Proceeding of the General Body Meeting of the Indian Society for Plant Physiology held on 6th November, 2009 at AAU, Jorhat, Assam

General Body meeting of the Indian Society for Plant Physiology was held on 6th November, 2009 in the auditorium of the Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat. Dr. P.S. Deshmukh, President, ISPP chaired the meeting.

The meetings started with welcome address by the president ISPP. The chairman requested Hon. Secretary and Executive Editor Dr. G.C. Srivastava to present the secretary report on overall progress of the society. Dr. Srivastava acquainted the house with the general progress of the society as regards to membership of the Indian Society for Plant Physiology, subscribers Fellowships, awards, and publication of the journal. A brief account of the financial position was also mentioned. Regarding the various awards, he informed that there were no application for R.D. Asana Medal and AAAS Junior Award which is meant for scientists below the age of 35 years. It may be due to non availability of the scientists below 35 years as there is no recruitment at scientist level for the last many years. After a brief discussion, it was suggested that a wider publicity is needed regarding these awards. The awards for 2009 were given to the following scientists Dr. Vanita Jain, J.J. Chinoy Award, Dr. Bhupinder Singh, AAA Senior Award. The following persons were awarded the fellowship of the Indian Society for Plant Physiology Dr. S.N. Mishra, Dr. R.K. Pannu, Dr. R. Ezekiel, Dr. Ishwar Singh, Dr. Vijay Paul, Dr. Bhupinder Singh and Dr. Vanita Jain. It was unanimously decided that International Conference on Plant Physiology would be organized at New Delhi probably in late 2011 or early 2012. The topic will be decided in the next executive meeting.

Chairman then requested Editor-in-Chief Dr. M.C. Ghildiyal to present his report on publication of the journal. Dr. Ghildiyal while presenting the report requested the referees to send the comments at the earliest. He also requested members to send good papers for our journal so that the standard of the journal can be further improved. He further requested all members to send good review articles for our journal.

Chairman requested Dr. Madan Pal, Treasurer, Indian Society for Plant Physiology to present financial report of the society. Dr. Madan Pal presented the audited report on the income and expenditure. There was general satisfaction on the presentation and members appreciated and accepted it.

Chairman then requested Dr. Virendra Nath, Joint Secretary to present his report. Dr. Virendra Nath presented the report and also declared the result of the election for the year 2010 which is as follows:

President	Dr. P.S. Deshmukh	2010 (2009-10)
Vice-President	Dr. R.K. Bhatt	2010
Hon. Secretary & Executive Editor	Dr. R.K. Sairam	2010-2012
Treasurer	Dr. Madan Pal Singh	2010-2012
Member Editorial Board	Dr. A.K. Dhawan	2010-2012
	Dr. K.K. Baruah	2010-2012
	Dr. Renu Pandey	2010-2012
	Dr. S.P. Saikia	2010-2012
Zonal Secretary (East Zone)	Dr. Ranjan Das	2010-2012
Zonal Secretary (North Zone)	Rajiv Angrish	2010-2012
Zonal Secretary (South Zone)	Dr. C. Raja Sekaran	2010-2012
Zonal Secretary (West Zone)	Dr. Manish Das	2010-2012
Zonal Secretary (Central Zone)	Dr. B.L. Kakralya	2010-2012

The venue of the next seminar was also discussed. There were two proposals. One was from Banaras Hindu University and the other from Goa University. There was general opinion that the next venue should be BHU, Varanasi. The proposal was accepted to organize the next annual seminar at Varanasi. Newly elected Hon. Secretary & Executive Editor Dr. R.K. Sairam, addressed the General Body and requested for the full support for International Conference from the members and thanked the members for electing him as Hon. Secretary.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

(Virendra Nath)

Joint Secretary

(G.C. Srivastava)

Hon. Secretary