

# Minutes of meeting Indian Epilepsy Society Annual General Body Meeting 2017

## 18<sup>th</sup> Joint Annual Conference of Indian Epilepsy Society (IES) & Indian Epilepsy Association (IEA)-ECON 2017

**Venue- : Hotel Maurya, Patna**  
**Date : 18/02/2017**  
**Time : 1700Hrs-1800Hrs**

### ❖ IES/2017/AGM/01 Welcome address by the President

Dr. V.V. Nadkarni President IES welcomed all the members present. Since the quorum was not complete, the meeting was adjourned for 30 minutes.

The meeting was reconvened and the president requested Secretary-General, Indian Epilepsy Society, Dr. Man Mohan Mehndiratta to initiate the proceedings of the meeting.

### ❖ IES/2017/ AGM /02 : Following members attended the meeting

Drs. Vrushali V. Nadkarni, Satish Jain, Man Mohan Mehndiratta, Sanjeev V. Thomas, Manjari Tripathi, Pravina Shah, Satish Jain, K. P. Vinayan, Bindu Menon, R. V. Narayana, Sangeeta Ravat, Manas Panigrahi, J.B. Agadi, G.T. Subhas, Butchi Raju, B. Nataraju, B. Rajendran, P. Saratchandra, K. Radhakrishnan, K. Bhanu, Sandeep Kaushal and Nalin Chowdhary,

### Intimation from Members

P. Satishchandra could not attend the meeting

### ❖ IES/2017/ AGM / 03 Approval of the minutes of the last AGM Meeting

The minutes of meeting of Indian Epilepsy Society AGM held at Visakhapatnam were published in Epilepsy India News Letter and these were also uploaded on EI website. There were no observations received and minutes were approved, proposed by Dr. Sangeeta Ravat and seconded by Dr. Sarat Chandra

### ❖ IES/2017/AGM /04 Report of the Secretary General

Dr. Man Mohan Mehndiratta presented Secretary-General Report highlighting IES Activities-

- ❖ **ILAE Management Committee:** The Indian Epilepsy Society (IES affiliates to ILAE) unanimously nominated the name of Dr. Man Mohan Mehndiratta, Secretary General IES for the post of ILAE Management Committee and a letter of request was sent to all ILAE chapters to support Indian Candidate but he could not make it.

The election of the ILAE Management Committee for the 2017-2021 terms concluded on the 9th November 2016 and *Helen Cross, Ed Bertram and Alla Guekht* were elected. Out of the 114 Chapters, 89 voted, 19 abstained while a further

6 were ineligible owing to non-payment of dues.

❖ **Ambassador Award:** The IES nominee Dr. P Satishchandra has been selected Ambassador for Epilepsy Award 2017 from Indian Epilepsy Society. The recipient will be invited to attend the 32<sup>nd</sup> International Epilepsy Congress, Barcelona 2017 from 2<sup>nd</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2017.

❖ **Epilepsy School 2016:** This time Indian Epilepsy School 2016 was jointly organized under the aegis of Indian Academy of Neurology and Indian Epilepsy Society held at Dayanand Medical College & Hospital Ludhiana, Punjab (India) from 25-17 November, 2016. This Epilepsy School was organized by Department of Neurology and Pharmacology, DMC.

This Epilepsy school had a unique CME for the Neurology students and young practitioners who had an interest in Epilepsy. More than 250 delegates participated and actively contributed to the program and its success. This Epilepsy school went on for 3 days with covering all the recent advances in the field of Epilepsy.

The course content includes basic of pharmacology, conventional and New AEDs, newer surgical techniques, HLA testing with carbamazepine, genetics as new method to investigate Epilepsy, Paediatric Epilepsy, quizzes on pharmacotherapy, EEGs and many more topics were covered. There was an extensive cover of the most important topics and current practice in EEG and epilepsy. The main theme of the program was Pharmacotherapy.

Dr. Rajinder K Bansal and Sandeep Kausal were the organizing secretary and Dr. Gagandeep Singh was chairman.

- IES Epilepsy school 2018 will be organized by Dr. Sanjeev V. Thomas.

❖ **Leadership Awards to Dr. Bindu Menon:** Dr. Bindu Menon and Sita Jayalakshmi were nominated for International League against Epilepsy (ILAE) young Leadership Development Award from Indian Epilepsy Society. If selected:

**Awardees will be provided:**

- Admission to the 32<sup>nd</sup> International Epilepsy Congress (IEC) in Barcelona, from September 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> 2017
- Admission to the invitation only leadership face to face development training course September 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017
- Lunch with ILAE President and executive leaders
- Brief afternoon social with leadership alumni; and
- Certificate of completion.

❖ **IES-Phenobarbitone Consensus Document:** We have already published IES-Phenobarbitone Consensus Document which was peer reviewed and highly appreciated by Dr. Prof Martin J Brodie, Glasgow, U.K, Dr.(Prof) Patrick Kwan-Melbourne, Australia, Dr. (Prof.) U.K.Misra, Dr. (Prof.) Abraham Kuruvilla and Dr. (Prof) Gagandeep Singh. The synopsis of this Consensus document has been published in International Journal of Epilepsy(IJEP) Volume 2, issue 2, 2015

## ❖ **Indian Epilepsy Society- Valproic Acid: Indian Consensus**

**Document:** The document was sent for peer review to 3 International experts and 3 national experts. i.e. Professor Emilio Perucca-Italy, Prof. Lim Shih Hui –Singapore, Prof. K.P. Vinayan –India, Prof. Sangeeta Ravat-India . This consensus document was released on occasion of 17th Annual Conference of Indian Epilepsy Association and Indian Epilepsy Society, ECON 2016 at Visakhapatnam. The synopsis of this Consensus document has been published in International Journal of Epilepsy (IJE) Volume 3, issue 1, 2016

### **Sad Demise of:**

❖ **Prof. Noshir H.Wadia:** It is with great sadness we write the obituary of **Prof. Noshir H. Wadia**, who passed away on Sunday, the **10th of April 2016, at the age of 91**. Prof. Wadia was universally regarded as the founder of contemporary Indian Neurology. The Government of India conferred the Padma Bhushan on him in 2012.

### ❖ **Dieter Janz**

On December 25, 2016, the international epileptological community has lost one of our iconic figures when Prof. Dieter Janz, Berlin, passed away, 96 years old.

### ❖ **Uwe Heinemann (2016) August 31, 2016**

One minute silence was observed in the meeting and *May their soul rest in peace.*

The SG report was accepted proposed by Dr. Butchi Raju and seconded by Dr. Gagandeep Singh

### ❖ IES/2017/AGM /05 **Report of the Treasure**

Dr. Manjari Tripathi, Treasurer IES presented treasurer report. The total membership of IES Stands at 502 including 33 new members. IES have collected amount 66,000 (Sixty six thousand only) Life membership fee as on 31-12-2016.

Fixed Deposit (Including accrued Interest There on) with Bank 37, 64, 248 (Thirty seven lakh Sixty-four thousand two hundred forty-eight only) as on 31-12-2016, total Income 13, 09,506.40 (Thirteen lakh nine thousand five hundred six and forty rupees only) as on 31-12-2016. An amount of 13,52,166.92 (Thirteen lakh fifty-two thousand one hundred sixty-six and ninety-two rupees) as total assets in the IES as on 31.12.2016. It was also discussed to encourage students for becoming IES member. The report was accepted, proposed by Dr. Satish Jain and seconded by Dr. B.Rajendran

### ❖ IES/2017/AGM /06 **EEG workshop 2018**

EEG workshop 2018 will be held at Varanasi and the host shall be Dr. Deepika Joshi, V.N.Mishra and Abhishekh Pathak.

### ❖ IES/2017/AGM 07 **Report on International Journal of Epilepsy (IJE)**

International Journal of Epilepsy (IJEP) Volume 3, issue no. 2, 2016 has been published and is indexed in scopus and is available on science direct. Further for smoothly functioning it has been shifted from EES to Evise new online system of Elsevier. . This System permits us to submit the articles in easy way and is quite user friendly. It was discussed and decided in IES EC that Dr. Manjari Tripathi and Dr.K.P.Vinayan shall be IJEP Co- Editors having all responsibilities for Journal to make it of high standard.

It was also discussed that Elsevier shall not be position to be as Publisher for IJEP and Dr. Sanjeev V.Thomas and many more suggested name of few publishers in the view of quality and standard and timely publication of the Journal.

The Proposal for enhancement of Editorial Assistant fee of Rs 30,000/ was placed before EC and keeping in mind, increasing editorial works flow it was agreed upon to enhance this to 25,000/- per month and approved by EC.

❖ **IES/2017/AGM 08 Editor Report**

Dr. B.Rajendran and Dr. Vinayan presented Editor Reports as follows:

After the last EC meeting at Patna in June 2016, two issues of Epilepsy India were published. The July – September issue contained a special report on the Asia – Oceania Epilepsy Congress at Hong Kong. A debate on the clinical utility of Newer AEDs was initiated in the issue. The first article in this series was contributed by Dr. HV Srinivas. Minutes of the last EC / GC meeting and the notification of the elections and the nomination forms were distributed along with this issue.

The October- December issue contained a write up on digital support in epilepsy care by Prof. Lakshmi Narasimhan. Dr. Sita Jayalakshmi contributed the second article on the clinical utility of Newer AEDs. The Agenda for the forthcoming EC/GC/GB meetings at Patna were published along with this.

The Jan –March, 2016 issue is going to print at the time of this report.

The approximate expenses of bringing out one issue of Epilepsy India is around 1, 00, 000/-. The editorial office acknowledges the financial support of 1 lakh from the central IEA in this financial year. In addition, EI got another 1 lakh from sponsorship in 2016. The accounts of the EI for the financial year 2015-16 were presented in the last EC meeting in June 2016 at Patna and were amalgamated in the audited accounts of IEA. Editors request the IEA and IES for continuing the financial support for the timely publication of the news letter.

Editors would like to thank the central offices of both IEA and IES for all the help and support during the last four years. The report was accepted and appreciated proposed by Dr. Bindu Menon and seconded by Dr. Sanjeev V. Thomas.

\*\*Dr. Rajendran presented his unwillingness not to continue as Editor EI. Drs. Bindu Menon, Sita Jayalakshmi and Chanda Kulkarni was given the responsibility of EI News letter. \*\*

❖ **IES/2017/AGM 09 Website Report**

Dr. Bindu Menon, Webmaster presented website report. Her work was appreciated as she has done good work in timely uploading the information on website and has been very responsive in confirmation etc. The report was accepted, proposed by.....

Drs. R.V.Narayana and Jayachandran was given the responsibilities of EI website to maintain it with comprehensive information etc.

❖ IES/2017/AGM /10 **IES teaching activities-**

- EEG workshop 2018 will be held at Varanasi and the host shall be Dr. Deepika Joshi, V.N.Mishra and Abhishekh Pathak.
- IES Epilepsy School will be held in 2018 and it will be organized by Dr. Sanjeev Thomas.

❖ IES/2017/AGM /11 **Any other item with the permission of the Chair**

Indian Epilepsy Society has now 504 Life members. We have enrolled 43 new life members this year after the GBM which was held in at Hotel Novotel, Visakhapatnam ECON 2016.It was also discussed to enroll more and more students for IES Membership requesting HODs etc.

❖ IES/2017/AGM /12 **Vote of thanks to the Host**

The Organizers were thanked for facilitating the executive committee mid-term meeting. Members thanked the chair Dr. V.V. Nadkarni for chairing this meeting.

**Man Mohan Mehndiratta**  
Secretary-General  
Indian Epilepsy Society (IES)