

Proceedings of the General Body meeting of ARSSF

Date 25th November 2018, Time: 2.30 PM

Venue: Conference Hall, CIWA Bhubaneswar

Dr IM Mishra, President welcomed all the members of ARSSF and highlighted the efforts put by present CEC on various issues like Restructuring ASRB, Cadre Review, 7th CPC Implementation, Advanced Increments for higher qualification, five days week, CAS Ceiling etc. He further stated that the FORUM is working for larger interests of scientific community of ICAR and will undertake all measures for improve the working environment of scientific community and enhance the scientific output at ICAR.

Dr. S. Manivannan, General Secretary presented the various activities of ARSSF since the present CEC assumed the charge. He highlighted that the efforts for activating the Units of ARSSF at Institute level will continue till each institute of ICAR has its own unit. He further stated that the unity among the members of FORUM across the country was proved on March first protest. The audited account statements from April 2013 to March 2018 was presented and approved by General Body.

The following issues were discussed and resolved for implementation.

1. The GB resolved to Implementation of five days week in ICAR Institutes and the GB authorized CEC to take all actions as per need. If required, the GB authorized CEC to approach court of law to implement five working days in a week at ICAR institutes.
2. It was decided to take all steps to remove anomalies in implementation of 7th CPC including allowances, Phd Increment, Bunching, News Paper Allowances etc.
3. All efforts should be taken for functioning of ASRB at the earliest.
4. Necessary action should be taken to complete the revised cadre of scientists at the earliest.
5. It was decided to reform the career advancement scheme (CAS) based on Assigned duties and restoration of marks for remote areas up to the Principal Scientist.
6. It was decided to initiate the action on modification of minimum eligibility for RMP as five years PS at ICAR prior to the position to be applied.
7. It was agreed to represent the authority to follow uniformity in administrative procedures across the ICAR Institutes.
8. Necessary efforts should be made to issue the uniform ID card for scientists across the ICAR institutes with the signature of suitable authority.

9. CEC should make all efforts for changing ICAR Society status to like other research organizations.
10. It was agreed to pursue the proposal on placement of 10 % of the existing PS in next higher grade.
11. GB resolved to Inclusion of regional centres and mutual transfer case options in online transfer portal.
12. It was agreed to take up the issues on CGHS Medical facilities and cashless medical scheme for all scientists.
13. GB agreed to the proposal on Enhancement in age of superannuation from 62 to 65 for scientists of ICAR.
14. GB approved to demand the Telephone and Internet allowances for scientists.
15. Necessary action should be taken to reimburse the cost publication of articles in reputed journals for the scientists.
16. It was decided to request ICAR to identify one of the ADG for look after the scientists' relevant issues.
17. It was also decided to request ICAR to create the NEH & Island cell at ICAR HQ to resolve the issues of institutes located in NEH and Islands.
18. It was agreed to demand Uniform designation as joint director for all regional centres and names to be as Regional Centre.
19. GB resolved to strict adherence of maintaining ARS cadre separately without including Programme Coordinators, SMS, and Technical etc.
20. GB approved the extension of tenure of present CEC up to June 2019.
21. ARSSF CEC election will be announced during June 2019.
22. GB approved to increase the Life Member fee to Rs. 2000/- (Including admission fee) with effect from 01.01.2020.

At the end Dr Matla Juliet, Vice President (West) proposed Vote of thanks.



(S. Manivannan)
General Secretary