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11th General Body Meeting (GBM) of the ISPGR

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AGENDA

10.00 – 10.05 a.m.	Welcome remarks and confirmation of minutes of 10th GBM	Anuradha Agrawal General Secretary, ISPGR
10.05 – 10.15 a.m.	Progress Report of ISPGR	
10.15 – 10.25 a.m.	Progress of IJPR	Sunil Archak Editor-in-Chief, ISPGR
10.25 – 10.35 a.m.	Financial Report of ISPGR	Dinesh Kumar Treasurer, ISPGR
10.35 – 10.45 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amendment in ISPGR Rules for holding elections (during 2021) via e-ballots (online)• Announcement of elections• Launch of new ISPGR Website	
10.45 – 10.50 a.m.	Any other item, with the permission of Chair	
10.50 – 10.55 a.m.	Remarks by Vice President, ISPGR	Kuldeep Singh Vice President, ISPGR R.C. Agrawal Vice President, ISPGR
11.05– 11.25 a.m.	Remarks by Chairman	R.S. Paroda President, ISPGR
11.25 – 11.30 a.m.	Vote of Thanks	Rakesh Singh Joint Secretary, ISPGR

Agenda Notes

Amendment of ISPGR Rules for holding Elections via e-ballot

(as per discussion in 11th EC meeting held on Aug. 24, 2021)

- Due to COVID19 pandemic, there is general disruption in postal services. Also advances in digital technology has provided options for electronic voting, which has also been adopted by other scientific societies.
- Use of e-ballots to conduct ISPGR elections shall also reduce the time and financial resources.
- Proposal was unanimously agreed by the EC in its 11th meeting and it was advised to place the same for approval in the GBM. The e-voting option so agreed be revisited by the new EC for subsequent elections.
- Accordingly, amendments in the Rule Book (Clause # 10) shall be made as follows:

	Existing text	Revised text
i)	The EC shall nominate an Election Committee consisting of an Election Officer and two members located at the Headquarters of the Society to conduct elections.	<i>No change</i>
ii)	An up-to-date list of members who have paid their subscription up to the current year, will be provided by the General Secretary to the Election Committee, latest by 30 August of the election year.	An up-to-date list of members (along with email ID) who have paid their subscription up to the current year, will be provided by the General Secretary to the Election Committee, latest by 30 September of the election year.
iii)	The right to vote/nominate/contest elections will vest with those members only who have cleared their dues latest by 31 July of the election year.	The right to vote/nominate/contest elections will vest with those members only who have cleared their dues latest by 31 August of the election year.
iv)	The EC shall invite nominations for various positions of the EC latest by 7 September and the nominations should reach the Election Committee latest by 7 October of the Election Year.	The EC shall invite nominations (through online proforma/email or hard copy) for various positions of the EC latest by 7 October and the nominations should reach the Election Committee latest by 31 October of the Election Year.
v)	The Election Committee will take consent in writing from the contesting members by 20 October of the Election Year. In case no consent is received from the concerned	The Election Committee will take consent in writing (over email/online) from the contesting members by 10 November of the

	candidate by the due date, it will imply that he/she is not interested to contest.	Election Year. In case no consent is received from the concerned candidate by the due date, it will imply that he/she is not interested to contest.
vi)	The Election Committee will send ballot papers within 10 days of the deadline fixed for receipt of the consent to all the members with specific instructions on the norms of voting.	The Chairperson Election Committee will send online link within 10 days of the deadline fixed for receipt of the consent to all the members (by 20 November) with specific instructions on the norms of online voting.
vii)	The ballot paper should be received by the Election Committee within 45 days (15 December of the Election Year) of their dispatch.	The online votes should be submitted by the members by clicking appropriately on the online ballot form within 15 days (5 December of the Election Year) of the voting portal/link going live .
viii)	After the due date is over, the ballot papers will be opened and counting done by the Election Committee in the presence of the Contestants or the authorized representatives deputed by the contestants.	After the due date is over, the online votes will be counted by the Election Committee in the presence of the Contestants or the authorized representatives deputed by the contestants.
ix)	The Election Committee shall submit the result to the EC. The EC will announce the same on or before December 31 of the election year or preferably in the forthcoming annual GB meeting. The EC is empowered to nominate and fill up any uncontested/vacant posts after taking over the charge. On the date of assuming the charge as EC member, the membership should be valid.	<i>No change</i>