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Dear Members,

I am happy to inform that the election to new office bearers of the Association of Agrometeorologists for next two years from April 2017 to March 2019 was successfully completed. The polling was done during March 10 – 20, 2017. Dr. Ga. Dheebakaran, Treasurer (Coimbatore chapter) and Assistant Professor (Agronomy), ACRC, TNAU, Coimbatore co-organized the election with me. Our members had made the election so lively and interesting one. I thank all our members for their support for the successful conduct of this election. I am proud to share the summary and results of the AAM election 2017.

Summary of AAM Election 2017

In view of getting maximum participation from our members, election was conducted in electronic voting and voting software was hired from Election Buddy for 1250 members. Email IDs of all our member including Life Member (1117), Annual member (42) and Foreign members (13) were received from the head quarters. During the election, many of Email ID's were corrected and resent to new ID's. This election also created an opportunity to update our email database.

We had invited nominations from the members for the following posts on 5.2.2017.

President	1 No.	Vice Presidents	2 Nos.
Secretary (only from Anand),	1 No.	Jt. Secretary	1 No.
Treasurer (Only from Anand),	1 No.	Members-5.	5 Nos

The time schedule was as follows:

- Last date for Receipt of Nomination: February 28, 2017
- Withdrawal of Nomination : March 06, 2017
- E - Balloting opens : March 10, 2017
- E - Balloting closes : March 20, 2017
- Declaration of Result : March 23, 2017

Nominations were received upto 28.2.17 and allowed for withdrawal up to 06.03.2017. A good number of nominations were received: President (3), Vice President (6), Members (13), two for Joint Secretary and each one for Secretary and Treasurer posts.

Each one nomination from president, Vice president and member withdrew their candidature on their personal reasons. One nomination for the Joint secretary was rejected due to missing of nominee's signature. The details of complete list of nominations are enclosed in separate sheet.

As, one nomination each received for the Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer posts, they were declared to be elected as unopposed. Hence, election was conducted for the posts of one President, two Vice Presidents and five Members. Election was conducted as plurality voting method, i.e., selecting two Vice President from five nominations and five Members from 12 nominations. As scheduled, the election was hosted on 10.03.2017, at 12.05 AM and voting link were sent to all our members through Email. During the election, based on the receipt of mail request from our members, their voting link was resent to new mail ID after verifying old ballot status. About 725 votes were balloted at the closure of 20.03.2017, 11.55 PM, of which one was spoiled and finally 724 ballot were accounted.

The election was completed successfully and result of the election is given below.

President - 1 No

- 1. LM 017 - Dr. Akhilesh Gupta: 385 votes - 53.8%**
2. LM 181 - Dr. P.Vijay Kumar: 331 votes - 46.2%

Vice president - 2 Nos.

- 1. LM 217 - Dr. Surender Singh: 392 votes - 29.9%**
- 2. LM 009 - Dr. J.D.Jadhav: 355 votes - 27.1%**
3. LM 108 - Dr. Santanu Kumar Bal : 242 votes - 18.4%
4. LM 021 - Dr. N.R.Patel : 172 votes - 13.1%
5. LM 265 - Dr. Gautam Saha : 151 votes - 11.5%

Members - 5 Nos.

- 1. LM 047 - Dr. B.Ajithkumar : 478 votes - 14.3%**
- 2. LM 018 - Dr. K.K.Singh: 474 votes - 14.2%**
- 3. LM 219 - Dr. Dr. Mahender Singh: 424 votes - 12.7%**
- 4. LM 570 - Dr. Sandeep Singh Sandhu: 419 votes - 12.5%**
- 5. LM 238 - Dr. K.K. Dakhore : 311 votes - 9.3%**
6. LM 1033 - Dr. H.S.Shivaramu: 287 votes - 8.6%
7. LM 618 - Dr. Uday Sankar Saikia : 227 votes - 6.8%
8. LM 085 - Dr. Rajesh Kumar Mall: 212 votes - 6.3%
9. LM 261 - Dr. Mohammad Shamim: 185 votes - 5.5%
10. LM 435 - Dr. Tarun Adak : 137 votes - 4.1%
11. LM 863 - Dr. Latife Ahmad : 100 votes - 3.0%
12. LM 679 - Dr. Lekh Chand : 88 votes - 2.6%

We, Dr. V. Geethalakshmi and Dr. Ga. Dheebakaran hereby declare the elected office bearers of The Association of Agrometeorologists for APR'17 to Mar'19 as below:

President	LM 017 - Dr. Akhilesh Gupta
Vice presidents	LM 217 - Dr. Surender Singh LM 009 - Dr. J.D. Jadhav
Secretary	LM 005 - Dr. Vyas Pandey
Joint Secretary	LM 241 - Dr. Rani Saxena
Treasurer	LM 802 - Dr. Rucha Dave
Members	LM 047 - Dr. B.Ajithkumar LM 018 - Dr. K.K.Singh LM 219 - Dr. Dr. Mahender Singh LM 570 - Dr. Sandeep Singh Sandhu LM 238 - Dr. K.K. Dakhore

Hearty congratulations for the elected new office bearers.

We thank you all for your cooperation and support.

Yours sincerely

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