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Minutes of 20th ISG Annual General Body Meeting

The 20th ISG Annual General Body Meeting was held on December 16, 2015 at 1900 hrs at JK Laxmipat University (JKLU), Mahapura, Ajmer Road, Jaipur - 302026. The following agenda items were discussed.

Agenda Item 1: Welcome and Opening remarks by the President, ISG

On behalf of President, Dr. A.S. Rajawat, Vice – President, ISG welcomed all members to the 20th ISG annual general body meeting. He appraised the house about the activities conducted by ISG, Millennium lectures & Awards, status of ISG Journal/News letter, support to ISG chapters for the conduction of mandatory events of the society. He appreciated the organisation of the ISG - ISRS National Symposium – 2015 hosted jointly by JK Laxmipat University and ISG Jaipur Chapter and also thanked Prof. A.K. Singh and his team for the efforts put in and VC-JKLU for providing all the support required for the Symposium. He also appreciated the activities conducted by various chapters for the dissemination of Geomatics technology across the country and thanked Director, SAC for providing office space for ISG.

Agenda Item 2: Approval of Minutes of the 19th ISG AGM.

Minutes of the 19th ISG AGM were circulated to all members earlier and also along with Annual Report - 2014. Secretary, presented the status of actions identified and the same were approved after discussions with a voice vote.

Agenda Item 3: Annual Report by Secretary

Secretary, ISG circulated copies of the annual report for the period January - December, 2015 and made a detailed presentation on the activities conducted during the year. He highlighted the increase in life membership of the society (126 new life members), support given to the chapters for conducting mandatory activities of ISG, activities related to Journal of Geomatics and ISG News letter, declaration and presentation of various Geomatics Awards, Annual Conventions and Joint ISG - ISRS National Symposium - 2015, conduct of Executive Council meetings etc. He also mentioned that, Two new Chapters at Hissar and Trivandrum were opened. Efforts made to re-activate some of the Chapters, resulted in good success at Bhopal & Trichy. Dehradun Chapter has also initiated some efforts towards re-activation. Secretary informed that, recently there was a mail from Dr. Anil Sood regarding formation of ISG Ludhiana Chapter at PRSC, Ludhiana. In addition to this, there are initiatives to open Chapters at Lucknow, Varanasi, Ranchi and Pondicherry. The report was discussed and the same was approved by voice vote.

Agenda Item 4: Presentation of Accounts by Treasurer

The audited report for the year ending March 31, 2015 was circulated and presented by Shri K.P. Bharucha, Treasurer, ISG and the same was approved with a voice vote.

The trial balance for the period from April 2015 to December 2015 and activity wise budget for the year 2016 - 17 was also presented, and same was approved by voice vote.

Agenda Item 5: Appointment of Auditor for the financial year 2015-2016

Shri Kamal C. Mehta has been approved as auditor of the Society for the FY 2015 - 16.

Agenda Item 6: Any other matter with permission of Chair

The members raised issues related to i) non receipt of mail by members, ii) Journal of Geomatics in hard copy and iii) ISG Web site, with the permission of chair and the decisions are as follows:

Secretary informed all members that, ISG Secretariat has sent a request to all members and ISG Chapter's Chairman/ secretary to update and send the correct e

 mail and addresses of all ISG members of their respective chapters. The response is very poor and member's database is updated with whatever feedback is received. He further mentioned that, the secretariat is sending e-mails in smaller groups for efficient delivery. The Secretary requested once again all Chapter's Chairman/ secretary to send updated database of their respective members to ISG Secretariat.

(Action: Chapter's Chairman/ secretary & Secretary, ISG)

- Many suggestions came from members regarding encouraging students to become member of ISG. Dr. Anjana Vyas suggested that, ISG and ISRS jointly should declare scheme to provide student life membership at concessional rate. She also suggested ISG to participate in ISPRS activities.
- ISG Website: Many members raised concern about the existing ISG Website. Secretary informed that, as per decision taken in the last EC meeting, efforts are being made to get the website redesigned and maintained by some commercial party.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

These minutes has the approval of President, ISG.

(N.S. Mehta)

Secretary, ISG