## Indian Society of Genetics & Plant Breeding, New Delhi Proceedings of the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of Executive Council

The 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council for 2023-24 was organized on 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 at 10.30 am in the committee room of the ISGPB, New Delhi. This meeting was attended by the following members.

- 1. Dr Sanjay Kumar, President
- 2. Dr TE Nagaraja, Vice president
- 3. Dr. Sanjay Kumar Singh, Secretary
- 4. Dr Akshay Talukdar, Editor
- 5. Dr Amit K Singh, Treasurer
- 6. Dr Kiran Gaikwad, Councilor elected, North Zone
- 7. Dr Nagendra Sarma Barua, Councilor, East zone
- 8. Dr Umakanth, Councilor, South zone
- 9. Dr RS Shukla, Councilor, Central zone

In the meeting, Secretary Dr Sanjay Kumar Singh welcomed the President Dr Sanjay Kumar, and other EC members. In the opening remarks, Dr Sanjay Kumar, President outlined the prioritized action plan for various activities of the ISGPB. In the discussion, following decisions were made with approval of all the members.

- 1. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous Executive Council meeting: The minutes of previous EC meetings and action reports were approved by the EC.
- 2. The EC approved the recommendation of the ISGPB Award committee for various awards for year 2023. The recipients are as under
  - A). BP Pal Memorial Award: Dr SK Pradhan, ICAR, New Delhi
  - B). MS Swaminathan Memorial Award: Dr (Ms) Suma Biradar, UAS, Dharwad
  - C). RN Sawhney Memorial Award: Dr Sundeep Kumar, NBPGR, New Delhi & Dr Shailendra Kumar Jha, IARI, New Delhi jointly
  - D). Joginder Singh Memorial Award: Dr Chikappa MG, IIMR-RS, Begusarai.
- 3. Approval of ISGPB fellowships, 2023: The EC approved following applicants for ISGPB Fellowship, 2023 out of 15 recommendations from the Award Committee. Dr Shashi K Gupta (ICRISAT, Hyderabad), Dr Asif B Shikari (SKUAST-K, Wadura), Dr Anil Khar (IARI-RS, Pune), Dr S Samantray (NRRI, Cuttack), , Dr Jitendra Kumar (IIPR, Kanpur), Dr Ramesh Kumar (IIMR, Ludhiana), Dr Bhupender Kumar (IIMR, New Delhi), Dr Prolay K Bhaumik (IARI, New Delhi), Dr. Harita Bollenidi (IARI, New Delhi), Dr Harikrishna (IARI, New Delhi), Dr PV Kenchanagaudar (UAS, Dharwad), & Dr S Thirumeni (PJNCARI, Puducherry)
- 4. Approval of ISGPB Honorary fellowships, 2023: The EC approved the proposal of 4 eminent researchers for induction as Honorary Fellow of the Society. Dr Ravi P Singh, Mexico, Dr MM Kohli, Mexico, Dr Mark E Sorrells, USA & Prof. Peter Langridge, Australia.

- 5. The EC approved the organization of a Brainstorming session and ISGPB Award Ceremony, August 7, 2024 in collaboration to XV Genetics Congress Trust and proposed to invite NAAS for joint collaboration.
- 6. The EC approved the proposal of holding the 2<sup>nd</sup> National Genetics Congress in October 16-18, 2024 at New Delhi.
- 7. EC approved to conduct election of regional chapter office bearers alongwith election of national body during December each alternate year.
- 8. EC also asked to communicate its chapter to not to take financial support from outside using ISGPB- PAN without approval of the national body.
- 9. The EC appreciated efforts to new membership and asked to reach more stakeholders associated with crop improvement activities.
- 10. EC emphasized to make attempts for updation of the website.
- 11. EC approved to organise trainings to stakeholders in offline as well as online mode. As support, the ISGPB can provide need-based funds for lunch, tea, stationary and other modalities excluding TA & DA of the participants.
- 12. EC asked councillors to propose and conduct seminars/ conferences, etc in their respective zones.
- 13. The EC was satisfied with the progress of Journal link-up with Springer group and hoped for its earliest completion.
- 14. EC also approved to bring out special issues of the journal on specific topics and proposal of a text book for students on Genetics, Plant Breeding and biotechnology.
- 15. The Status of Journal was briefed by the Editor and EC appreciated to bring out the latest issue Vol 84 (2) on May 31, 2024.
- 16. Treasures updated the financial position of the ISGPB and EC was satisfied with filing income tax return this year.
- 17. EC approved to make local committee for condemnation of old equipments, etc.
- 18. EC also approved the proposal to make modifications in the editors designation in the society in coming days as
  - Editor to be designated as Chief Editor and appointed through elections.
  - Secretary, ISGPB will be Executive Editor
  - Treasurer will be Managing Editor
  - There will be Editors (2), Associate Editors (5) and Members of the Editorial Board (20) appointed by the Secretary and Chief Editor with approval of the EC.
- 19. EC also approved the proposal to announce ISGPB Fellowships and Awards scheduled for 2024 so that these can be presented during 2<sup>nd</sup> NGC.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to Chair and members of the EC.

(Sanjay Kumar Singh)

Secretary

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President