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Proceedings of the Executive Council Meeting of Indian Society of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning (ISSLUP) held on 30th September, 2016 at ICAR – NBSS&LUP, Nagpur

The members of the Executive Council of the ISSLUP met on 30th September, 2016 at 11:30 AM at ICAR – NBSS&LUP, Nagpur to discuss the following agenda items.

The following agenda were discussed in the meeting.

1. Approval of the proceedings of last EC meeting
 2. Progress report of ISSLUP for the year 2016-17
 3. ISSLUP Membership drive
 4. Presentation of ISSLUP Audit Report 2015-16
 5. Progress in Organization of Int. Conference during November 10-13, 2016
 6. Future course of action in Organization of International Conference
 7. Finalization of agenda items for forthcoming General Body meeting
 8. Any other item with permission of the Chair
- At the outset, Dr. G.P. Obi Reddy, Hon. Secretary welcomed Dr. Arun Chaturvedi, President, ISSLUP, Dr. A. R. Kalbande, Dr. K.S. Gajbhiye and Dr. A.K. Maji, Past Presidents of ISSLUP, Dr. T.N. Hajare and Dr. Ravindra Chary, Vice-Presidents, ISSLUP, Chief Editor, special invitees and the councilor members from different zones for the Executive Council meeting of ISSLUP. While welcoming the esteemed members of EC, he informed the house about the agenda items of the EC meeting.
 - The house discussed in brief the proceedings of the last EC meeting held on 8th January, 2016 and Local EC meeting held on 10th August, 2016 and unanimously confirmed the proceedings of the said meetings.
 - The Secretary briefly presented the progress report of ISSLUP for the year 2016-17. He informed the house that till date 52 Life members, 24 Annual members and 18 corporate members were enrolled during the year 2016-17. He also briefed that in addition to the existing seven local chapters, 8th local chapter of ISSLUP was opened at TANU Coimbatore during the year. He informed that till date 25 research papers have been received for Agropedology during the year 2016. He also informed that filled-in-form has been submitted to NAAS for assessment and rating the Agropedology journal for the year 2016.
 - The Secretary informed the house that from July, 2014 to till date, 286 members joined in the society as Life Members and the total life members of the society at present is 897. House urged all the EC members of the society to actively pursue the ISSLUP Life Membership drive in their respective regions so as to reach the 1000 mark of ISSLUP Life Membership by the end of December, 2016. House also decided to publish the ISSLUP Life Members Directory during the upcoming International Conference for wide circulation.
 - The Secretary brief that as decided in the last GB meeting, the awards of ISSLUP Fellows and ISSLUP Young Scientist have been constituted and invited applications for the year 2015-16. These awards will be presented for the selected candidates during the forthcoming International Conference in the month of November, 2016.
 - The house discussed exiting fee structure of ISSLIP and house proposed to enhance the Life Membership fees from Rs. 2500 to Rs. 3000/-, Annual Ordinary Membership fee from Rs. 500 to Rs. 600/(with Rs. 100 Admission fee). Annual Student Membership fee from Rs. 250 to Rs. 400/(with Rs. 100 Admission fee) and Annual Institute Membership fee from Rs. 2000 to Rs. 3000/-. The house suggested to place the proposal before GB for its approval to implement the proposed fees structure from 1st January, 2017.


- The Audit report of ISSLUP for the year 2015-16 was presented by Treasurer, ISSLUP in the house and after brief discussion, house approved the Audit report. It was also suggested that to initiate the process to obtain the tax deduction certificate.
- In view of the increase of publication cost of the journal, the house also discussed about the distribution of soft copy of Agropedology Journal in place of hard copy among the members and majority of the EC members opined that this item could be discussed in the forthcoming GB meeting for its approval.
- The house also discussed the feasibility to publish the books on the core subjects relevant to ISSLUP mandate like pedology, geomorphology and land use planning. House decided to discuss this proposal in the forthcoming GB meeting for its approval.
- The house appealed all the past presidents and retired life members of ISSLUP for their active participation in the forthcoming International Conference to be held during November 10-13, 2016 for effective scientific discussions, sharing their knowledge and wisdom. The house already approved the exemption of registration fee fully for the past presidents and Rs. 1000/- concession in registration fee for the retired Life member of ISSLUP.
- The organizing secretary briefed about progress made in organizing of International Conference. He informed that ICAR, ICRISAT, ISRO and NAAS have already confirmed their sponsorship of International Conference. He also informed that DST and NABARD also shown the interest to sponsor the forthcoming International Conference. He mentioned that ISSLUP requested the institutes like NATMO, State Remote Sensing Centres, software companies, geospatial companies and fertilizer companies for sponsoring the event.
- After brief discussion, the house also gave approval to hold the forthcoming International Conference at hotel Tuli Imperial, Nagpur for three days and the technical sessions of fourth day at ICAR-NBSS&LUP, Nagpur.
- The organizing secretary briefed that till 30th September, 2016, 333 abstracts have been received and 113 participants have already submitted their registration fee to participate in the forthcoming International Conference. After brief discussion, the EC has decided to extent the last date of registration fees from 30th September, 2016 to 20th October, 2016.
- The organizing secretary informed the house that the organizing committee formed eleven working committees to work on various aspects in organization of ICILUPSA2016.
- The house discussed the Chief Guest, Guest of honors and other invited speakers to deliver key note talk, memorial lecture, invited lectures. The President urged all the EC members of the Society to actively pursue the involvement of foreign delegates for their participation in the conference.
- The house discussed and decided to brought out Abstracts volume, Conference souvenir and Life Members Directory during the conference.
- Since the term of the present EC going to be completed by the end of December, 2016, after brief discussion, house appointed Dr. Tilok Hajare, Vice President, ISSLUP as Election Officer to conduct the elections if necessary to elect the new Executive Council. It was also decided to start the election process after the International Conference is over to elect new Executive Council.
- The house decided to hold General Body meeting of ISSLUP on 11.11.2016 during the International Conference.

The following members attended the meeting

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| 1. Dr. Arun Chaturvedi, President, ISSLUP | 9. Dr. Jagdish Prasad, Special Invitee |
| 2. Dr. Tilok Hajare, Vice-President, ISSLUP | 10. Dr. A. K. Singh, Councillor, Northern Zone |
| 3. Dr. G. R. Chary, Vice-President, ISSLUP | 11. Dr. M.V.S. Naidu, Councillor, Southern Zone |
| 4. Dr. A. R. Kalbande, Past President, ISSLUP | 12. Dr. G.P. Obi Reddy, Hony. Secretary, ISSLUP |
| 5. Dr. K.C. Gajbhiye, Past President, ISSLUP | 13. Dr. N.G. Patil, Chief Editor, Agropedology |
| 6. Dr. A.K. Maji, Past President, ISSLUP | 14. Dr. Karthikeyan, Joint Secretary, ISSLUP |
| 7. Dr. G.P. Gupta, Councillor, Central Zone | 15. Shri S.S. Gaikwad, Treasurer, ISSLUP |
| 8. Dr. S. Thayalan, Councillor, Southern Zone | |

The meeting ended with formal vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Karthikeyan, Joint Secretary, ISSLUP.

Place: Nagpur
Date: 18.09.2016


G.P. Obi Reddy
Hony. Secretary, ISSLUP