

## **Proceedings of the Annual General Body Meeting of the Society for Information Science held on 14 October 2022 at India International Centre, New Delhi**

### **Agenda Item 1 – Welcome by Dr Manoj Kumar Patairiya, President, SIS**

Dr Manoj Kumar Patairiya, President, SIS welcomed all the members of the AGM. The President recounted the contributions of Dr B C Sharma, an accomplished information scientist and Editor, founder member and Fellow of SIS who passed away on 29 August 2021. The AGM paid its tributes and homage to the late Dr B C Sharma.

### **Agenda Item 2 – Secretary's Report by Dr R K Sinha, Secretary, SIS**

Dr R K Sinha, Vice President, SIS presented the Secretary's Report. He said that the last two conventions were held in 2017 and 2018. He said that the 2020 convention as to be held during 24-25 April 2020 at INSA, New Delhi. He added that even as the preparations were got underway, COVID struck, and the convention was cancelled. He said that after the COVID induced delay, the SIS activities have been restarted.

Dr Sinha said that the SIS Annual Convention 2022 and Seminar "Information Science and Communication: Opportunities, Expectations and Strategies" held on 14-15 October 2022 is attended by about 100 delegates from different parts of the country.

### **Agenda Item 3 – Treasurer's Report by Shri N K Wadhwa, Treasurer, SIS**

Shri N K Wadhwa, Treasurer presented the Annual Statement of Audited Accounts. He informed that the updated Audited Accounts has been uploaded on the SIS Website.

### **Agenda Item 4 – SIS Elections by Shri Tariq Badar, Election Officer, SIS**

The SIS EC had appointed Mr. Tariq Badar as Returning Officer for SIS Elections 2022. Accordingly, as per the custom followed by SIS to form the EC by consensus during the AGM, the Returning Officer, based on the collective views on the floor, has invited suggestions that are summarized here:

1. Dr. G. Mahesh has said that the SIS has joined hands with different likeminded organizations over the period, such as CSIR-NIScPR, Indian Institute of Mass Communication, Indian Science Writers' Association, and Indian Science Communication Society, and has organized various programmes and activities in association with them, such as Indian Science Communication Congress, etc., and SIS AGMs were held on these occasions to maintain continuity.

2. Dr. Naresh Kumar has appreciated the work accomplished so far by the present EC in general and SIS Convention and Seminar in particular. He also proposed to formalize the present EC up to 2022 as it was formed in 2017 and elections were not held since then mainly due to the pandemic COVID19.
3. Dr. Sujit Bhattacharya has observed that since the pandemic goes on for over 2-3 years, and in view of the good work done by the present EC, this intervening period may be waived-off to continue with the same EC as also being followed by some other organizations.
4. Shri N.K. Wadhwa has deliberated on various aspects and practices of the SIS for better governance and suggested that in view of the observations and suggestion made, the same EC may continue for the next term with minor modification wherever required.
5. Dr. Naresh Kumar also suggested that some members may be nominated by EC for different SIS Chapters based upon their area of expertise.
6. It was also suggested that members for the Chapters may be inducted from amongst those who were present; further, EC may induct as per the requirement and willingness of the members.
7. Dr. Mahesh owing to his new official assignment has requested to spare him from his present position.

Therefore, as emerged from the above and decided unanimously, the Returning Officer declares continuation of the present EC for the next term with minor modification and following composition:

President

Dr. Manoj Kumar Patariya

Vice President

Dr. R. Hirwani

Dr. Sujith Bhattacharya

Secretary

Dr. R.K. Sinha

Joint Secretary

Dr. N C Ghosh  
Dr. N.K. Wadhwa

Treasure  
Dr. G. Mahesh

Members  
Dr. Naresh Kumar  
Dr. N.V. Satyanarayana  
Dr. Suman K. Mallick  
Dr. Namita Gupta  
Dr. V.K. Varun  
Dr. R.K. Verma

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Chapters  
SIS Newsletter : Dr. Divya Shrivastava  
ICT for Libraries : Dr. Usha Munshi  
Networking : Dr. Jagdish Arora  
Research/ Academics : Dr. Madhan  
Membership : Dr. R K Bharadwaj

### **Agenda Item 5—Vote of Thanks by Shri N K Wadhwa, Treasurer, SIS**

The AGM 2022 of SIS ended with a Vote of thanks by Shri N K Wadhwa, Treasurer, SIS.