

**Minutes of the 22nd Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of ISG
held on October 24, 2017 at Hotel Ashok, New Delhi**

The 22nd Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) and Annual Convention– 2017 of Indian Society of Geomatics (ISG) was held during 38th Asian Conference on Remote Sensing (ACRS), on “Space Applications: Touching Human Lives” at The Hotel Ashok, New Delhi during 23 Oct-27 Oct. The meeting was organised on 24th October at Hall D and 33 members attended the meeting.

The following agenda was discussed:

1. Welcome and opening remarks by President
2. Approval of the Minutes of the 21st AGM
3. Annual Report by Secretary
4. Presentation of Audit Report for FY 2016 – 17
5. Appointment of the Auditor for FY 2017 -18
6. Proposed Activities for the year 2017-18
7. Any other matter with permission of the Chair
8. Vote of thanks by Joint Secretary

Dr. Raj Kumar, Vice President of ISG, welcomed the members and introduced the new committee members. He also mentioned about the long term plan ISG has to take, especially the efforts to strengthen the new chapters. He requested the whole hearted support from the members for organising the national and regional events.

Shri. Shashikant A. Sharma, Secretary ISG, informed that this is the first AGM with the new committee. He requested for the approval of the Minutes of the 21st AGM. He presented the annual report. He mentioned the activities carried out by various chapters and appreciated all the local chapters who have contributed significantly in organising number of events.

Shri. Jayaprasad P, presented the Audited Report for FY 2016 – 17. He appreciated the efforts made by the previous committee in bringing the funds into a good shape and maintaining it in a nice manner. He also requested to appoint the auditor for the FY 2017-2018.

The members made a point to check that the current Chartered Accountant (CA) or auditor with ISG is continuing within stipulated time period. Otherwise, new CA is to appointed or current CA has to be re-appointed. After discussion, the decision was taken to reappoint the CA.

There was a discussion on increasing the budget by various ways like making Sustain Members and raising the funds during the National and Regional Workshops.

Dr. Reghunatha Menon, K. P., Joint Secretary and Director, KSREC informed the number of activities carried out by Thiruvananthapuram Chapter along with other Chapters and also brought about a compendium on activities. He also expressed his interest to organise a regional conference at Thiruvananthapuram.

Dr. P. L. N. Raju also informed the activities carried out at North East Sector with NESAC as nodal agency. He also expressed his views to take up the 2019 ISG-ISRS Annual Convention at NESAC and a regional conference in 2018.

Dr. Prakash Chauhan told that the Life Members can be Increased during regional conferences and also reiterated strengthening of Local Chapters. He also suggested to offer Life Membership to the awardees of best paper in regional conferences. The forum discussed about this matter and will be decided appropriately during Executive body meeting.

Dr. Sarvesh Palaria, Head, MDS University and President Ajmer Chapter requested more support from National Body for organising the events. He also suggested that the Editorial Board should try to get UGC approval (recognition) to JoG. He also came forward to help to the Editorial Board in this regard. Detailed discussions held to get the UGC approval for JoG and getting the ISSN number online.

Dr. Vinay Sehgal, IARI New Delhi raised his concern to revive Delhi chapter of ISG. The earlier committee members need to be contacted and he will coordinate with them to revive the Delhi chapter and organise events with the help of other Societies.

Dr. Sandip Oza requested to circulate JoG in digital form only. He also suggested to strengthen the Local Chapters.

Secretary informed that the institutional copies are sent by hard copy and all others are sent by soft copy only. He also informed that more companies will be approached to increase the Advertisement for sponsoring JoG.

Dr. Brijendra Pateria, PRSC Ludhiana expressed his interest in organising the regional conference during February 2018 in Punjab. He also requested to have more student's members.

The forum discussed the mandatory activities each chapter is supposed to carry out.

Dr. Raj Kumar informed that next year ISG is celebrating Silver Jubilee and the Annual Convention will be held at Ahmedabad during December 5-7, 2018.

As there was no other matter to be discussed the meeting concluded with vote thanks by Joint Sec. Dr. Reghunatha Menon followed by High Tea.

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Approved by
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