



Date: August 14, 2023

Time: 2:30 PM onwards

Agenda: Annexure 1

Venue: Hybrid mode - Dr H.B. Singh Committee Room in ICAR-NBPGR, New Delhi and Online (via Zoom)

**EC Members
(2022-2024)**

Dr R.S. Paroda	President
Dr J.C. Rana	Vice President
Dr R.K. Tyagi	Vice President
Dr Sunil Archak	Editor-in-Chief, IJPGR
Dr Manjusha Verma	Joint Secretary
Dr Sanjeev Kumar Singh	Treasurer
Dr Monika Singh	Councillor (NZ)
Dr Kuldeep Tripathi	Councillor (NZ)
Dr Mohan Lal*	Councillor (EZ)
Dr Veerendra Kumar Verma*	Councillor (EZ)
Dr Surendra Kumar Barpete*	Councillor (CZ)
Dr Shailesh Tiwari*	Councillor (CZ)
Dr N. Sivaraj*	Councillor (SZ)
Dr Anil Patidar*	Councillor (WZ)
Ex-officio Member	Director, ICAR-NBPGR
Member Secretary	General Secretary
GB Members	Please see Annexure 2

**Online attendees*

Agenda 1: Welcome Remarks

- At the outset, Dr Anuradha Agrawal, General Secretary, welcomed the Chairman, all the members of Executive Council (EC) and General Body (GB) present physically as well as through online mode.

Agenda 2: Introductory Remarks by Chairman

- While welcoming all GB members, Dr R.S. Paroda, congratulated all those who received their awards in a function held in the forenoon. He also placed on record his appreciation to the members of Award Selection Committee, comprising Dr S.K. Vasal (Chairman), Dr R.C. Agrawal (Member), Dr. G.P. Singh (Member), Dr. Viswanathan C.(Member), Dr Malavika Dadlani (Member) and Dr Anuradha Agrawal (Member Secretary) for sparing their efforts in selecting the most deserving candidates. He also appreciated the efforts of General Secretary for her meticulous planning to organise the award function.
- He also apprised the members about various activities carried out successfully

during the year 2022-23. These being: the National Symposium on 'Food, Nutrition, Health and Environmental; Security: Aiming to Achieve SDGs (August 29-30, 2022), 1st National Conference on Plant Genetic Resources Management (NCPGRM) (November 22-24, 2022), and participation of ICAR-NBPGR and ISPGR in the 9th Governing Body Meeting (GB9) of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA) (September 19-24, 2022).

- He appreciated the efforts made by Dr Sunil Archak, Editor-in-Chief (EIC) and also by the committee constituted for elevating the stature of IJPGR under the chairmanship of Dr R.K. Tyagi, for online publication of IJPGR through MRI Publishers. He expressed satisfaction on the timely publications of journal and other Society publications of high quality.
- Dr Paroda emphasized the need for increasing the number of life members. For increasing the membership, members of other related Societies and PGR students have to be approached.

(Action: Treasurer, ISPGR and all Zonal Councillors)

Agenda 3: Confirmation of Minutes of 12th GBM, Action Taken Report (ATR) and Progress Report of ISPGR

- The minutes of the 12th GBM held on August 20, 2022 were unanimously confirmed and ratified by the GB.
- Dr Anuradha Agrawal, General Secretary, presented the ATR report on the 12th GBM (*Annexure 3*), followed by progress report of ISPGR since the last GBM (*Annexure 4*).
- All participants were appreciative of different activities and thanked the General Secretary for her sincere efforts.

Agenda 4: Progress of IJPGR by Editor-in-Chief

- Dr Sunil Archak, Editor-in-Chief, presented the report related to publication of IJPGR (*Annexure 5*). He apprised the status of manuscripts, and as well as printing schedule and progress, NAAS rating of the Journal, citation in Google Scholar *etc.*
- The new online publication portal of IJPGR through MRI Publishers was exhibited to all GB members. All members present were appreciative of progress made towards improving the quality and rating of our journal.
- The issue of seeking publication charges for papers submitted to IJPGR was discussed. It was deferred with a recommendation that the same may be discussed and approved later once the NAAS Score of the IJPGR goes above 6.0 point.

(Action: EIC, IJPGR)

- It was recommended by the GB that fresh consent be sought from Foreign Editors of IJPGR to continue their tenure based on their active and timely trview. Also, it was agreed that some new foreign editors be invited in order to improve the visibility and impact of IJPGR.

(Action: EIC, IJPGR)

- The President appreciated the work done by EIC, Editors, Reviewers and ISPGR staff for timely publication of the journal.
- Dr S.K. Vasal suggested that a special issue of IJPGR may be published for the effective utilization of PGR through public-private partnership. The President also endorsed this view and suggested that an interphase meeting with private sector may be planned in collaboration with ICAR-NBPGR to understand the expectations of private sector from the Society (ISPGR) specially with regard to access-benefit sharing and the resource generation.

(Action: Director, ICAR-NBPGR and EIC, IJPGR)

Agenda 5: Financial Report of ISPGR by Treasurer

- Dr Sanjeev Kumar Singh, Treasurer, presented financial status of ISPGR, including the audited reports for the FY 2022-23 (*Annexure 6*).
- The members were pleased to note quite healthy financial position of the society and placed on record their appreciation for EC to build the reserve for future sustainability of the Society. President also thanked Dr JC Rana and the Bioversity International for its financial support for the 1st NCPGRM. He also thanked the Treasurer for excellent financial management and for keeping updated financial records of ISPGR.

Agenda 6: Discussion on Revised Rules and Regulations of ISPGR

- Dr Anuradha Agrawal presented the salient features of the revisions of 'Rules and Regulations of ISPGR', as recommended by an Expert Committee constituted by the EC, and also ratified by the EC (*Annexure 4; Item # 2*).
- The GB appreciated the efforts of the Committee and endorsed the proposed amendments. Accordingly, revised rules shall be published and circulated amongst all members. Also the office of Registrar of Societies shall be kept informed of changes proposed.

(Action: General Secretary)

Agenda 7: Any other item

- Dr Pratibha Brahmi, the recipient of Dr H.B. Singh Memorial Award (2021-22) presented to the President a donation of Rs 50,000 to the Society, as a token of her appreciation for the efforts made towards PGR management and in view of

her long association with the society. The President thanked her for the kind gesture and wishes her a very fruitful life after her superannuation.

- With the permission of Chair, Dr S.K. Kaushik suggested for consideration that out of the two posts of Vice President in the EC, one may be reserved for the Director, ICAR-NBPGR. He was advised to submit his proposal in writing to the EC for further consideration.

Agenda 8: Remarks by Vice Presidents, ISPGR

- Dr J.C. Rana appreciated the online system of IJPGR, current financial status of the Society, and the successful organization of 1st NCPGRM, another rolling event of ISPGR, after 1st and 2nd International Agrobiodiversity Conference.
- He also apprised about the regional events planned for 2023-24 including the Seminar on Plant Biodiversity for Food, Nutrition and Health Security in North-West Himalayas in association with Shoolini University, Solan, a PGR Awareness Program for college students at Hyderabad, and possibly a Regional Conference at Umiam, Meghalaya.
- Dr R.K. Tyagi appreciated the transparent and efficient working of ISPGR and EC members under the dynamic leadership of Dr R.S. Paroda. He also gave compliments for the good financial status of the Society. He appreciated the initiatives to be taken by Zonal Councillors for undertaking activities in different regions and sought full support from all members to make future events successful.

Agenda 9: Remarks by Director, ICAR-NBPGR

- Dr G.P. Singh, Director, ICAR-NBPGR appreciated the present status of the membership and financial status of the Society, along with the online publication of IJPGR journal, which may contribute in the ranking/ citation of the Journal.
- He also highlighted the need to build public-private partnership for effective management and sustainable use of PGR thus benefiting both the ICAR-NBPGR and the Society.

Agenda 10: Chairman's Address

- Dr R.S. Paroda, President, ISPGR expressed his satisfaction on the overall activities of the Society.
- He recommended for organizing the meeting with the private sector for the benefit of farming community and value-addition through sustainable use of PGR conserved at ICAR-NBPGR. For the same, a working group comprising of retired experts in PGR management, persons from private sector, young scientists may be constituted by the EC.

(Action: General Secretary)

- He placed on record his appreciation for Dr GP Singh, Director, ICAR-NBPGR for providing excellent support for smooth functioning of the Society.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair and all GB members by Dr Manjusha Verma, Joint Secretary.



Anuradha Agrawal
(General Secretary)



R.S. Paroda
(President)

Place : New Delhi

Date : September 21, 2023

13th General Body Meeting (GBM) of the ISPGR

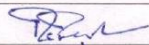
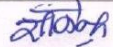
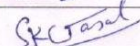
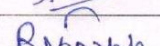
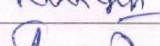
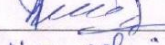
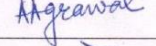
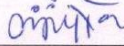

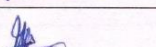
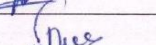

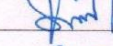
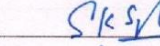
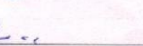
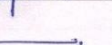

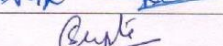
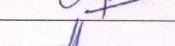
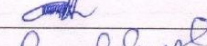



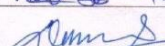
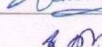
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AGENDA

2.30 – 2.35 p.m.	Welcome Remarks	G.P. Singh Director, ICAR-NBPGR
2.35 – 2.40 p.m.	Introductory Remarks by Chairman	R.S. Paroda President, ISPGR
2.40 – 2.55 p.m.	Confirmation of Minutes of 12th GBM, ATR and Progress Report of ISPGR	Anuradha Agrawal General Secretary, ISPGR
2.55 – 3.05 p.m.	Progress of IJPGR	Sunil Archak Editor-in-Chief, IJPGR
3.05 – 3.10 p.m.	Financial Report of ISPGR	S.K. Singh Treasurer, ISPGR
3.10 – 3.25 p.m.	Discussion on Revised Rules and Regulations of ISPGR	
3.25– 3.35 p.m.	Any other item, with the permission of Chair	
3.35 -3.45 p.m.	Remarks by Vice Presidents, ISPGR	J.C. Rana R.K. Tyagi Vice-President, ISPGR
3.45– 3.55 p.m.	Chairman's Address	R.S. Paroda President, ISPGR
3.55– 4.00 p.m.	Vote of Thanks	Manjusha Verma Joint Secretary, ISPGR
4.00 p.m.	Tea	

List of Participants of 13th GBM of ISPGR13th General Body Meeting

August 14, 2023, Attendance Sheet

S.no.	Name/Designation	Signature
1.	Dr R.S. Paroda, President, ISPGR	
2.	Dr G.P. Singh, Director, NBPGR	
3.	Dr S.K. Vasal, Distinguished Scientist	
4.	Dr R.K. Tyagi VP, ISPGR	
5.	Dr J.C. Rana VP, ISPGR	
6.	Dr Amrindra Aggarwal, GS, ISPGR	
7.	Dr Mangusha Verma, JS, ISPGR	
8.	Dr Pratibha Brahma, NBPGR	
9.	Dr J.L. Kanhaloo J.L. Kanhaloo	
10.	P.N. Mathur	
11.	Sunil Archak	
12.	Dr. Sanjay K. Singh	
13.	Dr. Monika Singh	
14.	अशोक कुमार	
15.	R.K. Gautam, Head, DGE, ICAR-NBPGR	
16.	Dr Sandhya Gupta	
17.	Tameel Akhtar, DGR, ICAR-NBPGR	
18.	Rakesh Singh, Head, DGR, ICAR-NBPGR	
19.	Vikendram, Senior Scientist, NBPGR	
20.	Pardeep Kumar, Scientist DGR, NBPGR	
21.	Dr. D.P. Samal, Pro Scientist	
22.	Dr. Parimolan Rangan, Sr. Sci, DGR	
23.	S. Rajkumar, NBPGR	
24.	Dr. Anil Kumar Singh	
25.	Kudrat Zafar	

26.	V. Celia Chalam, Head, DRP, ICAR-NBPR N.D	Celia Chalam
27.	Vartika Srivastava, Scientist, DGE ICAR-NBPR	Vartika Srivastava
28.	Sapna, DGE, ICAR-NBPR, New Delhi-12	Sapna
29.	Kavita Gupta, Principal Scientist, NBPR	Kavita Gupta
30.	Sk. Kausik, Tr. Sci., DGE, NBPR	Sk. Kausik
31.	Gopal Krishan, IARI	
32.	Krishna Pranis "	
33.	A Ananya	
34.	N. Sivareddy, NBPR	
35.	Jyoti Kumar "	
36.	Vak Suteja, IARI	
37.	R Paramanthy, NBPR	
38.	Shippa Prakash	
39.	Sushil Pandey NBPR	
40.	M. Singh MC Singh	
41.	Mohan Lal, CSIR	
42.	Kushaldeep Kaur	
43.	S.K. Tripathi, IIR	
44.	Vsha Barwale	
45.	Lakshmi Kant Director	
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Action Taken Report on the 12th GBM held on Aug. 20, 2022

	Recommendation	Action Taken
1.	For elevating the stature of IJPGR, including making IJPGR as an open access/hybrid journal, e-publishing, a committee comprising Drs R. K. Tyagi (Chairperson), Anuradha Agrawal (Member), Sunil Archak (Editor-in-Chief, IJPGR & Member), Monika Singh (Member), Kuldeep Tripathi (Member), Manjusha Verma (Member Secretary) was urged to expedite action to provide recommendations for improvement of IJPGR.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee held three meetings and explored the various possibilities of Open Access/Hybrid mode of publication of IJPGR, including financial implications. Options explored were tie-up with ARCC Journals Springer-Nature, Taylor and Francis, ICAR-DKMA M/S MRI Publication and M/S Diva enterprises. Based on the recommendations by the Journal Committee IJPGR has collaborated with the M/S MRI Publication, for online paper processing and journal open access system, and new webpage for IJPGR. The MoU was signed on Sept 7, 2022 and two issues have been published, so far.
2.	The 9th meeting of the Governing Body (GB) of the 'International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA)' was scheduled to be held from Sept. 19-24, 2022. President, ISPGR urged that Society should take active participation in the GB9 for visibility of its varied activities, including issues directly related to the Treaty.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Delhi-based EC and other members of ISPGR actively participated in the meeting. Two ISPGR members (Drs Pratibha Brahmi and Sunil Archak) were official delegates of the Indian contingent and Drs Anuradha Agrawal and Vandana Tyagi were included in the Technical Committee supporting the Indian contingent. ISPGR participated in the exhibition held during the meeting.
3.	The need for increasing the number of life members was emphasized. For increasing the membership, members of other related Societies and PGR students need to be encouraged.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Since last GBM, 75 new life members have been inducted, including PGR and genetics students.
4.	It was suggested that Zonal Councillors take a more pro-active role in not only increasing membership of the Society but also initiating seminar/symposia at regional level.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One seminar has been planned in Solan during Nov 3-4, 2023. Proposals for one meeting in Umam and one in Hyderabad are under active planning.

Report of General Secretary, ISPGR

1. Meetings Held

- The last General Body Meeting (GBM) was held on Aug. 20, 2022 and minutes were shared on Sept. 13, 2022.
- Since last GBM, five EC (2022-24) meetings were held on Oct. 3, and Dec. 14, 2022; Mar. 27, Apr. 3, and Aug. 7, 2023 to discuss and decide the various issues related to activities and growth of the Society.
- Based on the decisions and suggestions of above meetings, the activities held are enumerated hereunder.

2. Revision of ISPGR Constitution

- Following Committee for 'Revision of ISPGR Constitution and the criteria for nominations of awards' held its meeting on Oct. 7, 2022:
 - i. Dr B.S. Dhillon Former Vice Chancellor, Punjab Agricultural University (PAU), Ludhiana (Chairperson)
 - ii. Dr Bhag Mal Secretary, Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Sciences (TAAS), New Delhi (Member)
 - iii. Dr R.K. Tyagi Coordinator, Asia Pacific Consortium for Agricultural Biotechnology and Biodiversity (APCoAB), Bangkok (Member)
 - iv. Dr Anuradha Agrawal General Secretary, ISPGR, New Delhi (Member Secretary)

The specific points for deliberations (based on issues raised during earlier GBMs) by the Committee were as follows:

- For all posts of EC, there is restriction of a candidate to apply for a given post for maximum of two tenures [Section 8 (iii) of Rules and Regulations, 2015]. Exception has been made for the posts of President and General Secretary. The Committee needs to review the restrictions in tenure, for the better functioning of the Society in the long run.
- As per Section 8 (iv) of Rules and Regulations, 2015, The Director, ICAR-NBPGR is *Ex-Officio* Member of EC without any voting rights. The Committee to review the *proviso*.
- Should ISPGR continue the traditional methods of postal ballots for voting during elections, or switch to digital/online voting?
- With respect to awards, should the EC members be allowed to apply for awards while holding any post in EC, considering that all awards are approved finally by the EC? Further, the criteria for selection of 'Dr Harbhajan Singh Lifetime Award' has been criticized by a few applicants in the past and needs to be reviewed.

- Any other modification to improve the functioning and transparency of the Society.

A revised draft of constitution was prepared. The major recommendations emerged were:

- Since proforma for all awards were revised in 2020, no further changes were required except for 'Dr Harbhajan Singh Memorial Award', wherein the column for allocation of marks has been removed, to allow for both qualitative and quantitative assessment of the applicant, as it is a prestigious lifetime achievement award.
- With respect to guidelines of all awards, the committee unanimously agreed that EC members should not be eligible to apply for any award while holding any post of the EC.
- With respect to Section 8 (iii) of Rules and Regulations, 2015, all the posts should be open for contesting without any restrictions, as was the provision under the original rules of the Society at the time of its inception. Further, voting rights to be given to the *Ex-Officio* Members, provided they are life member of the ISPGR.
- With respect to mode of elections, ISPGR may follow digital mode of casting votes, given that it saves time and resources. The best software to undertake electronic method of voting to be determined prior to elections, based to the available options which is economical, fool-proof and maintains the required secrecy of votes casted.
- Under Section 13 (Funds and Accounts) Subsection (viii), ISPGR may increase its minimum reserve fund from Rs 5 lakhs to Rs 25 lakhs.

The EC has recommended that proposed revisions be placed in the 13th GBM for finalization of revisions.

3. ISPGR Awards

- The call for inviting applications for various ISPGR was made in Nov. 2022 and last date for receiving nominations was Jan 31, 2023. A total of 44 applications were received for various awards.
- The meeting of **Award Selection Committee** was held on May 17, 2023, in hybrid mode*, at Committee Room, KAB-2, ICAR. The Committee comprised following members:

Dr S.K. Vasal, World Food Laureate and Distinguished Scientist, CIMMYT	Chairman
Dr R.C. Agrawal, DDG (Education) & ND, NAHEP, ICAR	Member
Dr G.P. Singh, Director, ICAR-NBPGR*	Member
Dr Viswanathan C., Joint Director (Research), ICAR-IARI*	Member
Dr Malavika Dadlani, Former Joint Director (Research), ICAR-IARI*	Member
Dr Anuradha Agrawal, General Secretary, ISPGR	Member Secretary

- Following were recommended by committee and ratified by EC:

I	Dr H.B. Singh Memorial Award (2021-22) (jointly awarded)
i.	Dr Umesh Srivastava , Former ADG (Horticulture), ICAR, New Delhi

	ii. Dr Pratibha Brahmi , Principal Scientist, Germplasm Exchange and Policy Unit ICAR-National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources (NBPGR), New Delhi
II	Dr S.K. Vasal Award for Efficient Use of PGR (2022)
	Dr Deepak Sharma , Head, Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding, Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Raipur, Chattisgarh Team Members: Dr Parmeshwar K. Sahu and Dr B.K. Das
III	Dr B.R. Barwale Award for Excellence/Application in PGR (2022)
	Dr Tusar Kanti Behera , Director, ICAR-Indian Institute of Vegetable Research, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
IV	Dr R.S. Paroda Young Scientist Award (2022)
	Dr Vetriventhan Mani , Senior Scientist, (Genetic Resources), Genebank, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics, Hyderabad, Telangana
V	Dr R.K. Arora Best Paper Award (2022)
	P Govindaraj and V.A. Amalraj (2022) Expedition collection, characterization and diversity analysis of the new wild sugarcane germplasm from Manipur. <i>Indian J. Plant Genet. Resour.</i> 35(2): 199-208.
VI	Dr KL Mehra Award for Best PGR Student (2022)
	Mr Latif Bashir , M.Sc . (PGR) Student, PG School, IARI, New Delhi
VI	Fellows (2022)
	i. Prof. Sanjay Vasant Deshmukh , Professor of Life Sciences (Formerly Vice-Chancellor), Dept. of Life Science, University of Mumbai, Mumbai, Maharashtra
	ii. Dr Ashutosh Kumar Mall , Principal Scientist, Crop Improvement Division, ICAR-Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
	iii. Dr Amish Kumar Sureja , Principal Scientist, Division of Genetics, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi
	iv. Dr Amit Kumar Singh , Senior Scientist, Division of Genomic Resources, ICAR-NBPGR, New Delhi-
	v. Dr Sherry R. Jacob , Senior Scientist, Division of Germplasm Conservation, ICAR-NBPGR, New Delhi

In addition, **Prof. P.L. Gautam** has been nominated as Honorary Fellow (2022) by the EC.

4. Events Organized

- ISPGR co-organized the **National Symposium on ‘Food, Nutrition, Health and Environmental Security: Aiming to Achieve SGDs’** (organized by TAAS, in collaboration with ISPGR, ICAR, NAAS) from Aug 29-30, 2022. During this symposium, dedicated to Dr R.S. Paroda on his 80th birthday, TAAS, NAAS, ISPGR and Alliance of Bioversity International & CIAT jointly organized a felicitation function in the evening of 29 August, 2022. On this occasion, a Special issue of IJPGR Vol 35(3), 2022, comprising 80 articles on agrobiodiversity was released. Also a film was made highlighting the major contributions made by Dr R.S. Paroda.

- ISPGR participated in the 9th Governing Body Meeting (GB9) of the '**International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA)**' during Sept. 19-24, 2022. The Delhi-based EC and other members of ISPGR actively participated in the meeting. Two ISPGR members (Drs Pratibha Brahmi and Sunil Archak) were official delegates of the Indian contingent and Drs Anuradha Agrawal and Vandana Tyagi were included in the Technical Committee supporting the Indian contingent. ISPGR also participated in the exhibition held during the meeting, where its activities and literature were showcased.
- The **1st National Conference on Plant Genetic Resources Management (NCPGRM)** was successfully organized at NASC, New Delhi from Nov 22-24, 2022. A total of 316 participants attended the conference including 197 registered delegates, 89 invited guest and organizers, 9 farmers and 21 participants representing Sponsors. The NCPGRM was organized by ISPGR, ICAR, NBPGR, Alliance for Bioversity International & CIAT and the PPV&FRA. Coorganizers included TAAS, CIMMYT, ICARDA, World Agroforestry, ICRISAT and NAAS. Sponsors included FSII, Hytech Seeds, Mahyco, Kaveri Seeds, Rasi Seeds, NSAI, Imperial Life Sciences, UD Associate, Sim Biochem, Biovis, Elementar and Perkin Elmer. The conference was held in hybrid mode. The program commenced with an inaugural session which was Chaired by Dr Himanshu Pathak, Secretary DARE & DG, ICAR. The Plenary lecture was delivered by Dr R.S. Paroda, President ISPGR. In the five technical sessions, seven keynote lectures and 20 invited lectures were delivered by eminent scientists from India (physical) and abroad (online). Technical sessions also included 8 short lectures from senior scientists and 33 rapid oral presentations from young scientists and students. In all 150 posters were displayed from all the technical session. One panel discussion with eight panelists was also held. Awards were given for best oral presentations (12) and best posters (11) from the various technical sessions. The conference also had a welcome dinner and cultural program on the first day. Overall, participants expressed great satisfaction with the organization of NCPGRM.
- The **ISPGR Award function** held on August 14, 2023 at ICAR-NBPGR, New Delhi.
- The '**5th Dr A.B. Joshi Memorial Lecture**' entitled "*Preserving the Green Sentinels: The imperative of conservation of World's Mangrove Forest Genetic Resources for a sustainable future*" was delivered on Aug. 14, 2022 by **Dr Sanjay Deshmukh**, Former Vice Chancellor, Mumbai University.

Forthcoming event

- Three meetings held for planning of organizing a '**Seminar on Plant Biodiversity for Food, Nutrition and Health Security in North-West Himalayas**', tentatively scheduled during Nov 3-4, 2023 Organizers would be Indian Society of Plant Genetic Resources (ISPGR), New Delhi, ICAR- National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources

(NBPGR), New Delhi and Shoolini University, Solan, Himachal Pradesh and Alliance for Bioversity International and CIAT, New Delhi. For Co-organizers, Trust for Advancement of Agricultural Science (TAAS), New Delhi, HP State Council Science, Technology and Environment (HPSCST&E), Shimla, CSKHP Krishi Vishwavidyalaya (CSHPKV), Palampur, Dr YS Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry (YSPUH&F), Solan, and Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers Rights Authority (PPV&FRA), New Delhi would be approached. Local institutes in HP, UT, J&K would be approached to join as Knowledge Partners. The venue would be **Shoolini University, Solan, Himachal Pradesh**. Suitable actions are being taken to finalize the concept note, letters and brochure, accordingly.

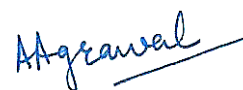
5. Publications

- Four issues of IJPGR published since the last GBM; this includes a special issue with 80 articles from eminent and expert scientists from all genetic resource components (Vol 36 issue #2, 2022).
- Proceedings and Recommendations '1st National Conference on Plant Genetic Resources Management'. Indian Society of Plant Genetic Resources, New Delhi, India, p. 112. ISBN No.: 978-81-950114-3-8

6. Administrative matters

- Accounts of ISPGR audited for the FY 2022-23. New computer purchased for ISPGR office.
- ISPGR entered into agreement with M/S MRI Publishers, Lucknow for online publication of IJPGR w.e.f Sept 7, 2022 for period of 3 years.

I place on record gratitude to President and all EC and GB members of ISPGR for support in all matters of the society



(Anuradha Agrawal)

Report of Editor-in-Chief, Indian Journal of Plant Genetic Resources (IJPGR)

Journal Publication Status

Volume	Articles	Issue	Due date	Publication date
35	110	1	1 Apr, 2022	21 July, 2022
		2	1 Aug, 2022	17 Aug, 2022
		3	1 Dec, 2022	21 Nov, 2022 (Special Issue on 'Genetic Resources: Road Ahead', 80 articles)
36	38	1	1 Apr, 2023	4 Apr 2023
		2	1 Aug, 2023	Online first: 27 June 2023, Print copy Aug 13, 2023
		3	1 Dec, 2023	No. of accepted papers: 8

IJPGR Manuscript Status

Year	Received	Rejected	Under review	Accepted
2022	144 (including Special Articles)	29 (20%)	14	101 (including Special Articles)
2023	40	11 (5%)	23	6

Types of Articles	2022	2023
Research	25	13
Review	2	0
Short Comm.	2	2
Special	80	0
PGR Note	1	0
Book Review	0	1
Registration Notes	39	127

Actions Taken for Improvement of Journal

- System changed for online submission, processing and publishing of manuscripts in IJPGR by engaging M/S MRI publishers, Lucknow. The URL for new IJPGR website is <https://ispgr.in/index.php/ijpgr>.
- New editors inducted in Editorial Board - Drs Rakesh Bhardwaj, Somnath Roy, Rajiv Kumar and Kuldeep Tripathi.
- Continuing Editors: Celia Chalam V., Kavita Gupta, N. Sivaraj, Lalit Arya, K. Pradheep, Manjusha Verma, Rakesh Singh, Sherry R. Jacob, M Pitchaimuthu, Aditya Pratap, R.K. Salgotra, Amit Singh, Sheikh M. Sultan, C.S .Mohanty, S. Rajkumar and Vandana Tyagi
- Foreign Editors: Andriana Alercia, Ronnie Vernooy, Ehsan Dulloo and Michael Halewood

I thank all the reviewers, editorial team, IJPGR office team (Arup and Sunil) and all members of ISPGR EC and GBM for their support.



(Sunil Archak)
Editor-in-Chief

Report of Treasurer, ISPGR

- The summary of income and expenditure of ISPGR for the period April 1 2022 to March 31, 2023, is as follows:

Summary of Balance Sheet (April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023)

	Amount (Rs)
BANK BALANCE AND CASH IN HAND	
<i>Fixed Deposit</i>	1,11,07,092.98
<i>Amount in Bank (saving account)</i>	5,22,260.26
<i>Cash in Hand</i>	7,985.00
Total	1,16,37,338.25
INCOMES	
Membership, Journal subscription, ICAR, Donations, Bank interest	72,45,729.52
EXPENDITURE	
ISPGR Office expenses, publications, postage, etc.	38,97,685.12

- The summary of income and expenditure of ISPGR for the period April 1 2022 to March 31, 2023, is as follows:


Summary of Balance Sheet (April 1-August 14, 2023)

	Amount (Rs)
BANK BALANCE AND CASH IN HAND	
<i>Fixed Deposit</i>	1,08,82,265.99
<i>Amount in Bank (saving account)</i>	5,48,545.26
<i>Cash in Hand</i>	16,085.00
Total	1,14,46,896.25
INCOMES	
Membership, Journal subscription, Donations, Bank interest	3,11,858.00
EXPENDITURE	
ISPGR Office expenses, publications, postage, website etc.	2,90,460.00

- The ISPGR membership details are as follows:

Total ISPGR life members	935
Institutional membership (April 1 to Aug. 7, 2023)	2
Life membership (April 1 to Aug. 7, 2023)	12
Annual membership (April 1 to Aug. 7, 2023)	5

- The audited reports of the ISPGR for the FY 2022-23 are appended herewith.


(Sanjeev Kumar Singh)
 Treasurer, ISPGR



DADU DADOO & ASSOCIATES

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

AUDITORS REPORT

To The Members of
INDIAN SOCIETY OF PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES
C/o N.P.G.R., Pusa Campus,
New Delhi

We have audited attached Balance Sheet of INDIAN SOCIETY OF PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES as at March 31, 2023 and the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended on a day annexed thereto.

These Financial Statements are the responsibility of the Society's Management. Our responsibility is to opine on these Financial Statements based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements are free of material misstatements.

As audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts of disclosures in the Financial Statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the management as well as evaluating the overall Financial Statements presentation.

We believe that our audit provides our reasonable basis for our opinion.

We further state that:-

1. We have obtained all the information and explanation which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of the audit;
2. In our opinion, proper books of accounts have been kept by the society in so as appears from our examination of the books.
3. The Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account referred to in this report are in agreement with the books of account of the society.
4. In our opinion and the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us the said Balance Sheet and the Income and Expenditure Account give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles.

- a. In so far as it relates to the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Society as at March 31, 2023; and
- b. In so far as it relates to the income & Expenditure Account, of the surplus during the year ended that date

For DADU DADOO & ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants
FRN: 006760N




(MAHENDRA DADU)
Partner
M.NO: 083625
Date - 9.8.2023
Place - New Delhi

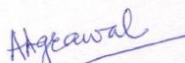
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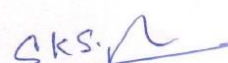
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C/O N.B.P.G.R, PUSA CAMPUS
NEW DELHI - 110012

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2023

	PARTICULAR	AMOUNTS
LIABILITIES		
A	GENERAL RESERVE	
	Balance brought forward	87,48,933.19
	Add: Surplus during the year	33,48,044.40
		1,20,96,977.59
B	CURRENT LIABILITIES	
	Auditor's Remuneration payable	26,550.00
	Expenses Payable	30,000.00
		1,21,53,527.59
ASSETS		
A	FIXED ASSETS	
	Computer & Allied Accessories	2,053.60
	Addition	1,10,450.00
	Less: Depreciation	22,911.44
		89,592.16
	HP Printer	21,234.79
	Less: Depreciation	3,185.22
		18,049.57
	Office Equipment	2,640.04
	Less: Depreciation	396.01
		2,244.03
	Office Furniture	2,17,134.47
	Less: Depreciation	21,713.45
		1,95,421.02
	Microwave & Freeze	10,753.33
	Less: Depreciation	1,613.00
		9,140.33
	Hitachi AC	11,700.00
	Less: Dep	1,755.00
		9,945.00
	Investment	
	Fixed Deposit	1,11,07,092.98
B	CURRENT ASSETS	
	TDS on FD (A.Y. 19-20)	36,079.23
	TDS on FD (A.Y. 20-21)	37,072.00
	TDS on Donation (A.Y 21-22)	1,500.00
	TDS (A.Y. 23-24)	66,213.00
	Accured Interest	50,933.00
		1,91,797.23
C	CASH & BANK BALANCES	
	Cash in Hand	7,985.00
	Cash at Bank	5,22,260.26
		5,30,245.26
		1,21,53,527.59


(President)


(Secretary)


(Treasurer)

AUDITOR'S REPORT
"As per our separate report of even date attached"

for Dadu Dadoo & Associates
Chartered Accountants

FRN: 006760N



(Mahendra Dadu)

Partner

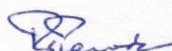
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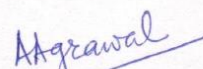
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C/O N.B.P.G.R, PUSA CAMPUS
NEW DELHI - 110012

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023

PARTICULAR	AMOUNTS
A INCOMES	
Institutional Membership Fees	2,00,000.00
Life Membership Fees	3,15,000.00
Annual Membership Fees	23,000.00
ISPGR Subscription-Diva Enterprises	1,37,191.00
Donation	4,00,000.00
Interest(Bank)	37,895.00
Interest on FD	5,20,811.52
Interest on Income Tax Refund	4,832.00
NCPGRM 2022-	
Registration Fees	9,88,000
ICAR	3,75,000
Sponsors Donation	42,44,000
	56,07,000.00
TOTAL	72,45,729.52
B EXPENDITURES	
NCPGRM Refreshments, Printings, Accomodation & Other	
logistic expenses	23,45,930.00
Printing & Supply of Plant Genetic Resources Journal	4,68,961.00
ISPGR Room Rent & Other Charges	49,944.00
Postage	6,991.00
Printing Expenses	1,35,665.00
ISPGR Meeting Expenses	37,074.00
Office Expenses	23,171.00
Stationery	14,774.00
Secretarial Expenses	3,97,213.00
Auditor's Fees	26,550.00
Depreciation	51,574.12
Bank Charges	948.00
ISPGR Award Function	3,33,890.00
Website Maintenance Expenses	5,000.00
TOTAL	38,97,685.12
C SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) During the year	33,48,044.40


(President)


(Secretary)


(Treasurer)

AUDITOR'S REPORT

"As per our separate report of even date attached"
for Dadu Dadoo & Associates

Chartered Accountants

FRN: 006760N



(Mahendra Dadu)

Partner

M.No. 083625

Date: 9.8.2023
Place: New Delhi



DADU DADOO & ASSOCIATES

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To,
The Members of
INDIAN SOCIETY OF PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES
C/o N.P.G.R., Pusa Campus,
New Delhi-110012

We have audited attached Income and Expenditure Account of 1st National Conference on Plant Genetic Resources Management (NCPGRM 2022), as at March 31, 2023 annexed thereto.

These Financial Statements are the responsibility of the Society's Management. Our responsibility is to opine on these Financial Statements based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements are free of material misstatements.

As audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts of disclosures in the Financial Statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the management as well as evaluating the overall Financial Statements presentation.

We believe that our audit provides our reasonable basis for our opinion.

We further state that:-

1. We have obtained all the information and explanation which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of the audit;
2. In our opinion, proper books of accounts have been kept by the society in so as appears from our examination of the books.
3. The Income and Expenditure Account referred to in this report are in agreement with the books of account of the society.
4. In our opinion and the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us the said the Income and Expenditure Account give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles.

In so far as it relates to the Income & Expenditure Account of the NCPGRM 2022, of the surplus during the year ended that date.

For DADU DADOO & ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants
FRN: 006760N



(MAHENDRA DADU)
Partner
M.No: 083625
Date - 9.8.2023
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1st National Conference on Plant Genetic Resources Management (NCPGRM 2022)

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2023**

	PARTICULAR	AMOUNTS
A	INCOMES	
	Registration Fees	9,88,000.00
	ICAR	3,75,000.00
	Sponsors Donation	42,44,000.00
	TOTAL	56,07,000.00
B	EXPENDITURES	
	Printing and Publishing	3,39,486.00
	Registration Kit and Mementos	3,53,666.00
	Travel and Accomodation	66,098.00
	Food, refreshment and Catering	10,41,193.00
	Videography and Photography	1,59,000.00
	Banners/Hoardings	1,42,057.00
	Hall decoration	58,750.00
	Secretarial assistance and honorarium	25,000.00
	Stationery and Other Miscellaneous Expenses	1,60,680.00
	TOTAL	23,45,930.00
C	SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) During the year	32,61,070.00


(President) ✓


(Secretary)


(Treasurer)

AUDITOR'S REPORT

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New Delhi
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Partner
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Date: 9.8.2023
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