

The followings members were present:

1. Dr Gurbachan Singh, President, ISA, and Chairman, ASRB, ICAR New Delhi
2. Dr A.K. Vyas, Vice President, ISA and ADG (HRM), ICAR New Delhi
3. Dr D.S. Rana, Co-Editor in Chief, IJA and Principal Scientist, New Delhi
4. Dr A.K. Singh, Treasurer ISA and Principal Scientist, Indian IIMR, New Delhi
5. Dr K. Ramesh, Senior Scientist and Councillor Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal, M.P.
6. Dr C.M. Parihar, Councillor New Delhi and Scientist, IIMR, New Delhi
7. Dr Dev Raj Arya, Technology Development Lead, Monsanto India Ltd., Mumbai, M.S.
8. Mr. Sompal Singh, Office Assistant, Indian Society of Agronomy, New Delhi
9. Mr. Sudhir Kumar Tanwar, Secretariat staff of Indian Society of Agronomy, New Delhi
10. Mr. Raman Kumar, Secretariat staff of Arkay Event Management, New Delhi
11. Miss. Sakshi Soi, Secretariat staff of Arkay Event Management, New Delhi
12. Dr Y.S. Shivay, Professor, Agronomy and Secretary, ISA, New Delhi

Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting of EC: At the outset, the President, Indian Society of Agronomy extended a warm welcome to all the Executive Council Members of ISA and the following agenda items were discussed after confirming the minutes of the last EC meeting.

1. To review the preparedness for the successful organization of Fourth IAC 2016:

A. Publication

- Publication of Text Book**
- i. Modern concepts in agronomy (In press)
 - ii. Climate resilient agronomy (In press)
 - iii. Weed management (in process)

It was informed by the Secretary that two books are in the press and will be published before the second week of November, 2016. However, third book i.e. 'Weed management' is also in process and Dr A.R. Sharma, Coordinator of this book has assured to get it printed by 18 November, 2016. The President, ISA asked to get published all the planned text book well in time for their release during the Congress. Further, he advised to take in writing from the press for their timely publication to avoid any last minutes' hassle.

Extended summary

So far we have received 1100 extended summaries and all have been reviewed by the publication committee. These will be passed on to press for final printing on or before 25th October, 2016. Secretary also informed that we will not consider any contributed extended summaries for publication after 25th October 2016. EC agreed for the same.

Special issue of IJA on Pulses

The Secretary informed the house that the Special Issue of IJA on Pulses is in the press. Corrected proofs by both editors and authors have been submitted to the press

for incorporation of the modification/ corrections. We expect to receive the copies by first week of November 2016.

Souvenir

The Secretary apprised the EC members that we have finalized 11 articles for the Souvenir and these are in the proof reading stage. Further, it was also informed by the Secretary that the secretariat office has received six messages for the Souvenir from the VVIP's including Hon'able Prime Minister of India. The President asked the Secretary to print Souvenir at least 10 days before the Congress scheduled date.

2. Position of funds for the Fourth IAC 2016:

The President raised the major concerned about the fund-raising activities and advised the Convener and Co-convener of the committee to put their best efforts with full zeal and commitment to generate more funds for the smooth organization of the Fourth International Agronomy Congress. President, ISA further emphasized that our target should be to raise funds of more than one crore rupees to meet out the actual Congress expenses. The Convener and Co-convener of the Fund- raising committee assured the house to put their best efforts to realize desired amount of funds.

3. ISA Awards

The Secretary, Indian Society of Agronomy circulated the list of awardees names of different ISA awards for the year 2013 and 2014 as per the recommendations made by the different committees constituted for the purpose. The following names were approved by the Executive Council of ISA.

ISA Life Time Achievement Award 2013-2014

1. Dr I.P.S. Ahlawat

2. Dr M.C. Saxena

ISA Gold Medal 2013

1. Dr D.K. Sharma

2. Dr A.R. Sharma

3. Dr D.P. Biradar

4. Dr Menhi Lal

ISA Gold Medal 2014

1. Dr Ashok Kumar

2. Dr K. Velyudham

3. Dr G.S. Buttar

4. Dr C. Jayanthi

ISA Fellow 2013

1. Dr D. Blaise

2. Dr K.G. Mandal

3. Dr Praveen Kumar

4. Dr N.K. Jain

5. Dr Rajbir Singh

6. Dr Shiva Dhar

7. Dr Rajender Kumar

8. Dr J.V.N.S. Prasad

ISA Fellow 2014

1. Dr S.K. Tiwari

2. Dr Anchal Das

3. Dr C.S. Praharaaj

4. Dr A.C. Shivran

5. Dr V.K. Dua

6. Dr S. Bhaskar

7. Dr G. Partibha

8. Dr V. Maruthi

ISA Associate Award 2013

Dr Narendra Kumar

Dr PS Deshmukh Young Agronomist award

2013

1. Dr A.V. Ramanjaneyulu
2. Dr Ramanjit Kaur

2014

1. Dr Anil Kumar Choudhary
2. Dr C.M. Parihar

ISA Best Ph.D. Thesis award

2013

Dr Ashaq Hussain

2014

Dr Amarpreet Singh

ISA Best M.Sc. Thesis award

2013

Mr. Sudhir Kumar Rajput

2014

Mr. Vijay Kumar

ISA Best Paper Award

2013

Dr V.K. Singh

2014

Dr U.S. Surve

Any other item with the permission of Chair:

1. The following retired agronomists/present Vice Chancellors were identified to be honoured during the Fourth International Agronomy Congress 2016.

Retired Agronomists

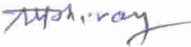
Dr T.C. Jain, Dr G.B. Singh, Dr. R.C. Gautam, Dr S.C. Modgal, Dr A.K. Dahama
Dr H.C. Sharma, Dr Masood Ali, Dr R.L. Yadav and Dr R.P. Singh (Varanasi)

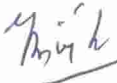
Present Vice Chancellors

Dr Ajoy Kumar Singh, Dr V. Praveen Rao, Prof. S. Pasupalak, Dr G.L. Keshwa and Dr P.S. Rathore

2. It was also decided that all the local executive members of the ISA will meet every alternate days' in the Board Room of ASRB, ICAR to review the progress of preparedness of Fourth International Agronomy Congress 2016.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


(Y.S. Shivay)
Secretary, ISA


(Gurbachan Singh)
President, ISA
26/10/2016