

Proceedings of the General Body Meeting held on 24th July, 2011 at Seminar Hall, CSWCRTI, Dehradun

A **General Body Meeting** of the **IASWC** was held in the evening of 24th July, 2011 at Seminar hall, CSWCRTI, Dehradun. President, Members of the Executive Council, Fellows, members of the Editorial board, ex-officio members of the IASWC and many life members of the Association participated in the meeting.

In the beginning the Secretary apprised the House about the several activities taken up by the Association in the current year. The President of the Association briefed the house about the impact factor of the Indian Journal of Soil Conservation as per the NASS rating of journals for the year 2010. He also stressed upon maintaining the quality of the Journal and submission of research papers to the journal in view of increased NASS rating.

The following agenda items were discussed and decisions taken during the meeting are as follows–

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1.	Holding a Regional Conference during 2012, for the NE / Eastern Region.	The President apprised the house about holding of Regional Conference at OUAT, Bhubaneswar. Dr M. Madhu, Head, R/C, Koraput has to take lead for organizing the conference in Collaboration with OUAT.
2.	Discussion on online publication of Journal.	The Progress made so far in this regard was apprised to the house by the Secretary. In this regard necessary MOU with terms and conditions will be finalized between M/s Reosys and IASWC.
3	Organizing memorial Lectures Improving the Quality of Journal (IJSC)	House has agreed for organizing memorial lecture in the name of Dr K. G. Tejwani to be delivered by eminent speakers at the time of conference symp. etc. organize by the Association.

4	Addition/ Revision / Modification of the Awards given by IASWC.	Two new awards have been suggested for inclusion namely, Best Poster Award to be given during conference and one life time achievement award in the field of Soil & Water Conservation and Watershed Management. For this necessary guidelines may be Formed by EC.
5	Utilization of R & D fund.	Surplus money can be given to RC's of CSWCRTI for holding sensitizing workshops for NGOs and state govt. department. Field visits can also be organized by Utilizing this money.
6	Printing / Publication of Books.	President suggests to hold a meeting to decide title, topics, contents of the proposed book to be published by IASWC along with the identification of resource persons.
7	Inviting suggestions for future activities and areas of improvement.	House has assured that the Association may initiate publication of special issues on a some relevant themes whenever the need is felt.

The meeting ended with a Vote of thanks to the Chair and all the members.

Secretary, IASWC, Dehradun