Minutes of the 9th GB meeting Held on 11th June 2021

Online zoom Link

The extraordinary General Body meeting of Network of Organizations for Science and Technology Communication was held on 11th June, 2021 at 15.30 hrs. The meeting was held digitally via Zoom Link.

9.00 **Preamble**

The members present at 15.30 hrs. were not adequate to meet the quorum. The meeting was therefore adjourned. It was reconvened at 16.00 hrs thus over-riding the requirement of quorum. Name of members present are at Annex I.

9.01 Welcome Remarks

Chairman welcomed the members and invitees to the meeting. He mentioned that the threat of Covid 19 has forced organizing this meeting via digital link. He further requested each member to take precautions as per guidelines of the government.

9.02 Confirmation of the minutes of 08th Meeting

The 8th Meeting was held on 08th June 2019 Minutes as circulated were confirmed.

9.03 Action Taken on the Minutes of the last Meeting

9.03.1 Annual report for 2019-20, 2020-21

Print version of Annual Report was prepared and circulated. Digital version has been hosted on the website.

NCSTC, DST has requested support for maintaining the web portal of NCSC for a period of three more years.

9.03.2 New programs and proposals:

The proposals on various titles and themes have already been submitted for financial support to NCSTC. Proposals were presented by the concerned PI of the different projects before the PAC/TAC NAC.

- a. NCSC DELHI
- b. Science Journalism in Digital Era
- c. 100 Student and 100 Hours
- d. National Organizing Committee for Year of Awareness on Science and Health.

9.03.3 New Applications for Membership of NOSTC:

After through scrutiny of the applications GB recommended membership of the following:

- 1. Breeze Women Welfare Association, Dimapur, Nagaland
- 2. Vividha Welfare Foundation, Panchmahal Gujarat
- 3. Science Societies and Public Trust, Kotla, New Delhi.
- 4. Rural Development Foundation, Anand, Gujarat

9.03.4 **Loans** from Satya Shodhak Sabha, Surat:

Request of Satya Sosdhak Sabha was considered and the outstanding amount has been paid.

9.04 Consider and adopt the audit and account for the financial years 2019-20 and 2020-21

Convener presented highlights of the audited accounts and balance sheets of the period 2019-20 and 2020-21. The General Body passed the above after due srutiny.

9.05 Appointment of CA for auditing accounts of NOSTC for 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24

After a brief discussion the General Body resolved that M/s Shanta Sastri and Co. New Delhi being eligible may be appointed as Chartered Accountant for another three years.

9.06 **Consideration of New Proposals**:

Convener presented update of proposals under consideration:

- '100 Scientists 100 hours' submitted to NCSTC-DST presented to PAC
- 'Indian Young Inventors Challenge 2021' submitted to NCSTC-DST-presented to PAC
- Participation of Outstanding Projects from NCSC at IIIF
- Proposal for Delhi CSC 2020, 2021 including Teacher orientation Workshops
- Science Journalism in Digital Era

GB appreciated the secretariat for action on new proposals.

9.07 Tenure of the BoG for 05 years

The tenure of reconstituted BoG was proposed for 05 Years. After through discussion, the GB considered and recommended the tenure for four years of BoG.

9.08 Any other issues with the permission of the Chair:

9.08.1 The byelaws of NOSTC need review and GB resolved to examine all clauses. The composition of the team will be Dr. Andrew Ahoto Sema and Shri Suchand Kumar Pan with a tenure of 10 months.

9.09 Election of the new BoG/Executive body and office bearers.

- 9.09.1 Dr. Andrew Ahoto Sema proposed that Er. Anuj Sinha from Science Societies and Public Trust may be requested to continue as Chairman for one more term. Shri S.R. Pandey seconded his name.
- 9.09.2 To ensure smooth functioning of BoG, it was proposed to consult among members present and find candidates by consensus.
- 9.10 Er. Anuj Sinha was elected as Chairman and invited to occupy the chair.
- 9.11 The General Body resolved that Chairman forms a new BoG to ensure fair representation and balanced competence.
- 9.12 The chairman expressed his gratitude to the General Body. He announced the names of new BoG Members as below:

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SI No.	Name of Persons	Organisation	State
1.	Shri Sanjib Kr. Sinha	Andaman Nature Club, Port Blair,	A & N Islands
2.	Ms. Sandhya Verma	Science Centre (Gwalior)	Madhya Pradesh
3.	Shri Kishor Raje	Prayas Foundation, Jalgaon	Maharastra
4.	Dr. Andrew Ahoto Sema	Breeze Women Welfare Association,	Nagaland
		Nagaland	
5.	Shri Girish Kedlewad	Karnataka Rajya Vigyan Parishad,	Karnataka
		Bangalore, Karnataka	
6.	Shri D.N.S Anand	Science for Society, TATA Nagar,	Jharkhand
		Jharkhand,	
7.	Shri Sri Ram Pandey	Science for Society Bihar, Patna	Bihar
		College, Patna, Bihar	
8.	Shri S. K. Pan	Science Centre Midnapur, WB	West Bengal
9.	Dr. S. K. Singh	VICAS	Uttar Pradesh
10.	Shri Zafer Ullah Khan	NCURD J & K	
11.	Shri Santu Thapa	NIHESU	Nagaland

The above members **were declared unanimously elected** as the Board of Governors by the General Body by raising hands.

The Chairman also announced the officer bearers in presence of Election officers as given below:

Sl No.	Name of Person	Organization	Designation
1.	Shri Sanjib Kr. Sinha	Andaman Nature Club, Port Blair,	Convener
2.	Ms. Sandhya Verma	Science Centre (Gwalior)	Co-Convener
3.	Shri Kishor Mahohar Raje	Prayas Foundation, Jalgaon	Treasurer

Chairman co-opted Following members to the BoG:

Sl No.	Name of Persons	Organisation
1.	Dr. (Mrs.) J. K. Rai	Chhattisgarh State Council on Science
		and Technology, Chhattisgarh.
2.	Shri Surendra Dighe	Jidnasa Trust, Thane, Maharastra

9.13 **Vote of Thanks:**

The General Body recorded its gratitude to the General Body members for smooth conduction of election process.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to chair

The Chairman also thanked all the members who participated in the General Body Meeting.

Members Present

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SI No.	Name of Participants	Name of Organization	State		
1	Shri Andrew Ahoto Semi	Breeze Women Welfare Association, Nagaland	Nagaland		
2	Shri Girish Kadlewad	Karnataka Rajya Vigyan Parishad, Bangalore,	Karnataka		
		Karnataka			
3	Shri S.K Pan	Science Centre, Midnipur, Kharagpur, West Bengal	West Bengal		
4	Shri Santu Thapa	Nagaland, Institute for Health and education	Nagaland		
		society, Kohima, Nagaland			
5	Shri DNS Anand	Science for Society, TATA Nagar, Jharkhand,	Jharkhand		
6	Shri Sanjib Kumar Sinha	Andaman Nature Club, Port Blair, A & N Islands	A & N Islands		
7	Shri L. Nabakumar	Science Teacher Forum, Imphal, Manipur.	Manipur		
8	Shri Surendra S. Dighe	Jidnasa Trust, Thane, Maharashtra	Maharashtra		
9	Shri M.S. Dhama	Education Department, Delhi	Delhi		
10	Shri Shyamal Bose	Science Hobby Centre, W.B	West Bengal		
11	Rahul Vaidhya	Lovely International Trust, Jalandhar, Punjab.	Punjab		
12	Shri Deepak Sharma	Pragati Vigyan Sanstha, Meruth, Uttar Pradesh	Uttar Pradesh		
13	Dr. Satendra Kr. Singh	Voluntary Institute for community Applied	Uttar Pradesh		
		Society, Allahabad, UP			
14	Shri Kishor Mahohar Raje	Prayas foundation, Jalgaon, Maharashtra,	Maharashtra		
		Maharashtra			
15	Er. Anuj Sinha	Science Societies and Public Trust, Delhi	Delhi		
16	Shri Zaffer Ullah Khan	National Council of Urban and Rural Development, Jammu, J & K	Jammu and Kashmir		
17	Shri K. P Sinha	Prasansa Foundation, Panchmahal, Godhra,	Gujarat		
		Gujarat			
18	Shri S.R Pandey	Science for Society Bihar, Patna College, Patna,	Bihar		
		Bihar			
19	Prof. Arun Kumar	Science for Society Bihar, Patna College, Patna,	Bihar		
		Bihar			
20	Shri Sidharthbhai Degami	Satya Sodhak Sabha, Surat, Gujarat, India	Gujarat		
21	Shri Snehil Pallav	Vividha Welfare Foundation	Panchmahal		
22	Mrs. Mukesh Pathak	Gujarat Nature Conservation Society, Vadodara, Gujarat.	Gujarat		
23	Ms. Shandhya Verma	Science Centre, (Gwalior), Madhya Pradesh	Madhya Pradesh		
24	Shri Satyabrat Swain	Bharat Jan Vighyan Samity, Bhubaneswar	Odisha		
25	Shri Satbir Nagar	Haryana Vigyan Manch	Haryana		
26	Thovi Achumi	Livignston Foundation Society	Nagaland		
27	Shri Jai Inder Singh	Education Department, Delhi	Delhi		
28	Shri Pranay Shukala	Rural Development Foundation,	Anand		
29	Sh. Piyush Kumar Madhav	Science Societies and Oublic Trust	Delhi		
30	Ms. Anny	Livingston Foundation International, Dimapur	Dimapur		
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