GENERAL BODY MEETING

(20 December, 2022)

Venue: Anand Agricultural University, Anand, Gujarat, India

The GB meeting of ISWS was held on 20-12-2022 at 6: 00 PM in the main hall. The Secretary ISWS presented previous two years progress and the activities like training programmes, series of Webinars, etc. conducted by the Society during last two years. He informed that around 150 new life members were added in the Society. The Chief Editor, IJWS, Dr AN Rao could not attend the Conference due to personal reason. The Chief Editor's report was also presented by the Secretary. He presented the current status of the IJWS, which is being published well in time. All the 4 issues of 2022 were published in time. On-line submission of the articles and refereeing system has been developed. Dr. VK Choudhary, the treasurer of the Society presented the audit report 2021-22 of the ISWS. Following agenda points were discussed:

1. **Conduct of ISWS election and selection of Returning Officer:** It was decided that the next election will be completed before March 2023. Mr. Dev Raj Arya was unanimously nominated as the returning officer. It was decided that Secretary ISWS will write a letter to Dr Arya for his willingness.
2. **ISWS Awards:** Discussions were held to increase the number of ISWS lifetime award from 1 to 2. However, it was decided to keep the number only one at present. If the number of ISWS members will increase in future, further decisions may be taken. Members felt that there is need to improve the current guidelines for selection of the ISWS awards in different categories. It was decided to make a committee to suggest the modifications required in the guidelines. It was also suggested that the award application form and its review system should be in ON LINE.
3. **Increase the membership fee:** No change.
4. **General Discussion:** An oral session especially for students may be organized in future conferences. Based on the merit of the presentations, awards and certificates will also be given to encourage the students.