

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

Proceedings of the EC Meeting held through hybrid mode on 01.09.2023 (3:30 PM) at SSRD Head quarter, Indore

The following members participated:

1. Dr. Kunwar Harendra Singh, President, SSRD & Director, ICAR-Indian Institute of Soybean Research, Indore (M.P)- In Chair
2. Dr. B.U. Dupare, Vice-President (HQ), SSRD & Pr. Scientist (Agri. Extension), ICAR-Indian Institute of Soybean Research, Indore (M.P.)
3. Dr. Pratap Singh, Vice President (Open) & Director Research, Agricultural University, Kota (Rajasthan) (online)
4. Dr Gyanesh Satpute, Treasurer, SSRD & Pr. Scientist (Plant Breeding), ICAR-IISR, Indore
5. Dr. Mrinal K. Kuchlan, Jt. Secretary, SSRD & Sr. Scientist (Seed Technology), ICAR-IISR, Indore
6. Dr. M. Shivakumar, Councillor-HQ, SSRD & Sr. Scientist (Seed Technology), ICAR-IISR, Indore
7. Dr. Sunil Nag, Councillor-EZ, SSRD & Assistant Professor (Plant Breeding), IGKV, Raipur-online
8. Dr. B.S .Gill, Councillor-NPZ, SSRD & Professor (Plant Breeding & Genetics), PAU, Ludhiana-online
9. Dr. H. Nanita Devi, Councillor-NEHZ, SSRD & Associate Professor (Plant Breeding & Genetics), Central Agricultural University-Imphal-online
10. Dr. S.P. Mehtre, Councillor-CZ, SSRD & Professor, Plant Breeding, VNMKV, Parbhani (Maharashtra)-online
11. Dr. S.A. Jaybhay, Councillor-SZ, SSRD & Agronomist, Agarkar Research Institute, Agharkar Road, Pune (Maharashtra)-online
12. Dr M. P. Sharma, General Secretary, SSRD & Pr. Scientist (Agri. Microbiology), ICAR-IISR, Indore
13. Dr. Milind B. Ratnaparkhe, Co-Editor-in-chief, Soybean Research & Pr. Scientist (Plant Biotechnology), ICAR-IISR, Indore (Invited member)

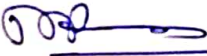
Dr. Vedna Kumari (Councillor-NHZ) could not attend the meeting. At the outset, Dr MP Sharma, General Secretary, SSRD welcomed all the EC members and requested Dr. K.H. Singh, President, SSRD to conduct the proceedings of the meeting.

Dr Singh also extended hearty welcome and congratulations to all the EC members for their contribution. He appreciated and expressed sincere thanks to all the members to participate in this important EC meeting. He requested General Secretary to take up the item-wise agenda of the meeting and during the meeting following decisions were taken up after thorough discussions and consensus.

Agenda items	Decisions/recommendations
Constitution of new Editorial Board of Soybean Research Journal for 2023-26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There should not be any condition of life membership required for assigning editorship to soybean research journal hence, all agreed to include any eminent scientists/faculty from India and abroad. However, those who are elected member of executive committee of SSRD should be excluded in the editorial board (The names recommended is provided in the Annexure-1 and same will be uploaded on SSRD website).
Suggestions for improving the rating of Soybean Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President suggested including at least 2 reviews per volume/issue on any aspect of soybean from renowned scientists/ stalwarts. • Invite/publish papers from foreign authors and to improve citations, wherever possible include them as co-authors in the articles. • Organize seminar/symposium at least one in 3 years and publish proceedings. • Submit application for renewing the rating of NAAS and acquire

	recognition in the list of journals approved by UGC.
Formation of guidelines for Institutionalization of soybean fellow award for the recognition of contribution made in soybean research by SSRD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constituted 3 member committee (Drs. BU Dupare, AN Sharma (External member) as members & MP Sharma as member secretary for finalizing the guidelines for the following awards- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. One best paper award published in soybean research. ii. One young scientist award iii. One each best M.Sc, Ph.D thesis award iv. SSRD Fellow award for the recognition of outstanding contribution made in soybean research • It was agreed to start fellow award at the earliest and if it feasible felicitate during 2024 GB meeting/national/international conference.
Other issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase corporate memberships and all AICRPS scientific staff should become the life member of SSRD. • Chair suggested exploring funding from ICAR, CSIR and other bodies for strengthening the journal. • Chair suggested conducting EC meeting (hybrid mode) regularly on quarterly basis. This will help in monitoring the progress of previous EC decisions and seek suggestions from the members.

Meeting was ended with vote of thanks


 General Secretary
 SSRD


 President
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