

## Minutes of second monthly meeting of the IASP EC held on June 5, 2022

**Venue:** Online using Webex Platform

**Time:** 11 AM to 12.30 PM

**Date:** 5, June 2022

- I. **Participants:** Following nine EC members convened for the meeting using the online platform.

S. No.	Name of the EC Members	Designation
1.	Dr. Suresh Sharma	President
2.	Dr. D P Singh	Vice President
3.	Dr. Dilip Kumar	Vice- President
4.	Dr. Usha Ram	General Secretary
5.	Dr. Jeetendra Yadav	Treasurer
6.	Dr. Anil Chandran	Joint Secretary
7.	Dr. Ajay Kumar Singh	Joint Secretary
8.	Dr. Rajesh Chauhan	EC Member
9.	Dr. Sanghamitra Acharya	Co-Opted Member

Dr. Kunal Keshri, Dr. Archana Muthye, Dr. Sushanta K Banerjee and Dr. Vijay Tiwary could not join the meeting.

- II. **Agenda:** The agenda for the meeting was as follows;

- a. Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting of EC.
- b. Appointment of a new Chartered Accountant (CA)
- c. Progress of updated database of IASP members and Newsletter
- d. Progress of event on World Population Day, July 11 2022
- e. Talk on Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM)
- f. Distinguished Lecture Series of IASP
- g. Progress of Demography India
- h. New Admission of Life Members (if any)
- i. Any other matter with the permission of the chair

- III. **Minutes of the Meeting:** Below are agenda-wise broad minutes of the meeting

### A. Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting of EC.

The minutes of the last meeting on May 1 was approved during the session. However, the members discussed about delay in transferring IUSSP money to the IASP account. It was suggested that Dr. Jeetendra, Trasurer would discuss the matter with Dr. Somayajulu and Dr. Subramaniam to expedite the matter and complete the transfer process soon.

### B. Appointment of new Chartered Accountants (CA)

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To appoint a new CA, Dr. Jeetendra and Dr. Suresh, discussed with 3 to 4 CA firms for managing IASP audits and explored the rate. The table below has the details

S.No.	Name of the Firm	Annual Charges (in Rs.)
1	Meenakshi Gujaral and Co.	50,000/-
2	Sharma & Sharma Co.	35,000/-
3	Dharam Taneja Associates	45,000/-

The matter was discussed. The members suggested that in view of the IASP's current requirements, it may be advisable to go with Sharma and Sharma Co. as they have quoted the lowest price.

### **C. Update database of IASP members and News Letter**

The matter was discussed at length. The members agreed that there is a need to update the membership list. The team suggested that Dr. Jeetendra, Dr. Kunal, and Dr. Ajay will develop a google form and google sheet and subsequently update the database.

The first draft of the Newsletter would also be worked out soon. Dr. Ajay would share the draft with Dr. Usha in a week time.

The members also discussed about the modalities of membership and if that need a revision. For example, instead of having 2 recommendations for the IASP membership requests, recommendation of one IASP member may suffice.

A general consensus was made to boost membership, one reach out using WhatsApp, email, and other social media platforms but one should follow the due process by filling in the application online and pay the fees.

### **D. Progress of event on World Population Day, July 11, 2022**

It was resolved that there will be a full-day academic program (Offline) on the occasion of world population day (July 11 2022) at IEG, Delhi. The members were asked to suggest and share themes and names of the experts for panel discussion soon.

### **E. Talk on Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM)**

To commemorate AKAM, Dr. Niranjana Saggurti of the Population Council will deliver a talk on AKAM on July 11 2022.

### **F. Distinguished Lecture Series of IASP**

The first lecture under the special lecture series of the IASP, Prof. Gouranga Dasvarma of Flinders University, Adelaide, Australia would deliver on "Population, Health and the Environment: with a few references to a Global and Indian situation".

Some of the possible themes for subsequent lectures were as follows:

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- SDGs for maternal and newborn health
- COVID19 and Mortality in India
- Gender and adolescent mental health

### G. Discussion on Demography India

There was a discussion to provide responsibility to the new editorial team of Demography India as the current Editor-in-Chief is reluctant to take the next term. Dr. Suresh informed that the Dr. Bhagat and Dr. Sahoo expressed that they would like to withdraw their role. Dr. Suresh read out names of members and the composition of the DI team with the members in the meeting. It was suggested that the members of the future team to be shared and discussed with the members beforehand.

Following details were shared by Dr. Suresh subsequently:

1	Advisory Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Prof. F. Ram</li><li>▪ Prof. A. Subhia</li><li>▪ Prof. Mohan Chand Nair</li><li>▪ Prof. R.S. Goyal</li><li>▪ Prof. Sudhesh Nagia</li><li>▪ Prof. S.C. Gulati</li></ul>	TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC
2	Chief Editor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Prof. Vishnu Vardhan Rao</li></ul>	Confirm & Accepted
3	Associate Chief Editor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Prof. A.K. Sharma</li><li>▪ Prof. C.M. Pandey</li><li>▪ Prof. Jyoti Hallad</li><li>▪ Prof. Chandrashekhar</li></ul>	Confirm & Accepted Confirm & Accepted Confirm & Accepted Confirm & accepted
4	Managing Editor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Dr. William Joe</li></ul>	Confirm & accepted
5	Associate Managing Editor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Dr. Rajesh Kumar Chauhan</li><li>▪ Dr. Gudakesh</li></ul>	Confirm & Accepted Confirm & accepted
6	Editorial Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Prof. Bhaswati Das</li><li>▪ Prof. Aswini Kumar Nanda</li><li>▪ Dr. A.G. Khan</li><li>▪ Dr. Ravishankar</li><li>▪ Prof. Anuradha Banerjee</li></ul>	TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC TBC

Dr. Usha proposed that each paper should be assigned an academic reviewer, a practice followed by several high quality journals. Such practice would ensure high quality of publications in the DI. It was also discussed to have a guideline for peer review to cut down the time.

### H. Any other matter with the permission of the chair

The members discussed about IASP Annual Conference due to be organized before the year end. It was suggested to seek proposal from institutions/organization interested in hosting the conference by placing the same on the IASP website.

Participants during the Meeting



Prof. Usha Ram,  
General Secretary, IASP