	Minimum number of members for a good standing club	10	15
8	Constitution and its implementation	Implementation of the Constitutional Provisions are ensured by a watchdog – Elders Councils at each level	Constitution exists, but no adherence to its provisions. No mechanism to ensure adherence to the constitution. Constitutional Violators survive and those who question the violations are thrown out of the Movement by ulterior means.
9	Transparency	Constitution guarantees the "Right to Information" of Members	Absolutely non-transparent and members have no right to ask or know anything. Any request for details may lead to expulsion from the Movement
10	Leadership Rotation	Constitutional Guarantee that no one will occupy the same position for more than 2 years whether it is elected, selected or nominated	No leadership rotation. The Powerful can continue in the same position for ever!
11	Election	Transparent through a fool-proof process, conducted by an Elders Council at each level, guaranteed by the constitution	No transparency and every election leads to allegations of malpractice
12	Conflict Resolution	Through a transparent and fool-proof process, supervised by the Elders council and guaranteed by the constitution	Through CRP which is the most misused and abused weapon
13	Conflict of Interest	Leadership (the Troika at any level) is different from the Elders Council who takes care of Election, Conflict Resolution and ensures adherence to the constitution by the Leadership	Leadership manages everything. Accused and the judge are the same
14	Women & Youth Empowerment	Reservation for Women and Youth in positions as per the Constitution	Even the youth ICM Post was removed recently; Additional payment of Rs 180 per Menette per year who won't even be considered a member unless the full membership fee is paid!
15	Operational Expenses	Frugal and limited. No fancy offices & no high salaried employees	Extremely high. Fancy offices in the costliest cities, Offices in Geneva and Chiang Mai manage less than 20,000 members, High salaries. Annual Subscription from 25000 members is not enough to take care of the expenses of ISG and his team of 4 junior staff. Paid International Picnics for leaders who are close to the power!
16	International Secretary General	Honorary Post, to be held by a Member nominated by the then International President for a maximum period of 2 years, with no salary	Salaried Post, located in Geneva whose huge salary and expense is more than the total subscription from India in a year. Can continue in the same position for years!
17	Role of Family	Family inclusion and involvement at every level. Family centric values to be upheld	Family is more a source for additional subscription
18	International Character	Truly international, in spread as well as in thoughts	Only in name and in spread to certain extent
19	Awards	Only limited and as approved by the Presidium. Selection through a transparent process	Any number of awards and mostly a bribe given to get people on the side of the powerful

