

# Indian Academy of Neurosciences

## Minutes of the General Body Meeting held at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi on Tuesday; October 30, 2018

The meeting of the General Body (GB) of Indian Academy of Neurosciences (IAN) was held on October 30, 2018 at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi. The meeting was presided over by Dr (Ms) Shashi Bala Singh, President, IAN and the list of members present during the meeting is enclosed (Annexure – I).

Dr (Ms) Shashi Bala Singh welcomed the members and the meeting proceeded as per the agenda.

1. The minutes of the last GB meeting held on on October 30, 2017 at Ravenshaw University, Cuttack were confirmed.
2. The General Secretary in his brief report informed the members about the activities of IAN and those organized under the auspices of local chapters during the year. He apprised the members about the linkages of Indian Academy of Neurosciences with IBRO, FAONS and other neuroscience societies including Japanese Neuroscience Society and encouraged the young neuroscientists to avail the opportunities for attending the workshops and summer schools being sponsored by these international agencies in India and outside. He further urged the members and specially the office bearers of local chapters to hold interactive meet and lectures by leading neurologists and psychiatrists with cross section of society as a part of IAN – IBRO Global Advocacy Programme. He thanked the membership for their support and requested them to update their profile and contact information by logging on to IAN website or by contacting Dr. Vinay K. Khanna, Secretary HQ of the Academy.
3. Dr Shukla Prasad, the Organizing Secretary presented a brief report of the XXXVI annual conference of IAN. He said that there were 3 plenary lectures, 8 symposia, 10 oral sessions, 2 award sessions for young researchers and poster sessions during the three day conference organized with the theme – Translational Research in Improving Mental Health. He informed that the scientific programme of the three day conference also consisted of ISN Wiley Blackwell – JNC International Lecture and one memorial lecture. Further, interaction programme of school children with scientists was also organized a day before the conference. The deliberations in the scientific sessions were excellent and all sessions were well attended by the participants / delegates. He acknowledged the financial support received from the science agencies and help from his colleagues from BHU, Varanasai and other places to organize the conference successfully. The GB appreciated the efforts of the Organizing Secretary and his colleagues to develop an exciting and enriching scientific programme.
4. The statement of accounts duly audited by the Chartered Accountant was presented by Dr A.K. Agrawal, Treasurer, Indian Academy of Neurosciences. He mentioned that payment of dues towards affiliation fee of FAONS has been settled while dues of IBRO will be paid on receiving the invoice. The GB unanimously approved to pay off the dues to both FAONS and IBRO to continue affiliation of IAN. While presenting the brief report, he also informed about the induction of new Life and Associate Members during the year. The GB expressed satisfaction and was happy to note that the financial status of the Academy is good.
5. Dr. Akshay Anand, the Editor of IAN in his brief report informed the status of issues of Annals of Neurosciences brought out during the year and the number of papers included therein. He urged the members to contribute papers on original work and reviews to improve the quality of the journal and ultimately to showcase the strength of the journal at large. He updated the members on the search for a new co-publisher as KARGER had expressed their inability to renew the contract beyond the two-year period due to internal restructuring in their organization. He further informed that the core committee is in discussions with two major publishers including SPRINGER-Nature as they have a wide outreach to

researchers around the world. The members expressed their satisfaction on the progress and requested the Editor and members of the Core Committee to finalize a co-publisher for the continuity and growth of the IAN journal – Annals of Neurosciences. After detailed discussions, it was decided that an association with SPRINGER-Nature or a co-publisher of similar stature should be tried for greater interest of the Academy and its members.

6. (i). The GB approved the recommendation of the EC for electing Dr (Ms). Anita Jagota, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad; Dr DK Lahiri, Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, USA and Dr Pankaj Seth, National Brain research Centre, Manesar as Fellows of Indian Academy of Neurosciences.
  - (ii) The GB was informed that out of ten papers received for Jyotsnamoyee Raghunath Bhattacharya Prize, paper of Ms Reshma Bhagat (National Brain Research Centre, Manesar, India) published in Cell Death & Differentiation, doi.org/10.1038/s41418-018-0163-y was selected for the award.
  - (iii) The GB was informed that two more awards will be given as Best Paper Award from Organizers as approved by the EC.
  - (iv) While discussing the proposal to frame the guidelines for Sutte Nag Prize, the recommendation of EC to have the same guidelines as incase of SS Parmar Research Foundation (USA) Prize was approved by the GB. The GB was further informed that there will be two prizes each consisting of memento, certificate and cash prize of INR 2,500/- (Rupees Two thousand five hundred only) in this award category for young researchers for the papers presented in the Poster Session..
7. The GB was informed that the proposal to hold the XXXVII annual conference of IAN in 2019 at AIIMS, New Delhi and IAN 2020 at UoH, Hyderabad was already approved by the GB in its meeting held on October 30, 2017 at Ravenshaw University, Cuttack.
  8. The suggestions of EC to form the Executive Committee for 2018 was approved by the GB (Annexure – II).

#### **Any other matter with the permission of the Chair**

1. The proposal of EC to organize activities as a part of IAN – IBRO Global Advocacy Programme was discussed. The members were suggested that interactive meet and lectures by leading neurologists and psychiatrists should be organized at neuroscience centres and local branches of IAN with cross section of society. The financial support (up to INR 5,000/-) may be provided by IAN incase there is any requirement of funds. In such cases, proposals received from local branches will be reviewed by a small committee (President, Secretary HQ, General Secretary and IAN IBRO-FAONS Representative). Suitability of funding support will be informed to the concerned and the amount will be reimbursed to the concerned local branch by the Treasurer on receiving the receipts / expenditure statement. The GB approved the proposal with applause.

The Secretary HQ thanked the Organizing Secretary and his colleagues for their efforts for holding a successful neuroscience meet. He also requested him to extend the feelings and sentiments of the members to the Vice Chancellor of the University.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.



# XXXVI Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences

## General Body Meeting

Tuesday 30 October 2018

Banaras Hindu University  
Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India

Sl. No.	Name / Affiliation	Mail / Mobile	Signature
1	Dr A.K. Agrawal, Lucknow		
2	Dr R. Sharma		
3	Dr Surya P. Singh		
4	Mr Raghunandan Kumar Yadav		
5	Dr Sasanka Chakrabarti, Kolkata		
6	Dr M.K. Thakur, BHU, Varanasi		
7	Dr Pankaj Seth, NBRC, Manesar		
8	Dr Ishan Patro, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack		
9	Dr K.P. Mohanakumar, IUCBR&SSH, Kerala		
10	Dr B.S.S. Rao, NIMHANS, Bangalore		
11	Dr Tushar Kanti Ghosh, Calcutta University, Kolkata		
12	Dr T.C. Nag, AIIMS		
13	Dr T.S. Roy		
14	Dr Prasun K. Roy		
15	Dr Rajesh Singh Yadav, Dr HSG Central University, Sagar		
16	Dr Vijay Paramanik		
17	Mr Akash Gautam		
18	Dr (Ms). Monika Sadananda, Mangalore University		
19	Dr (Ms). Yasmin Khan, Sophia College, Mumbai		
20	Dr (Ms). Manorama Patri, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack		
21	Dr (Ms). A. J. Vanisree		
22	Dr U.S. Bhalla		
23	Dr K.P. Mishra		
24	Dr Mehdi Shahi, AMU, Aligarh		
25	Dr Bhupesh Mehta		
26	Dr S.K. Trigun, BHU, Varanasi		
27	Dr (Ms). Laxmi Rao, NIMHANS, Bangalore		
28	Dr (Ms). Nisha Patro, Jiwaji University, Gwalior		
29	Dr (Ms). Sharmistha Dey		
30	Dr (Ms). Gurcharan Kaur, GNDU, Amritsar		
31	Dr P.K. Seth, Biotech Park, Lucknow		
32	Dr Rakesh Shukla		
33	Dr J.N. Singh		
34	Dr S. Prasad, BHU, Varanasi		
35	Dr Akshay Anand, PGIMER, Chandigarh		
36	Dr (Ms). Shashi Bala Singh, NIPER, Hyderabad		
37	Mr Pratik Purohit		
38	Mr Raghava		
39	Bindu Kumar		
40	Dr (Ms). Usha Rajamma		
41	Dr Anirban Ghosh		
42	Mr Fahad Abdulla Fazjar		

43	Ms Payal Ghosh		
44	Dr Krishnendu Ghosh		
45	Ms Roana Liz George, IUCBR, Kerala		
46	Ms Chintu V. Saji, IUCBR, Kerala		
47	Mr Rinku Raj, IUCBR, Kerala		
48	Ms Vidya M, IUCBR, Kerala		
49	Ms Ramitha P.A., IUCBR, Kerala		
50	Ms Madhuparna Chatterjee, Calcutta University, Kolkata		
51	Mr Whidul Hasan, Dr HSG Central University, Sagar		
52	Ms Juli Jain, Dr HSG Central University, Sagar		
53	Mr Ashutosh Ahire, NIMHANS, Bangalore		
54	Mr Tushar Pyne, Kolkata		
55	Ms Syed Wasifa, Sophia College, Mumbai		
56	Ms Sidra Mohamed Yaqoob, Sophia College, Mumbai		
57	Mr Akshay Anil Dixit, Sophia College, Mumbai		
58	Mr Pavan Pramod Pandit, Sophia College, Mumbai		
59	Ms Pezhumkattil, Jerissa Samuel, Sophia College, Mumbai		
60	Mr Vivek Mishra, Sophia College, Mumbai		
61	Ms Prajakta Sudhar Mahadik, Sophia College, Mumbai		
62	Ms Deepika Jauhar, Sophia College, Mumbai		
63	Ms Divya Sinha		
64	Ms Aisha Zakaria, Sophia College, Mumbai		
65	Ms Nabila Sorathia, Sophia College, Mumbai		
66	Ms Anamika		
67	Mr Vishal Vikram Singh		
68	Ms Archita Khanna		
69	Dr Vinay Kumar Khanna, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow		

## Indian Academy of Neurosciences

## Executive Committee - 2019

<b>President</b>		
Dr Shashi Bala Singh	2018 - 2020	
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Dr (Ms) G Kaur	2017 - 2019	
Amritsar		
<b>Dean</b>		
Dr MK Thakur	2018 - 2020	
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<b>General Secretary</b>		
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Dr BSS Rao	2019 - 2021	
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Dr KP Misra	2019 - 2021	
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Dr (Ms) Kamlesh K Gulia	2018 - 2020	
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Dr RC Sharma	2018 - 2020	
Shillong		
Dr TK Ghosh	2017 - 2019	
Kolkata		