

DISCIPLINE IN FIP

FIP was constituted way back in 1953 with a view to bring more and more photographers under one umbrella to share their expertise, enjoy each other's company and learn from each other.

It has never been our endeavour to stop any person or a group of persons from getting involved in this art form. However, some discipline is important to maintain order in the society and that is why some people's name appear in the Red List.

We have now formalised the norms which will be followed in future

1. Violations of Salon sectional rules and guide lines like adding or removing elements from Travel or Nature or PJ image or use of clone tool : National Salon - 1 year suspension
2. Same offence in an International Salon - 2 years suspension and matter will be reported to FIAP
3. Partial or total copy of other author's image (Plagiarism) in a National Salon or Articles in Viewfinder with or without image without copyright permission - 2 years suspension
4. Same offence in an International salon - 3 years suspension and FIAP will be informed
5. Maligning FIP or any of its Chair publicly or on Social Media - 5 years suspension for any unsubstantiated charges
6. Healthy criticism is always welcome in a socially acceptable language.
7. Anti FIP-- activity 5 to 10 years suspension or dismissal from FIP.
8. Ethics and Disciplinary committee of FIP takes an educated decision on each individual case which is then ratified by the Working Committee .
9. **All major decision of Working Committee and disciplinary actions are discussed and ratified by the Governing Body of FIP as well during the FIP Convention.**

FIP is contemplating online registration of all Salons for FIP Patronage. This will also mean that all SDAS must be downloaded on FIP website. All repeat organizers will only get a FIP patronage number if they have complied with SDAS in past.

- Any Jury member can judge 12 National Salons and 6 International salons with FIP/FIAP patronage.
- Number of FIP National salons have been capped at 125 in one year on first come first serve basis.
- “Criteria of AFIP and EFIP have been changed to make them more competitive. Details have been published in the current issue of Viewfinder in pages 28 - 31”.
- New born clubs must provide tangible evidence of photographic activities by their members for the first two years to qualify as a Salon organiser in the 3rd year. The following activities will count-
 - A. Photo outing and workshops with prior intimation to FIP
 - B. Members' exhibition and competition
 - C. Members participation in National Salons and POY Contest. Club's participation in the FIP Interclub competition.

THE CURRENT RED LIST

Individuals who are under suspension

1. Anuruddha Das – January 2019 to December 2023
2. Dibyendu Chatterjee – January 2019 to December 2023
3. Shantanu Mukherjee – January 2019 to December 2023
4. Sudip Sahu – 7 Years November 2018 to October 2025
5. All Salon organizers to note that
Mr Partha Banerjee
Ms Mousumi Dutta
are restrained from participating in any FIP Salon or distinction program till their case has been fully investigated by FIP/FIAP
6. **Debashis Ganguly - Red listed for life by FIAP (Plagiarism)**

Clubs banned till further notice

1. Midnapur Photo Circle, West Midnapur upto 2025.
2. MPC Salon 2018 acceptances and awards are invalid in FIP/FIAP.