

Minutes of 5th Meeting

Proceedings of the General Body Meeting of the Society for Minor Fruits Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (SMFM&AP) held on 24th November, 2022 at the Faculty of Horticulture, Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Pundibari, Coochbehar, West Bengal, India

Members present:

1. Dr. S.N. Ghosh	India
2. Dr. Asit K. Basu	India
3. Dr. Ranabir Chatterjee	India
4. Mr. Krishna Dahal	Nepal
5. Dr. Mrs. Vineta	India
6. Dr. Tanmoy Kumar Koley	India
7. Dr. C.P.Suresh	India
8. Dr. Sumit Chakraborty	India
9. Dr. Nilesh Bhowmick	India
10. Dr. Ranjan Kumar Tarai	India
11. Dr. Prahlad Deb	India
12. Dr. Hare Krishna	India
13. Dr. Debjyoti Bhattacharyya	India
14. Dr. Mrs. Aditi Chakraborty	India
15. Dr. Suchand Datta	India
16. Dr. Mrs. Arpita Mandal Khan	India

At the onset, the meeting was started with welcome address to all members present, both new and existing, by the President of the society. Then all attending members introduced themselves before the house.

Hon'ble Secretary read out the resolution taken in the last meeting held during 5th International Symposium held on 4th September, 2019 at the Institute of Agro-Technology and Rural Sciences, University of Colombo, Weligatta New Town, Hambantota, Sri Lanka and it was confirmed by the members present.

1. It was decided that 7th International Symposium of the society will be in Nepal by the leadership of Mr. Krishna Dahal (new life member of the society) in 2024. Alternately, it will be held at Orissa University of Agriculture and Technology, Bhubaneswar, Odisha under the leadership of Dr. Ranjan Kumar Tarai if Mr. Krishna Dahal faces any difficulty in holding the symposium at his institute.
2. Unanimous decision was taken by the house for the next composition of the **Executive Committee of the Society for the period of 2022-23 to 2023-24** as:

President- Prof.(Dr.) S. N. Ghosh

Vice-President- Prof. (Dr.) Ranabir Chatterjee

Secretary - Prof. (Dr.) A. K. Basu
Treasurer - Prof. (Dr.) Fatik Kumar Bauri
Joint Secretary (2) - Prof. (Dr.) Moktar Hossain (Bangladesh)
Prof. (Dr.) Sumit Chakraborty (India)

Members (8)

1. Prof. (Dr.) Mustafizur Rahman (Bangladesh)
2. Prof. (Dr.) MSA Fakir (Bangladesh)
3. Prof. (Dr.) M. A. Rahim (Bangladesh)
4. Prof. (Dr.) S. Subhasinghe (Sri Lanka)
5. Prof. (Dr.) B.N.Hazarika (India)
6. Dr. Prahlad Deb (India)
7. Dr. P. Manivel (India)
8. Dr. Nilesh Bhowmick (India)

3. Editorial Board of the International Journal of Minor Fruits, Medicinal and Aromatic Plants for 2023 and 2024 as follow:

Editor-in-Chief - Prof. (Dr.) S. N. Ghosh (India)
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Editor for Minor fruits - Prof. (Dr.) M. A. Rahim (Bangladesh)
Joint Editors for Minor fruits - Dr. Mrs. Biancaelena Maserti (Italy)
- Dr. Mirza Musayev (Azerbaijan)

Editor for Medicinal plants - Prof. (Dr.) S. Subasinghe (Sri Lanka)
Joint Editor for Medicinal plants - Prof. Murat Gins (Russia)
- Prof. Dr. Mrs. Ahsen Işık Özgüven (Turkey)

Members

Dr. M. Alizadeh (Iran)
Dr. Mrs. El Kadi Fatima Zohra (Algeria)
Prof. (Dr.) A.K.M. Golam Sarwar (Bangladesh)
Prof. Dr.(Mrs.) Wathugala GD Lakmini (Sri Lanka)
Dr. Hare Krishna (India)
Dr. Prahlad Deb (India)

4. **'Fellow of the society'** will be awarded to one person every year with effect from 2023
5. **'Young Scientist award'** will be conferred to one person on alternate year through competitive mode during the symposium.

Modalities for both the cases will be announced in due course of time following appropriate formalities.

Meeting ended with thanks to all members attended.

(A. K. Basu)
Secretary

(S. N. Ghosh)
President