

Proceedings of the 27th General body meeting of Indian Society of Animal Production and Management (ISAPM) held at 27th Annual Convention at Jaipur on 05/02/2020 at 10.30 am

1. The General Body Meeting was chaired by Dr. N.S.R. Sastry (Patron). On the dais were Dr. Vishnu Sharma (VC, RAJUVAS), Dr. K.N. Wadhvani (President, ISAPM), Dr. S.S. Lathwal (Chief Editor, IJAPM) and Dr. Sanjita Sharma (Organizing Secretary, ISAPM-2020). The following attended the AGBM (see the enclosed list); thus, the quorum was in place.
2. Ratification of the Proceedings of the last AGBM held at Kerala Veterinary College, Mannuthy, Kerala – Since all the items therein mentioned were fulfilled and since there are no comments on the same from any one, the Proceedings of the last AGBM stand approved as acted upon.
3. The Reports of the ISAPM and its financial position over the last two years were presented by Dr. KN Wadhvani, which were approved by the house. The house requested the incoming CEC to examine that in details and wished them to improve it further.
4. On behalf of the ISAPM, the Chairman thanked the authorities of the RAJUVAS, especially Dr. Vishnu Sharma, the Honourable VC and Dr. (Mrs.) Sanjita Sharma, the Organising Secretary, for hosting conference at PGIVER, Jaipur, in a grand and memorable way. Active participation of Dr. Gehlot, founder Vice Chancellor of the RAJUVAS and his organization of the Sessions on Farmer-Industry-Academia and Incubation-Start-ups were greatly appreciated. While expressing gratitude to Dr. Gehlot for his kind cooperation, the house felt that this practice may be continued in the future conferences of ISAPM also. All the members present approved this resolution with robust standing ovation.
5. The Chairman expressed gratitude to the outgoing office bearers of the CEC of the ISAPM, namely, Dr. K.N. Wadhvani, Dr. M.M. Tewari, Dr. J. Modi and Dr. M.M. Islam for the excellent manner in which the Society affair were run and a clear way of progress created.. Further, it was also resolved that Dr. K.N. Wadhvani, the Immediate Past President shall continue as the CEC Member and should keep on performing the duties like – a) maintenance of our LPMWALE WhatsApp group and LPM Directory as Administrator, besides other activities solicited from him by the ISAPM. The Society also expressed gratitude to the authorities of the Anand Agricultural University, Anand, for hosting the Office of the ISAPM, conducting two CEC Meetings etc., over the last two years. All the members present approved this resolution with robust standing ovation.
6. The Chairman expressed gratitude to the outgoing Members of of the Editorial Board of the IJAPM, namely, Chief Editor Dr. S.S. Lathwal, Associate Chief Editor Dr (Mrs) L. Hmar, Editors Dr. Mukesh Bhakat, Dr. A.P. Rohil and Dr. A. Kumaresan and Assistant Editors Dr. Girin Kalita, Dr. (Mrs) Rubina Kumari and Mrs Kaur for running the journal affairs efficiently during the last four years. All the members present expressed gratitude to the EB of the IJAPM at NDRI, Karnal with robust applauds.
7. The Chief Editor of IJAPM, Dr. S.S. Lathwal discussed the various issues related to IJAPM were discussed. He requested the house to submit more number of research articles so as to have sufficient/optimal rejections, which is a must for acquiring still better NAAS score. Further, it was

suggested that the journal should be maintained with any organization for at least 4-5 years in order to maintain the standard. It was suggested that all the members should register themselves online with the journal and should also opt to become referee of the Journal.

8. The issue of shifting the office of the IJAPM for the next two years to the LPM Division, Veterinary College, SKUAT, Srinagar was discussed at length –a) The present problem of Internet and other issues there; b)The need to be in constant touch with the ICAR E-Journal wing, and c) Consultation with Dr. T.A. Banday, the Professor LPM, SKUAT and his Kashmir colleagues. It was then decided – a) To continue to keep the IJAPM office at at NDRI, Karnal for the next two years too; b) For the coming two years, Dr. T.A. Banday of SKUAT will replace, as Associate Chief Editor, Dr. L. Hmar from Mizoram, who was the Associate Chief Editor for the last two years; c) Dr. T.A. Banday may kindly nominate and send to the President and the Chief Editor, the name of another suitable person from SKUAT as Assistant Editor in place of Dr. Girin Kalita from Mizoram, who was in position for the last two years; d) It was further agreed by all the concerned that the Editorial team from SKUAT will undertake the responsibility of obtaining research articles for the IJAPM, arranging for their editing etc. from all the Himalayan states, in collaboration with the Chief Editor & Editors at NDRI, Karnal.
9. Since,as of today, there is only one application from the LPM Department, Orissa Veterinary College, OUAT, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, offering to organize the next, that is 28th Conference and Annual Convention of ISAPM, it was unanimously approved that OUAT, Bhubaneswar, Odisha may organize the 28th Conference and Annual Convention of ISAPM, with Dr. K.L. Babu, Professor LPM and Dean OVC as the Organising Secretary. NDRI, Karnal wished to host an International Conference of ISAPM in 2022, as two years prior notice is necessary to organize an International Conference. This proposal was tentatively approved by the house. CAZRI, Jodhpur too proposed to organize a conference of ISAPM in 2022 or 2023. Members of the last two destinations were requested to contact the President, ISAPM officially through their respective institutions.
10. The question of shifting the Office of the ISAPM for the next two years was discussed at length. It turns out that the responsibility of holding the 2016 International Conference was given to SVVU with Dr. K. Sarjan Reddy as the Organising Secretary. But by the Conference date in 2016, the combined Andhra Pradesh state was divided into Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states, also with the formation of PVNR University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences at Hyderabad, Telangana state. Since it was decided to hold that 2016 conference at the Metropolitan city of Hyderabad, ultimately tha Conference was organized jointly by SVVU and PVNRTVU in 2016. Now, since both of them have come together to run the Office of the ISAPM, the same was approved. They have announced the following as the new team of office bearers of ISAPM – a) President: Dr. K. Sarjan Reddy, DSW & Professor LPM, SVVU, Tirupati; b) Secretary General: Prof. Dr. Sarat Chandra, PVNRTVU, Hyderabad;
11. The Patron (Dr. NSR Sastry) has requested that, in view of his advancing age, his burden of duties be reduced. He proposed the name of Prof. Dr. S. Pan from WB. The senior most Vice President, may take his up these duties. Accordingly the House unanimously decided to name Prof. Dr. S. Pan be included as the Vice-Patron, IJAPM to carry out the duties of the Patron in his absence. He may also take up the specific duties as the Editor-in-Chief, ISAPM and take charge as the Advisor to – IJAPM, WhatsApp Group LPMWALE, LPM Directory and other Periodical Publications of ISAPM as well as any other filed activities. It was unanimously resolved that the Patron and the Vice Patron too will continue to be the members of the CEC.

12. The House felt concerned over the lack of or lesser participation of the Women's Chapter in ISAPM activities. This is sad in view of the huge role played by rural women in livestock production and our concern for gender sensitization of livestock development activities. It was unanimously resolved that Dr. Sanjita Sharma may take over as the Chairperson of the ISAPM Women's Chapter and, in consultation with other lady members activate and motivate the Women's Chapter members into action on the lines of our motto.
13. The House has also advised all the Vice presidents and Chapter secretaries to work actively in the interest of the Society especially regarding addition of more members to the society, looking into the nomination for fellows of ISAPM, ensuring that research articles are regularly submitted to IJAPM, especially by fresh PG students. The house suggested appointing one Chapter Secretary from every state of the country and the new President has asked the members to suggest one active member from each state.
14. Further, it was decided unanimously to, from a committee to nominate from here onwards, via a Search Committee, in liaison with the CEC, the candidates for ISAPM Life Time Achievement Award, instead of calling the applications as it is being done so far. New office bearers of the society were requested to formulate standard format for FNAPM award. A fool proof proforma for evaluation of FNAPM candidates may be prepared improving up on the proforma already developed and may kindly be considered at the next CEC Meeting. It was again emphasized by the house, that the Vice Presidents, Chapter Secretaries and Hos (LPM) should act as the eyes and ears of the CEC in locating potential and deserving candidates for LTA Awards. It may be noted, that as per earlier decision, we give one or two, or at the most three LTAs only each year (please see the ISAPM website).
15. **New Awards:** Dr. N.S.R. Sastry has proposed to institute a 2-yearly (one term) Patron's Appreciation Award(s) from this year, 2020, onwards. This is instituted by the current Patron for 2020. It is hoped that it will continue in the succeeding terms, i.e., 2022, 2024 and so on. The OBJECTIVE of this Award is to encourage participation of the members of ISAPM, in general, irrespective of their holding an office or not, to perform outstanding service for improving the name, fame and efficiency of the ISAPM. This is for ANY Life Member of Society (of not less than 10 years) for carrying out specific assignment(s) assigned to him/her by the Society (AGB, CEC) and/or the current Patron and/or the current President to the logical end of, i.e., giving result are production of the project. It can be a pro-active mission taken up by any member. Age, sex, region etc. are no bar for this Award. The current Patron, the current President and the current Vice Presidents and secretary general constitute the Selection Committee for which the current Patron will be the Member Secretary. The Award will comprise of – a) A certificate from ISAPM; b) A Memento. **Note:** This year, 2020, The Present Patron, Dr. N.S.R. Sastry will himself arrange for the Mementos. The President may kindly arrange the certificates of the ISAPM. Dr. Sastry will himself bring the Memento. For this year, i.e., 2020, the current Patron, Dr. N.S.R. Sastry will chose the Awardees, in view of the shortage of time and as he is part of the assignment over the last two years. The AGB can consider this Award and modify it from time to time, should it fell the necessity. The house approved the same with good applause.

PS: In the 2020 Conference, these Awards went to the following. It may be noted that this recognition goes to all members of the team that worked equally hard on the aspects reported.: a) Dr. KN Wadhvani from Anand AU – for initiating and running the ISAPM affairs innovatively and conducting 2 CEC Meets after a big gap; b) Dr. Vivek Patil of Karnataka VASU– for undertaking all the programming work needed for developing the LPM Directory and Computerization of the ISAPM

Conference work including selection of Awardees in time; c) Dr. N. Rajanna of PVNRVASU – for initiating and making the Student’ LPM Quiz Contest very popular; d) Dr. S.S. Lathwal of NDRI, Karnal – for, as Chief Editor, overcoming the backlog and also converting the IJAPM into a e-Journal on ICAR website; e) Dr. (Mrs) Sanjita Sharma of RAJUVAS – for, as the Organising Secretary of our Conference, implementing for the first time total computerization of the whole conference work, which enabled to complete everything in time; f) Dr. S. Pan of WBVASU – for successfully taking up assignments given by the Patron from time to time, especially making available for the archives the pre-computerization period issues of the IJAPM).Seed Money of Rs. 25,000/- may be deposited and the expenses towards printing certificates and mementoes may be met form the interest accrued on the same.

16. It was decided, by way of courtesy, to exempt registration fee and accommodation charges for five senior ISAPM Life Members on first come first serve basis. It was approved by the house to consider life members of the society only for bestowing the society (ISAPM) awards. Further it was also decided that, from here on, the Organising Secretaries of Conferences should also be honoured. The incoming CEC is requested to look into this matter and also look for some past OSs also to be honoured.(what is your understanding). Sir, I think this should be with prospective effect , not retrospective effect or leave it to the discretion of the present CEC.
17. It was also decided by the house, that in future, if time constraint arises, presentation of some of the Awards may be carried out in the AGBM itself. This has become important in view of the big increase in the number of our Awards.. It will be great encouragement for the budding scientists to receive awards in the valedictory ceremony from either the chief guest or any guest of honour.
18. Issues like funding support for MVSc research will be discussed in next CEC meetings.It may not be feasible however CEC is requested to explore the possibility.
19. Keeping in view the rising number of participating teams for quiz competition, zonal level preliminary quiz was advised. Dr. Rajanna, our Quiz Master may come up with ideas for this at the next CEC Meeting.(leave it to the decisions of cec meeting)
20. The house unanimously agreed to the suggestion of the Chairman that the future Organising Secretaries of ISAPM Conferences MUST use the standard forms (available on ISAPM website) for reporting the recommendations of each Technical Session and that of the Conference as a whole into 2-3 actionable recommendations each for teaching, research, extension and industry / entrepreneurship of the LPM Discipline. This procedure was time tested over 5 conferences and appreciated and approved by all concerned.
21. Amidst thundering applause, the outgoing President, Dr. KN Wadhvani and the incoming President, Dr. K. Sarjan Reddy exchanged the office of the President, ISAPM with pleasant handshakes and hugs. The out-going and incoming Presidents thanked the Chair and every member on behalf of the society.
22. The AGM ended with the Vote of Thanks by Dr. (Mrs) Sanjita Sharma of RAJUVAS, the Organising Secretary of the Jaipur conference.

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Enclosed: List of members attending the AGBM along with their signatures.