Indian Society of Genetics & Plant Breeding, New Delhi
Proceedings of the 2nd meeting of Executive Council

The 2nd meeting of the Executive Council for 2023-24 was organized on 11th March, 2023 in online mode at 11.00 am. 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
10. Dr Ashutosh K Mall, Councilor, Mid-Eastern zone
11. Dr. DA Gadekar, Councilor, Western 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 priorities of various activities of the ISGPB for more visibility in the fraternity of geneticists and plant breeders. In the discussion, following decisions were made with approval of all the members.

1. The organization of 2nd NGC is emphasized as top priority and keeping in view the proposed national seminar in collaboration to AAU, Jorhat and ASC, the tentative period is suggested in Feb 2024.
2. The organization of National seminar in collaboration with AAU, Jorhat was agreed in principle and Dr Akshay Talukdar, Editor was assigned to negotiate for modalities in this regard.
3. It was agreed to search for possibility of organizing a conference in the International Year of Millets in South/West zone in collaboration with IIMR, Hyderabad and Hyderabad & Coimbatore chapters of the ISGPB. It was also proposed to bring out a special issue of the IJGPB on Millets.
4. The problems in online tracking was raised and it was decided to discuss this issue with the dealing agency.
5. The need of constitutional reforms was emphasized and it was asked to have a look by the EC members for changes needed. Afterwards, it will be sent to the members for comments.
6. The house was informed to initiate an award in the name of Dr RN Sawhney and the basic spadework is needed for criteria and score card for which a committee will be formed afterwards.
7. It was also emphasized that minimum 3 applications are needed for any award of the society.
8. The work on bringing out E-resources on breeding tools and techniques was discussed and it was emphasized to search such possibilities for technological updation of members through such activities.
9. Secretary proposed to restart selection of Honorary fellows for which house agreed to search suitable persons for the same.
10. The membership drive was appreciated by the members and it was proposed and agreed by the members to give 5% and 10% discount if 5 or 10 persons take life-membership together.

11. The house was informed about initiation of twitter handle of the society by the efforts of Dr Kiran Gaikwad.

The event was ended with the vote of thanks proposed by the Dr Sanjay K Singh, Secretary.

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