

First Monthly Meeting of the IASP EC held on May1st2022

Date: 1, May 2022 **Time:** 11 AM to 12.30 PM **Venue:** Online using Webex Platform

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

Sr. 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. Archana Muthye	Regional Coordinator (Western)
9.	Dr.KunalKeshari	Regional Coordinator (Eastern)

Dr. Rajesh Chauhan and Dr.V K 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 new Chartered Accountants (CA)
- C. Update database of IASP members
- D. Event on World Population Day, 11July 2022
- E. Talk on AzadiKaAmritMahotsav (AKAM)
- F. Distinguished Lecture Series of IASP
- G. Discussion on Demography India
- H. 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 held on 23 April were approved during the session. However, there was some discussion over Rs. 12 Lakhs received from NOC of IPC to be transferred to IASP. The process needs to be communicated. It was suggested to take up the matter with the Ex. President and Mr. Subramaniam (Treasurer IPC) can be contacted and a clarification on timeline and process for transfer to be sought.

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B. Appointment of new Chartered Accountants (CA)

Dr. Suresh suggested appointing a new Chartered Accountant since the existing CA fees a bit on the higher side given the scope of his work. He said that during the next EC meeting, he would discuss the name of the new CA. The hiring a new CA will be as per the IASP guidelines/protocol.

C. Update database of IASP members

The members discussed about the need to update the membership list of the association. Dr. Suresh suggested that Dr. Jeetendra, Dr. Kunal, and Dr. Ajay may develop a google form and google sheet to update the database.

There was a concern about reaching out to the members whose emails and mobile numbers are incorrect. There were suggestions to reach out and find about these members using the International Institute for Population Sciences Alumni database, which was updated during the recent global alumni meet, where they have developed age and batch cohort database (IIPS GAM meet group, IIPS decadal groups, Pop Scientists group, PRC group). Additional help may be taken by reaching out to the referees of these members. This would require scanning through their application forms, WhatsApp/telegram group of IIPS, Population Scientist, use other social media platforms (Facebook and LinkedIn etc.) and reach out to known contacts in the geographies where these members are located. Using postal address to reach was also discussed.

The IASP members who are no more now, their obituary or condolence messages may be uploaded in Demography India and IASP website and subsequently, their names could be formally removed from the list of life members. This needed further discussion.

D. Event on world population Day, 11 July 2022

It was resolved that there will be a full-day academic program (Offline) on the occasion of World Population Day (11TH July 2022) at IEG, Delhi. Dr. Suresh said that he has reached out to Dr. Niranjana of Population Council and discuss the same. It was suggested to consider the UN theme for the WPD 2022 which is *"How to safeguard the health and rights of women and girls now and putting the brake on Covid-19"*. New cases and speakers will be discussed soon.

E. Talk on AzadiKaAmritMahotsav (AKAM)

Dr. Suresh proposed that there should be a talk on AzadiKaAmritMahotsav (AKAM). He suggested that perhaps we can invite some experts and talk about India's achievements on health, nutrition, population, etc. IIPS recently celebrated AKAM and we can take some cues from there. The members also discussed possibility of exploring with some eminent speakers including Mr. Kailash Satyarthi to talk about malnutrition among children and some government officials.

F. Distinguished Lecture Series of IASP

Dr. Suresh Sharma suggested that IASP can hold a monthly lecture series wherein an expert will be invited for a lecture on a chosen multidisciplinary topic every month. It was discussed to take stock of what kind of lecture series is currently happening across various universities and see how we can be different. She and others also suggested holding this lecture series quarterly or twice every year. The president expressed to organize every month and suggested to revisit based on the response to the first one. There was a suggestion to publish these lectures in Demography India and recordings can be uploaded to YouTube channel of IASP. For expert, it was suggested to collaborate

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with global experts. The EC members may reach out to their network and identify experts. Dr. Suresh to initiate identifying the experts for the first lecture series.

G. Discussion on Demography India

There was a discussion to provide responsibility to the new editorial team of Demography India as current Editor-in-Chief is reluctant to take the next term, however any name was not suggested. Provision for keeping associate editor (in addition to managing editor) was discussed; it was also discussed that any of the EC member can be in editorial team of IASP for more transparency. It was also discussed to make serious efforts to be listed in Scopus within a year. Dr Sharma told that he was in touch with some publishers to publish Demography India so that the journal would get listed in Scopus and would have impact factor.

H. Any other matter with permission of chair

The names of the co-opted members were discussed. After a detailed discussion, the members decided to have Dr. Sushanta Banerjee and Dr. Sanghamitra Acharya as the co-opted members of IASP.

It was also discussed that there should be a biannual newsletter of IASP. Dr. Suresh suggested that Dr. Ajay would prepare the first draft of the newsletter and send it to Dr. Usha. Dr. Suresh suggested that Dr. Anil will look at IT and website updation. Dr. Anil suggested to identify an organisation and venue for the next Annual Conference. It was also discussed to change the signatory in the bank account of BOT-IASP and to schedule a meeting of the BoT members soon.

