

INDIAN SOCIETY OF GENETICS AND PLANT BREEDING

Proceedings of the 3rd Meeting of the Executive Council (2023-2024) held on April 24, 2023 at 11.00 am in the ISGPB, NASC Complex, New Delhi-110012.

The following EC members were present:

1. Dr Sanjay Kumar, President
2. Dr. PK Singh, Vice President
3. Dr TE Nagaraja, Vice president
4. Dr. Sanjay Kumar Singh, Secretary
5. Dr Amit K Singh, Treasurer
6. Dr Kiran Gaikwad, Councilor, North Zone
7. Dr RS Shukla, Councilor, Central zone
8. Dr. DA Gadekar, Councilor, Western zone
9. Dr Umakanth AV, Councilor, South zone

Dr Akshay Talukdar, Editor, Dr. Nagendra S Barua, Councilor, East zone and Dr Ashutosh K Mall, Councilor, Mid-Eastern zone could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence.

In the beginning of the meeting, the EC felicitated Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra, Chairman, PPV&FRA, New Delhi with a floral bouquet and shawl as token of affection from the ISGPB. In his remarks, Dr Mohapatra appreciated the contribution of ISGPB in serving the fraternity of geneticists and plant breeders. Afterwards, the formal EC meeting was continued as per the agenda items and following decisions and discussions were made:

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 2nd EC meeting held on March 11, 2023.

The executive committee approved the proceedings of the 2nd EC meeting.

2. Discussion of organizing the 2nd National Genetics Congress.

It was decided that the 2nd National Genetics Congress will be organized during February 19–21, 2024 at New Delhi. President requested the Secretary to make a draft proposal for further discussion and finalization with the organizing committee.

3. Constitution of Dr. RN Sawhney memorial Award.

It was decided that the proposed RN Sawhney memorial award will be biennial in nature similar to other awards of the society with award money of Rs 20,000/-. The EC members agreed for age limit of 50 years and will be given in the field of Resistance breeding/improvement in field crops.

4. Revising selection criteria and score card for Fellow and ISGPB awards.

A committee was constituted for framing the guidelines and score card for RN Sawhney award. This committee is also assigned for revising the guide lines and score cards for ISGPB fellows and awards keeping in view the activities of the members in present time frame by June, 2023. The committee is as under:

I. Dr. M.S. Saharan, Plant Pathology Division, IARI, New Delhi, Chairman

II. Dr. Zakir Hussain, Vegetable Science Division, IARI, New Delhi, Member

III. Dr Prasanth Babu, Genetics Division, IARI, New Delhi, Member

IV. Dr. Chikappa K, IIMR, New Delhi, Member

V. Dr. Sanjay Kumar Singh, Member Secretary

5. Finalization of Editorial Board for 2023 – 2024.

The EC approved the proposed Editorial Board by the Editor for 2023–2024 with inclusion of Dr. S.M.S. Tomar as member of the editorial board.

6. Status of the Indian Journal of Genetics and Plant Breeding.

In the absence of editor, Dr. Sanjay Kumar Singh, Secretary informed the house that the soft copy of Vol. 83 (1) 2023 has already been circulated to all the members of the society. The hard copy is almost ready for dispatch to society's subscribers, those who have paid their subscription fee for the year 2023. Also, the Vol. 83 (2) 2023 is under press and will be ready in due course of time.

7. Financial status of the society at present.

The Treasurer of the society circulated and explained the financial position of the society as on 24-04-2024 to all the EC members.

8. Status of new members enrolled during January-2023 to April 24, 2023.

The Secretary informed the enrolment of 25 new life members and 24 annual members since January 1, 2023.

9. Approval for dumping off the old Journals, articles, unserviceable, not working computer etc.

It was decided that the extra copies of old journals, articles, etc. may be disposed-off. The un-repairable and obsolete items like printer and desktops were also approved for condemnation and replacement/purchase of need based equipments.

10. Collaboration for International conference in 100 years celebration at AAU, Jorhat.

The proposal was approved by the EC for organizing an International Conference in collaboration with Assam Agricultural University, during November, 2023. The ISGPB will support this event in organizing sessions, publishing special issues, etc for which EC authorized Secretary and Editor to discuss the related issues and finalize with AAU, Jorhat.

11. Organizing local events in the international year of millets.

The proposal from Dr Umakanth AV, Councilor, Southzone was agreed in principle to organize an event in collaboration with IIMR, Hyderabad and ISGPB Chapters at Hyderabad and Coimbatore.

12. Maintenance of ISGPB web site and IJGPB online editorial process.

EC emphasized to upgrade the website and editorial process with current service providers and/or inviting new tenders for these services.

13. Re-initiation of selection of Honorary fellows.

Secretary proposed to re-initiate nomination of Honorary fellows among the globally recognized researchers of Indian and foreign nationals working in institutions outside India which was agreed by all the EC members. President asked to search up to 10 persons of globally recognized researchers for further finalization and approval by the EC as Honorary Fellows alongwith brief CV and consent of the nominated persons.

14. Streamlining the printing of IJGPB.

EC opined to revise the terms and conditions and recall the quotations for printing the Indian Journal of Genetics & Plant Breeding.

The meeting ended with formal vote of thanks proposed by the Secretary, ISGPB.



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