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## **Minutes of Annual General Body Meeting-2024**

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGBM) of Indian Society of Hospital Waste Management (ISHWM) was held on **15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2024 at 17.30 hrs in the Kalam Center, KGMU Campus, Lucknow-226003.** List of Life members who attended the AGBM is attached vide **Annexure A(3 pages)** 

With permission of the President, the Hony Secretary of the society conducted the meeting.

Following agenda points duly notified on 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 2024 by email, and put up on ISHWM website on 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 2024, were discussed one by one:

Agenda points	Proceedings/Decision taken
1. Approval of New Members	Twenty-one Life members, and one Institutional/corporate member have been enrolled since last AGBM on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov 2023 at Jodhpur. They were unanimously approved by house. President reiterated his request to all Life members attending the General Body meeting to actively organize membership drives, so that new members can be inducted.
2. Honorary General Secretary's Report	Hony General Secretary's Report was circulated among members present there, and Prof. Sidhartha Satpathy, read out salient points. Copy of Report is enclosed at <b>Annexure B</b>
<ol> <li>Honorary Treasurer's Report and approval of audited report FY 2023- 24</li> </ol>	Hony Treasurer's report along with audited statement of ISHWM for the year 2023-24 dated 28 Aug 2024 was circulated and salient points were read out by Dr. Pawan Kumar, Hony. Treasurer. House unanimously approved the audited report, which is enclosed at <b>Annexure C</b>
4. Report of Regional Chapters of ISHWM:-	<ul> <li>(a) Karnataka Chapter: - Dr. Raju V, President Karnataka Chapter briefed the members about the training program on BMW management organized by ISHWM-KC at Theresa's Multi-specialty Hospital for nurses and staff on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2024. ISHWM-KC also conducted 2-day Indo-US program on Hazardous materials and Liquid Waste management on 12-13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024, and 10-11<sup>th</sup> May 2024 in collaboration with ACHMM and IEHMM respectively. President ISHWM congratulated Karnataka Chapter for the activities.</li> <li>(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. Dr. Himanshu briefed about the anti-microbial stewardship program</li> </ul>

	(AMSP) project by ICMR in 3 medical colleges including SN Medical
	College Agra. President ISHWM congratulated the UP Chapter for their efforts in fulfilling the mandate of ISHWM.
5. Action taken Report- revamping of ISHWM website & Journal	Hony Treasurer informed members that during the last 2 years, we had started "on-line" payment system of Life membership fees on our website viz, www.ishwm.org Several new members have utilized this while making payment for life membership. However, we are still continuing to accept hard copy applications and cheque/DD based payment mechanism for the benefit of potential Life members. It was suggested that we should modify the on-line payment mechanism, so that it also mentions the relevant Regional Chapter of ISHWM, while filling up "on-line" application form and making on-line payment. This would make the entire process transparent, and also help co-ordinate revenue sharing. It was decided to have a meeting with our Web manager in this regard.
	<b>ISHWM Journal</b> : - Pursuant to deliberations in the Annual Governing Council held yesterday, the proposal to hand over the management of ISHWM Journal to the ISHWM - UP Chapter was deliberated. It was proposed by Col Neeraj Garg, and seconded by Dr. Neerja Sood for the formal transfer of Chief editorship from Dr. B S Nandakumar to Dr. D Himanshu, Professor, Dept of Medicine, & General Secretary, UP Chapter (ISHWM). After ratification by GB, it was decided (in accordance with Rule 11 of the Byelaws), that the new Editorial Board will comprise of Prof. D Himanshu, Chief Editor, 3 Editors, 1- Executive Editor, 1-Technical Officer; and the Editorial Advisory Board with 10 members who should be Life members of ISHWM. The Chief Editor should send the details of the Editorial Board and Editorial Advisory Board to the Governing Council after the first meeting. All efforts will be made by the new Editorial team to get the Journal indexed and published every 6 months.
6. Proposal for Silver Jubilee Conference ISHWM-CON 2025 next year	President ISHWM informed the members that he had requested Prof. Asima Bano, Principal Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute (BMCRI) for hosting the Silver Jubilee Conference. She had acceded to the request, and agreed to host the Silver Jubilee Conference, ISHWMCON-2025 at Bengaluru, Karnataka.
7. Any other item with permission of Chair: (a) Punjab Chapter	Dr. Seep Sonali expressed a desire to form a regional chapter of ISHWM at Amritsar, Punjab, and asked about the procedure. The Vice President ISHWM informed that about 10 Life members should be present in the state/region for forming a Regional Chapter of ISHWM. She should send a formal proposal in this regard to the Governing Council of ISHWM along with relevant details for consideration.
(b) Achievement Awards and Fellowships of ISHWM:-	Brig. (Dr). Pradeep Srivastava suggested that ISHWM should consider awarding Fellowships and Life-time achievement awards to distinguished members who have contributed to the cause of the Society. He said that most Scientific Societies are doing this to honour

their members. President ISHWM informed that we had been awarding Honor Fellowships to such members in the past, and shall again consid doing the same.	
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President and members of Governing Council put on record their sincere appreciation for the excellent conduct of ISHWMCON-2023 last year, organized by AIIMS Jodhpur. Dr.Ruchi Garg, Organising Secretary ISHWMCON-2023 thanked members of Governing Council of ISHWM for supporting the conference.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the house.

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Copy to: 1) All GC members

2) To be displayed on ISHWM website