INDIAN SOCIETY OF GENETICS AND PLANT BREEDING


The following members were present:
1. Dr. T. Mohapatra, President
2. Dr. C. Tara Satyavathi, Vice President
3. Dr. H K Chaudhary, Vice President
4. Dr. Sanjay Singh, Secretary
5. Dr. S.M.S. Tomar, Editor
6. Dr. R.K. Sharma, Treasurer
7. Dr. Sarat Tiwari Councilor - Central Zone
8. Dr. M.P. Desmukh, Councilor - Western Zone
9. Dr. T.E. Nagraja, Councilor - Southern Zone

Dr. D.N. Singh and Dr. S.K. Singh, Councilors from Mid Eastern and Northern zones, respectively, could not attend the meeting due to unavoidable reasons and were permitted.

Dr. Sanjay Singh heartily welcomed the President and other members of the Executive Council (EC). He presented the objectives of the meeting and placed the agenda items for consideration.

The Chairmanship of Dr. T. Mohapatra, President, ISGPB ensured effective deliberations and opinions of the members on various issues pertaining to the Society. After threadbare discussion on the agenda items following decisions were taken.

Item No. 1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 8th Executive Council meeting held on 3rd October 2019.

Action Taken

- The proceedings of 8th EC meeting held on 3rd October, 2019 were placed for information, consideration and approval of the EC. The proceeding was approved by the EC.

Item No 2. Review the progress of 5th International Conference of Genomics of Plant Genetics Resources (GPGR5) held at Hyderabad on October, 6-10, 2020.

Action Taken

- The progress was reviewed and it was decided local organizing committee should be formulated in consultation of Nodal Person of ISGPB.
- ICRISAT also may provide link of International Conference site to ISGPB website (www.isgpb.org) for smooth and effective functioning.
Item No 3. Discussion and finalization of technical session for the National Seminar by the Ranchi Chapter to be held at BAU, Ranchi during 9-10 November 2019.

- President has expressed his displeasure for not holding the symposium as per the schedule. He also suggested that guidelines must be prepared for working of the local chapters of ISGPB. A committee should be constituted for reviewing all the aspects of Local Chapters of ISGPB.

Item No 4. Discussion and finalization of technical session for the National Seminar by the south chapter to be held at IARI RS, Wellington during 14-15 December 2019

- It was decided that Dr. S A Patil, former Vice Chancellor UAS, Dhanwad and Director, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi will be the Chief Guest and Dr. N Kumar VC, TNAU, Coimbatore will be Chairman of inaugural session.

- The recorded message from Dr. M.S. Swaminathan should be telecast during the inaugural session.

- The south chapter, ISGPB involved Plant Breeding Society of TNAU Coimbatore as co organizer for this event without knowledge and permission of EC, ISGPB. The committee constituted above will prepare guidelines in this matter also.

- It was also decided that Annual General Body Meeting of Society will be held at Coimbatore on 15th December 2019 at 8.30 AM

Item No 5. Approval of the elected ISPGB Fellows and Awardees 2019

Action Taken
- EC accorded its approval of the list of candidates elected ISPGB Fellows and selected for awards of ISPGB- 2019.

Item No 6. Approval for the name of elected candidate for Dr. B.P. Pal Memorial Award for Life Time Achievements and Dr. M S. Swaminathan Award for Woman Scientist.

Action Taken
- EC accorded its approval for the name of Dr. P.N. Bahal former DDG (Crop Sciences) and Chickpea coordinator for Dr. B.P. Pal Memorial Award for Life Time Achievements- and DR. (Mrs.) Tara Satyavati Project Coordinator (Pearl Millet) for Dr. M.S. Swaminathan Award for Woman Scientist.

Item No 7. To improve the working efficiency of the society’s office, discussion regarding hiring/appointing one person who has sufficient knowledge in the computer technology.
Action Taken
- A Committee was constituted for hiring/appointing one person as per the detail given below:
  - Dr K V Bhat – Chairman
  - Dr. K.K. Vinod- Member
  - Dr. Sanjay Singh Member Secretary

Item No 8. Status of finalization of rate contract for printing of Journal of ISGPB

Action Taken
- The rate contract was already finalized. For examining the condition regarding number of pages of the journal, it was decided that the Editor will submit a self-contained note in the light of decision taken by the Committee for the rate contract.

Item No.9. Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

➢ Committee constituted to work out the weightage to be given for the varieties/technologies developed by the scientists, while evaluating application for ISGPB Fellow of the Society under the Chairmanship of Dr H. S. Gupta. The committee confirmed the date for holding the meeting.

Action Taken
- Secretary, ISGPB should request Dr. H.S. Gupta to finalize the recommendations as soon as possible.

➢ The committee constituted to bring out document highlighting the impact of Genetics and Plant breeding research carried out in the country on the society under the Chairmanship of Dr. M.P. Pandey. This committee also finalized its schedule for the meeting.

Action Taken
- Secretary, ISGPB should contact Dr. M.P. Pandey and other committee members to identify the contributing persons for preparation of the documents regarding the impact of Genetics and Plant Breeding research.

➢ Extension of the date of receiving the ballot papers for election of new executive ISGPB

- Considering the shortage of time for receiving the ballot papers from members across the country EC has decided to extend the date of receiving the ballot paper by 10 days. Accordingly, the new date will be be 9th January 2020 to receive the ballot papers and counting will be done on 10th January 2020. The new Executive Council will take charge on 15th January 2020.

The meeting came to an end with vote of thanks to the Chair and other members.

(T Mohapatra)
President

(Sanjay Singh)
Secretary