Proceedings of the First meeting of New Executive Committee (2021-2023) of ISWS

The meeting of newly elected members of ISWS for the period 2021-2023 was held on 27-04-2021 at 3.00 PM in a virtual mode. Following members attended the meeting.

- 1. Dr. Sushil Kumar, President
- 2. Dr. TK Das, Vice-President
- 3. Dr. CR Chinnamuthu, Vice-President
- 4. Dr. JS Mishra, Secretary
- 5. Dr. Mukesh Kumar, Joint-Secretary
- 6. Dr. Murali Arthanari, Joint Secretary
- 7. Dr. VK Choudhary, Treasurer
- 8. Dr. Shobha Sondhia, Immediate past Secretary



The meeting was started with keeping 2-minute silence in respect of the departed soul of Dr. Bhumesh Kumar, the immediate Vice-president, ISWS. After taking over charge from the previous EC, and felicitation of previous EC members for their excellent work during 2019-2021, due to which the visibility of ISWS and the NAAS rating of IJWS has increased considerably, the following decisions were taken during the meeting.

- 1. It was unanimously decided to increase the life members of ISWS. A special drive may be made by giving 10% discount to students, and in 2-3 instalments to scientists and others.
- 2. It was also decided to write at various forum including ICAR to include 'Weed Science course' compulsorily in UG level degree programme in SAUs.
- 3. It was proposed by Dr. CR Chinnamuthu, Vice-President, ISWS to organize the next International Conference in Weed Science at TNAU, Coimbatore.
- 4. There is a need to improve the quality of IJWS. There is a need to identify the deficiency points where the IJWS is getting the lower score in the rating and accordingly need to improve upon it.
- 5. It was also suggested to circulate the soft copy of the Journal to higher level personalities like DG, DDGs, NAAS members, and others.
- 6. At least one review article should be invited and published in each issue of the journal.
- 7. There should be a recommendation on herbicide use in different crops from the ISWS in IJWS.
- 8. More publications are needed from the ISWS and kept of the Website to improve its visibility.
- 9. There is a need to prepare a data base on '**On going weed science research**' in the country and keep it in Website,
- 10. Articles from overseas need to be invited.
- 11. Appreciation letter to reviewers in the form of "Reviewers Certificate" should be given.
- 12. It was decided to equal the membership fee for SAARC countries to India.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to Chair.

JS Mishra Secretary, ISWS