

In determining the representation of the Branches to the Central Council the strength of the Provincial Branches shall be calculated Branch-wise on the number of members on the Register of the Provincial Branches. Complete list of Councilors as defined above shall reach the Central Office in time.

In case of casual vacancies in the representation of the Branches, the Branches will send new names as replacement.

16. **Functions and Powers**

The control and management of the affairs of the Association shall be vested in the Central Council. The Central Council shall direct, regulate and administer the general affairs of the Association in accordance with the Memorandum, Articles of Association and Bye-laws. **it** shall be the duty of the Central Council to execute any resolutions passed by the General Assembly. It shall ordinary meet at least once in every four months. The Central Council shall have powers.

- (a) To fray:., atter or repeal Rules and Bye-laws subject to ratification of the General Assembly.
- (b) To appoint Special Councils, Committees, Sub-committees, Adhoc Sub-committees, Boards or other bodies and delegate such of its powers the Council deems necessary and expedient.
- (c) To elect or appoint office-bearers of the Association and its various committees and Journals, and publications other than those elected by the General Assembly.
- (d) To fill the vacancies, if any, of the office-bearers elected by the General Assembly (except that of President and President-elect) for the remaining period.
- (e) To consider and decide application for affiliation of Branches as recommended by the Provincial Branches and the question of taking disciplinary action against any member or Branch in consultation with the respective Branch and Provincial Branches.
- (f) To write off the whole or part of the arrears-against any Branch or Provincial Branch or other outstanding dues if considered desirable.
- (g) To represent any matter in which they consider that the interest of the Association or of the Medical Profession are affected before the Government or other public bodies or any properly constituted authorities.
- (h) To appoint or remove salaried officers and servants of the Association.
- (i) To exercise, in addition to the powers by these Rules expressly conferred on it, all such powers and do all such acts and things as may be done by the Association.

The decision of the Central Council in all matters not covered by the Rules and Bye-laws shall be final.