



# INDIAN SOCIETY OF HOSPITAL WASTE MANAGEMENT

No.F.25/ISHWM/GC/Meeting/25

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## Minutes of the Governing Council Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Governing Council Meeting of Indian Society of Hospital Waste Management (ISHWM) was held on **27<sup>th</sup> Nov (Thu) at 7.00 pm at Bangalore City Institute (BCI) Club, 8 Pampa Mahakavi Road, Chikanna Garden, Shankarapura, Bengaluru-560004.**

The following Governing Council members attended the meeting, copy of Attendance is attached **vide Annexure A.**

- 1) Prof. A K Agarwal – President, ISHWM
- 2) Dr. K S Baghotia – Vice President, ISHWM
- 3) Prof. Sidhartha Satpathy – General Secretary, ISHWM
- 4) Dr. Pawan Kumar – Treasurer, ISHWM
- 5) Prof. Narendranath- Jt Secretary, ISHWM
- 6) Dr. Manipadma Rabha, Member, GC ISHWM
- 7) Dr. Raju V – President, Karnataka Chapter, ISHWM
- 8) Shri. G C Ranganath, Vice President, Karnataka Chapter, ISHWM
- 9) Prof. A G Nataraj, Spl Invitee Karnataka Chapter, ISHWM
- 10) Mr. Akshay Kumar S - General Secretary, Karnataka Chapter, ISHWM
- 11) Prof. Mohd Parvez Khan – President, UP Chapter, ISHWM
- 12) Prof. D Himanshu – General Secretary, UP Chapter, ISHWM
- 13) Dr. Geeta Yadav – Treasurer, UP Chapter, ISHWM

**The agenda points circulated by email dt 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025 are as under:**

1. Review of past conferences (2024) and CMEs conducted during last year.
2. Report of Regional Chapters- Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh & Telangana
3. Report of the Returning Officer vide Notice dated 20-09-25 for posts in the Governing Council of ISHWM
4. Revamping of ISHWM Journal- the way forward
5. Organizing International Conference ISHWMCON - 2026 in the next year.
6. Any other point with permission of the chair

Prof. A.K Agarwal, President ISHWM welcomed all Governing Council members to the meeting, and said that ISHWM had been able to deliver its mandate through several CME programs during the last year. He requested the Hony General Secretary to move ahead with agenda points in sequence.

The undersigned informed the members that the Governing Council meeting notice had been sent to all GC members through email on 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025, and proceeded with the agenda items.

**The following points were discussed, and decisions taken:**

**1) Review of past Conference (2024) and activities/CMEs held during last 1 year:-** Members were informed that after the last annual ISHWMCON-2024 at KGMU, Lucknow on 15-16<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024, we have submitted the Compendium of Case Studies to the WHO Country Office in Dec 2024 with a request for publication. ISHWM has also been included as an Institutional member in MHD-21 (Hospital BMW & Infection Control Technical Committee of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), which has recently been revamped.

**2) Report of Regional Chapters:-**

**(a) Karnataka Chapter:-** Dr. Raju, President, ISHWM Karnataka chapter attended the meeting, and briefed the members about the activities carried out during the last year. He said that they had conducted several CMEs and Training Programs at Ambedkar Dental College (5<sup>th</sup> Dec'24); Arogya Soudha (9<sup>th</sup> Sept & 25<sup>th</sup> Nov'25); Manipal Hospital (15<sup>th</sup> Oct'25) and had also provided technical support on BMW & liquid Waste management to several Institutes in Karnataka. President and Governing Council members appreciated the sincere efforts of the Chapter in furthering the objectives of ISHWM.

**(b) Uttar Pradesh chapter:-** Prof. Mohd Parvez Khan, President UP Chapter, Dr. Himanshu D, General Secretary, UP Chapter and Dr. Geeta Yadav, Treasurer, UP Chapter attended the meeting, and briefed members about the ongoing study on strengthening best practices in BMW management in different levels of HCFs in UP which is being carried out in collaboration with WHO country office, India. Members were informed that a CME was conducted on 5<sup>th</sup> June at KGMU to focus on use of Bio gas and Solar Energy, besides, Solid Waste Management. The Anti-Microbial Stewardship program is also being organized in 3 medical colleges in UP. The issue of State/Regional Chapters having their own PAN Card and GST registration certificate was discussed, and it was resolved that all Regional Chapters can have their own Account, PAN Card, GST registrations as and when required. President and Governing Council members appreciated the sincere efforts of the Chapter in furthering the objectives of ISHWM.

**(c) Telangana Chapter:-** Prof K T Reddy, President Telangana Chapter was unable to attend the meeting, hence this item was deferred.

**3) Report of the Returning Officer vide Notice dated 20-09-25 for posts in GC:-** Dr. Manipadma Rabha (Returning Officer) informed the GC members that she had issued the Election Notice dated 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025, on ISHWM

website for the posts of Honorary General Secretary, Honorary Joint Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer at ISHWM after being appointed as the Returning Officer, vide order dated 31-07-25. The last date for submission of nominations was 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2025, and last date for withdrawal of nominations was 10<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025. She informed that she had received one nomination for each of the posts of Hony. General Secretary, Hony. Joint Secretary, and Hony. Treasurer from Prof. Sidhartha Satpathy, Prof. Narendranath, and Dr. Pawan Kumar, respectively, and hence they were nominated/elected unopposed. The Governing Council also nominated Prof. A K Agarwal as President, and Dr. K S Baghotia as Vice President in accordance with byelaws. **Copy of the Report is attached vide Annexure – B.**

It was decided to get the nominated Governing Council members ratified in the AGBM on 28<sup>th</sup> Nov 2026.

4. **Revamping of ISHWM journal:-** President ISHWM requested Prof. D Himanshu, Chief Editor, ISHWM Journal to inform GC members about the progress made in this regard. He informed that ISHWM has entered into a MOU with M/s 9VOM Publishing, 11A/91, Vrindavan Colony, RB Road Lucknow for processing and publishing the “Journal of ISHWM” bi-annually for the next 2 years. The expenses @ INR 80K (one time for web development and online manuscript review system); INR 52 K (each issue- processing & Publishing charges); and INR 30K (Annual web maintenance charges) including 22 plagiarism checks per article comes to INR 2.15 lakhs, for 2 years, which will be split equally between ISHWM and the UP Chapter. He said that till end of 2025 we have 3 articles, and requested all GC members to contribute research as well as review articles by end of Dec/Jan 2026 so that the first issue can be published. He said that if we submit articles regularly, within 2 years the Journal can be included in Scopus.

5. **Organizing International Conference ISHWMCN-2026:-** President ISHWM suggested that the next year Conference should be organized at New Delhi, as requested by some members. After deliberations, it was decided that the time between Dussehra and Diwali will be best suited for the annual Conference, as thereafter pollution levels rise exponentially.

6. **Any other point with permission of Chair:-** Prof. Narendranath and Prof Himanshu suggested that younger members (Faculty/Residents) should be encouraged to join the Society and take up higher responsibilities as members of Governing Councils. They requested President ISHWM to consider having 2 Executive Office Bearers from each Regional Chapter of ISHWM in the Governing Council for better representation and co-ordination. Members were informed that a new Regional Chapter will be established in Punjab, as 10 Life members have been inducted. Efforts should be made to establish regional Chapters in other States, with hand-holding by existing Chapters in the nascent stage.

Meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



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**Distribution:**

- 1) All members of Governing Council of ISHWM
- 2) Website of ISHWM – for information of members