

Minutes of the XV Annual General Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> December, 1964, during the Indian Science Congress (Fifty-First & Fifty-Second Session) at Calcutta on 9<sup>th</sup> February, 1963 at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi.

The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Indian Phytopathological Society was held on the 9<sup>th</sup> February, 1963, in the Division of Mycology and Plant Pathology, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi with Dr. P. R. Mehta, President of the Society, in the chair. This was a departure from the usual practice of holding the meeting along with the Indian Science Congress session, since the latter was postponed due to national emergency.

The meeting was attended by 71 members and 11 visitors.

The minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Secretary - Treasurer then presented his report for the year 1962 and it was unanimously adopted.

126 ballot papers were opened and the following members were declared elected to the Council of the Society for the year 1963.

- President : Professor T. S. Sadashige
- Vice-President : Dr. G. S. Verma
- Concillors :-
  - Northern Zone - Mr. L. M. Joshi
  - Mid-Eastern Zone - Dr. Kishan Singh
  - Eastern Zone - Dr. T. Ghosh
  - Central Zone - Dr. V. P. Shinde
  - Western Zone - Mr. H. C. Joshi

The following resolutions were considered and duly passed: -

- In view of the increased cost of publication and consequent - to the issue of four numbers of the journal 'Indian Phyto-pathology' per Volume per year with increased pagination, the membership fees for ordinary members in India and abroad as well as the Institution subscriptions be consequently raised as follows: -

India ordinary Membership Fee: B. 15/- w.e.f. 1-1-1963  
 Admission Fee: B. 10/- " "  
 Life Membership fee: B. 180/- " 9-2-63  
 Subscriptions from libraries and Institutions: B. 30/- " 1-1-1963

Foreign Ordinary membership fee: \$ 5.00 } w.e.f. 1-1-1963  
 or £ 1-10-0 }  
 Life membership fee: \$ 60.00 } " " "  
 or £ 18-00 }  
 Subscriptions from libraries & Institutions: \$ 6.50 } " " "  
 or £ 2-10-0 }

Further, for members in India, admission into the life membership be restricted to a maximum of five every year strictly on priority of receipt of notification with immediate effect.

- A special category of honorary members be created for <sup>eminence</sup> ~~recognition~~ in the field of phyto-pathology and allied sciences. The total number of this category shall not exceed 10 at any one time and not more than 3 be elected as honorary members in any one year. This year as an interim arrangement, it is proposed to elect three honorary fellows. Accordingly three names will be suggested by the Council to the President of the Society for approval.

- A sub-committee consisting of the following be appointed to examine the existing Constitution of the Society and suggest suitable amendments. The suggestions may be put up in the next Annual

General Body Meeting for Consideration.

- Prof. T.S. Sadasivam                      Convener
- Dr. P.R. Mehta                              Member
- Dr. B.L. Chou                                "
- Dr. R. Prasad                                "
- Dr. S.P. Raychandhuri                    "
- Dr. D. Suryanarayana                    "

4. In view of the increased work in the office including editorial responsibilities, dispatch etc, the small honorarium of Rs. 55/- may be raised to Rs. 100/- per month to be distributed between these persons who are attending to the office work.
5. An almanac costing Rs. 250/- may be purchased.

The Presidential address was delivered by Dr. P.R. Mehta which was followed by lunch break and session on "Role of Therapeutic Treatments for Controlling Plant Diseases" in which 15 papers were presented. Later, the First "Mudhar Memorial Lecture" was delivered by Prof. J.F. Doster. The afternoon session was presided by Dr. B.L. Chou, Head of the Division of Mycology and Plant Pathology, I.A.R.I., while the evening session was presided by Dr. S.P. Pal, Director, I.A.R.I.

The Meeting terminated after paying vote of thanks to the retiring office bearers of the Society, to the Head of the Division of Mycology and Plant Pathology and also the Director, I.A.R.I., for providing all facilities to hold the Annual General Meeting of the Society at the Mycology Division, I.A.R.I., and also to the President of the Society.

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