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Proceedings of the Executive Council Meeting held on 3rd July 2023 at 11:00 hrs. in Committee Room of the Division of Agricultural Physics, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi 110012

The meeting of the Executive Council (EC) of the Indian Society of Agrophysics (ISAP) was held on 3rd July 2023 at 11:00 hrs. in the Committee Room of the Division of Agricultural Physics, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi 110012

The following members attended the meeting:

1. Dr. S. K. Chaudhari, Immediate Past President and Editor-in-Chief, ISAP
2. Dr. N. Subash, Head, Division of Agricultural Physics, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi 110012
3. Dr. Y.S. Shivay, President, ISAP
4. Dr. T.K. Das, Vice-President, ISAP
5. Dr. V.K. Sehgal, Vice-President, ISAP
6. Dr. Pragati Pramanik Maity, Secretary, ISAP
7. Dr. Rajeev Ranjan, Treasurer, ISAP

The agenda items for discussion in the meeting were:

- Discussion on the National Seminar to be held in 2024 at Hyderabad
- Review of the status of publication of the proposed book on Fundamentals of Agricultural Physics
- Article Status of the Journal of Agricultural Physics
- Any other item with the permission of the Chair

At the outset, Dr. S.K. Chaudhari, Immediate Past President and Editor-in-Chief, ISAP welcomed the members of the EC meeting and congratulated all the members for successfully organizing National Symposium on Digital Farming: The Future of Indian Agriculture at ICAR-IISS, Bhopal during 2–3 February 2023. Dr. S.N. Pillai and Dr. Y.S. Shivay, President, ISAP welcomed all the members and Dr. Pragati Pramanik Maity, Secretary, ISAP presented the action taken report on the decisions taken in the previous EC meeting. The following deliberations were taken place and the decisions were approved by the Executive Council members.

- The next National event will be held at ICAR-CRIDA, Hyderabad tentatively during 22–23 February 2024 and the topic decided was **Smart Technologies for Sustainable Agriculture and Environment**. Dr S.K. Bal, PC, AICRPAM, CRIDA has been identified as Local Organizing Secretary and Dr V.K. Singh, Director, CRIDA has been identified as Local Organizing Convenor. After consultation and discussion with the Local Organizing Committee, the final dates will be finalized.

- A Textbook on Agricultural Physics: Fundamentals and Applications will be published based on the syllabus of the PG, PhD and ARS examinations in Agricultural Physics. Lead and co-authors for each chapter have been identified based on their area of specialization and experience (Annexure I)
- Secretary, ISAP informed the house that sufficient articles are there for June 2023 and December 2023 issues of the Journal of Agricultural Physics. The June issue is under process and it will be published soon.
- The Secretary raised the issue of shortage of space for the society's work and a few things like three almirahs remained unattended due to lack of space. A request was made to HoD, Division of Agricultural Physics, Dr. S.N. Pillai for allotment of a room to ISAP unofficially. He has assured the EC to look into the matter very seriously and make some arrangements for the same.
- Dr. S.N. Pillai, HoD, Division of Agricultural Physics, IARI was inducted into the Editorial Board of the Journal of Agricultural Physics considering his vast experience in Agricultural Meteorology and simulation modelling.
- The Secretary, ISAP expressed the need for a membership drive to increase the number of members of ISAP. All the EC members feel that students' membership should be increased from different divisions of ICAR-IARI and other Institutes.

The meeting ended with a formal vote of thanks to the chair and members.



Pragati Pramanik Maity

(Secretary)



Y S Shivay

(President)