Proceedings of Central Executive Committee (CEC) Meeting SAWBAR

January 25, 2021 President : Dr. GP Singh
3.00-04.00PM General Secretary : Dr. Poonam Jasrotia
Joint Secretary : Dr. CN Mishra

The following members of the CEC participated in the meeting through virtual/physical mode:

- 1. Dr G.P.Singh, President
- 2. Dr Gyanendra Singh, Vice President
- 3. Dr SV Sai Prasad, Vice President
- 4. Dr Poonam Jasrotia, General Secretary
- 5. Dr CN Mishra, Joint Secretary
- 6. Dr R Sendhil, Treasurer
- 7. Dr K Gopalareddy, Joint Treasurer
- 8. Dr Satish Kumar, Editor in Chief
- 9. Dr Harikrishna, Councilor-NWPZ
- 10. Dr Sunita Mahapatra, Councilor-NEPZ
- 11. Dr Vikas VK, Councilor-PZ
- 12. Dr. Shabir Wani-NHZ

At the outset, General Secretary of the SAWBAR (Society for Advancement of Wheat and Barley Research), Karnal welcome all the office bearers of the society and she briefly described the agenda items of the meeting:

- 1. *Status of the Special Issue on Abiotic Stress*: She informed the house that that the special issue on abiotic stress of Journal of Cereal research has been published and circulated.
- 2. **Finalization of the date and the name of the speaker for the online seminar series:** Dr SV Sai Prasad, Vice President, SAWBAR proposed to hold one international webinar in at IARI-RS Indore with collaboration with SAWBAR in the month of March. The proposal is under consideration and General Secretary will intimate Dr. Sai Prasad regarding the final decision.
- 3. *Review the status of manuscript submission for the April issue of JCR:* Editor in chief, Dr. Satish Kumar informed that there are 15 research articles already in process for the next issue. However, review article for the issue is awaited.
- 4. *Finalization of new vendor for printing and page setting proposal of JCR for period 2021- 2022:* The editor in chief informed that for publication of JCR, the quotations have been received and reviewed for page formatting and printing of journal and the new vendor will be finalized after checking comparative rates quoted by vendors.
- 5. *Discussion on Call for Special issue of JCR:* Various topics for Special issue of JCR that can be included in the call were discussed and time frame for publication of these issues was discussed.
- 6. *Discussion on initiating Membership drive of SAWBAR:* The president of the society, asked all the office bearers of the society to go for massive drive to increase the membership of the society with a target of 10 members for each office bearer in next two

months. He also asked Dr Sendhil (Treasurer, SAWBAR) to propose team for managing the social accounts of the society. He also asked to provide viewing rights to the associate editors.

Dr Gyanendra Singh, Vice President, SAWBAR proposed to publish the SAWBAR year book and merge the WRTF (Wheat Research Technology Fund) with the SAWBAR which was agreed by the EC. The formalities of the merger of the WRTF and SAWBAR were approved in principle by the Executive Council and General Secretary; SAWBAR will send a formal proposal to Secretary WRTF to implement the decision of the EC.

President SAWBAR in his final remarks commented that there is an urgent need to further uplift the face of JCR. He also appreciated that it would be good development to merge the WRTF and SAWBAR. He also asked Zonal councilors to propose special issues for the journal with their own team. He further proposed that announcement of SAWBAR awards should be called sooner than the month of May and it should be widely publicized from all platforms and should not be restricted to wheat workers only. It was also decided that to adopt the proforma of NAAS for SAWBAR awards and fellowship. He also desired to conduct CEC meetings every month.

At the end of meeting Dr. CN Mishra, Joint Secretary, SAWBAR presented the formal vote of thanks.

Poonam Jasrotia

(General Secretary, SAWBAR)

G.P. Singh

(President, SAWBAR)

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