CONSTITUTION of the STUDENTZ UNITED FOR NATION PARTY

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STUDENTZ UNITED FOR NATION PARTY CONSTITUTION

Article - I: Name of the Party

The name of the Party is "STUDENTZ UNITED FOR NATION PARTY"

Article - II: Objectives of the Party

- 1. The Party shall bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established and to the principles of socialism, secularism and democracy and would uphold the sovereignty, unity and integrity of India.
- 2. The Party is committed to the task of building a developed democratic India based on principle of equal opportunity to all the citizens. The Party will lay special emphasis on improving the condition of socially and economically disadvantaged sections of society in order to build in India based on lofty objectives of our freedom struggle and Gandhian Principles.
- 3. The Party will Endeavour to campaign against evil influence of money power and muscle power vitiating the democratic politics.
- 4. The Party will pursue a policy of social and economic justice and development. It believes in Gandhian concept of decentralization of power so that the fruits of development could be made available to all the citizens. It also believes in peaceful and democratic forms of expression of dissent.
- 5. The Party is firmly committed to secularism and is against the concept of a theocratic state.
- 6. The Party will achieve its objectives through peaceful and democratic forms of campaigns like meetings, seminars, conferences and rallies. It will also raise the contemporary issues affecting common citizens during election campaigns. The Party will contest the elections conducted by the Election Commission of India, within five years of its registration and thereafter will continue to contest.
- 7. The party declares that it will not in any manner promote or instigate or participate in violence.

8. The chief aim and objectives of the party shall be to work as a revolutionary social and economic movement of the change with a view to realize, in practical terms, the supreme principles of Universal Justice, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity enunciated in the Constitution of India, to be followed by State in Government and in particular summed up in the following extract from the preamble of the Constitution.

"We, THE PEOPLE OF INDIA, having solemnly resolved to constitute India into a SOVEREIGN SECULAR DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC and to secure to all its citizens:

- a. Justice, social economic and political;
- b. Liberty of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship:
- c. Equality of status and opportunity;
- d. And promote among them all fraternity assuring the dignity of the individual and the unity and integrity of the Nation;
- 9. The party shall regard its ideology as a movement for ending exploitation of the weaker sections and suppression of the deprived through social and economic change in keeping with the above stated chief aim, and its political activity and participation in governance as an instrument of furthering such a movement and bringing in such a change.
- 10. This being the chief aim of the party, the strategy of the partying public affairs will be governed by the following general principles:
 - i. That all citizens of India being equal before law are entitled to be treated as equal in true sense and in all matters and all walks of life, and where equality does not exist it has to be fostered and where equality is denied it has to be upheld and fought for.
 - ii. That the full, free, uninhibited and unimpeded development of each individual is a basic human right and State is an instrument for promoting and realizing such development.
- iii. That the rights of all citizens of India as enshrined in the Constitution of India and subject to such restriction as are set out in the Constitution, have to be upheld at all costs and under all circumstances.
- iv. That the provisions of the Constitution requiring the State at Center and in states to promote with special care and protect the socio-economic interests of the weaker sections of the society denied to them for centuries, have to upheld and given practical shape in public affairs as a matter of prime most priority.



- v. That economic disparities and the wide gaps between the 'haves' and the 'have not's must not be allowed to override the political principle of 'one man, one vote, one vote, one value' adopted by our republic.
- vi. That unless political empowerment is secured for the economically deprived masses, they will not be able to free themselves from the shackles of economic and social dependence and exploitation.
- 11. In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the aims stated above the party will work specially towards the following objectives:
 - i. The Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, the other Backward castes and the minorities, are the most oppressed and exploited people in India. Keeping in mind their large numbers, such a set of people in India.
 - ii. The party shall organize these masses. The party shall work for these down trodden masses to -

To remove their backwardness;

To fight against their oppression and exploitation;

To improve their status in society and public life;

To improve their living conditions in day-to-day life;

- iii. The social structure of India is based on inequalities created by caste system and movement of the Party shall be geared towards changing the social systems and rebuild it on the basis of equality and human values. All those who join the party with commitment to co-operate in this movement of social change shall be ingratiated into the told of the party.
- 12. Towards the furtherance of the above noted aims and objectives the organizational units of party as designed in this constitution, shall be empowered to
 - i. Purchase, take on lease or otherwise acquire, and maintain, moveable or immovable property for the party and invest and deal with monies of party in such a manner as may from time to time be determined;
 - ii. Raise money with or without security for carrying out any of the aims and objectives of the party;
 - iii. To do all other lawful things and acts as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the aforesaid aims and objectives.
- **13.** Provided, that none of these activities will be undertaken without the express approval of the State Executive Committee.



Article-III: Membership

A. Eligibility for Membership

Any citizen of India of the age of 18 years or above who subscribes to the objectives of the Party shall be eligible to become a member of the Party, provided that he or she:

- i. is not a member of any other political Party registered with the Election Commission of India;
- ii. is not a member of any organization whose views, policies or actions are in conflict with the objectives of the Party; and/or
- iii. has not been convicted of any offence involving moral turpitude.

B. Categories of Membership

There shall be two categories of members:

- i. Ordinary member: Every person who becomes the member of the Party as per the procedure prescribed shall be an ordinary member. An ordinary member shall not have any voting right.
- ii. Active Member: A person who has been an ordinary member for at least four months and who has followed the Code of Conduct for members and has actively participated in various programs of the Party shall be eligible for Active Membership of the Party. An Active Member shall have the right to vote.

C. Membership Process

- A person shall become an Ordinary Member of the Party on submitting the prescribed declaration and payment of the annual membership fee of Rs. 10/only.
- ii. A person seeking Active Membership of the Party shall apply to the office of the concerned Primary Unit or the concerned District Unit in prescribed format. Each application should be supported by at least two existing Active Members.
- iii. The application will be considered by the Gram or Ward or Chhatra Sabha of the concerned Primary Unit in its succeeding meeting, whereupon it shall make its recommendation to the District Executive.
- iv. The District Executive shall take the final decision on each application in its meeting held after the receipt of the application.
- v. The Party shall maintain a register of its members in the manner as may be prescribed in the Regulations.
- vi. The list of Active Members shall be frozen one month before the call for applications of candidates for any Party election. Pending applications, if any, for Active Membership shall be decided before freezing the list.
- vii. The State Executive and the District Executive shall have the power to directly admit new members or confer the status of an Active Member on any person. However such power shall only be exercised by the District Executive when no Primary Unit is in existence for a particular area.

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- viii. Any person, who has been co-opted to a District Executive or in any body at the State, shall be deemed to have become an Active Member of the Party on submission of application form along-with the requisite membership fee as prescribed from time to time.
- x. An Active Member shall pay membership fee and contribution as prescribed from time to time.
- xi. A person can become a member of the Party either at his/her place of permanent residence or where he/she carries on his/her business but at one time he/she shall not be a member at more than one place.
- xii. If any active member changes his place of residence, he/she should get his address changed by giving intimation in writing to the concerned Units.

D. Term

The term of membership shall be 4 years. A member shall have to get his membership renewed after every 4 years. For the purpose of this clause a year shall be the period commencing from 1st of April of a calendar year or the date of enrolment of a member up to 31st of March of the succeeding year.

E. Cessation of Membership

A person shall cease to be a member of the Party in the event of:

- i. Death;
- ii. Resignation;
- iii. Expulsion/Removal; or
- iv. Non Renewal of Membership
- v. If he/she joins any other political party
- vi. On being convicted by a court of law for a crime involving moral turpitude.

F. Suspension from Membership

The State Executive or District Executive may suspend an Active Member from the membership of the Party pending disciplinary proceedings.



Article-IV: Organs of the Party (Organizational Structure)

The Party will, at present, be a state level party in Andhra Pradesh. However, if situation so demands in future, it will be extended to other states and national level through proper amendment in the constitution with due intimation to the Election Commission of India.

A. At present the Party shall have following Units:

- Panchayat / Municipal Ward Council and Panchayat / Municipal Ward Executive Committee at Panchayat / Municipal Ward Level.
- ii) Block Council and Block Executive Committee at Block Level.
- iii) District Council and District Executive at District Level.
- iv) State Council and State Executive Committee.
- v) Plenary Session

B. Primary Unit

A Primary Unit shall be set up at Gram Panchayat or Municipal Ward level where there are at least 15 active member and 150 primary members;

C. Terms of office & periodicity of elections:

The term of all councils and executive committees at all levels shall be four years. The term of all office bearers of the party shall be four years.

The party elections will be held every four years.

Article-V.I: Officer Bearers of the party

- A. I) Panchayat / Municipal Ward Council will consist of all active members of the respective Panchayat / Municipal Wards.
 - Panchayat / Municipal Ward Council shall elect a Panchayat/ Municipal Ward Executive Committee consisting of not more than 9 members and shall also elect a President. The Panchayat / Municipal Ward President of the party shall appoint the following office bearers:-

Vice President 01
General Secretary 01
Treasurer 01

III) Panchayat / Municipal Ward Council shall elect 02 delegates for Block Council.



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B. Block Council & Block Executive Committee

- Block Council shall consist of all Panchayat / Municipal Ward Executive Committee members under its jurisdiction and elected delegates from the Panchayat / Municipal Ward Councils.
- II) Block Council shall elect from among its members a Block Executive Committee consisting not more than 17 members and elect a President. The Block President shall appoint following office bearers from among the members of the Block Executive Committee —

Vice President	02
General Secretary	04
Treasurer	01

Block Council shall elect 05 delegates to the District Council and 01 delegate to the State Council.

C. District Council and District Executive Committee:-

- District Council shall consist of all Block Executive Committee members within its jurisdiction and elected delegates from the Block Council. All former Presidents of the District Council and The Party members of the State Legislature and Parliament from the District shall be ex-officio members of the District Council.
- District Council shall elect the District President of the party and shall also elect a District Executive Committee from among its members. The District Executive Committee shall have a maximum of 51 members.

The District President shall appoint following office bearers from among the members of the District Executive Committee —

Vice President	a maximum of 05	
Treasurer	01	

General Secretary a maximum of 05



D. State Council and State Executive Committee:-

- 1) State Council shall consist of
 - i. One elected delegate from each Block Council of the State.
 - ii. District Presidents and Vice Presidents.
 - iii. All members of State Legislature, MPs from the State and Mayors of the State belonging to The Party shall be ex-officio members of the State Council.
 - iv. All former Presidents of the State Councils if they are members of the party shall be ex-officio members of the State Council.
- II) State Council can be constituted only if at least 50% of the District Councils are constituted.

E. State Executive Committee:-

- The State Council shall elect a President and State Executive Committee of maximum of 75 members from among its members.
- The elected President shall appoint following office bearers from among the members of State Executive Committee —

Vice President

a maximum of 05

General Secretary

a maximum of 10

Treasurer

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All members of State Legislature and MP's from the State who are members of the party will be ex-officio members of the State Executive Committee.

F. Plenary Session

- 1 Plenary Session of The Party shall be held once in four years at a place to be decided upon by the State Executive;
- 2. Members of all District Councils and District Executives along with members of the State Council and State Executive Committee shall be delegates of the Plenary Session of The Party;
- 3. The Plenary Session shall consider resolutions, recommended to it for adoption by the state executive committee;



- 4. It shall also consider and approve constitutional amendments if at least two thirds of the delegates vote for the amendments;
- 5. The District Council in whose jurisdiction the Party Session is held shall act as the Reception Committee and may co-opt additional members for the purpose.

Article-V.2

A. Election of the President

- 1. For election of the President, the State Executive shall appoint a Returning Officer who shall not hold any office-bearer's post at the State level for four years after the elections. The Returning Officer shall appoint Presiding Officers and make arrangement for the poll.
- 2. The Presiding Officers shall forward the ballot boxes to the Returning Officer. After the receipt of all the ballot boxes, the Returning Officer shall count the votes for each candidate in presence of one observer from every candidate.
- 3. The Elections of Presidents of the Party at District and Block levels will take place in a similar manner through free fair and democratic elections.

B. Powers of the office bearers

I) President

The President shall responsible for the smooth functioning of the Party and he will be assisted in this task by other office bearers. He or she will preside over the meetings of the council and Executive Committee meetings. The President will distribute assignments to other office bearers. He or she shall exercise all the powers of the executive committee when it is not in session. He/she however will have to get his decisions ratified by the next meeting of the executive committees. The President shall responsible for carrying out the decisions of the Executive Committee.

II) Vice-President

The Vice President shall preside over the meetings of the Council and Executive Committee in the absence of President. The Vice President shall also discharge all the responsibilities assigned to him/her by the president.



III) General Secretary

General Secretary will implement the decisions of the Executive Committee and carry out assignments given by the President.

IV) Secretary

To discharge the functions allocated by the President and to help the General Secretary in his duties.

V) Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be in charge of funds of the party and will keep proper accounts of all income and expenditure and present a report to the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall ensure that audited annual accounts of the Party are submitted to the Election Commission of India within six months from the end of the Financial Year.

Article-VI: Rules of Dispute Resolution and Discipline

The State Executive Committee will form two separate committees:-

- a) Dispute Resolution Committee.
- b) Disciplinary Action Committee.

These committees will take up respective kind of complaints and make recommendation to the Executive Committee for necessary action. All such matters will be reported to the Executive Committee.

The Dispute resolution Committee and disciplinary action committee will not have more than nine (9) members.

Article-VII: Basics of Rules of Conduct of Business

- a) The decisions will be taken in all the councils and committees on the basis of simple majority, where unanimity is not possible. However, constitutional amendments shall require two thirds majority for approval.
- b) The quorum for all meetings of the councils and committees shall be one third of the strength of the council or committee.
- c) Due notice of at least 2 weeks shall be given for any meetings of the council or committee.

Article-VIII: Party Funds and Accounts

The Party will maintain a fund, the contributions for which will come from its members, supporters and well wishers. Complete transparency shall be observed in respect of this fund which shall be used only for political activities related with the party.

The Party will submit its annual financial return to the Commission within six months of the end of each financial year and audit of the party accounts will be conducted by an Auditor empanelled with the CAG. The fund of the party will be used for political purpose only and the party will abide by the instructions issued by the Commission from time to time in the maintenance of its accounts.

The audited statement of accounts will also be submitted to income tax authorities.

The treasurer of the party will be responsible for keeping regular accounts.

A Bank Account shall be opened which will be operated jointly by President, Treasurer and one of the General Secretaries authorized by the President.

Article-IX: Party Constitution Amendment Procedure

The Constitution can be amended except Article II, only by a Plenary Session of the Party. The State Council shall have the power to recommend amendment to this constitution, except Article II, by a majority of two-thirds of its members present and voting after due notice. The changes made by the State Council shall be placed before the next plenary session of the Party for approval.

Article-X: Merger, Split and Dissolution Procedures

A Merger

In special circumstances The Party may merge with any other political party with similar aims and objectives. The decision of merger will have to be taken by two-third majority of the State Council and State Executive Committee after circulating the resolution of merger to all the district councils and extensive discussion in these bodies. The resolution of merger will be placed in State executive committee and State council only after concurrence from two thirds of the District council.

B. Split / Dissolution:

If due to unavoidable situation The Party has to split / dissolve, the decision will have to be taken by two-thirds majority in the State Council and State Executive Committee. In case of split/dissolution all the movable and immovable assets of the Party will be divided according to the decision of the State Council after circulating the resolution of split/dissolution to all the district councils and extensive discussion in these bodies. The split/dissolution can take place only after concurrence from two thirds of the District councils.

Article-XI: Party's Allegiance to the Constitution of India

The Party shall bear true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India as by law established and to the principles of socialism, secularism and democracy and would uphold the sovereignty, unity and integrity of India.

