

**In the blessed name of the Tri-une God, Self-existent,  
Beginningless and Endless, Perfect in Being, (Glory be to Him)  
Moran Mar Baselios Marthoma Mathews III Catholicos of the East,  
Malankara Metropolitan and President of the Malankara Syrian Christian  
Association enthroned on the Apostolic Throne of St. Thomas**



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Blessings to our beloved Vicars of the parishes, Assistant Priests, Priests of the locality, *Kaisthanees* and faithful of all the Parishes!

Dearly Beloved,

As previously informed through our Kalpana No. 140/2026 dated 16 April 2026, a meeting of our Malankara Syrian Christian Association has been scheduled for 27 August 2026 for the purpose of electing four Metropolitans required for the Church. All arrangements for the same are progressing.

At the Managing Committee meeting held on 15.04.2026, it was recommended that arrangements be made in such a way that all representatives could come to the venue and cast their votes in person during this election. Accordingly, we issued the above-mentioned Kalpana. However, it was also stated therein that, in order to overcome any unforeseen difficulties or crises that may arise before the time of the meeting, special arrangements could be made if necessary, including the use of modern electronic technology for voting and vote counting, without violating the Constitution and Rules of Procedure, under the authority vested in us.

After the issuance of the said Kalpana, many Association members and Managing Committee members residing abroad informed us that, due to the prevailing conflict situation in the Gulf region, they might not be able to attend the meeting physically. Therefore, they requested that electronic voting facilities be arranged, as had been done during previous Association meetings.

This matter was discussed in our Consultative Committee (*Allochana Samithy*) as well as in an emergency meeting of the Holy Synod. Following these discussions, and exercising the authority granted to us under Part 6, Section X (8) of the Association Rules of Procedure, we are making the following arrangements:

An electronic voting system shall be arranged exclusively for all Association representatives and elected Managing Committee members belonging to dioceses outside India. In addition, representatives from foreign parishes included under dioceses within India, as well as Managing Committee members permanently residing abroad, may also participate through e-voting.

Those belonging to the parishes listed below may avail themselves this facility. Please note specifically that the list of representatives dated 4 July 2022 continues to remain in force. The list has been prepared according to the diocesan affiliation of each parish as it stood on that date. However, with regard to the Association Managing Committee members, please note specifically that the currently valid list is being considered.

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Diocese	Parish
<b>Diocese of North East America</b> <b>Diocese of South West America</b> <b>Diocese of UK-Europe-Africa</b>	All Parishes (As per the list of 2022 July 4) All Parishes (As per the list of 2022 July 4) All Parishes (As per the list of 2022 July 4)
<b>Diocese of Madras</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Australia, Adelaide St. Gregorios</li> <li>2. Australia, Brisbane St. George</li> <li>3. Australia, Canberra St. Gregorios</li> <li>4. Australia, Melbourne St. Mary's Cathedral</li> <li>5. Australia, Perth St. George</li> <li>6. Australia, Sydney St. Mary's</li> <li>7. Australia, Sydney St. Thomas Cathedral</li> <li>8. Malaysia, Kulalampur St. Mary's Cathedral</li> <li>9. New Zealand, Auckland St. Dionysius</li> <li>10. New Zealand, Hamilton St. Gregorios</li> <li>11. New Zealand, Wellington Mar Dionysius</li> <li>12. Singapore St. Thomas Cathedral</li> <li>13. New Zealand, Christ Church, St. Mary's</li> <li>14. Australia, Brisbane St. Peter's &amp; St. Paul's</li> <li>15. Australia, Clayton, St. Gregorios</li> </ol>
<b>Diocese of Brahmavar</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Abu Dhabi St. George Orthodox Syrian Cathedral</li> </ol>
<b>Diocese of Bangalore</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fujariah St. Gregorios</li> <li>2. Ras-Al-Khaima St. Mary's</li> </ol>
<b>Diocese of Bombay</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bahrain St. Mary's Cathedral</li> <li>2. Doha Syrian Orthodox Church</li> </ol>
<b>Diocese of Calcutta</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Kuwait Ahmadi St. Thomas Pazhayapally</li> <li>2. Kuwait, St. Gregorios Orthodox Maha Edavaka</li> <li>3. Kuwait St. Basil</li> <li>4. Kuwait, St. Stephen's</li> </ol>
<b>Diocese of Delhi</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Al-ain St. Dionysius</li> <li>2. Dubai St. Thomas Cathedral</li> <li>3. Jabel Ali St. Gregorios</li> <li>4. Sharjah Mar Gregorios</li> </ol>

**Diocese of Ahmedabad**

1. Ghala (Muscat) St. Marys
2. Muscat, Mar Gregorios Maha Edavaka
3. Salalah(Muscat), St. Stephen's
4. Sohar (Muscat) ,St. George

**Diocese of Thrissur**

1. Dammam St. Dionysius Desert Land
2. Al Khafji St. Mary's
3. Alkharj St. Peters
4. Hail St. Mary's
5. Al - Qassim Mar Gregorios
6. Riyadh, St. Gregorios
7. Riyadh, MOC
8. Riyadh, St. Mary's
9. Riyadh, Desert Land, St. George
10. Riyadh Central St.Gregorios
11. Jeddah St.Gregorios

Representatives from all the above-mentioned parishes must cast their votes only through the electronic voting system. Even if they are present at the Association meeting, they should vote only through e-voting. If elected members of the Managing Committee who are permanently residing abroad wish to avail themselves of the e-voting facility, they must inform our Catholicate Office in advance. Representatives from abroad whose mobile numbers or email addresses have changed since the last Association meeting must submit their old and new mobile numbers, as well as their old and new email addresses, in writing to our Catholicate Office before July 1, 2026. Further details regarding this will be communicated in due course by our Association Secretary.

May the Grace and Blessings of the God Almighty abide with you forever. And may the prayers of the Mother of our God, the Holy Virgin Mary, St. Thomas the Apostle of India, our Holy Fathers Yeldo Mar Baselios, Mar Gregorios, Mar Dionysius and all the Holy Saints be a stronghold for us. Amen.

Our Father who art in Heaven.....



From Catholicate Aramana  
Devalokam, Kottayam, Kerala,  
India on May 07, 2026

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