Frequently Asked Questions

KUDUMBASHREE ORGANISATION

1. Which is the lowest tier of Kudumbashree Project?
   
   **Answer:** Neighbourhood Group (NHG)

2. Which is the Ward level structure of Kudumbashree Project (Second tier)?

   **Answer:** Area Development Society (ADS)

3. The apex level agency of Kudumbashree project is?

   **Answer:** Community Development Society (CDS)

4. Minimum how many NHGs should be there to form ADS?

   **Answer:** ADS can be formed with one NHG. 05 office bearers of the NHG will be the ADS till a new NHG forms

5. How many CDS can be formed in a Local Self Government?

   **Answer:** One or more than one. The upper limit for the number of ADSs that can be affiliated to a CDS is 30; when there are 31 or more ADSs, more CDSs are formed.

6. What is the age limit to take a membership in NHG?

   **Answer:** 18 Years

7. How many members should be there in one NHG?

   **Answer:** 10-20

8. Who is eligible to take membership in NHG?

   **Answer:** One woman per family (Even though membership is limited to one woman per family, other women can also participate in the discussions held at the NHG; they can also attend the training and development programmes that the NHG or ADS organizes.)

9. If persons from two or more wards come together to form NHG. In which ADS that NHG should be affiliated?

   **Answer:** Those ward which has more members with respect to other

10. What is the mode of membership gain by a NHG with Community Development Society?

    **Answer:** Affiliation
11. How Kudumbashree three tier system’s year is calculated?
   
   *Answer:* From April 1 to March 31st

12. When NHG should renew its affiliation with Community Development Society?
   
   *Answer:* Every year before April 30th

13. How NHG member lose membership?
   
   *Answer:* Without any specific reason if member do not participate in NHG meeting for 6 months

14. Who all are the 5 member office bearers in NHG?
   
   *Answer:* 1. President  
   2. Secretary  
   3. Volunteer (Income Generation)  
   4. Volunteer (Infrastructure)  
   5. Volunteer Health and Education

15. Which Committee link Kudumbashree activities with Local Self Government?
   
   *Answer:* Evaluation Committee

16. Who is the chairman of Evaluation Committee?
   
   *Answer:* President or Chairperson of the Local Self Government Institution

17. Who is secretary of Community Development Society?
   
   *Answer:* The local government nominates an appropriate official as member secretary as per the directions of the State Government. Typically it is the Assistant Secretary of the Gram Panchayat who would be nominated as the CDS member secretary. In places where there is no Assistant Secretary, the Panchayat may nominate any other officer to the post.

18. How often are elections held in Kudumbashree?
   
   *Answer:* 3 years

19. Who is in charge of Kudumbashree three tier system elections?
   
   *Answer:* District Election Officer appointed by District Collector

20. In which section, one among the two NHG President or Secretary should represent?
   
   *Answer:* BPL (In the case of ADS and CDS - One among ADS Chairperson or Secretary and one among CDS Chairperson or Vice Chairperson)
21. How often can a person get elected in following posts - NHG President, Secretary, ADS Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and CDS Vice Chairperson?
   Answer: 3 times

22. What is the minimum age to participate in Kudumbashree three tier structure elections?
   Answer: Those who completed 21 years or more on January 26 (election year) could participate in election.

23. How often can a person get elected as CDS Chairperson?
   Answer: 2 times (Not applicable for SC/ST members)

24. Who all are the Executive Committee members in ADS?
   Answer: ADS Chairperson, ADS Vice Chairperson and ADS Secretary

25. Can peoples’ representatives, Asha workers, Anganwadi Teachers become CDS Chairperson?
   Answer: No