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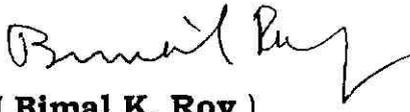
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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am forwarding herewith a copy of the proceedings of the meeting of the General Body of the Institute held on 11th September, 2012, as approved by the President of the meeting, 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. Shri Ajay Kumar, Director (Admn.), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India, 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.

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Proceedings of the General Body Meeting of the Institute: 11th September, 2012

A meeting of the General Body of the Institute was held on 11th September, 2012 at 12.00 noon in the Geology Auditorium, 2nd Floor, Pamela Robinson Bhavan of the Institute at 203 B.T. Road, Kolkata – 700 108.

Members present: Prof. M.G.K. Menon, President (in the Chair)

1. Prof. Bimal K. Roy, 2. Dr. D. Dutta Majumder, 3. Dr. Tapas Kumar Basu, 4. Shri Tustibrata Chatterjee, 5. Shri Animesh Chattopadhyay, 6. Shri Samar Chattopadhyay, 7. Shri Ajay Kumar Ghosh, 8. Shri Salil Kr. Chaudhuri, 9. Prof. Ramjit Pandey, 10. Dr. Pranati Datta, 11. Sm. Swagata Gupta, 12. Shri Rabindra Narayan Das, 13. Dr. Arijit Chaudhuri, 14. Shri Dipendra Saha Ray, 15. Dr. Surendra Nath Banerjee, 16. Shri Kamalaksha Das, 17. Dr. Pradip Kr. Das, 18. Shri Partha De, 19. Dr. Sujit Adhikary, 20. Sm. Malati Chatterjee, 21. Dr. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay, 22. Shri Debashis Bhattacharjee, 23. Dr. Rita Saharay, 24. Shri Somen Chakraborty, 25. Dr. Aniruddha Choudhury, 26. Dr. Sandip Mitra, 27. Dr. Subrata Gangopadhyay, 28. Dr. Asit Kumar Ghosh, 29. Mrs. Susmita Bharati, 30. Sm. Suparna Shome, 31. Sm. Himani Bhattacharya, 32. Shri Subhash Barman, 33. Shri Bhola Nath Ghosh, 34. Dr. Kamal Krishna Basu, 35. Shri Kasi Nath Datta, 36. Shri Amitava Sen, 37. Dr. Sudhir Kr. Shukla, 38. Shri Syamal Saha.

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

After taking the Chair, Prof. M.G.K. Menon, President of the Institute welcomed the members and expressed his thanks to all of them for coming to attend the meeting. Then, agenda-wise items were taken up for deliberations.

Agenda Confirmation of the proceedings of the Annual General Meeting held on 18th November, 2011

No. 1

1.1 Members took note of the fact that the proceedings of the Annual General meeting of the Institute held on 18th November, 2011 were circulated among the members under reference no. CAF/10-2/1399 dated 2nd January, 2012 and no comments was received from any member. Hence, Prof. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay proposed that the proceedings of the same be accepted. Prof. R.J. Pandey seconded the proposal and house accepted the same unanimously.

1.2(R) It was resolved that the proceedings of the Annual General meeting held on 18th November, 2011, as circulated, be confirmed.

Agenda Item No. 2 **Action Taken Report (ATR) of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 18th November, 2011**

- 2.1 Members took note of the Action Taken Report (ATR) of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 18th November, 2011 and expressed their satisfaction over the fact that all the decisions were duly implemented.

Agenda Item No. 3 **Declaration of the results of the election for (i) the President of the Institute, (ii) Three representatives of the members not employed in the Institute (one of these members should be elected from members not ordinarily resident of West Bengal) and information regarding the results of various offices to the Council for the next two-year term commencing from 18th September, 2012**

- 3.1 The Council of the Institute in its meeting held on 20th May, 2012 appointed Shri A.K. Biswas, Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) as the Election Officer to conduct election to various positions of the Institute.
- 3.2 Prof. M.G.K. Menon, 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 20th May, 2012 had nominated Dr. C. Rangarajan, 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.
- 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, 2012.**
- 3.5 The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer stated that for election of three representatives of the members of the Institute not employed in the Institute (one of these members should be elected from members not ordinarily resident of West Bengal) to the Council, only three nominations were received from Dr. D. Dutta Majumder (Membership No. L/1102), Shri Ajay Kumar Ghosh (Membership No. L/5652) and Dr. Siddani Bhaskara Rao (Membership No. L/2091; not ordinarily resident in West Bengal). Hence, he added that no voting through ballot was required to be held.
- 3.6(R) **It was resolved by the General Body that Dr. D. Dutta Majumder (Membership No. L/1102), Shri Ajay Kumar**

Ghosh (Membership No. L/5652) and Dr. Siddani Bhaskara Rao (Membership No. L/2091; not ordinarily resident in West Bengal), be declared elected as three representatives of the members of the Institute to the Council for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2012.

- 3.7(a) 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 2012 before the Council and he further informed that, based on his report, the Council in its meeting held on 2nd September, 2012, appointed the following persons as the Professors-in-Charge of the respective Scientific Divisions to the Council, as mentioned below against each for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2012 :

Sl. No.	Name of the elected candidate with Roll No.	Name of the Scientific Division
1.	Prof. T.S.S.R.K. Rao Roll No. 8421	Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics
2.	Prof. Mausumi Bose Roll No. 8847	Applied Statistics
3.	Prof. Subrata Kr. Roy Roll No. 8592	Biological Sciences
4.	Prof. Prabal Roy Chowdhury Roll No. 9270	Social Sciences
5.	Prof. Saswati Bandyopadhyay Roll No. 8555	Physics and Earth Sciences
6.	Prof. C.A. Murthy Roll No. 8732	Computer and Communication Sciences
7.	Dr. Ashis Kr. Chakraborty Roll No. 8327	Head of SQC & OR Division

- 3.7(b) The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer informed the members that, the Council in its meeting held on 2nd September, 2012, also appointed Prof. Pradipta Bandyopadhyay (Roll No. 9095) as the Dean of Studies to the Council for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2012.

- 3.8 He further informed the members that based on the election report the Council in its meeting held on 2nd September, 2012, elected the names of Shri Rajat Kanti Chatterjee (Roll No. 8632) and Shri Gouri Sankar Acharya (Roll No. 8694) as the representatives of Scientific and Non-Scientific Workers of the Institute respectively to the Council for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2012.

- 3.9 The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer informed the members that only two nominations for Applied Statistics Division and one nomination for Biological Sciences Division were received out of Seven Divisions for election of the members of the Academic Council as below :

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| 1. Applied Statistics | 1. Amita Pal
[Roll No. 8862]
2. Kishan Chand Gupta
[Roll No. 9355] |
| 2. Biological Sciences | 1. Saurabh Ghosh
[Roll No. 9256] |

Thus, there being only two contesting candidates for Applied Statistics Division and one contesting candidate for Biological Sciences Division for election of two representatives for each of Division to the Academic Council as its members as given above, there was no necessity of voting. Hence, no voting was held for those Two Divisions.

3.10 However, in respect of Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics Division, Social Sciences Division, Physics & Earth sciences Division, Computer & Communication Sciences Division and Statistical Quality Control & Operations Research Division, the Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer informed that no nomination was filed. Since no nomination was received for these Divisions, members of the Council after thorough deliberation over the issue finally decided to nominate the rest of the members of the Academic Council for these Divisions in the following manner :

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| 1. Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics | 1. Jishnu Gupta Biswas
[Roll No.9230]
2. Amites Dasgupta
[Roll No.9218] |
| 2. Social Sciences | 1. Prasanta Pathak
[Roll No.9182]
2. Tridip Roy
[Roll No.9282] |
| 3. Computer and Communication Sciences | 1. Pradipta Maji
[Roll No.9285]
2. Mandar Mitra
[Roll No.9150] |
| 4. Biological Sciences | 1. Pabitra Banik
[Roll No.9133] |
| 5. Physics & Earth Sciences | 1. Partha Sarathi Ghosh
[Roll No.9158]
2. Preeti Parashar
[Roll No.9252] |
| 6. SQC & OR | 1. Sugata Adhikari
[Roll No.8253]
2. Somnath Ray
[Roll No.8373] |

3.11 The Dy. Chief Executive (Admn.) and Election Officer further informed that the Council finally selected the following persons in its meeting held on 2nd September, 2012 as the representatives of their respective divisions to the Academic Council, for a two year term commencing from 18th September, 2012 :

Sl. No.	Name of the Division	Name of Candidate [with Roll No.]	Category
1.	Theoretical Statistics & Mathematics	1. Jishnu Gupta Biswas [Roll No.9230]	Associate Professor
		2. Amites Dasgupta [Roll No.9218]	Associate Professor
2.	Applied Statistics	1. Amita Pal [Roll No. 8862]	Associate Professor
		2. Kishan Chand Gupta [Roll No. 9355]	Assistant Professor
3.	Social Sciences	1. Prasanta Pathak [Roll No.9182]	Associate Professor
		2. Tridip Roy [Roll No.9282]	Associate Professor
4.	Biological Sciences	2. Saurabh Ghosh [Roll No. 9256]	Associate Professor
		3. Pabitra Banik [Roll No.9133]	Associate Professor
		1. Partha Sarathi Ghosh [Roll No.9158]	Associate Professor
5.	Physics & Earth Sciences	2. Preeti Parashar [Roll No.9252]	Associate Professor
		1. Pradipta Maji [Roll No.9285]	Associate Professor
6.	Computer and Communication Sciences	2. Mandar Mitra [Roll No.9150]	Associate Professor
		1. Sugata Adhikari [Roll No.8253]	Technical Officer Gr.I
7.	Statistical Quality Control & Operations Research	2. Somnath Ray [Roll No.8373]	Technical Officer Gr.II (Sr. Scale)

Agenda Item No. 4 **Miscellaneous (if any with permission of the Chair)**

- 4.(M.1) Prof. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay thanked Shri A.K. Biswas, Election Officer for completion of the whole Election process in time without any hitch.
- 4.(M.2) Shri Rabindra Narayan Das, citing the Degree courses in four subjects, proposed to explore the possibility for inclusion of an additional subject in the form of Biology and Genetics in the Institute. The Director clarified that Institute is already having Bio-Statistics and Bio-Informatics under the stream of Statistics and the area had already been taken care of.
- 4.(M.3) Dr. K.K. Basu pointed out about late receiving of the notice of the General Body Meeting and urged to despatch the notice well in advance. Shri T. Chatterjee also urged to send the notice a little early and also through e-mail. The Director requested the members to send their respective e-mail address to the Council Section in order to get notice in time. The Chief Executive (Admn. & Finance) clarified that the notice was sent to the members on 16th August, 2012 and in addition, notice was also sent by e-mail to atleast 50% of the members whose e-mail address as were available with the Council Section. He also added that the notice was also published in couple of leading news papers. Prof. R. J. Pandey suggested that in an additional column of the attendance sheet, the member could write their respective e-mail address.
- 4.(M.4) Shri Animesh Chattopadhyay stated that members of the General Body are only participating in the Annual General Meeting of the Institute and they are not being invited in the Convocation of the Institute. He also suggested to put a box for dropping letters of the General Body members in the main gate of the Institute at 203 B.T. Road, Kolkata – 700 108. The Director informed the members that he would provide the possibility to give the details of all the academic programmes so that members could go through the same and attend the events accordingly. He also added that the next Convocation of the Institute would be held on 9th January, 2013 in which Sir James Mirles, Noble Laureate, would deliver the Convocation address and invited the members to attend the same.
- 4.(M.5) On a quarry of Debashis Bhattacharjee, the Director informed the members that the matter relating to development of academic activities at Giridih Branch was placed before the Council based on the recommendations of a duly constituted committee. He stated that infrastructure facilities at Giridih is very little. Inspite of that, he added, an advertisement has already been published for recruitment of suitable faculty and further consideration are in progress.

4.(M.6) Prof. Shibdas Bandyopadhyay recalled the long and meaningful association with Prof. M.G.K. Menon and described him as a friendly President. He stated that Prof. Menon was a very open person to whom any body could go for his valuable suggestion and guidance. He also recalled the active interest Prof. Menon had taken since he became the President of the Institute 1990. He hoped that Prof. Menon would be available for consultation regarding the academic activities of the Institute and wished him a long and healthy life. Shri Animesh Chattopadhyay proposed to invite Prof. M.G.K. Menon as a Life time Guest while Prof. D. Dutta Majumer suggested to find out a suitable term to continue the association of Prof. Menon with the Institute. He described Prof. Menon as a friend, philosopher and guide and recalled his leadership in guiding the Institute. He also proposed to take a resolution on the same. The Director stated that such a proposal might be considered suitably within the framework of the Regulation of the Institute. He also recalled the fruitful association of Prof. Menon with the Institute as the President and the invaluable services rendered by him in the interest of the Institute through his vast knowledge and wisdom which spanned over more than two decades. He further informed the members that he had prepared a citation for Prof. Menon and read out the same. The house accepted the citation for taking the resolution and handing over the same to Prof. Menon.

4.(M.6.1)(R) **It was resolved that the following citation be accepted and presented the same to Prof. M.G.K. Menon :**

**“Our beloved outgoing President Professor M.G.K. Menon
Sir,**

22 years of colourful journey under your leadership will come to an end on 17th September, 2012. A great scientist like you were with us since September, 1990. Since then you have shared our ecstasy and pain. In joy and distress we have received your valuable advice in all critical situations.

Sir, you have scaled insurmountable height as a leader and I.S.I. has gone strength to strength under your able leadership.

Sir, you are associated not only with I.S.I but you are a policy maker of Indian scientific activities. We remember your enormous contribution in the development of science and technology in India during more than the last four decades.

To day we reiterate your great contribution and concern for the Institute and express our heartfelt gratitude.

We fervently hope that you will continue your work for mankind with sound health. We believe that it is not alienation, rather an adoring distance to get your brilliant presence in all occasions of this institute.”

In response, Prof. Menon conveyed his sincere gratitude to all the members and also the members who were not present in the meeting. He also thanked all the workers of the Institute. He recalled his long association with the Institute since September, 1990 as the longest serving President of the Institute for a period of 22 years. He shared his enjoyable experience throughout his tenure and stated that he had always kept a sense of pride to be part of this great Institution which has developed and grown extensively over the years and earned international / national recognition for its pioneering research activities. He hoped that he would continue to keep the association with the Institute by way of giving his advice and guidance whenever necessary.

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

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

Sd/- **M.G.K. Menon**
(President)