

INDIAN STATISTICAL INSTITUTE

203 B.T. Road, Kolkata – 700 108

No. CAF/10-2/528.
20th October, 2014

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am forwarding herewith a copy of the proceedings of the meeting of the General Body of the Institute held on 11th September, 2014, as approved by the President of the Institute, for your information and record.

Yours sincerely,

Enclo. : As stated.


(**Bimal K. Roy**)
Director

To : All members of the Indian Statistical Institute.

Copy for information to :

1. The President of the Institute.
2. The Chairman and all members of the Council of the Institute.
3. Dr. G.M. Boopathy, ADG (CAP/ISI), Government of India, Ministry of Statistics & P.I., New Delhi.
4. Head, ISI Delhi Centre.
5. Head, ISI Bangalore Centre.
6. Acting Head, ISI Chennai Centre.
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8. Director's Office.
9. CE(A&F)'s Office.

INDIAN STATISTICAL INSTITUTE

Proceedings of the General Body Meeting of the Institute: 11th September, 2014

General Body Meeting of the Institute was held on 11th September, 2014 at 03-00 p.m. in the P.J.A. Building Auditorium of the Institute at 203, B.T. Road, Kolkata - 700 108.

Members present: Dr. C. Rangarajan, President (in the Chair)

1. Prof. Bimal Kr. Roy (Director), 2. Prof. Ramjit Pandey 3. Dr. D. Dutta Majumder, 4. Dr. Kazi Kabir Hossain, 5. Dr. Atis Kr. Dasgupta, 6. Shri Ajay Kumar Ghosh, 7. Dr. Nitai Chandra Ghatak, 8. Dr. Surendra Nath Banerjee, 9. Dr. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay, 10. Dr. Kamal Krishna Basu, 11. Shri Rabindra Narayan Das, 12. Shri Samar Chattopadhyay, 13. Dr. Satyabrata Pal, 14. Dr. Sanjib K. Gupta, 15. Dr. Bidyut Kr. Paul, 16. Shri Debdas Bhattacharya, 17. Shri Sukumar Das, 18. Dr. Arijit Chaudhuri, 19. Dr. Rajkumar Roychoudhury, 20. Dr. Ashis Sengupta, 21. Shri Goutam Kumar Majumder, 22. Shri Somen Chakraborty, 23. Shri Tirthankar Ghosh, 24. Mrs. Bhomra Chatterji, 25. Sm. Malati Chatterjee, 26. Sm. Swagata Gupta, 27. Mrs. Susmita Bharati, 28. Sm. Suparna Shome, 29. Sm. Himani Bhattacharya, 30. Dr. Rabindranath Jana, 31. Shri Kamalaksha Das, 32. Shri Tejendra Nath Ghosh, 33. Dr. Subrata Gangopadhyay, 34. Shri Narayan Chandra Ghosh, 35. Shri Jiban Krishna Pal, 36. Dr. Pradip Kr. Das, 37. Shri Amitava Sen, 38. Md. Sadik Hasan Siraji, 39. Shri Somenath Mukherjee, 40. Dr. Tapas Kumar Basu, 41. Shri Syamal Saha, 42. Prof. Manoranjan Pal, 43. Dr. Sujit Adhikary, 44. Dr. Prasanta Sinha

Shri S.K. Iyer, Chief Executive (Admn. & Finance); Shri A.K. Biswas, Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) & Election Officer, and Smt. Nanda Deb Roy, Administrative Officer attended the meeting on invitation.

At the outset, Dr. C. Rangarajan, President of the Institute welcomed all the members and conveyed his heartfelt thanks to them for attending the General Body Meeting.

Agenda Confirmation of the proceedings of the General Body Meeting held on 27th November, 2013

1.1 Members took note of the fact that the proceedings of the Annual General meeting of the Institute held on 27th November, 2013 were circulated under reference no. CAF/10-2/700 dated 20th January, 2014 and no comment was received for any amendment. Hence, the proceeding of the Annual General Meeting of the Institute held on 27th November, 2013 was placed for confirmation.

1.2 (R) **It was resolved by the General Body that the proceedings of the Annual General meeting of the Institute, as circulated under reference No. CAF/10-2/700 dated 20th January, 2014, be confirmed.**

Agenda Item No. 2 Matters arising out of the previous General Body Meeting held on 27th November, 2013

- 2.1** Members took note of the action taken by the Administration on the decision of the Annual General Meeting of the Institute held on 27th November, 2013 and expressed their happiness for timely implementation of the same.

Agenda Item No. 3 Declaration of the results of the election for the:

- (i) President of the Institute,**
- (ii) Two representatives of the members of the Institute (not employed in the Institute),**
- (iii) One representative of the members of the Institute (not employed in the Institute and not ordinarily resident of West Bengal)**
- (iv) One Representative each of (a) Scientific Workers and (b) Non-Scientific Workers of the Institute to the Council; in term of Regulation 5.3.5 of the Memorandum of Association (MOA) of the Institute**

- 3.1** The Council of the Institute in its meeting held on 8th March, 2014 appointed Shri A.K. Biswas, Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) as the Election Officer to conduct election to various positions of the Institute.
- 3.2** Dr. C. Rangarajan, the President of the Institute, requested Shri A.K. Biswas, Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer to announce the results of the election.
- 3.3** The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer mentioned that the Council in its meeting held on 8th March, 2014 had nominated Dr. C. Rangarajan, Former Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister for the office of the President of the Institute and no alternative nomination was received and, hence, no voting through ballot was required to be held. He stated further that the members may therefore elect Dr. C. Rangarajan as the President of the Institute for the next two year term commencing from 18th September, 2014. The General Body agreed to declare Dr. C. Rangarajan elected as the President of the Institute for the next two year term commencing from 18th September, 2014.
- 3.4(R) It was resolved by the General Body that Dr. C. Rangarajan be declared elected as the President of the Institute for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2014.**

- 3.5** The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer stated that for election of two representatives of the members of the Institute not employed in the Institute to the Council, four valid nominations were received namely from Dr. D. Dutta Majumder (Membership No. L/1102), Dr. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay (Membership No. L/1902), Shri Ajay Kumar Ghosh (Membership No. L/5652) and Dr. Rajkumar Roychoudhury (Membership No. L/7028). Hence, voting was necessary for the same. Dr. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay (Membership No. L/1902) and Dr. Rajkumar Roychoudhury (Membership No. L/7028) have since secured relatively high number of votes viz., 161 and 139 respectively, he stated that they may be declared elected as two representatives of the members of the Institute not employed in the Institute to the Council.
- 3.6** The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer further stated that there was only one valid nomination received namely from Dr. S.B. Rao (Membership No. L/2091) for the Office of one representative of the members of the Institute (not employed in the Institute and not ordinarily resident of West Bengal) to the Council. Hence, voting was not necessary for the same. He stated that the members may therefore elect Dr. S.B. Rao for the Office of one representative of the members of the Institute (not employed in the Institute and not ordinarily resident of West Bengal) to the Council. The General Body agreed to declare Dr. S.B. Rao elected to the Office of one representative of the members of the Institute (not employed in the Institute and not ordinarily resident of West Bengal) to the Council.
- 3.7(R)** **It was resolved by the General Body that Dr. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay (Membership No. L/1902), Dr. Rajkumar Roychoudhury (Membership No. L/7028) and Dr. S. B. Rao (Membership No. L/2091, not ordinarily resident in West Bengal), be declared as three elected representatives of the Institute members not employed in the Institute to the Council for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2014.**
- 3.8** The Dy. C.E. (Admn.) and Election Officer also reported that the Election was held on 26th August, 2014 for the office of one representative each of (a) Scientific Workers and (b) Non – Scientific Workers of the Institute to the Council in terms of Regulation 5.3.5 of MOA Dr. Kuntal Ghosh (Roll No. 9309) and Shri Gouri Sankar Acharya (Roll No. 8694) secured higher number of votes in the Election of one representative of Scientific Workers and one representative of Non – Scientific Workers respectively. Dr. Kuntal Ghosh may therefore be declared elected as the representative of the Scientific Workers and Shri Gouri Sankar Acharya as the representative of the Non- Scientific Workers on the Council of the Institute respectively, for the next two year term commencing from 18th September, 2014.

3.9(R) Dr. Kuntal Ghosh (Roll No. 9309) is declared elected for the office of one representative of the Scientific Workers to the Council and Shri Gouri Sankar Acharya as one representative to the Non – Scientific Workers to the Council for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2014.

The Director thanked all the outgoing members, Dr. S.B. Rao also is elected again, Dr. D. Dutta Majumder and Shri Ajay Kumar Ghosh for their excellent support in the Council meetings and gave them a big hand.

Agenda Item No. 4 Reporting regarding the results of various offices to the Council, for the next two-year term commencing from 18th September, 2014.

4.1 The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer informed the members that he had placed the election report on the election for various positions to the Council of the Institute for the two-year term commencing from 18th September 2014 before the Council in its meeting held on 5th September, 2014. Based on his report, the Council in the same meeting appointed the following persons as the Professors-in-Charge and Head, SQC & OR Division of the respective Scientific Divisions to the Council, as mentioned below against each for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2014:

Sl. No.	Name of the elected candidate with Roll No.	Name of the Scientific Division
1.	Prof. Anish Sarkar Roll No. 9117	Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics
2.	Prof. Anup Dewanji Roll No. 8522	Applied Statistics
3.	Prof. Saurabh Ghosh Roll No. 9256	Biological Sciences
4.	Prof. Manoranjan Pal Roll No. 8328	Social Sciences
6.	Prof. Dipti Prasad Mukherjee Roll No. 8896	Computer and Communication Sciences
5.	Prof. Barnana Roy Roll No. 8864	Physics and Earth Sciences
7.	Shri Amitava Bandyopadhyay Roll No. 8255	Head of SQC & OR

4.2 The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer further informed the members that, the Council in its meeting held on 5th September, 2014 based on securing the highest number of votes appointed Prof. Pradipta Bandyopadhyay (Roll No. 9095) as the Dean of Studies to the Council for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2014.

4.3 The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer informed the members that based on the election report, the Council in its meeting held on 5th September, 2014, selected the following persons as the representatives of the Academic Council (DCSW) from their respective Divisions:

Sl. No.	Name of the Division	Name of Candidate [With Roll No.]	Category
1.	Theoretical Statistics & Mathematics	1. Antar Bandyopadhyay [Roll No. 9288] 2. Jaydeb Sarkar [Roll No. 9372]	Associate Professor Assistant Professor
2.	Applied Statistics	1. Arijit Chakrabarti [Roll No. 9286] 2. Sourabh Bhattacharya [Roll No. 9295]	Assistant Professor Assistant Professor
3.	Biological Sciences	1. Sabyasachi Bhattacharya [Roll No. 9320] 2. Indranil Mukhopadhyay [Roll No. 9322]	Associate Professor Associate Professor
4.	Social Sciences	1. Tridip Ray [Roll No. 9282] 2. Samarjit Das [Roll No. 9284]	Associate Professor Associate Professor
5.	Computer and Communication Sciences	1. Sasthi Charan Ghosh [Roll No. 9332] 2. Swagatam Das [Roll No. 9412]	Assistant Professor Assistant Professor
6.	Physics & Earth Sciences	1. Santanu Kumar Maiti [Roll No. 9403] 2. Amlan Banerjee [Roll No. 9443]	Assistant Professor Assistant Professor
7.	Statistical Quality Control & Operations Research	1. Somnath Ray [Roll No. 8373] 2. S.M. Subhani [Roll No. 8487]	Technical Officer Gr.I Technical Officer Gr.I

Agenda Item No. 5 **Miscellaneous (if any) with the permission of the chair.**

5(M.1) Dr. Atis Kumar Dasgupta, former Head, Sociological Research Unit of the Institute submitted a proposal that the newly elected Council of the Institute should select an eminent Scientist who should be well aware about the basic philosophy and perception of the Institute. He further stated that Prof. Mahalanobis had envisaged fruitful and constant interaction between Statistics and Social, Biological, Earth & Physical and Computer Sciences as well as with Statistical Quality Development of the Industries not only trending Statistics and Sciences. All these collective endeavours enriched the planning and for the economic development, social welfare of

the country. In the context of forth coming possibility of formation of 4th ISI Review Committee, by the Government of India, he appreciated the new recruitment in the faculty positions in all the Scientific Divisions as well as in the Technical and Administrative vacant posts in the Institute. He informed that it is worthwhile to note that Professor Bimal K. Roy has taken all the initiative in this regard. He pointed out that earlier we had a very eminent Chairman like Shri Pranab Mukherjee, who though not an eminent Scientist but he was very much aware about the basic philosophy. Same thing goes with Shri P. N. Haksar. So he preferred to elect an eminent Scientist.

5(M.2) Dr. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay brought the attention to the Notice No. CAF/10-1/ 381 dated 20th August, 2014 which was circulated to the Heads of Delhi Centre, Bangalore Centre and Chennai Centre. He wanted to know about the status of the Tezpur Centre. He thanked the Director for taking action on the Photo Identity Card. He also informed that the members of the Institute are not in a position to use the internet facility in the Library and requested the Administration to look into the matter. He urged for an office for the members of the Society so that member may communicate/discuss their issues in the office. He thanked the members for giving support to get elected as Representative of the members of the Institute and assured them that if they communicate any issue regarding Society activity, he will take action. He thanked the President of the Institute for his excellent work and hoped that he will continue to give support the General Body Members of the Institute. Finally, Dr Bandyopadhyay brought notice to the Administration regarding insufficient infrastructure for holding the meeting. The Director stated that dropping the name of ISI, Tezpur Centre is due to inadvertence. It should have been there. Regarding internet access the Director informed the members that he will look into it. For office accommodation he requested Chief Executive (Admn. & Finance) to look into the matter and find out a suitable place if available.

5(M.3) Dr. Raj Kumar Roychoudhury accepted the views of Dr. Atis Dasgupta regarding selection of Chairman of I.S.I. He also agreed with the views of Dr. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay regarding internet access in Library and office space in I.S.I. for the General Body Members.

5(M.4) On the queries from (1) Dr. Amitava Sen regarding circulation of names and e-mails of newly elected Chairman and members of the Council and from (2) Dr. Kamal K. Basu regarding request for the invitation for Annual Convocation to the members, the Director informed the members that the next Convocation would be held on 9th January, 2015 in which Prof. Eric Stark Maskin from Harvard University, Game Theorist, Noble Laureate would be the Chief Guest. It would be put in our own website for the information of everyone.

5(M.5) Shri Rabindra Narayan Das while congratulating all the appointed and elected Council member pointed out that the e-governance system of the Institute is very slow. The director informed the members that though the fund is allocated the progress is very slow. The Committee constituted for this purpose is taking care of the matter. Shri Ajay Ghosh pointed out that out of 1061 Ballots sent to the members only 282 Ballots had been casted. It appeared that members are not taking interest about the Society. We should think together about the way to make the members interested in the activities of the Institute. On query from Dr. Tapas Kr. Basu regarding issue of Photo ID to ordinary members the Director informed that the Life Member would get the photo identity card first, then it may be extended to the Ordinary Members later.

Then the President declared the meeting closed. He thanked all the members and informed the members that it is the responsibility of the President and Director to maintain the glory of the past of the Institute.

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

Sd/- **Bimal K. Roy**
(Director)

Sd/- **C. Rangarajan**
(President)