

Minutes of the Executive Committee (EC) meeting of IASSH held on 9th December 2015 at Trivandrum.

The Executive Committee (EC) meeting of IASSH was held on 9th December 2015 at Mariarani Convention centre, Trivandrum with Prof. S. Siva Raju, President, chairing the meeting to discuss the following agenda items:

1. Read and approve the minutes of last EC meeting
2. Review the progress made during 2014-2015
3. Review the Thirteenth Annual Conference arrangements
4. Obtaining 12A/80G certificate for the association
5. Membership drive
6. Dr. T. V. K. Satyanarayana memorial award for best posters
7. Increasing the fee for life-membership
8. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

The following EC members were present:

Dr. S. Siva Raju	President
Dr. U. V. Somayajulu	Vice President
Dr. T. V. Sekher	Secretary
Dr. B. P. Thiagarajan	Member
Dr. T. B. Singh	Member
Dr. A.G. Khan	Member
Dr. Mohanachandran Nair	Local Organizing Secretary
Dr. A. K. Ravishankar	Member
Dr. P. M. Sandhya Rani	Member
Prof. C. P. Prakashan	Ex Officio Member
Dr. K. N. M. Raju	Member, Board of Trustee
Dr. N. Audinarayana	Member, Board of Trustee
Dr. Anil Chandran	Local Organizing Joint Secretary

Dr. D.P. Singh, Dr. Mallika Mistry, Dr. Jayashree, Dr. Jitendra Yadav and Dr. S. Bhattacharjee could not attend the meeting due to some constraints.

Agenda item: 1

Dr. T. V. Sekher, Secretary, read out the minutes of the last EC meeting held at Lucknow University on November 20th 2014, and the members approved it.

Agenda item: 2

Prof. T. V. Sekher also mentioned about the quarterly e-news-letters being sent to all the members, which are well received and liked by the members.

He briefed the members about the pre-conference workshop on "Approaches to Social Science Research" held at Trivandrum, during 7-9 December, 2015, which had 25 participants. He further added that the selected papers from the 12th annual conference held at Lucknow University will be released as an Edited Book (**Health and Development: Multi-disciplinary Perspectives**) during this conference.

Agenda Item 3:

Dr. Mohanachandran Nair, local Organizing Secretary and Dr. Anil Chandran, briefed the members regarding the arrangements made for the 13th annual conference. We are expecting about 200 out-station participants to the conference and good number of local participants. There are 12 technical sessions, two poster sessions and three plenary sessions in the conference. The conference will have the second Dr. Vaidyanathan memorial lecture. The competition for best youth papers and posters will also be done in the conference.

Agenda Item 4:

President Prof. Siva Raju explained the efforts taken in order to obtain 12A/80G certificate for the association for exemption from income tax. In this regard, he is in touch with the lawyers and auditors at Tirupati. The auditor has suggested passing a resolution unanimously in the General Body meeting to ratify the by-laws of the association.

Agenda Item 5:

Prof. T. V. Sekher, Secretary, briefed the members about the progress made during 2014-15 including the increase in life-membership to 1100. More than 100 life members have joined the association during the last one year. The meeting expressed appreciation for the efforts made by the EC members in this regard.

Agenda Item 6:

General Secretary Dr. T. V. Sekher informed the meeting that Mr. Shiva Santhy from Mumbai has expressed his desire to institute an award in memory of his late father, Dr. T V. K. Satyanarayana and willing to donate Rs. 1 lakh for this. The EC unanimously agreed to this request and decided to institute the best poster awards in the name of Dr. T.V.K. Satyanarayana.

General Secretary also mentioned that Mrs. Jaylakshmi Vaidyanathan has donated Rs. 2 lakhs to the association to institute the annual memorial lecture series in honor of her husband, Dr. K. E. Vaidyanathan, former president of the association. This amount has been kept as a fixed deposit with Central Bank of India, Deonar branch, Mumbai. From the Lucknow conference (2014) onwards, we are having Dr. Vaidyanathan memorial lecture during the annual conference.

Agenda Item 7:

EC also discussed the need for increasing the existing life-membership fee of Rs. 3000. It was decided that Rs. 5000 will be the life-membership fee from April 2016 onwards.

Agenda Item 8:

EC also discussed and decided that during the inter-conference period, it is necessary to organize regional workshops on Research Methodology for young scholars. EC members were asked to take initiative in this direction to organize the regional workshops in their respective state/region.

Prof. C.P. Prakasam raised the concerns relating to frequency of the EC meetings and the members suggested that the EC meetings can be held at regular intervals through conference calls and the key office bearers based at Mumbai can meet at TISS during the same.

Prof. Siva Raju also mentioned about the financial support extended by UNFPA, B-TAST, ICMR, JSW and University of Kerala for the 13th annual conference and the members thanked the funding agencies.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

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Minutes of the General Body (GB) Meeting held at Trivandrum on 11th December, 2015

The General Body meeting of IASSH was held on 11th December, 2015 at Mariarani Convention Centre, Trivandrum, with Prof. S. Siva Raju, President, chaired the meeting to discuss following Agenda items:

- Agenda item 1. Approval of Minutes of Last GB Meeting
- Agenda item 2. Review of progress made during 2014-15
- Agenda item 3. Obtaining 12A/80G certificate
- Agenda item 4. Increase in Membership Fee
- Agenda item 5. Presentation of audited statement of accounts
- Agenda item 6. Sponsors for the conference and workshop
- Agenda item 7. Regional Workshops
- Agenda item 8. Willingness to host next annual conference
- Agenda item 9. Election of new office bearers for 2016-2017
- Agenda item 10. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

Agenda item: 1

Prof. T. V. Sekher, Secretary, read out the minutes of the last GB meeting held at Lucknow University on 22nd November, 2014 and the members approved it.

Agenda item: 2

Prof. T. V. Sekher, Secretary, briefed the members about the progress made during 2014-15 namely, increase in life membership to 1100, e-News letters, Pre-conference Workshop on "Approaches to Social Science Research" held at University of Lucknow in November 2014 and at Trivandrum in December 2015, the publication of Edited Book of selected papers presented at the 12th annual conference.

Agenda item: 3

President Prof. Siva Raju explained the efforts taken in order to obtain 12A/80G certificate for the association for exemption from income tax. In this regard, he is in touch with the lawyers and auditors at Tirupati. General Body meeting also ratified the decision taken by EC to amend the by-laws of the association to obtain 12A/80G certificate for the association for income tax exemptions.

Agenda Item 4:

The GB approved the EC decision to enhance the life membership fee to Rs. 5000 w.e.f April 1, 2016.

Agenda Item 5:

Treasurer Prof. D. P. Singh presented the audited statement of accounts and the general body approved it.

Agenda item: 6

Prof. Siva Raju, President, mentioned about the financial support extended by UNFPA, B-TAST, ICMR, JSW and University of Kerala for the 13th annual conference and the members thanked the funding agencies.

Agenda Item 7:

The members felt that the regional workshops can be organized during the inter-conference period. EC members were asked to take initiative to organize the workshops in their respective states/ regions and also mobilize required funds.

Agenda Item 8:

President asked the members to express their willingness to organize the next annual conference in 2016. Prof. T. B. Singh stated that he and his university (BHU) are interested to host the conference. GB authorized the EC to take appropriate decision in this regard after considering the suggestions from the members and proposals from various universities/organizations.

Agenda item: 9

The General Body Meeting unanimously elected the office bearers of the association for the next two years (2016-2017). Former President Prof. C.P. Prakasam conducted the election proceedings. The new office bearers are Prof. S. Siva Raju, President, Dr. U. V. Somayajulu, Vice-President, Prof. T. V. Sekher, General Secretary, Dr. J. K. Basu, Joint-Secretary, and Prof. D. P. Singh, Treasurer. The other members of the Executive Committee are Prof. M. K. Agarwal, Prof. V. K . Tiwari, Prof. P. M. Sandhya Rani, Dr. Mallika.B. Mistry, Prof. R. Jayasree, Dr. Anil Chandran.S, Dr. J. K. Basu, Prof. L. N. Dash and Dr. A. K. Ravishankar. Prof. C. P. Prakasam (former president) will continue as ex-Officio. The members to the Board of Trustees are Prof. Ravi. K. Verma, Prof. K. N. M. Raju, Prof. N. Audinarayana (nominated), Dr. A. G. Khan and Dr. B. P. Thiagarajan (elected).

Agenda item: 10

The GB also appreciated the successful organization of the last two annual conferences by the University of Lucknow in 2014 and the University of Kerala in 2015. GB specifically thanked the local organizing secretaries of the conferences, Prof. M. K. Agarwal and Prof. P. Mohanachandran Nair respectively, for their efforts. GB also appreciated the contributions of the President, General Secretary and Treasurer for the day to day management of the activities of the association and the successful organizations of the conferences and workshops.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.