

TYPES OF ENGAGEMENT WITH VANI

There are two ways in which one can engage with VANI either by becoming a member or by becoming an associate. Membership is of two types – Individual and Organizational. Please read on to have further details.

MEMBERSHIP

Individual Membership:

The individual members must represent citizen or community groups/movements, or care area of VANI's agenda

Who can apply?

Individuals who believe in voluntarism and are engaged in practicing the objective, principles and values of VANI, as defined in VANI's 'Statement of Purpose', and who are committed to work for achieving the objectives of VANI

Prerequisites for the Individual membership

- Sign and acknowledge VANI 'Code of Conduct'
- Detailed Bio data
- Two Recommendation letters from existing VANI members in your State



Organizational Membership:

Social Development Organization including voluntary organizations, their networks, and Federations.

Who can apply?

Organizations that believe in voluntarism and are engaged in practicing the objective, principles and values of VANI, as defined in VANI's 'Statement of Purpose', and are committed to work for achieving the objectives of VANI.

Prerequisites for the Organizational membership

- An organization should complete a minimum of three years since its registration to apply for the membership
- Two Recommendation letters from existing VANI members in your State.
- Annual Report with audited report of the last three years
- Brief statement of purpose for which organisation/Network wishes to become a member & what it believes it can offer to and receive from VANI.
- For Networks: List of the network members.
- List of Publications (if any)

Privileges extended to our members;

- Will receive the communication and other relevant documents from VANI
- Will be a part of the surveys and educational events organized by VANI
- Support and participate in campaigns
- Will be part of the AGM of VANI
- Will receive all the materials and relevant information generated by VANI
- Will be a co-host of all VANI's initiatives
- Will have the right to vote - Each member shall have one vote by person
- To receive minutes of the General Body meetings
- To contest the elections for the working committee

Responsibilities expected from our members

- To attend all the General Body meetings of VANI.
- To work actively to fulfill the objectives of VANI and to make its programmes effective
- To encourage new social development organization and individual to apply for VANI membership
- Members are also expected to send their annual reports, auditor's statement and the FCRA return, if any

Privileges and responsibilities of all the associates of VANI will be same as that of the members with the exceptions of not having the right to vote and to stand for elections for the working committee

ASSOCIATES

VANI has learnt that many voluntary organizations and individuals are unable to become its members for various reasons. However, they have the opportunities to engage with VANI as associates. They need not submit a letter of recommendation and newly formed organizations are also eligible to apply for becoming associates of VANI.

Who can be the associates in VANI?

Organizations or individuals who believe in voluntarism, who believe in and are engaged in practicing the objective, principles and values of VANI, as defined in VANI's 'Statement of Purpose', and who accept to work for achieving the objectives of VANI can be Associates of VANI. It can include;

- National/International/Local Organizations
- Individuals
- Foundations, incorporated community and people's movements
- Solidarity Institutions.

Fee Structure - Annual

Individual Membership - 1000
Organisational Members (Category I)* - 1500
Organisational Members (Category II)* - 2500
Associates - 500

**An organization is classified into category I or II depending on its size. Category I represents smaller organizations and category II represents larger ones. VANI leaves it to the discretion of the concerned organization to decide where does it belong.*

All the members and associates also have the option of paying up to three years at a time. They are also free to contribute to VANI apart from the prescribed membership fee.

Do you have any further questions or clarifications? Please talk to our membership coordinator, Ms. Kavita Rakheja at the details given above.

If you have made up your mind to join us, please fill in the enclosed form and send to us in the following address.

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