



## **MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING OF THE IASP, 2021**

**Date : November 28, 2021 at 11.00 AM**

**Venue : The Meeting was Conducted using Virtual Mode**

The virtual General Body meeting of the Indian Association for Study of Population (IASP) was organized on November 28, 2020 at 11 AM during the Golden jubilee Conference of IASP. Since quorum of the meeting was not complete (attendance 34), the meeting was adjourned for 10 minutes and then restarted with 51 members of IASP being present.

The President of IASP Dr U V Somayajulu chaired the meeting and conducted the proceedings. The meeting was attended by members of the EC and BOT besides life and annual members of IASP. Attendance of all who attended the meeting was recorded in the Virtual system adopted for the conference. Following were the Agenda items of the meeting and discussion/decisions taken thereon:

Dr Somayajulu mentioned about the sad demise of Prof Vemuri Muralidhar and briefly mentioned about the contribution of Prof Vemuri in the field of Population Studies in general and IASP in particular. The members observed silence and paid homage to Prof Vemuri.

### **Agenda Item 1 : Confirmation of Minutes of last GB meeting held on November 30, 2020 at 2.15 PM during 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of IASP**

Prof V K Tiwari, General Secretary presented the Minutes of the General Body meeting held during the 42<sup>nd</sup> Virtual Annual Conference of the IASP on November 30, 2020. The president informed that Minutes of the previous GB meeting was sent to all members through email available with IASP and was also placed on the website of IASP. The GB conformed the Minutes.

## **Agenda Item 2 : General Secretary's Annual Report for 2020-2021 (From NIHFW, New Delhi Conference in November 2020 to till Delhi Conference 28 November, 2021)**

Prof V K Tiwari, General Secretary presented the annual report describing in details about the activities of IASP during 2020-21 from NIHFW, New Delhi Conference to November 2021. The report was circulated to all EC, BOT and IASP Members and was approved after discussion. The General Secretary informed about the Golden jubilee Conference of IASP being held using Virtual Mode. The GB approved the GS report.

## **Agenda Item No 3 : Update on IPC 2021**

Dr Somayajulu briefed the members about IPC 2021 which would be held during Dec 5-10, 2021 using virtual platform. He added that instead of formal inaugural session, welcome video with messages from Union Health Minister, Govt of India, IUSSP President, IUSSP Vice President and IASP President is produced and it would be available on IPC 2021 website.

Dr Somayajulu informed that all the Indian paper/poster presenters are provided financial assistance by NOC/IASP towards the registration fee. He also informed that there would be 11 India day sessions with 6 sponsored research leader sessions sponsored by Population Council, UNFPA, USAID- L4I, IHAT/UoM, and IIPS and 5 sessions with papers submitted to India day sessions/general sessions of IPC. For each session, 10,000US\$ is the fee collected by NOC, which is being used to meet the registration fee related expenses. He also mentioned that after negotiations with the HICC, they agreed to cancel the contract with the advance amount of Rs 5 Lakhs paid to book the venue. Initial demand was for Rs35 Lakhs. NOC has returned the Rs5 lakhs taken from IASP. He further added that special volume of the selected papers presented in the golden jubilee conference would be brought out and for the money saved, FD would be taken in the name of IASP.

## **Agenda Item 4 : IASP Elections 2022**

The President informed that the present EC has completed its term of three years and elections are due. He appreciated the work of Previous Election Committee under the Chairpersonship of Prof C M Pandey and informed that in the joint meeting of EC and BOT, it was decided to approach Prof C M Pandey to conduct election this time also. The President informed that he discussed Prof C M Pandey agreed and asked for support as he is now superannuated. The same was agreed by the President. President has been authorized by the GB to take action in this direction.

Dr Somayajulu mentioned that as we will have e voting, correct e mail id is required for each of the life and annual members of IASP. He requested all the members to cooperate with the IASP EC in updating the data base of members of IASP.

### **Agenda Item 5 : Presentation and Acceptance of IASP Balance Sheet for 2020-2021**

Prof Suresh Sharma Treasurer of IASP presented the balance sheet for 2019-2020. Prof Sharma explained that due to the online conference not much expenditure has taken place. Income was generated from new Life/Annual members of the association. Prof Sharma clarified a few queries from the members. After discussion, the GB approved the balance sheet for the year 2020-21. There was some discussion about the fee paid to the auditor and it was clarified that whatever was paid to the previous CA is paid to the current CA as he was not willing to reduce. President added that after the elections, new team of office bearers and EC can take a decision regarding appointment of new CA

### **Agenda Item 6 : Discussion on /Acceptance of Report of the Committee on IASP Awards**

The IASP President thanked the Committee Members viz Prof K K Singh, Prof N Audi Narayana and Dr Shalini Verma for preparing criteria for various awards constituted by the IASP and submitting the its Report. Prof Audinarayana made a brief presentation of the recommendations of the committee. The report was also discussed in the Joint EC and BoT held on November 21, 2021 . After prolonged discussion, GB approved the Committee Report and thanked the Committee.

### **Agenda Item 7 : Discussion on/Acceptance of Report of Committee on BOT of IASP**

The IASP President thanked the Committee Members viz, Prof C M Pandey, Prof Sayeed Unisa and Dr Niranjan Saggurti for preparing the BoT Review Report. Its members Prof S Unisa and Dr Niranjan Saggurti gave detailed account of process followed and the recommendation of changing the name from Board of Trustee to Board of Advisors(BOA) and role and responsibilities of the BoA. There was discussion and it was decided to circulate the report to all the IASP members and take their views before the elections. It was also suggested that elections for the BoT would be as per the final report.

## **Agenda Item 8 : Any other Matter with the Permission of Chair**

President informed that Dr Niyati Joshi has proposed two fellowships in the name of PROF C. P. Prakasam Fellowship of Rs 25000/- in Data Analytics and Public Health and travel award of Rs 10,000/- in the name of Prof F. Ram for the best paper in Technical Fertility to be presented in the IASP conference. The GB suggested that this issue should be discussed in the EC meeting and then be placed before the GB.

Dr Somayajulu mentioned that Dr Shireen Jeejebhoy would become President of IUSSP in early 2021 and congratulated her. He thanked the IUUSP, IOC and NOC in general and Prof Tom, Dr Shireen , Dr Nicco Mary Ellen and Sri A R Nanda in particular for all the support to IASP in hosting the IPC 2021. He also thanked IIPS, UNFPA, USAID L4I, Population Council, IHAT, ICRW, BMGF, PFI , Centre on Gender Equity and Health, University of California, San Diego for the generous financial support.

Sd/-  
(Prof V K Tiwari)  
General Secretary

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**\*\*\*The end\*\*\***