

**Indian Academy of Neurosciences
General Body Meeting
Sunday; December, 19, 2021; 15:00 hrs (IST)**

The meeting of the General Body (GB) of Indian Academy of Neurosciences (IAN) was held on Sunday; December, 19, 2021 and the members were connected online. The meeting was presided over by Dr IK Patro, President, IAN and the list of members present during the meeting is enclosed (Annexure – I).

Dr IK Patro welcomed the members and the meeting proceeded as per the agenda.

1. The members were informed that the minutes of the last GB meeting held online on Wednesday; October 07, 2020 were circulated among the members and no comments were received. The minutes of the meeting were confirmed.
2. Dr Pankaj Seth, General Secretary, IAN apprised the members about the training workshops and IBRO schools organized at different neuroscience centres in the country. The efforts of the organizers and the institution were much appreciated to have these events for the benefit of young researchers. He said that inspite of constraints to attend these events in physical mode, online courses have helped the young colleagues to learn the techniques and understand the challenges being faced by the community to take up research in the niche areas. He urged the scientists to follow ethics and train the the young colleagues to take up research as per the need of the country to resolve problems of the society. Dr Seth appreciated the Japanese Neuroscience Society for holding the annual meeting online and for continued support to IAN. Dr Seth in his report also acknowledged IBRO and FAONS for the growth of neuroscience without any interruption. Thanking the membership for their support, he requested them to update their profile and contact information by logging on to IAN website or by contacting the Secretary HQ.
3. Dr (Ms) Jayasri Das Sarma, the Organizing Secretary presented a brief report of the XXXIX annual conference of IAN. She informed that there was 1 Distinguished lecture delivered by Dr A Nath (NINDS, NIH, USA). There were 3 plenary lectures, 18 symposia, 1 oral session, 2 award sessions for young researchers and 2 poster sessions during the three day conference organized with the theme – Neuro-glia in Health and Disease. She further informed that the scientific programme of the three day conference also consisted of oration (KT Shetty Memorial Oration) and award (BK Bachhawat Memorial Life Time Achievement Award) lectures. She further informed that all the scientific sessions were good and high quality of research was shared by the participants. All the 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 IISER-Kolkata and her own colleagues and students for their untiring efforts. She further thanked Dr Subhas C. Biswas (CSIR-IICB, Kolkata) and Dr Anirban Ghosh (Netaji Subhas Open University, Kolkata) for their unconditional support to have successful meeting. The GB applauded the efforts of the Organizing Secretary to develop an interesting scientific programme.

4. The statement of accounts duly audited by the Chartered Accountant was presented by Dr AK Agrawal, the Treasurer of Indian Academy of Neurosciences. The Treasurer provided details of income and expenditure incurred during the period 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 and FAONS would be cleared soon the invoice / information is received. The GB appreciated the efforts of Dr AK Agrawal to run the accounts of IAN smoothly.
5. The Editor's report was presented by Dr. Akshay Anand wherein he apprised the status of Annals of Neurosciences, the official journal of the academy. He informed the members that number of submissions to the journal have increased. He further apprised the members about the efforts being taken by the publisher to increase the subscription and visibility of the journal and was happy to share that out of the agreement with the publisher, the royalty would be credited to the academy. He further shared the initiatives taken by him and other colleagues to invite established neuroscientists from the country and outside to contribute good papers and reviews. This would help to improve the overall quality of the journal and increase the readership. Dr Anand requested the members to submit their original articles to the journal to help in this endeavour.
6. Recommendations of the EC
 - (i). The GB approved the recommendation of the EC for electing Dr Jayasri Das Sarma, IISER-Kolkata, Kolkata; Dr Usha Panjwani, DIPAS, New Delhi and Dr SP Singh, BHU, Varanasi as Fellows of Indian Academy of Neurosciences. Further, The recommendation of EC to elect Dr Bruce Alberts (Department of Biophysics and Biochemistry, University of California, San Francisco (UCSF), San Francisco, California, USA) as Honorary Fellow was also approved by the GB.
 - (ii) The GB was informed that out of two papers received for Jyotsnamoyee Raghunath Bhattacharya Prize, paper of Ms Bhawana Maurya, Department of Molecular and Human Genetics, Institute of Science, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi published in Cell Death & Disease was selected for the award.
 - (iii) The GB was informed that two more awards will be given as Best Paper Award from Organizers to encourage the young researchers as recommended by the EC.
 - (iv) The travel awards/fellowships – Lalita-Ravindra Nath Travel Fellowship (4 / year); IAN Travel Fellowship (4 / year); John Miller Travel Award (2 / year) have not been provided in view of online meetings for two years,. The recommendation of the EC to increase the number of travel fellowships in the next annual conference and the utilize the money for these travel fellowships appropriately for the purpose was approved by the GB.
7. The GB was informed about the proposal received from Dr (Ms) Rachna Mehta, Assistant Professor, Amity Institute of Neurophysiology and Neurosciences (AINN), Amity University, Noida to hold the IAN conference in 2022. The suggestion of the EC

to explore the possibility to have the IAN conference at NEHU, Shillong or any other university in NE or south to have wider reach was approved by the GB. The GB was further informed that In case of any problem to have suitable alternate, the proposal received from Amity University, Noida will be considered.

8. The efforts of the Conveners to hold different activities under the auspices of IAN local chapters were appreciated by the GB. The suggestions to have public / popular lectures under the IAN – IBRO Global Advocacy programme by the local chapters were well received by the members. It was further informed that a plan of activities to be undertaken may be submitted to the Secretary HQ in case 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. The GB approved the proposal.
9. Suggestions of EC for the constitution of the Executive Committee for 2022 were approved by the GB (Annexure – II).

The Secretary HQ thanked the Conveners [Dr Jayasri Das Sarma (IISER-Kolkata, Kolkata), Dr Subhas C. Biswas (CSIR-IICB, Kolkata) and Dr Anirban Ghosh (Netaji Subhas Open University, Kolkata)] for their efforts to develop good scientific programme. He also requested the conveners to extend the feelings and sentiments of the members to the concerned Directors / Vice Chancellor of the institute / University. The GB also appreciated the organizers to have scientifically enriching IAN meeting.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Sl. No.	Name / Affiliation
1	Dr PK Seth, Biotech Park, Lucknow
2	Dr Ishan Patro, Jiwaji University, Gwalior
3	Dr Pankaj Seth, NBRC, Manesar
4	Dr BG Unni
5	Abass Sufiriyu
6	Anant Patel
7	Aparna Dixit
8	Asmita Dasgupta
9	Radha Chaube
10	Dr KP Mishra, DRDO, New Delhi
11	Dr Prabha M
12	Dr Sunil K. Hota, DIPAS, New Delhi
13	Dr Anirban Ghosh, Netaji Subhas Open University, Kolkata
14	Dr BSS Rao, NIMHANS, Bengaluru
15	Dr Kunjbihari Sulakhiya, Kolkata
16	Prasunpriya Nayak
17	Subhra Prakash
18	Indrani Datta
19	JDS Lab, IISER, Kolkata
20	Dr Kamlesh K. Gulia, SCTCE, Kerala
21	Dr Laxmi T. Rao, NIMHANS, Bengaluru
22	Dr Meenakshi Bawari, Assam University, Silchar
23	Madhav Sharma, IISER, Kolkata
24	Dr Mahendra K. Thakur, BHU, Varanasi
25	Mahua Maulik, IISER Kolkata
26	Dr Nisha Patro, Jiwaji University, Gwalior
27	Pallab Bhattacharya
28	Dr Phalguni Anand Alladi, NIMHANS, Bengaluru
29	Dr Rajnikant Mishra, BHU, Varanasi
30	Dr UC Srivastava, University of Allahabad, Allahabad
31	Dr Rakesh Shukla,
32	Rishika,
33	Dr SC Biswas, CSIR-IICB, Kolkata
34	Santosh Kumar Samal,
35	Satavisha,
36	Shruti Sharma,
37	Dr Shyam Diwakar,
38	Dr Subodh K. Jain, Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar
39	Dr Sudip Paul, NEHU, Shillong
40	Sukanya Sarkar,

41	Suvam Mukherjee,
42	Dr Jayasri Das Sarma, IISER Kolkata
43	Dr TR Raju, NIMHANS, Bengaluru
44	Dr Ashok K. Agrawal, Lucknow
45	Dr Vinay K. Khanna, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow
46	Anima Kumari, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow
47	Anugya Srivastava, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow
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