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Minutes of 21st ISG Annual General Body Meeting

The 21st ISG Annual General Body Meeting was held on December 08, 2016 at 1830 hrs at Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), Dehradun. The following agenda items were discussed.

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

On behalf of President, Dr. Shailesh Nayak, Ex. Officio President, ISG and Distinguished Scientist, MoES, New Delhi, welcomed all members to the 21st 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 conducting the mandatory activities of the society. He also appreciated the activities conducted by various chapters for the dissemination of Geomatics technology across the country.

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

Minutes of the 20th ISG AGM were circulated to all members earlier. 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, 2016 and made a detailed presentation on the activities conducted during the year. He highlighted the increase in life membership of the society (136 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 ISRS - ISG National Symposium – 2016, conduct of Executive Council meetings, election of new executive for the term 2017 - 20 etc. He also mentioned that, **Three new Chapters at Kharagpur**, **Ludhiana and Pondicherry** were opened. Efforts made to re-activate some of the Chapters, resulted in good success at Trichy. Dehradun Chapter has also initiated some efforts towards reactivation. In addition to this, there are initiatives to open Chapters at Surat, Lucknow, Varanasi and Ranchi. 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, 2016 was circulated and presented by Shri K.P. Bharucha, Treasurer, ISG and the same was approved with a voice vote.

Agenda Item 5: Appointment of Auditor for the financial year 2016-2017

Shri Kamal C. Mehta has been approved as auditor of the Society for the FY 2016 - 17.

Agenda Item 6: Proposed Activities & Budget for the year 2016-17

The trial balance for the period from April 2016 to December 2016 and activity wise budget for the year 2017 - 18 was also presented, and same was approved by voice vote.

Agenda Item 7: 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) Support to Students, 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.
- Dr. Sandhya Kiran has suggested to include more no. of Fellows to be associated to ISG, who have made/are making noteworthy contributions to achieve the objectives of the society.
- Dr. A.K. Singh enquired regarding procedure to get financial support from ISG for carrying out mandatory and other activities by any Chapter. Secretary explained the procedure. Dr. Shailesh Nayak, suggested that, Chapter should submit a proper proposal of activities to be carried out by it, while claiming any grant from main body.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

(N.S. Mehta)

Secretary, ISG