

Proceedings of the Executive Council meeting of the Society of Statistics, Computer and Applications held during the 22nd Annual Conference at the Department of Statistics, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, on 2nd January, 2020 at 8.50 a.m.

The Executive Council meeting was attended by the following members:

1. Dr. V.K. Gupta, in Chair
2. Dr. Bikas K. Sinha
3. Dr. Rajender Parsad
4. Dr. D. Roy Choudhury
5. Dr. Ashish Das
6. Dr. Alok Lahiri
7. Dr. Hukum Chandra
8. Dr. R. Vishnu Vardhan
9. Dr. Piyush Kant Rai
10. Dr. Ranjit Kumar Paul
11. Smt. Shibani Roy Choudhury

Special Invitees

1. Dr. R.V. Latpate
2. Dr. T. V. Ramanathan
3. Dr. H.S. Lunge

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members and then the agenda items were taken up.

1. Tribute to Late Professor J. Subramani, Life Member of the Society

Tributes were paid to Late Professor J. Subramani, life member of the Society, who had left for heavenly abode during 2019. President of SSCA, Dr. V.K. Gupta expressed his deepest condolence on the sad demise of Prof. Subramani. Two-minute silence was observed as a mark of respect to the departed soul. He informed that on behalf of the Society, a condolence message has been sent to his family.

2. Confirmation of the proceedings of the EC meeting held during the 21st Annual Conference of SSCA at the Department of Statistics, S.V. Agricultural College, Acharya NG Ranga Agricultural University, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, held on 29th January, 2019

The proceedings of the Executive Council (EC) meeting held at the Department of Statistics, S.V. Agricultural College, Acharya NG Ranga Agricultural University, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, held on 29th January, 2019 were circulated among the EC members. Since no comments were received on the proceedings, the same were confirmed.

3. Arrangements of the 22nd conference

Dr. R. V. Latpate, the Organizing Secretary of the 22nd Annual Conference of SSCA welcomed all the EC members and all the delegates to the conference venue. Dr. Latpate presented a brief sketch about the arrangements made by organizers in terms of the scientific programmes during the three days (02- 04 January 2020), boarding and lodging of the delegates and other arrangements related to

organization of the conference. The Organizing Secretary informed that the inauguration and all solo Sessions of the conference would be held at the Seminar Hall, Department of Commerce while all concurrent sessions would be held at Lecture Halls in the Department of Statistics. Dr. Latpate informed that besides Keynote address, M. N. Das Memorial Lecture, C.R. Rao Birth Centenary Lecture Session, Financial Statistics Session, M.N. Das Memorial Young Scientist presentation, there would be 12 Plenary Talks, 40 special invited talks and 48 contributed talks. He also informed that a cultural programme followed by conference banquet would be organized on 03 January 2020. Dr. Latpate expressed that every effort is being made to make the conference academically enriching and to provide hospitality to all the delegates and ensure that their stay is comfortable. All the delegates are being picked up and are being taken to their respective places of accommodation. They are also being transported to the conference venue and after the dinner, the delegates would be dropped to their respective places of stay. The members expressed satisfaction at the arrangements and thanked the organizers for accomplishing the herculean task. Dr. V.K. Gupta, President of the Society, expressed his satisfaction over the arrangements and he thanked the Vice- Chancellor and organizers for all the perfect arrangements.

4. Presentation of the report of the activities of the Society

The Secretary presented the activities of the Society during the year 2018-19. He informed that, (i) there were 368 life members including 09 foreign members and 3 Honorary members as on day, (ii) a Special Volume of "Statistics and Applications" in honour of Prof. Arun Kumar Nigam on his 75th birthday had been brought out by the Society in May 2019 and it has been hosted at the website of the Society, (iii) another Special Volume in honour of twin statistician brothers Profs Bikas Kumar Sinha and Bimal Kumar Sinha is proposed to be brought out by January 2021, (iv) Special Proceedings comprising of few selected papers of the 21st annual conference of the Society held at Tirupati during 29-31 January 2019 has been released and are available at the website of the Society. Special proceedings were also brought out in print form for limited circulation, (v) first leaflet of the Society mentioning brief profile has been released in September 2019. The same has been hosted at the website of the Society, and (vi) The Society organized a half day workshop on topics of current interest at a College of Delhi University and the lectures were delivered by two executive council members of the Society. Also, the Society was involved in a consultancy/advisory activity for data analysis of Preventive Health Check-up.

The treasurer presented the audited report of the Society for 2018-19. The same was accepted by the EC. The treasurer also informed that the Income Tax return of the society for the Financial Year 2018-19 has also been filed by the CA.

5. Announcement of Dr. M.N. Das Memorial Young Scientist Award 2020

The President informed the members that a total of 13 nominations were received for this prestigious award. The papers were reviewed by 8 reviewers (both from India and abroad). As per the rules, three of them were selected for making presentation of their respective research papers at the conference. Their presentations would be made on 03 January 2020 and would be evaluated by a panel of 5 Judges. Based upon the performances at the first phase and second phase, the name of the winner would be declared in the GB meeting during the conference.

6. Election of Executive Committee (EC) members and office bearers

The Chairman proposed that Prof. Bikas K. Sinha may be nominated as Patron of the Society. Dr.L.M. Bhar, IASRI, New Delhi was nominated as the Vice President of the SSCA. There are 15 EC members of SSCA. As per the norms, every year, first five members, who have completed 3 years of term as EC members, may be re-nominated/replaced by the new members suggested by the EC. This year, such five outgoing members are (i) ManishKumar Sharma, (ii) Praggya Das (iii) Piyush Kant Rai, (iv) Manisha Pal and (v) K.V.Palanichamy. It was agreed upon that Dr. K.V. Palanichami may be replaced by Dr. Anil Kumar Yadav from a Research centre of an ICAR Institute located at Guwahati, Assam. The other four members mentioned above, may be retained as the council members. It was also proposed that Smt. Shibani Roy Choudhury may be nominated as one of the Joint Secretaries against the vacancy created by the movement of Dr. L.M. Bhar as Vice-President. It was also deliberated that one of the organizers of the conference might be nominated as an EC member. So, it was agreed that Dr. Rao Saheb Latpate, Organizing Secretary of the 22nd Conference, may be nominated as one of the council members. Dr. Latpate was nominated as council member against the vacancy created by the movement of Smt. Shibani as Joint Secretary. The proposal of EC for 2020-2021 is given in the Appendix and would be placed in the General Body meeting of the Society for its approval.

The Society gratefully acknowledges the services rendered by Dr. K.V. Palanichamy, EC member for his effective role in managing the day to day work of the Society. It was also decided to send an appreciation letter to the outgoing member for the services rendered by him in uplifting the stature of the society.

7. Appointment of auditor for 2020-21

It has been proposed and agreed by the council that M/S Panjrath Kapoor and Company, Chartered Accountant, who is presently auditor of the Society, might be continued to look after the accounts of the Society for the next financial year 2020-21 due to their satisfactory and timely completion of audited report. The Firm has audited and prepared accounts of the society for 2018-19 and also filed the income tax returns for the financial year 2018-19 (Assessment year 2019-20). A remuneration of Rs. 15,000.00 plus GST to be paid to the auditors was also approved by the EC for approval of the GB. As per the bill submitted by that Firm, a remuneration of Rs 13,811/- (i) Audit fee and IT return 2019-2020 and (ii) Dual Signature charges of Rs 1,100/- plus GST of Rs 2,289/- totaling an amount of Rs. 16,100/- is required to be paid.

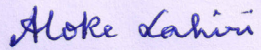
8. Other issues

(i) President informed that regarding the next XXIII Annual Conference of SSCA there is an invitation from Amaravati, Maharashtra and Dr. H.S. Lunge, Associate Professor, has joined this meeting to discuss the possibility of holding the 23rd conference of the Society at Amaravati. Dr. Lunge discussed about the holding of the conference from 18th to 20th of January 2021. The proposal approved by the Principal of Shri Shivaji Science College and the Head, Department of Statistics at Amravati has been received by the Society. This proposal was approved by the EC for vetting of the General Body.

(ii) The Society brings some scientists at International level who have established themselves as globally recognized statistician with their contributions as Honorary Members of the society. This helps to enhance the prestige of the society and take advantage of their expertise in promoting the activities of the society. During the present EC Meeting, Dr. V.K. Gupta, Dr. Rajender Parsad and

Prof. Bikas K. Sinha proposed the name of renowned Statisticians, Prof. C.R. Rao and Prof. John Stufken as the Honorary Members of the Society. The proposal was agreed upon by the EC members unanimously for approval of General Body.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.



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Joint Secretary, SSCA

Dated: January 17, 2020

APPENDIX
LIST OF COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR 2020-21

Founder President

Late Prof. M.N. Das

President

V.K .Gupta

Executive President

RajenderParsad

Patrons

1. A.C. Kulshreshtha
2. A.K. Nigam
3. AlopeDey
4. Bikas K. Sinha
5. D.K. Ghosh
6. K.J.S. Satyasai
7. Pankaj Mittal
8. Prithvi Yadav
9. Rajpal Singh
10. R.B. Barman
11. R.C. Agrawal

Vice-Presidents

1. A. Dhandapani
2. L.M. Bhar
3. S.D. Sharma
4. P. Venkatesan
5. V.K. Bhatia

Secretary

D. Roy Choudhury

Foreign Secretary

Sudhir Gupta

Treasurer

Ashish Das

Joint Secretaries

1. AlopeLahiri
2. Hukum Chandra
3. ShibaniRoy Choudhury

Members

1. P Rath
2. S.A. Mir
3. Manish Trivedi
4. Ranjit Kumar Paul
5. R. Vishnu Vardhan
6. Anshu Bhardwaj
7. Alka Arora
8. Sanjeev Panwar
9. V. Srinivasa Rao
10. Manisha Pal
11. Praggya Das
12. Piyush Kant Rai
13. Manish Kumar Sharma
14. Anil Kumar Yadav
15. R.V. Latpate