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Minutes of the Seventh Annual General Body meeting of Indian Society of Geomatics (ISG)

The Seventh annual general body meeting of ISG was held on September 18, 2002 at 18 00 Hours at Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli under the chairmanship of the President, ISG. The meeting proceeded as per the agenda circulated to the members.

Agenda 1:

Shri A R Dasgupta, President, ISG welcomed the members for seventh general body meeting. In his address he stressed on the activities to be taken up during coming years. He also requested members to encourage the professionals to join ISG as a part of membership drive. He thanked Prof. S M Ramasamy and for their contribution in organizing 'Geomatics – 2002' conference at Tiruchirappalli. He also thanked Dr. A K S Gopalan for his continuous valuable guidance and support to the society.

Agenda 2:

The minutes of last AGM were discussed in detail and were approved by the AGM.

Agenda 3:

Secretary Shri I C Matieda presented the report on the activities of the society during the year 2002-03. The report includes

- Geomatics-2002 conference is being organized at Tiruchirappalli and got very good response in target departments. The experience gained here will be useful in future.
- Mumbai and Chennai chapters formation was informed to the members. He also informed on the efforts being put to get opened Hyderabad, Bangalore, Jaipur and Tiruchirappalli chapters.
- Newsletter: Published regularly. Efforts are on to get the Newsletter registered under RNI, which will help to reduce the postage expenditure. The ISSN number

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Deputy Director, SITAA
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Mukund Rao,
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Treasurer : M. H. Kalubarme
Project Co-ordinator, SAC

- 0972-642X has been obtained for the Newsletter. Improvement in quality by way of colour cover-page and to bring it up to level of the standard journal is being attempted. The recent Newsletters were widely appreciated by members.
- Income Tax exemption certificate (U/S 80G(5)) obtained from the IT department is valid from 1.04.1999 to 31.03.2004. To avail this facility, we need to submit Audited Accounts regularly to the IT department for assessment and exemption. Income Tax returns are filed up to current year.
 - ISG Executive Council election for Period 2002-2005 is completed.
 - ISG participated in organization of CARG-2002 (4 days Training programme on Remote Sensing and GIS followed by one day workshop) with ISRS Ahmedabad chapter & VASC/SAC at Goa during August 19-23, 2002.

After deliberations, the report of the Secretary was passed by the AGM.

Agenda 4:

Shri M H Kalubarme, Treasurer presented the Treasurer' s report for the F Y 200203. The report included: Audited report of F Y 2001- 2002 and trial balance as on August 31, 2002. Among other things matters related to accounts and audited report of the Society were discussed. The resolutions related to the funds of the society were discussed in detail and following resolutions were passed by the voice vote:

Resolution 1: (A)

The funds created over the period of last 5 years and put in the Fixed Deposits (FD) in the State Bank of India (SBI), Jodhpur Tekra, ISRO Branch, Ahmedabad would be treated as the Corpus Fund for the following activities:

- i) ISG Lecture Series
- ii) ISG Newsletter
- iii) ISG Website
- iv) ISG Chapter activities
- v) Organisation of National/ International Conferences
- vi) Tutorials and Training Programmes
- vii) Activities related to creating awareness of Geomatics among the students
- viii) Any other activity approved by the General Body (GB)

Resolution 1: (B)

The interest accrued but not recovered by March 31, on the FD would be shown as part of the income.

Resolution 2: From the savings of the ISG, 85% of the total savings would be spent during next five years on the activities identified in the Resolution 1. The other 15% amount would be utilized for day-to-day activities of the Society.

Resolution 3: As per the established accounting procedures the accounts of the different chapters of the ISG have to form a part of the ISG's audited accounts. Therefore, audited accounts of the Chapters of the ISG, must be submitted to ISG – Head Quarter (HQ) latest by May 15, every year.

Resolution 4: Till-date accounts of the ISG were audited on cash accrual basis. However, to have uniformity in the audited accounts of the ISG – HQ and Chapters, the accounts will be audited on the **Mercantile Basis**. The audited accounts of the ISG – HQ and Chapters would be presented simultaneously.

Audited accounts for F Y 2001 - 2002 were passed by the AGM.

Agenda 5:

The minutes of past AGMs were gone through by ISG Secretariat and the following actions were found to be addressed:

- **Organisation of the conferences/workshops jointly with other societies**
This is being put into practice for workshops with CARG-2001 & CARG – 2002. A committee is set up to work out the modalities for the handling of such an event jointly in terms of sharing responsibilities, funds/savings etc. The report is awaited.
- **Give more focus on Education sector for making them aware about Geomatics**
This is being attempted by organizing training programs for students/Teachers by various ISG chapters. We have a proposal from ESRI to provide free licenses of GIS software to Universities/Institutes to make students aware of GEOMATICS technology & Applications. Chapters are requested to organize such training programs/workshops to create such awareness.
- **To bring out ISG Journal**
The quality of ISG Newsletter is being improved in terms of reading material as well as paper and also providing material in colour wherever necessary. It was decided to continue as newsletter and no need to bring out journal.
- **Membership Drive**
To bring more and more academician/Professionals in to the society and seek their knowledge accessible to others, we are putting special efforts increase our membership strength. Expert Panels are set up to provide guidance in various fields.

Agenda 6: Programme for the 2002 - 2003

- Efforts are to be put to bring more local chapters to have region-based activity.
- ISG web site to be enriched with up-to-date information by updating at regular interval by ISG Secretariat.
- To establish the contacts with similar foreign professional society to exchange the technical information/expertise.
- A series of workshops/Training Programs are to be organized with help of chapters and in association with NASSCOM, CII, GCCI, VASC/SAC, ISRS/INCA/IMSA etc.

Agenda 7: Appointment of Auditor for F Y 2002-03

The AGM empowered the Secretary to continue the present auditor Mr. Upadhyay to audit the accounts for the F Y 2002-03.

Agenda 8: Chapter Activities

- ◆ Mumbai Chapter organized training program and workshop for the college students.
- ◆ Election for Ahmedabad Chapter completed and following office bearers are elected for 2002-2005 period:
Chairman : Dr. Ajay RESA/SAC
Secretary: Dr. Sadanand Singh RESA/SAC
Treasurer: Mr. P M Udani SITAA/SAC
- ◆ Ahmedabad chapter organized one day workshop at RESECO, Gandhinagar during January, 2002.
- ◆ Bhopal, Pune and Delhi chapters are requested to complete the election process for the period 2002-2005.
- ◆ Delhi chapter organized one workshop during January, 2002.
- ◆ Bhopal chapter has not done any kind of activity during last few years. It was decided to write a letter to them to initiate some activity.
- ◆ Chapters need to more active and work out a plan activities for promoting Geomatics technology among students community. Any technical and financial help required can be extended from ISG in organizing such activities based the proposal received.

Agenda 9: Any other matter with permission of the Chair

Membership certificate format & design is being worked out.

A resolution was passed to authorize Executive Council (EC) to discuss with other societies like ISRS, INCA and IMSA to organize events jointly. The modalities of cooperation is to be worked out by the EC.

Secretary, ISG thanked the authorities of Bharathidasan University for providing the facilities to the society to conduct the 'Geomatics - 2002' conference and AGM.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

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Approved by

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