Society for soybean research and development Khandwa Road, ICAR-IISR, Indore

Proceedings of the 21st General Body Meeting held on 17.05.2023 (4.00 PM) at RVSKVV, Gwalior during 53rd Annual AICRPS Group Meeting (May 16-17, 2023)

Agenda items	Decisions/recommendations
Presentation of financial progress and approval for the proposed expenditure for 2023-24	Approved for recurring expenditure (renewal of SSRD website domain, printing of "Soybean Research" and miscellaneous items) of upto Rs 1.0 Lakhs excluding the expenditure to be incurred for institutionalize fellow awards.
Election of new EC and Nomination of one post of Councillor for North Hill Zone (2023-26)	GB members congratulated all the elected members of SSRD (2023-26). Dr Vedna Kumari (AICRPS-CSK HPKVV, Palampur) name was unanimously accepted for EC member (NHZ) of SSRD (2023-26). The GB granted the ex-facto approval for officiating the charge of SSRD treasurer till the elected treasurer taken over the charge. However, any financial liability is pending at the part of SSRD i.e., audit of annual account/filing of ITR, both the treasurers should settle the same.
Felicitation of Retiring Scientists and outgoing EC members	One SSRD life member Dr Poonam, Soybean Microbiologist, PAU, Ludhiana was felicitated on her superannuation. All the 13 EC (2020-23) members were also felicitated for their contribution made to the growth of SSRD.
Supply of one print copy of soybean journal issue to corresponding/first author. Relaxation for publishing research paper- at least one of the authors should be life/annual member of SSRD instead of all.	All agreed.
Institutionalize fellow award of SSRD	All agreed and suggested to prepare appropriate guidelines/score card and get it approved in the EC
The EC member should not hold same or equivalent portfolio or position not more than two consequently terms (3+3 years). However, a cooling period of one term can be considered for contesting the election.	All agreed and accordingly a clause may be incorporated in society byelaws.
Formation of new editorial board for soybean research journal	May be finalized in consultation with EC as per the NAAS rating guidelines
Other issues	It was suggested to explore possibilities to get tax exemption certificate for filing SSRD annual income audit.

General Secretary 2023

President 36.5.2033