



Proceedings of the Executive Council meeting

The Executive Council meeting of Indian Society for Spices (ISS) was held on 11.06.2018, 02.00 PM at ICAR-Indian Institute of Spices Research, Kozhikode. The meeting was presided over by the President of the Society, Dr. Santhosh J. Eapen.

The following members were present in the meeting:

1. Dr. Santhosh J. Eapen, President
2. Dr. E.V. Divakara Sastry, Vice President
3. Dr. Homey Cheriyan, Invitee
4. Dr. P.S. Femina, Joint Secretary
5. Dr. S.J. Ankegowda, Member, Executive Council
6. Dr. V.V. Radhakrishnan, Member, Executive Council
7. Dr. D. Prasath, Immediate Past Secretary
8. Dr. R. Dinesh, Editor-in-Chief, JOSAC
9. Dr. R. Sivaranjani, Treasurer
10. Dr. C.N. Biju, Secretary

The meeting began with a formal welcome by the President, ISS. The proceedings of the previous General Body meeting held at SASRD, Nagaland University, Medziphema on 15.03.2018 was presented by the Secretary which was approved by the EC. The meeting considered the following agenda for discussion:

1. Briefing about the conduct of SYMSAC-IX:

The ninth Symposium on Spices and Aromatic Crops (SYMSAC-IX – *Spices for Doubling Farmer's Income*) was organized by ISS at SASRD, Nagaland University, Medziphema, during 15–17 March 2018. The Secretary briefly narrated conduct of the symposium and the Treasurer presented current financial status of ISS.

2. Nominating Vice President (one) & Executive Council members (five):

The elected Executive Council members after detailed discussion, unanimously nominated the following for the post of Vice President and Members, Executive Council.

- Vice President (Nominated) - Dr. Homey Cheriyan, Director, DASD, Kozhikode
- Nominated members, Executive Council:
 - (1) Mr. Nanda Belliappa, Planter, Kodagu, Karnataka
 - (2) Dr. Suchand Datta, Professor, UBKV, West Bengal
 - (3) Dr. M. Tamil Selvan, Additional Commissioner (Hort. Retd.), Krishi Bhawan, GOI, New Delhi
 - (4) Dr. A. Ishwara Bhat, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IISR, Kozhikode, Kerala
 - (5) Mr. Geemon Korah, CEO, M/s. Kancor Flavours & Extracts Ltd., Ernakulam, Kerala



3. Nominating Zonal Councilors (five):

Executive council unanimously nominated five zonal councilors as follows:

Northern Zone	–	Dr. Gopal Lal, ICAR-NRCSS, Ajmer, Rajasthan
Southern Zone	–	Dr. N. Mini Raj, College of Horticulture, KAU, Thrissur, Kerala
Central Zone	–	Dr. Giridhar Kalidasu, HRS, Dr. YSRHU, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh
Eastern Zone	–	Prof. Anupam Pariari, BCKV, Nadia, West Bengal
Western Zone	–	Dr. R.G. Khandekar, Dr. BSKKV, Dapoli, Maharashtra

4. Nominating New Editorial Board for Journal of Spices and Aromatic Crops:

The Executive Council unanimously nominated the following members for new editorial board:

Editor-in-Chief	–	Dr. K. Kandiannan, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IISR, Kozhikode
Editor	–	Dr. K.S. Krishnamurthy, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IISR, Kozhikode
Assistant Editor	–	Dr. C.M. Senthil Kumar, Senior Scientist, ICAR-IISR, Kozhikode

5. Conduct of SYMSAC-X in collaboration with International Societies:

It is decided to conduct SYMSAC-X as an International event in collaboration with International Societies during 2020. An ad-hoc committee has been formed for drafting modalities for the conduct of Symposium with the following members:

Chairman	–	Dr. Homey Cheriyan
Members	–	(1) Dr. Gopal Lal
		(2) Dr. S. Devasahayam
		(3) Dr. M. Anandaraj
		(4) Dr. A. Ishwara Bhat
		(5) Dr. D. Prasath
		(6) Dr. C.N. Biju

6. Other items discussed:

- The EC approved the proposal for publishing Dr. Y.R. Sarma memorial lecture in JOSAC and recommended the same for peer review.
- The EC suggested organizing ISS Annual General Body meeting during the annual workshop of AICRP on Spices.
- The EC recommended for the increase of various membership fees of ISS as follows:

Ordinary	–	Rs. 1,000/-
Life	–	Rs. 5,000/-
Institutional	–	Rs. 10,000/-



- It is decided that all the authors of research papers intended to be published in JOSAC shall be a member of ISS.
- The EC approved the proposal for creating an interactive Mobile App exclusively for ISS members.
- The EC agreed in principle to take professional help in verifying Society's accounts, income tax liability, Society registration etc.
- The EC suggested to organize a one day seminar/programme exclusively for famers or a planter's meet on different themes at different regions during alternate years.
- The action plans proposed during SYMSAC IX shall be communicated to the concerned organizations/establishments/stakeholders for information and necessary action.

The meeting was concluded with a formal vote of thanks proposed by Dr. P.S. Femina, Joint Secretary.

(C N Biju)
Secretary