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**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL BODY MEETING OF INDIAN SOCIETY OF
AEROSPACE MEDICINE HELD AT IAM, IAF BANGALORE ON 10 AUG
2013**

1. The General Body Meeting (GBM) of the Indian Society of Aerospace Medicine (ISAM) was held at IAM, IAF Bangalore on 10 Aug 13 at 1500hrs. President ISAM chaired the meeting. The following were present:-

Air Mshl AK Behl AVSM	President ISAM
AVM B Keshav Rao AVSM	Executive Committee
Member	
Air Cmde P Kharbanda VSM	Executive Committee
Member	
Air Cmde S Chowdhary	Executive Committee
Member	
Gp Capt A Agarwal	Executive Committee
Member	
Gp Capt Jasvir Singh	Executive Committee
Member	
Lt Col VJ George	Executive Committee
Member	
Dr Rangaraj	Rep of Air India
Dr (Mrs) RL Pujahari	Rep of Jet Airways
About 100 Members of ISAM	
Gp Capt S Bhargava	Secretary ISAM

	<u>INTRODUCTION</u>		
1.	The chairman welcomed all the members present. He then directed the Secy to proceed with the agenda.		
2.	The Secretary read out the proceedings of previous GBM held in Nov 2012 at IAM and discussed the progress on old points		
	Item	Action Addressee	Remarks
	<u>ITEM – I PROGRESS/ REVIEW OF OLD POINTS</u>		
3.	<u>Air Mshl PM Sundaram Memorial Travelling Fellowship-</u> Gp Capt D Gaur, the travelling fellow for 2012 – 13 visited SGRR Institute of Medical& Health Sciences, Dehradun and JN Medical College, AMU, Aligarh. Gp Capt K K Tripathi, the travelling Fellow for 2012 – 13 visited JIPMER, Pondicherry. They gave presentations to final year MBBS students which were well received and presented copies of TMS and IJASM	Secy ISAM	All
4.	<u>Decision.</u> Chairman directed that the Travelling Fellow should visit a minimum of 2 medical colleges. Point Closed		
5.	<u>Bid for ICASM 2014 or beyond.</u> DGMS (Air) had presented the bid for ICASM at ASMA Chicago. The Academy has	Secy ISAM	

	approved the conduct of IACSM in Delhi in Nov 2016.		
6.	<u>Decision.</u> Point closed	Secy ISAM	All mem
7.	<u>Publication of Technical Mini Series in 2012.</u> A TMS on “Aeromedical Guidelines for the Air Traveller” was released by the CAS on 09 Aug 13.	Secy ISAM	All mem
8.	<u>Decision.</u> Chairman directed that these mini series should also be distributed to commercial airlines too. On similar lines a brochure also needs to be prepared for the airline & airport.		
9.	<u>Award of Fellow Certificate:</u> Gp Capt N Taneja was elected as Fellow of the society in the GBM last year was handed over the certificate by the President.	Secy ISAM	All mem
10.	<u>Award of Associate Fellow certificate:</u> Gp Capt Jasvir Singh & Wg Cdr Piush Renjhen were elected as Associated Fellows of the society in the GBM last year were handed over the certificate by the President.	Secy ISAM	All mem
11.	<u>Life members of ISAM</u> Surg Vice Admiral KM Suryanarayana VSM (Retd) Gp Capt Jasvir Singh Dr. Praveen MG Dr. Polash Sannigrahi Dr. Avinash B K Dr. Vasudev B N were presented life member certificates from the Organizing Secretary	Secy ISAM	All mem
12.	<u>Corporate Member.</u> Environmental Tectonics Corporation (ETC) was declared corporate member	Secy ISAM	All mem
13.	<u>Decision.</u> Point Closed		
14.	<u>Symposium for Civil Airline Doctors.</u> The secretary informed the house that two symposia had been conducted for Civil Airline Doctors in Dec 2012 and Apr 2013. He also informed the house that a workshop for cabin crew will be organised on the last day of the conference.	Secy ISAM	All mem
15.	<u>Decision.</u> Point Closed		
16.	<u>Sponsoring ISAM delegates to attend ICASM.</u> Gp Capt K K Tripathi and Maj Binu Sekhar have been selected as ISAM delegates to attend ICASM 2013 at Jerusalem Israel.		
17.	<u>Decision.</u> Point Closed		
	<u>ITEM – II FRESH POINTS</u>		
18.	<u>Publication of TMS in 2014</u> Exective Committee has recommended the following topics:- (a) Space Medicine (b) Human Performance Enhancement	Comdt IAM	Secy

19	<u>Decision.</u> After a discussion a vote of the house was taken and TMS on “Human Performance Enhancement” was selected as the topic for the next TMS.	Secy ISAM	E IJ
20.	<u>Date and Venue of 54th ISAM Conference</u> The venue was decided as Bangalore and dates First Choice: 22 – 24 Aug 2014 Second Choice: 29 – 31 Aug 2014		
21.	<u>Decision.</u> The first Choice was approved by the house subject to the approval of CAS.	Secy ISAM	All mem
22.	<u>Selection of Air Mshl PM Sundaram Travelling Fellowship.</u> The ECM recommended the following two for ratification by the GBM for the Air Mshl PM Sundaram Travelling Fellowship this year:- (i) Gp Capt V V Joshi (ii) Gp Capt Vipin Sharma		
23.	<u>Decision.</u> GBM approved the above two names for the Air Mshl PM Sundaram Travelling Fellowship.	Secy ISAM	me
24.	<u>Selection of Fellow.</u> The ECM has recommended Gp Capt VV Joshi as Fellow of the society.	Secy ISAM	
25.	<u>Decision.</u> GBM ratified the decision. Air Mshl (Rtd.) Kulkarni proposed and Wg Cdr Mohalanobish seconded.	Secy ISAM	
26.	<u>Application for Associate Fellowship.</u> The secretary informed that following four applications were received for the award of Associate Fellowship and the applications are in order and meet the criteria. The same have been considered by the ECM and recommended. (a) Lt Col Amit Khurana, Cl. Spl. Av. Med. Dte Army Avn (b) Wg Cdr N K Tripathi, O I/C HE, IAM, IAF (c) Lt Col S Venkatesh, O I/C HAP & Hyperbaric Medicine, IAM, IAF (d) Lt Col R R Kochar, HOD HAP, IAM, IAF.		
27.	<u>Decision.</u> GBM ratified the decision. Wg Cdr (Rtd.) Mohalanobish proposed and Air Cmde M V Singh seconded.	Secy ISAM	All mem
28.	23. <u>Applications for Life Membership.</u> The following applications were received. All were considered eligible on scrutiny and recommended by ECM as Life Members of ISAM:- (a) AVM T Nagaraja, PMO, MC, IAF (b) Wg Cdr Akhilesh Goyal, MEC, IAM, IAF (c) Sqn Ldr Aseem Sharma, SMO, 272 SU (d) Sqn Ldr Basavaraja, MO, TACDE AF (e) Maj Binu Sekhar, Sqn MO, 666 Army Avn Sqn (f) Dr. Pranilkumar S Borde (g) Dr. George Mathew (h) Dr. Sushil Kumar Garg (j) Lt Col SS Roy, Resident IAM, IAF (k) Lt Col AK Gupta, Resident IAM, IAF (l) Lt Col RK Dewan, Resident IAM, IAF	Secy ISAM	

	(m) Sqn Ldr Renu Bhatt, Resident IAM, IAF (n) Sqn Ldr B Bhowmick, Resident IAM, IAF (o) Dr I Vijayvardhan, Resident IAM, IAF (p) Dr G Harshavardhan, Resident IAM, IAF		
29.	<u>Decision.</u> The names of all applicants were ratified by GBM.	Secy ISAM	
30.	<u>Audit Report for the FY 2012 – 13.</u> The secretary informed that M/s Luthra & Luthra Chartered Accountants had audited the accounts of the society. The financial state of ISAM is healthy. The following documents were presented for scrutiny and were recommended by ECM to be put up to GBM:- (a) Balance Sheet as on 31 Mar 13 (b) Income and expenditure statement for the FY 2012 – 13	Secy ISAM	
31.	<u>Decision.</u> Audit report recommended by ECM was ratified by the GBM. AVM (Rtd.) P Tyagi proposed and Air Cmde RK Ranyal VSM seconded.	Secy ISAM	
32.	<u>Award of President's Gold Medal for standing first in MD Aerospace Medicine.</u> The President's Gold Medal for the year 2013 was awarded to Dr. Sneha by the President ISAM.		
33.	<u>Election of Executive Committee Members:-</u> In order to maintain continuity in the ECM, the ECM itself recommended that:- (a) 02 members are elected to replace 02 who had ended their term with the ECM.	Secy ISAM	All
34.	<u>Decision.</u> Nominations, through a form were sought for those willing to be elected to the ECM and the following names were received by 1300hrs on 10 Aug 13:- (a) Gp Capt V V Joshi (b) Gp Capt R Ravi (c) Lt Col R Pipariya <u>Note :</u> 1. A secret ballot was conducted and on counting the ballots Gp Capt V V Joshi and Gp capt R Ravi were elected to the ECM.	Secy ISAM	me
35.	<u>Proposal for Vice President of the Society.</u> The President of ISAM proposed that a Vice President be elected for a term of three years so as to maintain continuity in the research and academic content of the society's efforts.	Secy ISAM	
36.	<u>Decision.</u> The members of the society requested that the society continues with the present structure and the house voted for no change in the system.	Secy ISAM	All mem

37. **Closing Remarks by the President.** Air Mshl AK Behl AVSM thanked all members of the Society for their whole-hearted participation and useful suggestions. He asked members to contribute to the Society and specialty by improving awareness of Aerospace Medicine, better articles for IJASM and papers for the conference. He requested the seniors that their

experience would be vital for keeping the research and academic fervor alive. The President informed the house that efforts are being made to start a DM Aerospace Medicine and the experience of the retired seniors will be sought to further raise the level of the specialty. He also brought out that there was a proposal of setting up a research establishment on “Metabolomics” as offered by the Airbus Industry as a part of the deal for medium transport aircraft.

There being no further points, the meeting came to an end at 1630 hrs.

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