



Indian Association of Preventive & Social Medicine (IAPSM)
Centre for Community Medicine (CCM)
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New Delhi – 110 029

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• **Minutes of the IAPSM Governing Council and the General Council Meetings**

All members of IAPSM are hereby notified these minutes through publication in this issue of IJCM. No hard copies will be sent by post. Members are requested to send their comments, if any, on these minutes by post or by email (preferred) to the Secretary General latest by 30 June, 2009. All valid comments will be considered for inclusion in the minutes. If no comments are received by 30 June, 2009, these minutes will be considered as final and approved: **Dr. Bir Singh, Secretary General, IAPSM**

The meeting of the Governing Council of IAPSM was held on 21 January, 2009 at 6.15 PM at Govt. Medical College, Aurangabad (Maharashtra) during the 36th Annual National Conference of Indian Association of PSM (IAPSM). The meeting of the General Council of IAPSM was held on 22 January, 2009 at the same venue at 6.15 PM.

➤ **IAPSM Governing Council Meeting on 21 January, 2009:**

The following members attended:

1. Dr. M.B. Soudarassanane (President) – Chaired the meeting.
2. Dr. V.K. Srivastava (Vice-President)
3. Dr. C.S. Pandav (Immediate Past-President)
4. Dr. Bir Singh (Secretary General)
5. Dr. Rajesh Kumar (*ex-officio* Member as Chief Editor, IJCM)
6. Dr. R.M. Tripathy (Member)
7. Dr. (Ms.) D. Jena (Member)
8. Dr. Najam Khalique (Member)
9. Dr. A.K. Bhardwaj (Member)
10. Dr. D.K. Pal (Member)
11. Dr. J.V. Dixit (Member)
12. Dr. J. Ravi Kumar (Member)
13. Dr. Neeraj Bedi (Invitee, Member Sub-Committee of IAPSM)
14. Dr.N.Baridalyne (Jt. Secretary)
15. Dr.Anil Goswami(Treasurer)

Dr. M.S. Shivaswamy (Gov. Council Member); Dr. Neeraj Pandit (Gov. Council Member); Dr. Sarit Sharma (Gov. Council Member); Dr. Shamim Haider (Gov. Council Member) and Dr. Rashmi Singh (Gov. Council Member) had informed and could not attend the meeting. There was no information from other invitees about their non-participation.

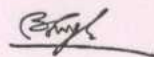
➤ **IAPSM General Council Meeting on 22 January, 2009**

The General Council Meeting was chaired by the President of IAPSM and was attended by the required quorum of the members of IAPSM. Attendance was recorded in a separate register. The Secretary General and the Vice President were also present on the dias.

The following agenda items were taken up in the Governing Council meeting and were brought to the General Council meeting . Final status and decisions of the General Council on the items taken up by the Governing Council are indicated against each item below with responsibility of the action to be taken.

• **Agenda 1:**

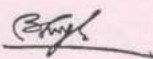
Agenda / Issue:	The Secretary General's report for the year 2008-2009 and Minutes of the meeting of General Council held at Puducherry in January 2008.
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	The Secretary General presented his Report for 2008-2009 including the "Action Taken Report" (ATR) on the minutes of the General Council held in January, 2008. Approved.
General Council Discussions/Decisions	<p>Approved.</p> <p>The salient features of the Report and the ATR were as under.</p> <p>➤ I. Action Taken Report (ATR) <i>(The Agenda Number mentioned here in this Section pertains to the Agenda number as mentioned in the Minutes of the General Council held on 24 January 2008):</i></p> <p>Agenda 1 to 5: No action was required.</p> <p>Agenda 6. The office of the Union Health Minister Dr. Ambumani Ramadoss was contacted atleast 7-8 times by the Secretary General personally through phone/ faxes/ letters for fixing an appointment with him. Regrettably the appointment never came through.</p> <p>Agenda 7. A TOT workshop was held out of the RCH grant for the faculty of Community Medicine at NIHF, Munirka, New Delhi in collaboration with NIHF. About 33 faculty members of the Community Medicine (members of the IAPSM) participated in this workshop. Audited accounts of this grant were submitted by Dr. B.S. Garg. The report as well as audited accounts were sent to the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare with a request to release further grant so that state level workshops on "Strengthening Epidemiological and Managerial Skill the in RCH" for faculty of Community Medicine can be held.</p> <p>Agenda 8. Activities of State Chapters of IAPSM and Sub-Committees of IAPSM: A letter requesting for reactivation of sub-committees was sent out to all sub-committees. An appeal was made to the State Chapters/ Zonal Chapters for organizing various activities. Necessary technical guidance was also provided by the Head Office to streamline their functioning. Many State Chapters have carried out activities since April 2008 to till date. Given below is the brief account of these activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bihar State Chapter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A CME was organized in Patna on 7th September 2008, focusing on the themes: Integrated Disease Surveillance Project and ICD -10 • Symposium on Health care delivery system in India and UK on 18th September 2008. • All members donated one day's salary towards flood relief 2. Punjab Chapter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organized its Annual CME on 21st September 2008 focusing on the theme "Medical education in the era of globalization" 3. Puducherry State Chapter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organized a joint meeting of the IAPSM & IPHA state chapters on 24th September 2008 focusing on the theme "Micronutrient deficiency disorders- some solutions" 4. NZ-IAPSM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Published first e News letter from IGMC Shimla 5. Delhi state chapter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organized a workshop on 5-6th September 2008 which focused on Health promotion through settings based approach.



	<p>6. IAPSM Uttar Pradesh & Uttrakhand Chapter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Conference organized by the Dept of Social & Preventive Medicine, LRRM Medical College, Meerut on 13-14 October 2008. <p>7. Maharashtra State Chapter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • III Annual Conference of MCIAPSM Mumbai Branch on 16th & 17th April 2008 at Department of Community Medicine (PSM), Lokmanya Tilak Municipal Medical College & L.T.M. General Hospital, Sion, Mumbai. The theme of the conference was "Good Governance in Health". <p>8. Orissa Chapter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four health camps were organized under IAPSM banner in the tribal & inaccessible areas in Ganjam district. • A CME on Management of Disability in Leprosy on 9th July 2008 ; a seminar on Management of Animal Bite on 8th September; a Symposium on 'Female Foeticide – Gender Justice' on 22nd December 2008 were organized at the MKCG Medical College. <p>9. West Bengal Chapter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will organize its Silver Jubilee Conference on 14th February 2009 at B.S. Medical College, Bankura <p>10. MP -Chattisgarh State chapter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will organize a Conference in March 2009. <p>11. Interest was shown by Dr Hemangini K Shah to establish Goa state chapter</p> <p>Agenda 9. Respecting the sentiments of the General Council, Dr. Bir Singh , as permanent nominee of CCM, AIIMS to manage the Ford Foundation Grant, made necessary efforts with the Ford Foundation and the faculty members of CCM. Finally, the IAPSM Ford Foundation account maintained in the Indian Overseas Bank, New Delhi has been closed and the entire amount has been transferred to the main account of IAPSM in State Bank of India, Ansari Nagar, New Delhi. A fixed deposit of Rs.10 lakhs has been made out of the total amount received from Indian Overseas Bank.</p> <p>Agenda 10: State Chapters and IJCM Head Office to report.</p> <p>Agenda 11: The meeting of the Sub-committee head by Dr. V.K. Srivastava was held and fresh guidelines for FIAPSM and Orations of IAPSM have been framed, circulated and accepted. The updated constitution incorporating all amendments till date and the new guidelines for various activities has been finalized and circulated to all Governing Council members and the State Chapters. The updated constitution has also been uploaded on the IAPSM Website.</p> <p>Agenda 12. In response to the appeal made by the Head Quarter for updating the database, only 113 out of 2278 members enrolled prior to 1-4-2007 have sent their updated bio-data. As the number of respondents is too small, it was not possible to print a directory.</p> <p>Agenda 13. The website of IAPSM has been reconstructed and is now more informative, user friendly, and definitely has better looks. In last seven months or so, this site was visited by about 1400 visitors.</p> <p>Agenda 14. Dr. Shamim Haider (Ranchi) has already started preparations for hosting the 2010 IAPSM National Conference.</p> <p>Agenda 15. Elections through postal ballot paper was given a trial. However, the results were very discouraging. The Governing Council and General Council need to revisit this item.</p> <p>Agenda 16. The Governing Council was quite active throughout the year and had several email discussions on various issues.</p>
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	<p>Agenda 17. Audited accounts of the IAPSM were presented by the Treasurer of IAPSM - Dr. Anil Goswami. Necessary procedure for extending the income tax exemption for IAPSM has been initiated by the Head Quarter and is under process by the Income Tax authorities.</p> <p>Agenda 18. The IJCM Head Quarter to present the audited accounts of the Journal for 2008-2009.</p> <p>Agenda 19. Necessary action taken. Agenda 20. No action was required.</p> <p>Agenda 21. Reports of the Sub-committees. Only two Sub-Committees showed some kind of interest in the year under consideration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOT workshop at NIHFW, New Delhi for IAPSM members on "Strengthening Epidemiological and Managerial Skill in RCH" : March 2008. • Environmental Health Sub Committee - A Newsletter covering the current environmental health issues has been taken out. <p style="text-align: center;">➤ II. Other Activities of IAPSM during the Year:</p> <p>II.1. The number of new members has gone up from 2369 to 2451.</p> <p>II.2. Membership forms, format for submitting Fellowships, Orations, criteria of selection of fellowship and oration, Ford Foundation, ERG guidelines and selection criteria etc. have been revised and put on the internet at IAPSM website.</p> <p>II.3. A practice of email discussions amongst Governing Council members was started just to keep in touch with everyone on important issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contributed in AEFI guidelines by MOHFW on 10 September, 2008. • Participated in a Workshop on Health Promotion at LHMC in September, 2008. <p>II.4. A note for IAPSM Conference Organizers was created and sent out to all Governing Council members, and future conference organizers.</p> <p>II.5 The IAPSM was invited to the following meetings :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20th April 2008: Meeting organized by Norway India Partnership Initiative-NIHFW collaboration on "Planning for training curriculum for Yashoda" • August 2008: Meeting organized by Council for Advancement of people's Action and rural technology (CAPART) sharing the results of the book "Malnutrition, an emergency: What it costs the nation" by Veena Rao. • 4th October 2008: Workshop on " The World Breastfeeding Trends Initiative (WBTI): India country assessment workshop held at Indian Medical Association building, New Delhi. <p>II.6 The IAPSM President Dr. M.B. Soudarssanane was invited to take part in a conference on "Revitalizing Primary Health Care" organized by South East Asia Regional Office of WHO at Jakarta , Indonesia from 6-8 August, 2008.</p> <p>Action/ Responsibility Head Office</p>
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Agenda 2:

Agenda / Issue:	IAPSM Website Annual Maintenance
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	Renewal is required every year. In this regard, Dr Rajesh Kumar informed that the person who is currently handling the website is not reliable. Therefore he requested that the possibility of change of the person to be explored. All Gov Council members agreed that any expenditure up to 5000/- on website maintenance does not need approval from Gov Council again. If it exceeds that amount then only the Gov Council members can be informed and their approval can be taken. Approved
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office of IAPSM

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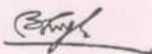
Agenda / Issue:	Amendments in IAPSM Constitution
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	The IAPSM Constitution incorporating all amendments till 31 December 2008 had been uploaded on IAPSM Website. Member were requested to send their comments, if any, on the Constitution latest by 31 March, 2009. After this date, the Constitution will be considered as final as of date. Approved.
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved
Action/ Responsibility	Members of IAPSM and the Head Office

• Agenda: 4

Agenda / Issue:	Collaboration & coordination with Indian Public Health Association (IPHA)
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	Should be strengthened further. <ul style="list-style-type: none">To avoid clashing of dates of IAPSM and IPHA Conferences, wherever possible joint conferences can be held. If not, the two conferences should be held at least 6-8 weeks apart.Secretary General and the President of IPHA can be invited to the Governing Council as special invitees subject to reciprocation of this gesture by the IPHA.According to the minutes of the IAPSM Conference at Loni, a Joint Action group of IAPSM and IPHA was formed. This can be revived and number of members can be increased.
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved. However, it was decided that the two Special invitees can be the IPHA President / Secretary General or any other members as nominated by the IPHA.
Action/ Responsibility	Head Offices of IAPSM and IPHA

• Agenda: 5

Agenda / Issue:	Endorsement by IAPSM of courses held by Institutions/ Individuals
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	Use of logo of IAPSM for such courses approved in principle provided the quality of such courses is ensured and there is no financial liability for the Association. Guidelines for such endorsements will be framed by a Sub-committee to be constituted by the Governing Council in 2009-2010.
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved. However, in case of externally funded projects/ courses, IAPSM must know the details of funders, their terms and conditions before endorsing the course. In such cases, the proposal should go through the Head office – as was done for the RCH project. Dr B.S.Garg suggested that instead of forming a new committee for scrutinizing such proposals, the existing Sub-Committees should take care of them within the framework of the guidelines that will be framed.
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office and the Governing Council 2009-2010.



Agenda: 6

<i>Agenda / Issue:</i>	Holding at least one more Governing Council Meeting in October every year, funding for travel etc. for such a meeting.
<i>Governing Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	Approved. The funds for travel will be met from the IAPSM funds . Maximum of 1Ind Class AC Train fare will be reimbursed as per actual. No DA or accommodation will be provided by the Association.
<i>General Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	Approved. It was decided to request the Organizing Secretary of the National IAPSM Conference to contribute an additional amount of Rs.50,000/- to the Head Office for meeting these expenses. However, these two events are not dependent on each other.
<i>Action/ Responsibility</i>	Head Office and the Organizing Secretaries of the National IAPSM Conferences starting from Aurangabad Conference of 2009.

• Agenda: 7

<i>Agenda / Issue:</i>	Participation in States/Zonal Chapter Meetings by Office bearers of the Head Office.
<i>Governing Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	The State chapters /organizers should fund the travel of invitees from the Head Office.
<i>General Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	Approved.
<i>Action/ Responsibility</i>	State/Zonal Chapters

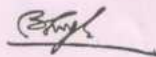
• Agenda: 8

<i>Agenda / Issue:</i>	Fellowships & Orations of IAPSM for 2010
<i>Governing Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	<p>The Scrutiny Committee constituted by the Governing Council to recommend members for Fellowship of IAPSM submitted its report. The committee consisted of Dr.M.B.Soudarssanane, Dr. V.K. Srivastava, Dr. Deoki Nandan, Dr. A.K. Bhardwaj and Dr. B.S. Garg.</p> <p>Four candidates were recommended for Fellowship for the year 2010. They are : Dr. J.S. Thakur (Chandigarh), Dr. Jugal Kishore (New Delhi), Dr. Uday Mohan (Lucknow) and Dr. P.V. Prakasa Rao (Bhopal).</p> <p>The scrutiny Committee recommended the following for IAPSM Orations for 2010: Dr. Umesh Kapil (New Delhi) for Dhanvantari Oration and Dr. Bir Singh (New Delhi) for Harcharan Oration.</p>
<i>General Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	Fellowships and Orations Approved.
<i>Action/ Responsibility</i>	Head Office of IAPSM and the awardees for Fellowships & Orations



Agenda: 9

Agenda / Issue:	Elections for 2009-2010
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	<p>The Secretary General informed that despite notifying the elections through postal ballot in IJCM well in advance, there were only two nominations received for two posts: One nomination for the post of President (Dr. V.K. Srivastava) and one nomination for the post of Member of the Governing Council (Dr. Anmol Gupta). After discussions, the Governing Council decided to elect Dr. V.K. Srivastava as the President of IAPSM for the year 2009-10. Following the constitution of the IAPSM, Dr. A.P. Kulkarni (Aurangabad) will be the Vice President for 2009-10. Dr. Anmol Gupta was elected as the Member of the Governing Council for 2009-10. To fill the other vacant posts in the Governing Council, it was decided to continue with the members of Governing Council 2008-09 provided they had not already completed two consecutive terms and were physically present in the current National Conference or had informed the Secretary General about their absence from the Governing Council meeting. Based on these criteria, three posts were still found vacant. It was decided to request the General Council to nominate three persons to the Governing Council 2009-10.</p>
General Council Discussions/Decisions	<p>Approved. The General council authorized the Secretary General to contact various State Chapters and the fill the remaining three posts.</p> <p><i>(The Secretary General later consulted various State Chapters and filled the remaining three vacancies in the Governing Council.) The complete composition of the Governing Council for 2009-10 is now as under:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>President:</i> Dr V K Srivastava (UP)• <i>Vice President:</i> Dr A P Kulkarni (MS)• <i>Secretary General:</i> Dr Bir Singh (New Delhi)• <i>Immediate Past President:</i> Dr. M.B. Soudarssanane(Puducherry)• <i>Jt. Secretary:</i> Dr. N. Baridalyne(New Delhi)• <i>Treasurer:</i> Dr. Anil Goswami (New Delhi)• <i>Chief Editor IJCM:</i> Dr. Rajesh Kumar(Chandigarh) (ex-Officio)• <i>Members: 12 as under:</i>• <i>North Zone (2) :</i> Dr. Anmol Gupta (H.P.); Dr. Imtiaz Ali Bhat (J & K)• <i>North East Zone (2) :</i> Dr. A.B. Biswas (WB); Dr. D. Jena (Orissa)• <i>South Zone (2) :</i> Dr. G. Sukhdas (AP); Dr. Ajit Sahai (Puducherry)• <i>South Central Zone (2) :</i> Dr. D.K. Pal (MP); Dr. P. Singh (Jharkhand)• <i>North Central Zone (2) :</i> Dr. Rashmi Singh (Bih.);Dr. N. Khalique (UP)• <i>West Zone(2) :</i> Dr. J.V. Dixit (MS); Dr. Niraj Pandit (Guj.)
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office of IAPSM



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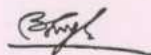
Agenda / Issue:	Election panel for postal ballot 2010
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	As per constitution of IAPSM, elections will be held through postal ballot for 2010-11. Elections are due for Three Year terms for Head Office of IAPSM and Head Office of IJCM in 2010. To conduct this postal election, an Election Panel was proposed as under.: Dr. Deoki Nandan, Dr. T.S.R. Sai, Dr. R.M. Tripathy Dr. Bir Singh as Secretary General of IAPSM will be assisting this election panel as Convenor. However, if he is a candidate himself for any post, he will not have a voting right in this election panel.
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office of IAPSM and the Election Panel

• **Agenda: 11**

Agenda / Issue:	Travel Grants to post graduate students of Community Medicine and Senior IAPSM Members
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	Travel grants to Senior IAPSM Members for facilitating their participation in the IAPSM Conference was discussed but not approved. However, travel grants for postgraduate students to attend important courses/ workshops upto a maximum of Rs.5,000/- per candidate was agreed. A maximum of two such grants will be sanctioned per year. The Association can also request the organizers for such courses/ workshops for waiving off such charges for post graduate students.
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved. This travel grant should be renamed as "IAPSM Travel Fellowship". The Organizing Secretary of the National Conference of IAPSM may consider exempting the Registration Fee for Senior Members of IAPSM (>65 yrs and retired). Similarly, the registration fee for post graduates students should be kept as low as possible. It was also decided that as far as possible, Travel Fellowship should be awarded on rotation for all zones of IAPSM.
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office

• **Agenda: 12**

Agenda / Issue:	Proposal for organizing "Public Health Conclave" by Dr. Deoki Nandan at New Delhi in 2009 and simultaneous organization of State Chapters and National Conferences
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	This idea for the Public Health Conclave as an additional activity was welcomed. However, the issue of canceling IAPSM National Conference in view of this proposed Public Health Conclave was not accepted unanimously by the Governing Council
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved. All members were requested to attend this conclave proposed by Dr. Deoki Nandan in large numbers. However, the IAPSM National conferences for 2010 (Ranchi) and 2011 (Berhampur) will be held as scheduled. It was also reiterated that whenever State Chapter Conferences are organized with National Conferences of IAPSM, the State Chapter Conferences should be held before or after the National Conferences days and should not be clubbed with activities of National Conferences.
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office of IAPSM & Organizing Secretaries of National Conferences



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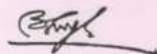
Agenda / Issue:	Activities of State Chapters and Sub-Committees of IAPSM
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	It was felt and agreed that Sub-Committees of IAPSM need to be re-constituted urgently with a view to include those members who wish to contribute actively. The Governing Council was authorized to re-constitute these Sub-Committees.
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved. The Secretary General will re-constitute these Sub-Committees in consultation with Governing Council. This needs to be done before 31 May, 2009. Similarly, State Chapters were requested to update their membership records & continue to work more actively.
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office

• **Agenda : 14**

Agenda / Issue:	Audited Accounts of Head Office of IAPSM for the year 2007-08
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	Accounts Approved
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Accounts approved. Dr. Rajesh Kumar suggested that as evident from the accounts sheets, savings of Rs.3,00,000/- should not be kept in saving bank account and should be shifted to fixed deposits. He also suggested that interest rate of fixed deposits of IAPSM need to be negotiated with State Bank of India where IAPSM accounts are currently located. The Secretary General expressed inability to break FDs frequently and get them remade as this was likely to create serious financial confusion. Dr. Rajesh Kumar offered that he will follow up this issue with State Bank of India and help the Head Office. This offer of Dr. Rajesh Kumar was accepted.
Action/ Responsibility	Dr. Rajesh Kumar

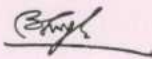
• **Agenda: 15**

Agenda / Issue:	Role of IAPSM Head Office vis a vis IJCM functioning
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	It was emphasised that IJCM being the mouth of IAPSM has to work within the constitutional framework of IAPSM and hence all information/ notices etc. sent to IJCM by the Head Office of IAPSM should be published without any alternations in the content by IJCM. It was clarified that the Editorial Board of IJCM has complete freedom to ensure quality of the contents published in it. However, any grievance/ complaint expressed by any bonafide member of IAPSM regarding IJCM should be promptly looked into objectively by the IJCM management. The members, if not satisfied, are free to approach Head Office of IAPSM for redressal of their grievance. The Governing Council will take up all such cases on their merit. It was requested that IJCM should have a separate counter during the National Conferences to reply to queries of the members.
General Council	Approved
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office



• Agenda: 16

Agenda / Issue:	Concerns of some IAPSM members regarding functioning of IJCM
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	<p>It was mentioned by Secretary General that he had received complaints from some members of IAPSM who think that their concerns have not been addressed satisfactorily by IJCM Head Office and hence, now they have approached the parent body (IAPSM). This issue was discussed in detail and it was decided that the IAPSM Head Office will write to the Chief Editor to look into the issues raised by these members (Dr Amarjeet Singh, Dr Rathore and Dr Uday Mohan). The issues raised by Dr Rathore and Dr Uday Mohan are of the routine nature and can be tackled routinely by the IJCM office. On the issue of Dr Amarjeet Singh, the Chief Editor of IJCM is requested to inquire into the issue and inform the Head Office of IAPSM about the same. If the IJCM Chief Editor's inquiry is satisfactory and there is no further need to investigate the matter, the issue will be closed there and then. If there is a need to take any more action on the issue, the Governing Council will decide (through email exchanges & email discussions) the further course of action. The suggestion put forward by the Chief Editor, IJCM for establishing a Redressal Committee to look into this issue was discussed but not accepted by the Governing Council .</p> <p><i>(Subsequently, the IJCM Chief Editor was requested to enquire into the issue of Dr Amarjeet Singh . He did so and sent his reply to IAPSM Head Office which was shared with the Governing Council members. The Gov Council is satisfied and has decided to close this issue henceforth. It was also pointed out by some Gov Council Members that " it is a good idea to restrict the no of articles published by any one member in 1 year. However the standard of the articles published should not be diluted because of this. The editorial team should be authorized to take the final decisions maintaining transparency. By all means the head office of IAPSM should exert adequate control over its mouth piece and must control any indiscipline by necessary action as and when required").</i></p>
Gen Council Decision	Approved
Action/ Responsibility	IJCM Editorial Team



• **Agenda : 17**

Budget for IAPSM Head office for 2009-10.

The following budget is proposed for the Head Office of IAPSM for 2009-10 and approval from the Governing Council is sought. It is pointed out that as the expenses on the proposed postal ballot are an unknown entity, they will be revised as per need

Budget Head	Expected Income (Rs.)	Head	Estimated Expenditure (Rs.)
Expected Interest from Reserve Fund	3,25,000.00	To IJCM	1,57,000.00
Life Membership Fee	1,50,000.00	State Share	40,000.00
Fellowship Fee	10,000.00	Secretarial Assistance	40,000.00
Election Fee	8,000.00	Stationery & Postage	10,000.00
		Audit Charges	8,000.00
		Website	8,000.00
		Epidemiological Grant	60,000.00
		Election of Postal Ballot	50,000.00
		Travel for Head Office	5,000.00
		Assistants for the Conference	
		Air Travel assistance for Treasurer of IAPSM	5,000.00
		Directory of IAPSM on CD (2500 copies)	50,000.00
		Contingencies	10,000.00
		Travel Expenses for G.C. Members	50,000.00
TOTAL	4,93,000.00	TOTAL	4,93,000.00

<i>Governing Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	Approved
<i>General Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	Approved. -The Chief Editor of IJCM requested that contribution to IJCM from the interest earned on IAPSM FDs has to be around 60% of the total interest earned. That was agreed to.
<i>Action/ Responsibility</i>	Head Office

• **Agenda: 18**

<i>Agenda / Issue:</i>	Annual Report of IJCM for 2008-09
<i>Governing Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	Dr.Rajesh Kumar presented the annual report of IJCM for 2008-09. It was appreciated by the Governing Council that IJCM has been coming out regularly and punctually and put on record its appreciation for the Editorial Team.
<i>General Council Discussions/Decisions</i>	Approved
<i>Action/ Responsibility</i>	Head Office of IAPSM and IJCM

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Agenda / Issue:	Budget of IJCM for 2009-10, presented by Dr. Rajesh Kumar was as under			
	Income (Rs)		Expenditure (Rs)	
	3/5 th of IAPSM Reserve Fund Interest	1,34,000	Printing & Postage	6,80,000
	IAPSM Ford Foundation Grant	1,00,000	Secretarial Assistance	96,000
	Institutional Subscription	5,00,000	Stationary	7,000
	Advertisement	10,000	Communication	3,000
	Interest from 5 lac FD of IJCM	45,000	Audit Fee	3,000
	To use 1 lac from IJCM FD	1,00,000	Digitalization of all past issues of IJCM @ Rs 10/page	1,00,000
	Total	8,89,000	Total	8,89,000
Governing Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved with changes. For example....The Ford Foundation money will be only Rs.50,000/-. It was requested that the FDs of IJCM should not be broken and the Head Office of IJCM should raise more avenues from advertisements and subscriptions/sponsorships etc.			
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Approved			
Action/ Responsibility	Head Office of IAPSM and IJCM Office			

• Agenda : 20

Agenda / Issue:	Any other issue with permission of the Chair / Miscellaneous
General Council Discussions/Decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Secretary General appealed to all members to make the Association more pro-active on matters of importance for Public Health. He suggested that in 2009-10, the Association must complete atleast standardization of the curriculum for PG Teaching in Community Medicine in the country. The State Chapters should become pro-active on matters pertaining to Public Health and make their presence felt. Members were also informed about the New IAPSM Ties available with the Head Office. Those interested can buy them. Communication with Members of IAPSM: From now on, except in special circumstances—for example—the postal ballot, the mode of communication between the Head Office and all members will only be Emails or through notices published in IJCM or through the IAPSM website (www.iapsm.org.in). Members were requested to please visit the IAPSM website regularly.
Action/ Responsibility	All members of IAPSM and the Head Office

• Agenda : 21

Agenda / Issue:	Vote of Thanks for Dr. A.P. Kulkarni & his team
General Council Discussions/Decisions	Dr. A.P. Kulkarni and his team were applauded and a vote of thanks proposed for them for making all possible efforts to organize the 36 th National Conference of IAPSM at GMC Aurangabad very nicely. Their efforts were well appreciated.

Minutes recorded by Dr. Bir Singh, Secretary General and Approved by Dr M B Soudarssanane, President of IAPSM for 2008-2009.

