

# GRAND LODGE OF INDIA



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The Regional Grand Secretary,  
Regional Grand Lodge of Southern India,  
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Dear Sir & R.W.Bro.,

Please refer to your email dated 8.5.2019 wherein you forwarded an email of Secretary of Lodge Thirunal No.179 regarding the wish of a Brother of the Lodge to propose the name of a Candidate who does not have his right hand to become a Freemason. This issue was discussed in the meeting of Board of General Purposes held in Dharamshala on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019. In view of the requirements laid down for ritual working in the Craft Ritual, the Board of General Purposes decided that it will not be possible to permit a Candidate without a right arm/right hand to be Initiated into Freemasonry.

With greetings.

Yours fraternally,

(VISHAL BAKSHI)  
Grand Secretary

C.C: 1.M.W.The Grand Master  
2.All Board Members