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Proceedings of the Extended Executive Council Meeting held on 9 May 2025 at 10:00 AM through Google Meet

The following members attended the meeting:

1. Dr. S.K. Chaudhari, Immediate Past President and Editor-in-Chief of ISAP
2. Dr. Y.S. Shivay, President, ISAP
3. Dr. Subash N. Pillai, President, ISAP (Elect)
4. Dr. T. K. Das, Vice-President
5. Dr. V.K. Sehgal, Vice-President, ISAP
6. Dr. Debashish Chakraborty, Vice-President, ISAP (elect)
7. Dr. Pragati Pramanik Maity, Secretary, ISAP
8. Dr. Nishant Kumar Sinha, Joint Secretary (Elect)
9. Dr. Rajeev Ranjan, Treasurer
10. Dr. Rajkumar Dharkar, Treasurer, ISAP (Elect)

The following agenda items were discussed in the meeting:

- To hand over the charges to the new EC (2025-2026)
- To discuss the next event to be organized by the ISAP
- To identify the speaker for 12th Dr. B. P. Ghildyal Memorial Lecture
- To institute the Honorary membership of ISAP
- To institute a young scientist award in the name of Late Dr. B.P. Ghildyal
- To reconstitute the Editorial Board of The Journal of Agricultural Physics
- To collaborate with ISAP to celebrate the Foundation Day of the Division of Agricultural Physics for the Fund transfer and use
- Any other item with the permission of the Chair

At the outset, Dr. S.K. Chaudhari, Immediate Past President and Editor-in-Chief of ISAP, welcomed the members of the EC meeting. Dr. Y. S. Shivay, President, ISAP, welcomed all the existing members of the EC and expressed his sincere gratitude to all for the successful completion of his tenure as President (2023-2024) and welcomed all the new EC members. Dr. Pragati Pramanik Maity, Secretary, ISAP, presented the action report on the decisions taken in the previous EC meeting. The following deliberations occurred, and the Executive Council members approved the decisions.

- As per the decision taken in the AGM, ISAP was held on 23.01.2025 at ICAR-CCARI, Goa, and the New EC took charge from 01.04.2025. Due to some unavoidable circumstances, as the EC meeting could not happen in March 2025, the formalities of the charge handover happened on 09.05.2025. A total asset of Rs. 37,66,644.91/- was handed over to the New EC. Dr. Subash N. Pillai took over the charge as President, ISAP; Dr. Debashish Chakraborty and Dr. V. K. Sehgal as Vice-President; Dr. Pragati Pramanik Maity as Secretary; Dr. Nishant Kumar Sinha, Joint Secretary; Dr. Debashish Chakraborty as Assistant Secretary; Dr. Rajkumar Dharkar as Treasurer.

- The next National Seminar of ISAP will be held at ICAR-IIWM, Bhubaneswar January /February 2026, and the topic and date of the Seminar will be decided very soon after consultation with Dr. A. Sarangi, Director, IIWM, Bhubaneswar, and for this purpose, a virtual meeting will be organized very soon. The part of the Seminar theme should be related to Agricultural Water Management.
- It is decided in the meeting that 12th Dr. B. P. Ghildyal Lecture will be delivered by Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao, Director, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi, and before finalization of the seminar dates, due consultation will be made with him.
- In the meeting, the proposal for the institution of Honorary Membership, ISAP was approved in principle. In the next EC meeting, guidelines for the institution of the Honorary Membership, ISAP will be finalized.
- Mr. Udit Ghildyal, son of late Dr. B. P. Ghildyal, announced during National Seminar of ISAP at ICAR-CCARI, Goa on 23.01.2025, that the Ghildyal family is ready to donate Rs. 5,00,000/- to institute a Young Scientist award in the field of Soil Physics. The proposal was approved in principle, but the Family should deposit the amount before the Next EC (scheduled to be held in June) so that the guidelines can be finalized.
- After discussion, the new Editorial Board was reconstituted, which will work for 2025-2026. The composition of the new editorial board is as follows:

Dr. S.K. Chaudhari (Editor-in-Chief)
 Dr. P. S. Bramhanand (Associate Chief Editor)
 Dr. Y. S. Shivay (Associate Chief Editor)
 Dr. G. Jayasree (Member)
 Dr. Bibhash Chandra Verma (Member)
 Dr. S.K. Bal (Member)
 Dr. A. Velmurugan (Member)
 Dr. Debashish Mandal (Member)
 Dr. Gopal Kumar (Member)
 Dr. Joydeep Mukherjee (Member)
 Dr. K. M. Sellamuthu (Member)
 Dr. Parth Pratim Adhikari (Member)
 Dr. Bappa Das (Member)
 Dr. Abhisekh Danodia (Member)
 Dr. Ananta Vashisth (Member)

- The proposal for celebrating the Foundation Day of the Division of Agricultural Physics in association with ISAP was approved in principle, but there should not be no financial liability on ISAP.

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

Pragati Pramanik Maity

(Secretary)

Subash N. Pillai

(President)