

Date: October 25, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM onwards

Agenda: Annexure 1

Venue: Hybrid mode - ICAR-Regional Centre for North East Hill Region, Umiam, Meghalaya and Online (via Zoom)

**EC Members
(2022-2024)**

Dr R.S. Paroda

President

Dr R.K. Tyagi

Vice President &
Editor-in-Chief, IJPGR

Dr Manjusha Verma

Joint Secretary

Dr Kuldeep Tripathi

Treasurer & Councillor (NZ)

Dr Monika Singh*

Councillor (NZ)

Dr Veerendra Kumar Verma

Councillor (EZ)

Dr N. Sivaraj*

Councillor (SZ)

Dr Surendra Barpete*

Councillor (CZ)

Member Secretary

Dr Anuradha Agrawal

General Secretary

GB Members

Please see *Annexure 2*

**Online attendees*

Agenda 1: Welcome Remarks

- Dr Anuradha Agrawal, General Secretary, welcomed the Chairman, along with all the members of Executive Council (EC) and General Body (GB), who were present either in person or virtually.
- Dr P.L. Gautam, Past President & Honorary Fellow of ISPGR, appreciated the activities being carried out by the ISPGR, including the just concluded National Conference on Managing Agrobiodiversity in North-Eastern India (NCMAN): From Biodiversity to Bio-wealth (October 23-25, 2024). The 'Umiam Declaration' emerging from the conference would increase the visibility of the Society. He suggested that ISPGR may consider including the words like 'Biodiversity' in its future activities to attract larger number of participants and some activity be conducted by the Society on International Day of Biodiversity on May 22 every year.

Agenda 2: Introductory Remarks by Chairman

- While welcoming all GB members, Dr R.S. Paroda, appreciated and acknowledged Dr P.L. Gautam for his constant support in all activities of ISPGR, including the organization of the conferences at Shoolini University (2023) and Umiam (2024). He also appreciated presence of Dr R.C. Agrawal, DDG (Agric. Educ.), ICAR & former Vice-President, ISPGR, Dr Kuldeep Singh, Head Genebank, ICRISAT during the meeting as well as the NCMAN-2024 conference.

Agenda 3: Confirmation of Minutes of 13th GBM, Action Taken Report (ATR) and Progress Report of ISPGR

- The minutes of the 13th GBM held on August 14, 2023 were unanimously confirmed and ratified by the GB.
- Dr Anuradha Agrawal, General Secretary, presented the ATR report on the 13th GBM (*Annexure 3*), followed by progress report of ISPGR since the last GBM (*Annexure 4*).
- Dr Paroda suggested that ISPGR may conduct a round table discussion to address the public-private partnership issue related to germplasm exchange, germplasm evaluation, partnership for research cooperation and needs of the private sector.

(Action: President and General Secretary)

- Dr Kuldeep Singh suggested that there is room for increasing partnership and interaction/collaboration with other related societies/academies for joint activities e.g. ISGPB, Seed Science *etc.* It was suggested that possibly MoUs could be developed with these Societies. This would help in increasing membership. Dr Paroda suggested that some experts from India may represent in the 3rd IAC to be held in China during April 22-25, 2025.
- All the participants were appreciative of different activities and thanked the General Secretary for her sincere efforts in executing all activities of ISPGR.

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

- Dr R.K. Tyagi, 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.* With the cooperation of reviewers and editors, the journal is not only updated, but now publishing ahead of its time schedule. Further, all publication steps were now being done fully on the e-publishing platform (<https://ispgr.in/index.php/ijpgr>) through MRI Publishers.
- The issue of improving the NAAS rating was discussed in detail, with Dr S.K. Sharma suggesting that IJPGR should aim to have NAAS score more than 6.0. Dr R.C. Agrawal suggested that more number of review articles can be invited, especially from eminent scientists in India and abroad. He also suggested that extra efforts be made to increase citation of papers. Dr Kuldeep Singh informed that he has suggested that at least few Indian journals need to be included in applications for NAAS Fellows/ Awards, so that Indian journals get better quality papers. Dr S.K. Sharma also endorsed the view that papers published in national journals also should be included. It was agreed that the matter be discussed in NAAS meeting by the members of ISPGR who are also Fellows of NAAS.

(Action: All concerned)

- The President appreciated the work done by Editor-In-Chief, Editors, Reviewers

and ISPGR staff for clearing backlog and timely publication of the journal. He appealed that who more committed people need to come forward and take the responsibility of the journal.

- He specially appreciated the efforts made by Dr R.K. Tyagi, Editor-in-Chief for additional work and timely publication of current volumes of IJPGR.

Agenda 5: Financial Report of ISPGR by Treasurer

- Dr Kuldeep Tripathi, Treasurer, presented financial status of ISPGR, including the audited reports for the FY 2023-24 (*Annexure 6*).
- The GB was pleased to note the healthy financial position of the Society. It was suggested that in future revenue may be generated through priced publications and increased membership drive.
- President thanked Dr J.C. Rana (Bioversity International), Dr Kuldeep Singh (ICRISAT) and ICARDA for financial support for NCMAN. He also thanked the Treasurer Dr Kuldeep Tripathi, for good financial management and for keeping the financial records in an orderly manner.

Agenda 6: Any other item

- Dr Anuradha Agrawal apprised of the forthcoming elections of the EC of ISPGR, which will be completed in an online mode. Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Executive Secretary, Indian Agricultural Universities Association (IAUA) & Former ADG (FFC), ICAR, will be the Election Officer.
- She apprised of the 3rd International Agrobiodiversity Congress (IAC) scheduled to take place in China. She also encouraged members of the Society to participate in the event.
- Dr Anuradha also informed that recently NBPGR has asked ISPGR to vacate the rented room in NBPGR. The President advised that necessary steps be taken at the earliest to seek a suitable office space in the society block of NASC and inform NBPGR suitably.

Agenda 8: Chairman's Address

- Dr R.S. Paroda, President, ISPGR expressed his great satisfaction on the overall activities of the Society.
- He recommended to organise an interface meeting with the private sector to deliberate issues concerning the support for farming community, value-addition through sustainable use of PGR, ABS matters and for consortia approach for sustainable use of genetic resources.

(Action: General Secretary)

- He also recommended to constitute a Committee comprising of the members, Dr

S.K. Sharma, Dr Kuldeep Singh, Dr R.C. Agrawal, Dr R.K. Tyagi (EIC, IJPGR), and Dr Anuradha Agrawal (Member Secretary) for suggesting the ways to improve the rating and quality of publication of IJPGR and other scientific publications.

(Action: General Secretary & EIC)

- Dr Paroda congratulated all those who received ISPGR awards in a function held on October 23, 2024 during the inaugural session of NCMAN-2024. He also placed on record his appreciation to the members of Awards Selection Committee. He also appreciated the efforts of General Secretary, Dr Anuradha Agarwal, for her meticulous planning to organise the award function and ensuring the presence of awardees in Umiam.
- Dr Paroda emphasized the need for increasing the number of life members. For increasing the membership, he suggested that the members of other related Societies and the students working in different universities on genetic resources and their use be approached. The zonal councillors could help in this regard. Also each councillor be encouraged to undertake some important initiatives like the excellent role played by Dr Veerendra Verma, ZC in getting this conference organised at Umiam. He also placed on record the support extended by Dr V.K. Mishra, Director, ICAR-RC for NEH and all his staff to organise so successfully this national conference (NCMAN 2024).

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)

Date: Nov. 25, 2024

14th General Body Meeting (GBM) of the ISPGR

October 25, 2024 (Friday)

Venue: ICAR-Regional Centre for North East Hill Region, Umaim, Meghalaya

AGENDA

17:30-17:35	Agenda 1: Welcome Remarks	Anuradha Agrawal General Secretary
17:35-17:45	Agenda 2: Introductory Remarks by Chiarman	R.S. Paroda President
17:45-18:00	Agenda 3: Confirmation of Minutes of 13 th GBM, Action Taken Report (ATR) and Progress Report of ISPGR	Anuradha Agrawal General Secretary
18:00-18:10	Agenda 4: Progress of IJGR	R.K. Tyagi Editor-in-Chief, IJGR
18:10-18:20	Agenda 5: Financial Report of ISPGR	Kuldeep Tripathi Treasurer
18:20-18:25	Agenda 6: Any other item (with permission of Chair)	Anuradha Agrawal General Secretary
18:25-18:35	Agenda 7: Remarks	J.C. Rana and R.K. Tyagi Vice Presidents
18:35-18:45	Agenda 8: Presidential Address	R.S. Paroda President
18:45-18:50	Agenda 9: Vote of Thanks	Manjusha Verma Joint Secretary

List of Participants of 14th GBM of ISPGR

14th General Body Meeting (GBM) of the ISPGR, October 25, 2024 (Friday) at ICAR-Regional Centre for NEH Region, Umiam, Meghalaya				
S. No.	Name	Designation	Institute/Organization	Signature
1	DR. R.S. Patoda	President	ISPGR	
2	DR. P.L. Gautam	Ex. President	ISPGR & ICAR/SALU	
3	DR. RC Agrawal	DDG, Education	ICAR	
4	DR. RK Tyagi	Vice President	ISPGR	
5	DR. Kuldeep Singh	Head, Genebank	ICRISAT	
6	Dr. Kuldeep Singh	DGE, NBGR	ICAR-NBGR	
7	Dr. R.K. Chakota	PS. CSKHPKV	CSKHPKV Palampur	
8	Dr. Padmavati G Gore	scientist	ICAR-NBGR	
9	Ms Rinky Resma Panda	PhD student	ICAR- IARI (PGR)	
10	Ms. Thendral US	PhD student	ICAR- IARI (PGR)	
11	Dr. A.K MISRA	P.S.	ICAR Hq	
12	Dr. Amarjeet Kumar	Asst Prof.	COAK-CAULI	
13	Dr. SANJEEV KR. SINGH	Sr. Scientist & Head KVK Phoke	KVK (ICAR) Phoke Nawabsh	
14	Dr Manjusha Vema	Pr Scientist	ISPGR NBGR	
15	Dr V K MISHA Special invitee	Director ICAR-PIB/NEH Umiam		
16	Dr. V. K. VERMA	Sr. Scientist	ISPGR,	
17	Mr. Radheshyam Kumawat	PhD. Research Student	CPGS-IB, CAU Umiam	
18	Dr. V.K. Mishra	Director ICAR-NEH Umiam	ICAR-NEH Umiam	
19	Dr. Anuradha Agrawal	CS, ISPGR	ICAR-DMMA, New Delhi	
20	Dr. Amit Kumar	Sr. Sci., ICAR RC NEH	ICAR RC for NEH Region, Umiam, Meghalaya	
21	ONLINE			
22	Dr S.K. Sharma	Palampur		
23	Dr V. Celia Chalau	Head, P&D	ICAR-NBGR, New Delhi	
24	Dr Vandana Tyagi	PS	"	
25	Dr Monika Singh	SS & Councillor	"	
26	Dr Vijay Singh Meena			
27	Dr N. Sivraj	Councillor (SZ)	Hyderabad.	
28	Ramya Ramasamy	online	PhD student, IARI	
29	Soronda Barpete	online	Councillor (CZ).	
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Action Taken Report on the 13th GBM held on Aug. 14, 2023

S. No.	Recommendation	Action Taken
1.	<p>Dr R.S. 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.</p> <p><i>(Action: Treasurer, ISPGR and all Zonal Councillors)</i></p>	<p>Some 36 new members added since last GBM. Efforts to further increase the number are being made in this conference.</p>
2.	<p>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. 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 review. Also, it was agreed that some new foreign editors be invited in order to improve the visibility and impact of IJPGR.</p> <p><i>(Action : EIC, IJPGR)</i></p>	<p>The current IJPGR rating is 5.17, hence no charges are being levied for publication of paper in IJPGR. Foreign authors will be contacted for their consent before IJPGR 38(1) 2025. In accordance their response, new Foreign Editors will be invited.</p>
3.	<p>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. For this, working group comprising of retired experts in PGR management, persons from private sector, young scientists may be constituted by the EC.</p> <p><i>(Action : GS, ISPGR; Director, ICAR-NBPGR and EIC, IJPGR)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A 'PPP in Agriculture' meeting was organized by TAAS (July 9, 2024) and attended by some ISPGR members. • A one-day brainstorming session on ABS is being planned in first quarter of 2025; accordingly Special volume would be planned.
4.	<p>The GB appreciated the efforts of the revisions by the 'Rules and Regulations of ISPGR 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.</p> <p><i>(Action: General Secretary)</i></p>	<p>Document was published and placed on ISPGR website. Same has also been sent to office of Registrar of Societies</p>

Report of General Secretary, ISPGR

1. Meetings Held

- The 13th GBM was held on Aug. 14, 2023. Proceedings were circulated on Sept 20, 2023 and also sent to the Registrar of Societies Office.
- Since the last GBM, five meetings of the EC were held (Nov 17, 2023; Jan 18, 2024; April 29, 2024; July 11, 2024; Sept 18, 2024), 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. Events Organized

- The **ISPGR Award function** was held on Aug. 14, 2022, featuring the **5th Dr A.B. Joshi Memorial Lecture** delivered by Prof. Sanjay Deshmukh, Former Vice-Chancellor University of Mumbai, entitled "Conservation of mangroves".
- A **National Seminar on Plant Biodiversity for Food, Nutrition and Health Security in North-West Himalayas (PBFSNWH)**, was held at Shoolini University, Solan, Himachal Pradesh, Nov. 27-28, 2023. The event was organized in hybrid mode by ISPGR, New Delhi, Shoolini University (SU), Solan, Himachal Pradesh and ICAR-National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources (NBPGR), New Delhi. The seminar covered a wide range of topics, ranging from the importance of plant biodiversity for food security and nutrition, threats to plant biodiversity, traditional knowledge and practices for using plant biodiversity for food and medicine, conservation strategies, access, exchange, and benefit sharing, entrepreneurship and value addition, role of youth including women and enabling policies on conservation and sustainable use. It brought together over 200 participants, from various organizations including the institutes of ICAR, Alliance for Biodiversity International and CIAT, Central and State Agricultural Universities, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO), Himachal Pradesh State Government agencies, private stakeholders, and progressive farmers. Over the course of two days, the PBFNWH featured 21 plenary/keynote/invited/evening lectures and 20 rapid oral presentations in the five technical sessions, one Plenary Session, an evening lecture and a Valedictory Session. A concurrent poster session by young scientists, faculty and students showcased some 51 posters. The papers presented at the seminar provided a valuable resource for researchers, policymakers, and practitioners and communities working on plant biodiversity conservation and utilization in the North-West Himalayas (NWH). Proceedings of PBFNWH were published and circulated amongst all concerned.

3. ISPGR Awards

The call for awards of ISPGR were announced on October 26, 2023 and widely circulated amongst all ISPGR members, State Agricultural Universities, Central

Universities and research institutes. These included :

1. Dr S.K. Vasal Award for Efficient Use of PGR (2023)
2. Dr B.R. Barwale Award for Application/Excellence in PGR (2023)
3. Dr R.S. Paroda Young Scientist Award (2023)
4. Fellows of ISPGR (2023)

An expert meeting comprising Drs S.K.Vasal (Chairperson), B.S. Dhillon, R.K.Tyagi, Neelan Sharma and Dr Anuradha Agrawal (Member Secretary) reviewed the 52 applications on April 14, 2024, and following awards were recommended, and approved by EC:

	Name of the Award	Awardee(s) Recommended
I	Honorary Fellow	Dr B. S. Dhillon Former VC, PAU, Mohali, Punjab
II	Dr. S.K. Vasal Award for efficient Use of PGR (2023) <i>(jointly awarded)</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Satinder Kaur Senior Molecular Geneticist, School of Agricultural Biotechnology, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana-141027, Punjab 2. Sharat Kumar Pradhan Assistant Director General (Food & Fodder Crops) Crop Science Division, Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
III	Dr B.R. Barwale Award for Excellence/Application in PGR (2023)	Lakshmi Kant Director ICAR-Vivekananda Parvatiya Krishi Anusandhan Sansthan Almora-263601, Uttarakhand
IV	Dr R.S. Paroda Young Scientist Award (2023) <i>(jointly awarded)</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gowthami R. Scientist (SS) Division of Germplasm Conservation ICAR-National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources Pusa Campus, New Delhi- 110012 2. Padmavati G Gore Scientist (SS) (Economic Botany & PGR) Division of Germplasm Conservation ICAR-National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources Pusa Campus, New Delhi-110012
V	Fellows (2023)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 A. Arunachalam Director, ICAR-Central Agroforestry Research Institute Jhansi-284003, Uttar Pradesh 2 Birendra Kumar Chief Scientist, Plant Breeding & Genetic Resource, Conservation Division CSIR-CIMAP, Lucknow-226015, Uttar Pradesh 3 M. Pandiyan Former Dean, Professor (PBG), Dr. M.S. Swaminathan Agricultural College and Research Institute, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Eachangkottai, Thanjavur-614902, Tamil Nadu 4 Mohar Singh Principal Scientist & Officer-In-Charge, ICAR-NBPGR Regional Station, Shimla Shimla-171004, Himachal Pradesh 5 O.P. Chaurasia Scientist G & Director, DRDO-Defense Institute of High-Altitude Research DIHAR, Govt. of India, Leh-194101, Ladakh 6 Rakesh Kumar Chahota

		Principal Scientist, Department of Agricultural Biotechnology CSK Himachal Pradesh Agricultural University, Palampur-176062, Himachal Pradesh
		7 Vikas V.K. Senior Scientist, ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Regional Station, Wellington-643 231, The Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu
VI	Dr R.K. Arora Best Paper Award (2023)	Suresh R. Yerasu, Shailesh K. Tiwari, Chithra D. Pandey and Sushil Pandey (2023) Characterization of Exotic Tomato Germplasm from ICAR-NBPGR Gene Bank <i>Indian J Plant Genet. Resourc.</i> 36(2): 301-318.

4. Interim Change of ISPGR Office Bearers

- Dr Sanjeev Singh, **Treasurer, ISPGR**, left NBPGR, New Delhi, and joined as Senior Scientist-cum-Head, KVK Medziphema, Nagaland w.e.f. Oct 3, 2023. As per Constitution of ISPGR, Treasurer needs to be in the Headquarters (Delhi), for smooth functioning of the ISPGR. Accordingly, EC endorsed nomination of Dr Kuldeep Tripathi, Councillor (North Zone), to work as additional charge of Treasurer, ISPGR w.e.f. Nov 2023, till next elections.
- On Nov. 14, 2023, Dr Sunil Archak relinquished charge as **EIC of IJPGR**, which was accepted during 7th EC meeting of ISPGR. Thereafter, Dr R.K. Tyagi, Vice-President was nominated by the EC of ISPGR to take additional charge of EIC, IJPGR till a new incumbent was identified.

5. Change in Membership Rates of ISPGR

- Following the recommendations and suggestions put forth by a Committee, the EC determined that in order to foster the Society's growth and address the escalating costs associated with routine activities, it was imperative to adjust the subscription rates of the ISPGR. Consequently, the following revised rates were unanimously agreed upon by the EC during the 9th EC Meeting of ISPGR held on April 29, 2024, effective immediately:

	Existing rates		New rates	
	Indian (Rs)	Foreign (USD)	Indian (Rs)	Foreign (USD)
Individual (Annual)	1,000.00	100.00	1,500.00	120.00
Individual (Life)	5,000.00	1500.00	6,000.00	1,800.00
Institutional/Corporate (Annual)	20,000.00	1,000.00	30,000.00	1,500.00
Institutional/Corporate (5 years)	90,000.00	4,500.00	2,00,000.00	5,000.00
Institutional/Corporate (10 years)	1,75,000.00	8,500.00	4,00,000.00	10,000.00

- Changes in membership was informed to all members, new brochure printed, website updated.

6. Forthcoming events

- ISPGR to be a Co-organizer in '**National Symposium in Hybrid Technology for Crop Improvement**', being organized by TAAS, New Delhi during Jan. 8-10, 2025, New Delhi.
- ISPGR to be associated in **3rd International Agrobiodiversity Congress (IAC)**, 22-25 April 2025, Yunnan, China, to be organized by Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences.
- During the ISPGR Elections to be held in consultation with Election Officer, Dr Dinesh Kumar, Secretary, IAUA, New Delhi.

7. Publications

- Issues of **Indian Journal of Plant Genetic Resources (IJPGR)** published since the last GBM comprised those of Vol 36 (2), (3), 2023 and Vol 37 (1), (2), (3), 2024).
- **Proceedings and Recommendations of National Seminar on Plant Biodiversity for Food, Nutrition and Health Security in North-West Himalayas.** Shoolini University, Solan, Nov. 28-29, 2023. Indian Society of Plant Genetic Resources, New Delhi, India, p. 70 + x. ISBN: 978-81-950114-8-3

8. Administrative Matters

- ISPGR participated in the NAAS-PAAS (Professional Association of Agricultural Sciences) meeting held at NAAS on May 31, 2024 and Aug 7-8, 2024. President NAAS informed that the meeting was meant to build close partnership in various scientific and academic activities, especially improving the quality of scientific journals being published by various societies.
- All routine administrative work (Papers to IT office for getting 80G status for ISPGR, room rent, grants application to ICAR) undertaken in timely manner. Accounts of ISPGR audited for the FY 2023-24.
- The ISPGR EC elections for the 16 posts of EC (2025-27) were due as per schedule of ISPGR constitution. Thus, nomination of Election Officer was sought from EC. The name of Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Executive Secretary, Indian Agricultural Universities Association (IAUA) & Former ADG (FFC), ICAR, was approved by EC as Election Officer during its 11 EC meeting held on Sept 18, 2024. Accordingly, formal invitation was sent to him and agreed upon. The election schedule be drawn in consultation with President and GS, ISPGR. The elections to be done using electronic voting, as was done last time.

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)
General Secretary

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

1. Publication status

Volume	No. of article published	Issue	Due date	Publication date
36	45	1	1 Apr, 2023	27 June, 2023
		2	1 Aug, 2023	11 Aug, 2023
		3	1 Dec, 2023	9 Dec, 2023
37	45	1	1 Apr, 2024	7 Jun, 2024
		2	1 Aug, 2024	19 Aug, 2024
		3	1 Dec, 2024	10 Oct, 2024
38*	4	1*	1 April 2025	10 Jan, 2025 (targeted)

Type of Article	Year	
	Vol 36 (3) 2023	Vol 37 (1-3) 2024
Research	15	40
Review	00	03
Short Communications	00	02
Grand Total	15	45

2. Manuscript status (14-8-2023 to 10-10-2024)

- Total manuscripts received= 203 (both in e-publication system and through emails)
- Manuscripts rejected = 80 (20%)
- No. of MS under review = 63
- No. of MS accepted = 60

3. Efforts made for Journal Improvement

- The journal has a 2024 NAAS rating of 5.17, a Research Impact Indicator of 0.1310 on the Indian Citation Index, and is indexed on Google Scholar.
- Manuscripts are accepted only through the online submission channel (<https://ispgr.in/index.php/ijpgr>) facilitated by MRI Publication. The average processing time of manuscripts is 6.5 months. Published articles are immediately available as 'Online First,' and PDF copies of all issues from 1988 to date can be accessed on the IJPGR website.
- Some 21 Authors were requested for articles from Shoolini Seminar; Only 5 Review Articles received; 3 Edited and finalized for publication.
- Nine foreign authors/experts were contacted for Review Articles on PGR; 6 (Australia, Malaysia, China, Bolivia, Peru, Colombia) accepted request; 1 from China received.

Sincere thanks accorded all the reviewers for their contribution to the reviewing process and all Editors for their support.



(R.K. Tyagi)
Editor-in-Chief

Report of Treasurer, ISPGR

- The summary of income and expenditure of ISPGR for the period April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024, are as follows:

Source	Amount (Rs)
Bank Balance and Cash in Hand (Till March 31, 2024)	
Fixed Deposit	1,00,37,448.44
Amount in Bank (saving account)	12,77,191.31
Cash in Hand	1,459.00
Total	1,13,16,098.75
Income (From April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	
Membership, journal subscription and donations	27,29,728.00
Expenditure (From April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024)	
ISPGR Office expenses, Awards, National seminar, Publications, Postage etc.	25,35,309.00

- The details of income and expenditure are provided in the audited reports appended herewith.
- The summary of income and expenditure of ISPGR for the period April 1, 2024 to Oct. 25, 2024, are as follows:

Source	Amount (Rs)
Bank Balance and Cash in Hand (Till Oct 25, 2024)	
Fixed Deposit	1,05,37,448.44
Amount in Bank (saving account)	16,04,391.31
Cash in Hand	16,471.00
Total	1,21,58,310.75
Income (From April 1, 2024 to Oct 25, 2024)	
Membership, journal subscription and donations	18,13,430.00
Expenditure (From April 1, 2024 to Oct 25, 2024)	
ISPGR Office expenses, Awards, National seminar, Publications, Postage, TA etc.	9,84,587.00

- The details of income and expenditure are as follows:

Income Source (April 1, 2024 to Oct 25, 2024)	Amount (Rs)
Institutional Membership Fees	20,000.00
Life Membership Fees	1,12,000.00
Annual Membership Fees	30,500.00
Donation for Dr B.R. Barwale Awards	1,00,000.00
IJPGR Subscription for Vol 36 (3), 2023, Diva Enterprises Pvt. Ltd.	35,313.00
Bank Interest (From saving account)	15,212.00
Income Tax Refund (2024-25)	10,350.00
Income Tax Refund (2023-24)	17900.00

Registration Fess and Donation for NCMAN 2024*	14,72,155.00
TOTAL	18,13,430.00

Major Head	Expenditure details	Amount (Rs)
Administrative Costs	Secretarial Fee, Honorarium etc.	2,56,451.00
	ISPGR Office Room Rent (2023-2	19,950.00
	Office Expense (Stationery, Cartridge, Paper etc.)	1000.00
	ISPGR EC & Other Meetings (Refreshment etc.)	5,456.00
	ISPGR Website Maintenance	5,000.00
	Postage and courier	2605.00
Printing & Publishing	Proceeding and Recommendations, PBFNHW, Himachal Pradesh	95,344.00
	IJPGR Vol 37 (1) and Vol 37 (2), 2024	1,82,436.00
Auditor Fee	Audit 2023-24 FY	26,550.00
	NCPGRM Event	11,800.00
ISPGR Awards (2023)	Certificates and mementoes	34,440.00
	Award money 2022 (reissue of cheque)	20,000.00
NCMAN 2024	Registration Kits, Printing, Travel Allowances and others	3,23,555.00
TOTAL		9,84,587.00

- The ISPGR membership details are as follows:

Total ISPGR life members	967
Institutional membership (April 1, to Oct. 25, 2024)	1
Life membership (April 1, to Oct. 25, 2024)	18
Annual membership (April 1, to Oct. 25, 2024)	23

Kuldeep Tripathi

(Kuldeep Tripathi)
Treasurer, ISPGR



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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, 2024 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, 2024, 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

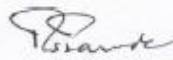


(**MAHENDRA DADU**)
Partner
M.NO: 083625
Date - 30.4.24
Place - New Delhi
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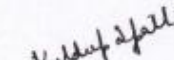
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NEW DELHI - 110012**

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2024

	PARTICULAR		AMOUNTS
LIABILITIES			
A	GENERAL RESERVE		
	Balance brought forward	1,20,96,977.59	
	Add: Surplus during the year	1,94,418.14	
		1,22,91,395.73	
B	CURRENT LIABILITIES		
	Dadu Dadoo & Associates	38,350.00	
	Expenses Payable	31,500.00	
			1,23,61,245.73
ASSETS			
A	FIXED ASSETS		
	Computer & Allied Accessories	89,592.16	
	Less: Depreciation	17,918.43	71,673.73
	HP Printer	18,049.57	
	Less: Depreciation	2,707.44	15,342.13
	Office Equipment	2,244.03	
	Less: Depreciation	336.60	1,907.43
	Office Furniture	1,95,421.02	
	Less: Depreciation	19,542.10	1,75,878.92
	Microwave & Freeze	9,140.33	
	Less: Depreciation	1,371.05	7,769.28
	Hitachi AC	9,945.00	
	Less: Dep	1,491.75	8,453.25
	Investment		
	Fixed Deposit		1,05,99,772.44
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	
	TDS (A.Y. 24-25) Sponsorship PBFSNWH	10,000.00	
	TDS on FD (A.Y. 24-25)	9,510.00	
	Accrued Interest	42,883.00	2,03,257.23
C	CASH & BANK BALANCES		
	Cash in Hand	1,459.00	
	Cash at Bank	12,75,732.31	12,77,191.31
			1,23,61,245.73


(President)


(Secretary)


(Treasurer)

AUDITOR'S REPORT
"As per our separate report of even date attached"
for Dadu Dadoo & Associates

Chartered Accountants
FRN: 006760N

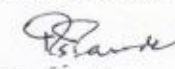

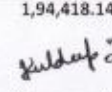


(Mahendra Dadu)
Partner
M.No. 083625

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**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2024**

	PARTICULAR	AMOUNTS
A INCOMES		
Institutional Membership Fees		2,00,000.00
Life Membership Fees		2,05,000.00
Annual Membership Fees		13,000.00
IPGR Subscription (Diva Enterprises)		48,486.00
Donation (Awards)		2,50,000.00
Interest (Saving Bank Account)		25,077.00
Interest on FD		6,64,685.01
ICAR Grant (NCPGRM & IPGR)		3,25,000.00
Miscellaneous Income		36,980.00
Registration Fees (PBFSNWH)		1,11,500.00
Sponsorship (PBFSNWH)		8,50,000.00
TOTAL		27,29,728.01
B EXPENDITURES		
Secretarial Fee, Honorarium etc.		4,02,568.00
ISPGR Room Rent		19,950.00
Printing & Publishing (IPGR & Others)		3,97,919.00
Office Expense (Stationary, Catridge, Paper etc.)		15,517.00
ISPGR EC & Other Meetings (Refreshment etc.)		84,903.00
Auditor's Fee		26,550.00
Professional Charges		14,750.00
Bank Charges		944.00
Depreciation		43,367.37
IPGR Website Development (MRI)		92,040.00
ISPGR Website Maintenance		10,000.00
Postage & Courier		5,799.00
ISPGR Award Function		4,99,206.00
PBFSNWH Expense (Registration kit, Printing, Travel, Accomodation, Logistics etc.)		9,21,796.50
TOTAL		25,35,309.87
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) During the year		1,94,418.14
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