

## **Indian Academy of Neurosciences**

### **General Body Meeting**

**Wednesday; October 07, 2020; 14:30 hrs (IST)**

The meeting of the General Body (GB) of Indian Academy of Neurosciences (IAN) was held on-line on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 and the members were connected through Zoom meet. 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 Wednesday; November 20, 2019 at AIIMS, New Delhi circulated among the members earlier were confirmed.
2. The General Secretary in a brief report informed that interest in neuroscience in the country has increased significantly and equated it with the rise in membership during last few years. He said that organization of IBRO schools at different places in the country further exhibits interest in neuroscience in the country and congratulated the organizers for their efforts. He mentioned about the academic activities undertaken under the auspices of IAN local chapters at Kolkata, Lucknow, Varanasi, Aligarh, Bengaluru and NCR. He further said that inspite of COVID pandemic, on-line training workshops on techniques and symposia on specific topics may be arranged to train the young neuroscientists. He acknowledged IBRO, FAONS, Japanese Neuroscience Society for their continued support to IAN. He urged that established neuroscientists should groom the young colleagues to take up projects in the challenging areas and as per needs of the country. 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 the Secretary HQ.
3. Dr (Ms) Anita Jagota, the Organizing Secretary presented a brief report of the XXXVIII annual conference of IAN. She informed that there was 1 Key note lecture delivered by Dr Suresh Rattan (Aarhus, Denmark) and 1 Distinguished lecture delivered by Dr VS Ramachandran (University of California, USA) after the opening ceremony. Further, there were 3 plenary lectures, 15 symposia, 3 oral sessions, 2 award sessions for young researchers and poster sessions during the four day conference organized with the theme – Basic and Clinical Neurosciences : Bridging the Gaps. She further informed that the scientific programme of the four day conference also consisted of IAN-EJN symposium on Mood Disorders, IAN-FAONS Symposium and three memorial lectures. She said that the deliberations in the scientific sessions were excellent and all sessions were well attended by the delegates. She acknowledged the support of all the delegates for their active participation even at odd hours. She further thanked the Director and staff of NIPER-Hyderabad and her own colleagues at the University of Hyderabad for their untiring help to organize the conference successfully. The GB applauded the efforts of the Organizing Secretary to develop an interesting scientific programme.

4. Dr AK Agrawal, Treasurer of the Academy presented the statement of accounts duly audited by the Chartered Accountant. He provided details of income and expenditures incurred and informed about the induction of new Life and Associate Members during the year. He further informed that payment of dues towards affiliation fee to IBRO has been paid upto 2020 and to FAONS upto 2019. The GB was happy to note that the IAN sponsored awards to the young students participating in International E-conference NeuroEunoia 2020: A Neuroscience Affair and provided a token amount of INR 10,000/- to Gargi College, New Delhi, the organizer of the event. The GB appreciated Dr AK Agrawal for his efforts to manage the funds of the Academy efficiently.
5. Dr. Akshay Anand presented the status of Annals of Neurosciences, the official journal of the academy. Details about the editorials, original papers, reviews, commentaries and reports received for publication were informed to the GB. He informed the members that there has been a considerable increase in the number of submissions to the journal from various countries, perhaps due to global visibility of the journal through SAGE, the new publisher with which the academy has entered into agreement for publishing the journal. He further mentioned that first round of royalty is expected to be credited to the academy as per the agreement with the journal. Dr Anand urged the members to submit their original articles to the journal and said that the concern of the members of the Editorial Board is to improve the quality of articles and ultimately the journal. Dr. Anand also informed the members that the journal will get an impact factor soon
6. (i). The GB approved the recommendation of the EC for electing Dr Sunit K. Singh, BHU, Varanasi; Dr Akshay Anand, PGIMER, Chandigarh; Dr (Ms) Laxmi T. Rao, NIMHANS, Bengaluru and Dr Ranil De Silva, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Srilanka as Fellows of Indian Academy of Neurosciences. Further, The recommendation of EC to elect Dr Pawan Sinha (Department of Brain and Cognitive Science, MIT, Cambridge) as Honorary Fellow was also approved by the GB.  
  
(ii) The GB was informed that out of five papers received for Jyotsnamoyee Raghunath Bhattacharya Prize, paper of Ms Shrsttha Sinha, School of Studies in Neuroscience, Jiwaji University, Gwalior – 474 011, India published in Brain, Behavior, and Immunity 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.
7. The GB was informed about two proposals received to hold the IAN conference in 2021 from Dr (Ms) Jayasri Das Sarma, IISER, Kolkata and Dr Mehdi Hayat Shahi, IBRC, Aligarh. The members discussed both the proposals and approved the recommendation of the EC that the IAN conference in 2021 may be organized by Dr (Ms) Jayasri Das Sarma at IISER, Kolkata.
8. The GB appreciated the efforts of the Conveners to hold different activities under the auspices of IAN local chapters. The suggestions to have public / popular lectures under the IAN – IBRO Global Advocacy programme by the local chapters was appreciated by the GB. It was further informed that a plan of activities to be undertaken may be submitted to the Secretary HQ incase any support is required from IAN. The proposals

received will be reviewed by a committee and support grant upto INR 25,000/- will be released in the accounts of IAN local chapters.

9. Suggestions of EC for the constitution of the Executive Committee for 2021 were approved by the GB (Annexure – II).

The Secretary HQ thanked the Organizing Secretary and her colleagues for their efforts for holding a successful neuroscience meet. He also requested her 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.

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**IAN INTERNATIONAL E-CONFERENCE**  
**XXXVIII Annual Meeting of Indian Academy of Neurosciences**  
**Hyderabad, Telangana, India**

1	Dr Prahlad K. Seth, Lucknow
2	Dr (Ms). Shashi B. Singh, NIPER, Hyderabad
3	Dr Vinay K. Khanna, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow
4	Dr Ashok K. Agrawal, Lucknow
5	Dr (Ms). Anita Jagota, UoH, Hyderabad
6	Dr Pankaj Seth, NBRC, Manesar
7	Dr Mahendra K. Thakur, BHU, Varanasi
8	Dr Ishan K. Patro, Ravenshaw University, Odisha
9	Dr (Ms). Nisha Patro, Jiwaji University, Gwallior
10	Dr Surendre K. Trigun, BHU, Varanasi
11	Dr Shukla Prasad, BHU, Varanasi
12	Dr Akshay Anand, PGIMER, Chandigarh
13	Dr Maheep Bhatnagar, MLSU, Udaipur
14	Dr (Ms). Meenakshi Bawari, Assam University, Silchar
15	Dr KP Mishra, DRDO, New Delhi
16	Dr Aurnab Ghosh, IISER, Pune
17	Dr Rajnikant Mishra, BHU, Varanasi
18	Dr (Ms). Gurcharan Kaur, GNDU, Amritsar
19	Dr (Ms). Kamlesh K. Gulia, SCTIMST, Thiruvananthapuram
20	Dr (Ms). Jayasree Das Sarma, IISER, Kolkata
21	Dr (Ms). Manorama Patri, Ravenshaw University, Odisha
22	Dr Rajiv Taliyan
23	Dr Jitendra Sinha
24	Anugya Srivastava, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow
25	Anima Kumari, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow
26	Kalyan Maity
27	Minurani Dulai
28	Zeeshan A Khan, UoH, Hyderabad
29	Abul Hasan
30	Amees
31	Asmita Dasgupta
32	Dr Kunjibihari Sulakhiya
33	Prabhat K. Upadhyay
34	Sanjay K. Sharma
35	Tanusree Banerjee
36	Geethu Krishna
37	Hina
38	Kaviraja Udupa

39	Kumar Abhishek
40	Madhav
41	Manish Ashthana
42	Mehdi
43	K. Mrudula
44	Nishant Jannu
45	Nlvedhita
46	Pradyuman Sahoo
47	Pragati Gupta
48	Pranav
49	Priya Mishra
50	Dr (Ms). Raj D. Mehra
51	Dr Ranil De Silva, University of Sri Jayewardena Para, Sri Lanka
52	Dr (Ms). Renu Wadhwa, AIST, Japan
53	Shrstha Sinha, Jiwaji University, Gwallior
54	Dr (Ms). Shubha Tole, TIFR, Mumbai
55	Dr (Ms). Simran Kaur, AIIMS, New Delhi
56	Subhadeep Dutta Gupta, NIMHANS, Bangalore
57	Sudip Paul
58	Dr (Ms). Suman Jain, AIIMS, New Delhi
59	Suriya Prakash
60	Dr TR Raju, NIMHANS, Bangalore
61	Dr TS Roy, AIIMS, New Delhi
62	Varsha
63	Vidi Jing
64	Yogita
65	Krishnendu Ghosh
66	Poonam Thakur
67	Jaspreet Kaur Dhanjal
68	Dr (Ms). Laxmi T. Rao, NIMHANS, Bangalore
69	Dr (Ms). Prabha M
70	Dr (Ms). Prachi Srivastava, Amity University, Lucknow
71	Dr Ramesh Sharma, NEHU, Shillong
72	Ray
73	Sumana Chakravarty
74	Aparna Sai, Ravenshaw University, Odisha
75	Tomita
76	Nagati Swathi
77	Aditya Singh
78	Dr (Ms). Arpita Konar, CSIR-IGIB, New Delhi
79	Shikha Kalotra
80	Anusha
81	Motomichi Doi

## Indian Academy of Neurosciences

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