



ASSOCIATION OF AGROMETEOROLOGISTS

Twentieth Annual Report 2018-19

(NITI Aayog NGO registration: GJ/2016/0105666)

General Body Meeting

The Annual General Body meeting of Association was held at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on 12th February 2019. The audit and annual report for year 2017-18 presented by the Secretary were approved by house. The house also approved the revised the constitution of the Association which would be implemented with effect from April 2019. The General Body appreciated the effort made by Local Organising Committee (LOC) of INAGMET 2019 under leadership of Dr. K. K. Singh for successful organization of the International Symposium. House approved the formation of new chapter at Thrissur Kerala. An MoU between AAM and IMS was signed and endorsed by the house. For conducting of new executive council for two year terms 2019-20 and 2020-21, General Body appointed Dr. S. R. Patel of IGKV Raipur as Returning Officer. House also endorsed the proposal to conduct it next national seminar at Pune.

Executive council

During the year under report the EC communicated through email end also met on 11th February 2019. Dr. J. D. Jadav proposed to organise the next national seminar at Pune, which was approved by EC. EC discussed at length on the revised constitution of the Association and recommended to GB for its approval. EC formed a five members committee to review and suggest the guidelines for various awards, their evaluation system including the prize money. The members are:

Dr. A. M. Shekh – Chairman
Dr. Y. S. Ramakrishna
Dr. L. S. Rathore
Dr. T. N. Balasubramaniam
Dr. N. V. K. Chakravarthy
Dr. Surender Singh – Convener

The Elections for new Executive member for two years term (2019 to 2021) were conducted through e-ballot and results were declared on 27 March 2019. Following members were elected

President	:	Dr. Vyas Pandey, AAU, Anand
Vice Presidents (2)	:	Dr. J. D. Jadhav, MPKV, Pune
	:	Dr. S. K. Bal, CRIDA, Hyderabad
Secretary	:	Dr. M. Kulshrestha, AAU, Anand
Joint Secretary	:	Dr. A. K. Shrivastava, JNKVV, Tikamgarh, MP
Treasurer	:	Dr. B. I. Karande, AAU, Anand
Members	:	Dr. N. Subash, ICAR-IIFSR, Meerut
		Dr. C. S. Dagar, CCS HAU, Hisar
		Dr. S. Sridhara, UAHS, Shimoga
		Dr. Sandeep S. Sandhu, PAU, Ludhiana
		Dr. K. K. Dakhore, VNMKV, Parbhani

Chapter activities

All chapters except Pantnagar and Mohanpur presented their activity report during GB meeting held at Delhi. As per decision taken by EC and endorsed by GB. All the chapters were informed that a chapter could hold the money with them maximum upto Rs. 1.00 lakh, the excess money should be transferred to Head Quarter. During the year one new chapter (The twelfth chapter) at Thrissur, Kerala was created. All the chapters were requested to carry out activities as per mandate of the Association at their centre.

Organization of seminar

During the year one **International Symposium “INAGMET – 2019” on “Advance in Agrometeorology for Managing Climatic Risks of Farmers”** was organised during 11-13 February 2019 at JNU, New Delhi. About 375 scientists participated the symposium including six foreign delegates from Geneva, Brazil, Croatia, Scotland and Thailand. Dr. L. A. Ramadas memorial lecture was delivered by Dr. M. Sivakumar of Geneva. Total 464 abstracts received, 375 papers were presented as oral, short oral and posters. The event was sponsored by DST, MoES, ICAR, ISRO, IITM, IBM etc. Dr. K. K. Singh, Dr. S. D. Attri and Shri S. C. Bhan deserve due credit for successful organization the symposium INAGMET – 2019. The next national seminar was proposed to be held at Pune.

Enrollment of Members

During the year 2018-2019, **107** - Life Members were enrolled with Association. Thus the total number of life memberships increased up to **1376** by the end of March 2019. A total of **239** Annual Members were enrolled during the year 2018.

Financial Status

As per account audit report for year 2018-2019, the total income was **Rs.11,46,661.82/-** and the total expenditure was **Rs.1,386,482.21** giving a deficit of **Rs.2,39,820.39**. A sum of **Rs.40,05,308/-** has been kept as fixed deposit with Central Bank of India which includes FD for various awards and memorial lectures. For organising seminar at INAGMET 2019 Rs.9.50 lakh sanctioned by ICAR, MoES and ISRO. However only the grant Rs.50,000/- was received from ISRO. While MoEs had sanctioned Rs. 3.0 lakh and ICAR had sanctioned Rs.6.0 lakh but the grant could not be received during the financial year up to 31st March 2019.

Awards / Fellowship

A committee comprising of Dr. A. M. Shekh, Dr. T. N. Balasubramanian and Dr. D. D. Sahu was formed to evaluate the applications received for various awards for year 2018. The members sit for two days at Anand and finalized the various awards.

1. Fellows: Fellowship of Association was conferred upon Dr. A. S. Nain of GBPUAT Pantnagar and Dr. S. K. Bal of ICAR-CRIDA Hyderabad.
2. Dr. P D Mistry award for the Best Ph D thesis in Agril Meteorology was awarded to **Dr. B. I. Karande**, AAU, Anand.
3. Prof P S N Sastry award for the Best M. Sc. thesis in Agril Meteorology was awarded to **Mr. Ram Narayan Singh**, IARI, New Delhi.
4. Dr. S Venktaraman Young Scientist Award was bestowed upon **Dr. K. K. Dakhore**, VNKV, Parbhani, Maharashtra.
5. Dr. S Venktaraman Best Paper Award on biotic/abiotic stress management
Only one paper was received, which was not upto mark for the award

6. Prof. B. V. Ramana Rao award for best paper in Agricultural Meteorology was awarded to **Dr. P. Raja** of IISWCRC, Ooti, Tamil Nadu.
7. Three best papers published in the JAM during 2017 & 2018 was awarded to (i) **Ms. Chitra Shukla** of MPUAT, Udaipur (ii) **Dr. S. K. Jalota** of PAU, Ludhiana and (iii) **Dr. Abdul Niyas** fo NIAN & P, Bangalore.

These awards were presented to the recipients during International Symposium INAGMET – 2019, held at New Delhi.

Association did not recommend any name for Honorary fellows of the Association during the year.

Publication of Journal of Agrometeorology

Journal of Agrometeorology is quarterly publication appearing in March, June, September and December. The journal is well appreciated by National and International organizations. It is being indexed by CAB International, Current contents, INSDOC, Scopus, AGRICOLA and others indexing agencies. During 2018, **283** papers were received, including **28** papers from foreign countries, **75** papers were published /accepted, **119** papers were rejected and rests are under the process of revision. The Journal is rated by NAAS as **6.56** for year 2018 which is one of the best Indian Journals.

Web Page of the Association

Association has its website with domain name www.agrimetassociation.org. It has been made a dynamic website. Member can view/edit/update their profile on the website. New members can also register/enroll on the website. All abstracts and full papers are available on website with search engine. All members are requested to visit the site and give their feedback for its further improvement to secretary.aam@gmail.com.

Secretary

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR PERIOD FROM 01/04/2018 TO 31/03/2019

EXPENDITURE (Rs)		INCOME (Rs)	
Audit fees	11,350	Annual Membership fee	1,16,392
Faizabad Chapter	50,000	Foreign Annual Member fee	20,526
New Delhi Chapter	5,00,000	Bank Interest	2,69,743.82
Jammu Chapter	40,000	Transfer from Hisar Chapter	6,40,000
Ludhiana Chapter	40,000	Govt. Grant	
Pune Chapter	40,000	ICAR (50 K)	1,00,000
Raipur Chapter	80,000	ISRO (50 K)	
Thrissur Chapter	60,000		
Postage / Courier Expenditure	70,500		
Printing Expenditure	3,37,890		
Award exp. Medals	13,900		
Salary & Honorarium	1,39,000		
Bank charges	1050.21		
Travel Exp.	81,292		
Website dev. and Main.	44,000		
Less Library Subscription	1,22,500	Deficit carried over B/S.	2,39,820.39
Total	1,386,482.21	Total	1,386,482.21

Balance Sheet as on 31-03-2019

Funds and Liabilities		Assets	
TRUST FUNDS OR CORPUS		CASH AND BANK BALANCE	
Life membership (Old)	18,16,482	F.D with C.B.I., Anand (old)	35,05,308
Add during the year	3,26,150.05	<i>F D R</i>	5,00,000
Institutional fee	10,000	Saving A/C with CBI	17,654.95
Dr P. D. Mistry Award	1,00,000	Cash on hands	14,969
Dr L. A. Ramdas Lecture	1,00,000		
Prof PSN Sastry award	51,000		
Dr S Venkataraman Award	1,20,000		
B. V. Ramana Rao Award	1,00,000		
INCOME EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT		FURNITURE AND FIXTURE	
Balance as per last balance sheet	17,06,270.29	Balance as per balance sheet	52,150
Less deficit as per Income & exp a/c	2,39,820.39	Add during the year	0
Total	4,090,081.95	Total	4,090,081.95

Secretary
Association of Agrometeorologists,
A.A.U. Anand

Sd/
M.A.Shah & Co.
Chartered accountant
Anand