

**Proceedings of CEC meeting of the Society for Advancement of Wheat and Barley
Research (SAWBAR) at ICAR-IIWBR Karnal on Jan. 27, 2017**

A meeting of the CEC of the Society for Advancement of Wheat and Barley Research was convened on Jan 27, 2017 at 4.00PM in Farmers training Hall, IIWBR, Karnal to discuss various issues like change in the name of journal, distribution of print copies to the members, finalization of the Advisory Board and Consulting Editors Overseas, constitution of Dr S Nagarajan Memorial Award, time schedule for distribution of awards, holding brain storming session or lectures by eminent scientists, membership and advertisement drive. The meeting was chaired by Dr R K Gupta, President of the society. The meeting was attended by the following office bearer of the Society:

1. Dr R K Gupta, President
2. Dr G P Singh, Vice President
3. Dr S C Bhardwaj, Vice President
4. Dr. (Mrs.) Sindhu Sareen, General Secretary
5. Dr Anil Khippal, Joint Secretary
6. Dr. Pradeep Sharma, Editor- in -chief
7. Dr.Poonam Jasrotia, Treasurer
8. Dr Sonia Sheoran, Joint Treasurer
9. Dr Sai Prasad, Councillor CZ
10. Dr D P Walia, Councillor NHZ
11. Dr Sivasamy, Councillor PZ and SHZ
12. Dr Satish, Section Editor (CI)
13. Dr Chunni Lal, Section Editor (CI)
14. Dr R S Chhokar, Section Editor (RM)
15. Dr Dinesh, Section Editor (Quality & Basic Sciences)
16. Dr R Sendhil, Section Editor (SS)
17. Dr Venkatesh, (Abstracting and Indexing of JWR)

After detailed deliberations the following recommendations/actions emerged.

1. Regarding change in the name of the journal from JWR to WBR, it emerged that with the change in the name, the current NAAS rating of the journal will be lost and therefore, it was decided that the journal name will not be changed. However, JWR will continue to publish articles on both wheat and barley.
2. From the next issue onwards, only soft copy of the journal will be provided to all the members and minimum number of copies will be printed to save expenditure (**Action:** General Secretary, Editor-in Chief).
3. The suggestions for change in Advisory board and Consulting Editors Overseas were called some time back. However, some of the CEC members did not respond to it. It was decided to go ahead with the suggestions received and include the names who gave their consent to be listed as Advisory board and Consulting Editors Overseas (**Action:** General Secretary, Editor-in Chief).
4. Dr G P Singh, Director, ICAR-IIWBR and vice-president of the society had suggested constituting Dr S. Nagarajan Memorial Award under Society for Advancement of Wheat and Barley Research (SAWBAR) with the support of staff of the institute. All the scientific staff of ICAR-IIWBR will contribute minimum of Rs 2000 for the award whereas technical, administration and supporting staff will also contribute as per their wish. CEC agreed to constitute this award. It was also suggested to get contribution of Rs 1 lakh from Wheat Research and Technology Fund (WRTF) for the award money. A

letter from President of the society has to be written to WRTF for the same (**Action:** General Secretary).

5. Of the three awards, Prof. Mahatim Singh Memorial Award, which is given to the scientists below the age of 45 years, will be given every year. The other two awards will be given in alternate years. Awards should be announced well in time so that more applicants can apply. (**Action:** General Secretary)
6. The society will organize lecture by Eminent Scientist on the foundation day (9th February) of ICAR- Indian Institute of Wheat and Barley Research. Efforts should be made to hold brain storming/ seminar under the aegis of the society (**Action:** General Secretary and all CEC members).
7. The issue of membership drive was also discussed and it was decided that zonal councillors should motivate their colleagues to register as members of the SAWBAR as well as contribute quality article in the JWR (**Action:** Zonal Councillors).
8. For Indexing and abstracting of JWR, certain information like APC, plagiarism, publication ethics and malpractices has to be uploaded on journal site. It was decided to go ahead for uploading information. (**Action:** General Secretary, Drs Venkatesh and Sendhil).
9. It was also decided that obituary of Dr S Nagarajan, Former Project Director DWR and Director IARI, who passed away on December 25, 2016, should be included in the next issue of JWR (**Action:** Editor-in Chief).

The proceeding is issued with the approval of President.


(General Secretary)