

# Proceedings of the 9<sup>th</sup> General Body Meeting of Indian Meat Science Association

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**Date: 07.11.2019**

**Venue: Veterinary College,  
Palampur, Himachal Pradesh**

Annual General Body meeting of the Indian Meat Science Association was held on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at 5.30 pm during IX-Indian Meat Association Conference at Hall No. 1, Multi-specialty Clinical Complex, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Palampur, Himachal Pradesh. Meeting was chaired by Dr S. K. Mendiratta, President, IMSA.

- 1) At the outset, President welcomed all the Members and other delegates for the IMSA-Annual General Body meeting.
- 2) Due to the presence of less than 50% of members for the GB meeting, President proposed to adjourn the meeting. All the members were again assembled for meeting for minutes at 5.40 pm.
- 3) After the break, Dr. M. Muthukumar, General Secretary, IMSA presented the progress report of the Association for 2018-19. General Secretary also presented the Action Taken Report on the proceedings of the previous GBMeeting held during VIII IMSACON at Veterinary College, Kolkata on 23 November 2019. General Body expressed satisfaction over the progress made.
- 4) Dr. Girish Patil, Treasurer, IMSA presented the audited accounts for the year 2018-19. General Body ratified and approved the audited accounts of IMSA for the year 2018-19.
- 5) Dr. B. M. Naveena, Editor, Journal of Meat Science (an official publication of IMSA) presented report about the Journal publishing, application for NAAS scoring, requirements to enable better NAAS score, online submission, plagiarism issues, formatting of papers by authors before submission, listing of JMS under UGC-CARE list of Journals, submission for Indian Journal indexing, SCOPUS/SCIMAGO and other abstract servicing. He requested all the EC and EB members to enhance subscription through their library, citation JMS papers etc. He also requested the GB's approval for procurement of any standard plagiarism software which will enable the editorial board to screen the manuscripts submitted to JMS and helps to improve the quality of papers.

6) The GB approved Rs 1,00,000 for purchase of plagiarism software for improving the quality of publications in the journal. However, the Chief Editor may decide the relevance of it in consultation with editorial board.

7) **Institution of awards:** Score cards prepared by the designated members for Best Teacher and Best Researcher awards were approved by GB.

General Body approved with gratitude the Senior Members who have showed interest in instituting different IMSA-awards. Following senior members of IMSA and distinguished retired faculty members have agreed to contribute Rs. 50,000 each towards the awards. Accordingly, GB approved to institute:

- a) IMSA-Dr. B. D. Sharma Award for Best Teacher
- b) IMSA-Prof. Nadeem Fairoze Award for Best Mid-Career Researcher
- c) IMSA-Dr. T. R. K. Murthy Award for Best Researcher

Following Committee was constituted to prepare the score card (similar to other IMSA awards)for IMSA-Mid-career Researcher Award:

- 1) Dr Manish Kumar Chatli, Vice-President IMSA
- 2) Dr Girish Patil, S., Treasurer, IMSA
- 3) Dr Sunil Kumar, Member, IMSA

8) **Next IMSACON:** General Body has unanimously approved to organize the next IMSA Conference in the year 2020 (10<sup>th</sup>IMSACON) at Veterinary College, Sardar Vallabhabhai Patel University of Agriculture and Technology, Meerut, UP. Dr V. P. Singh has voluntarily agreed to host the event and it was decided that he should send the acceptance letter from the Vice-Chancellor of the University to IMSA headquarter at NRC on Meat, Hyderabad before 30<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 positively. For the year 2021, it was decided to organize the 11<sup>th</sup>IMSACON at GBPUA&T, Pantnagar, UP and 12<sup>th</sup> IMSACON in 2022 at ICAR-NRC on Meat, Hyderabad.

9) **Increase of Membership fee:** It was proposed to increase the Membership to Rs. 3,100 from the existing fee of Rs.2050w.e.f01<sup>st</sup> April 2020. For International Members belonging to SAARC countries it was proposed to fix the fee at Rs. 5,000. GB approved the proposal for increasing the Membership fee.

10) **Preparation of database of research being undertaken at different Institutes:** It was proposed to identify state wise nodal officers for collecting the information. Respective IMSA executive committee members will also be involved. Further, Dr.G. Kandeepan, Senior Scientist, NRC on Meat will be the Nodal Officer for collecting and compiling the information. He will coordinate with following faculty members and or/ IMSA life

members / IMSA executive committee members and collect the information and compile the same. The GB approved the following members:

**Himachal Pradesh:** Dr. Bandu Mane

**Tamil Nadu:** Dr. Suresh Kumar

**Punjab:** Dr. Rajesh Wagh

**Maharashtra:** Dr. Kishore Rathod

**Andhra Pradesh:** Dr. Vijay Bhaskar Reddy

**Karnataka:** Dr. Chidanandiah

**Uttar Pradesh:** Dr. Rajeev Ranjan

**Bihar:**

**Haryana:**

**Jammu & Kashmir:** Dr. Sunil Kumar

**Rajasthan:**

**Assam:** Dr. Rajendran Thomas

**North Eastern States:** Dr. Pragathi Hazarika

Other Members will be identified by Dr. Kandeepan.

**11) Instituting awards:** It was proposed to reserve one Fellow from Industry out of five fellows.

**12) Proposal to include additional requirements to be eligible for IMSA Fellow:** It was approved to include the following conditions in addition to the existing eligibility criterion to be eligible to apply for IMSA-Fellowship from the year 2020:

- a) Applicant must have participated in at least three IMSACON's
- b) He/she should have a minimum two publications in Journal of Meat Science (JMS) either as a First/Co-author.

**13) Enhancing interaction with industry:** It was decided to nominate Dr. Md Nadeem Fairoze as Liaison Officer to establish linkages of IMSA with private industries.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from Dr. Muthukumar, Secretary, IMSA.



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