# Minutes of the 62nd General Body Meeting held on 14th December 2013 at 18.00 Hours at the Govt Medical College, Aurangabad, Maharashtra. [Venue of the 62nd Annual Conference of IAPM: APCON 2013]

The meeting was chaired by President, IAPM Prof. Challa Sundaram. Initially the meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum and reconvened after 15 minutes.

The President appraised the house about the following events and matters:

The Executive Council meeting was convened on 13-12-2013 at 6 PM. The EC could not conduct the meeting as the Hon Secretary failed to send the agenda to all the council members atleast one month before the scheduled meeting. The minutes of the 61<sup>st</sup> GBM were not circulated in the News Bulletin. The Hon Secretary apologized to the members of EC and the house on the lapses on his part. On the request of the President, EC deliberated on the academic matters leaving the financial and administrative aspects to the GBM. Hence the agenda will be taken up as follows.

# Agenda No. 1: Condolences

The house was informed regarding the sad demise of the following Honorable Members of the association.

1. Late Prof LN Mahapatra, Odisha; Late Prof Binapani Satpathy, Odisha and Dr. Kamala, Maharashtra.

#### Resolution: Agenda No.01/2013

General body observed two minutes silence in memory of the departed souls and rich tributes were paid by the members of the association. Secretary IAPM will send condolence messages to the bereaved family members.

## Agenda No. 2 : Apologies

Following former presidents of IAPM and members informed their inability to attend Executive council, and General Body meeting of IAPM

Dr. NC Parija, Cuttack.( Past - President )

Lt Gen JR Bhardwaj, New Delhi.( Past - President )

Prof KP Deodhar, Mumbai.( Past - President )

Dr. Asaranti Kar, Hony Jt Secy IAPM HQ.

Resolution: Agenda No.02/2013: The general body was informed about apologies.

Agenda No. 3: Confirmation of the minutes of the 61st General Body meeting of IAPM As the agenda regarding the Scientific programme, Elections and venue of the programme were already implemented, the GBM deliberated on the rest of the agenda. Deliberated points incorporated in the Minutes of the GBM at APCON-2012 and placed along-side.

Resolution : Agenda No.3/2013 : Minutes were confirmed and passed ; proposed by Prof BK Nanda and seconded by Prof Bishan Radotra.

Agenda No.4: Admission of new members to IAPM. Prof Jayashree Rath (Honorary Treasurer IAPM) has informed that 744 applications have been proposed for admission into the primary membership of IAPM.

Resolution Agenda No.4/2013

Proposal of new membership for 744 members were accepted. The EC and GBM resolved that the list of members after verification by the Hony Secretary should be ratified by the President, IAPM. Proposed by Prof Harsh Mohan, seconded by Prof Manoj Singh.

Agenda No. 5: Declaration of results of Election of Office bearers of IAPM for 2013.

The GB discussed the complaints from some members about the non-receipt of ballot papers. The Hon Secretary showed proof of despatch. The house resolved that upgradation of the website along with addresses by the new Secretary will be the most plausible solution and electronic voting can be considered as an option in future.

Agenda No. 5(a): Declaration of results for the post of President 2013:

Two valid nominations of Prof Manoj Singh, New Delhi and Dr. Asitava Mondal, Kolkata were received for the post of President IAPM. Through postal ballot 527 ballots were received. Twelve ballot papers were in-valid. Prof Manoj Singh polled 357 and Dr. Asitava Mondal polled 154. Prof Manoj Singh was declared elected as President, IAPM.

Resolution: Agenda No.5(a)/2013:

The General Body accepted the election of Prof. Manoj Singh to the post of President IAPM.

Agenda No. 5(b): Declaration of results for the post of Vice President

Only one valid nomination of Prof Siddarth Duttagupta, New Delhi was received for the post of Vice - President, IAPM.

Resolution: Agenda No.5(b)/2013:

The General Body accepted the election of Prof Siddarth Duttagupta to the post of Vice - President IAPM unopposed.

Agenda No. 5(c):

Delcaration of results for the post of Hony Secretary (2014-2016):

Only one valid nomination was received for the post of Honorary Secretary from Dr. Pradeep Vaideeswar, Mumbai.

Resolution: Agenda No.5(c)/2013:

The General Body accepted the election of Dr. Pradeep Vaideeswar to the post of Hony Secretary, IAPM for 2014-2016.

Agenda No. 5(d): Declaration of results for the post of Hony Jt Secretary:

Two valid nominations of Dr. Sharada Rane, Pune and Dr. Ranjan Agarwal, Bareilly were received for the post of Hony Jt Secretary IAPM. Through postal ballot 527 ballots were received. Twelve ballot papers were in-valid. Dr. Sharada Rane polled 362 and Dr. Ranjan Agarwal polled 94. Dr. Sharada Rane was declared elected as Hony Jt Secretary, IAPM.

Resolution: Agenda No.5(d)/2013:

The General Body accepted the election of Dr. Sharada Rane, Pune to the post of Hony Jt Secretary IAPM(2014-2016).

Agenda No. 5(e): Declaration of results for the post of Hony Treasurer:

Only one valid nomination of Prof Maya Nanda, Cuttack was received for the post of Hony Treasurer IAPM.

Resolution: Agenda No.5(e)/2013:

The General Body accepted the election of Prof Maya Nanda, Cuttack for the post of Hony Treasurer, IAPM unopposed. for 2014-2016

The above election was conducted by Dr.( Col ) Deepak K Mishra, Honorary Secretary IAPM at Kolkata. The ballots were scrutinized and counted by Prof. Subir Dutta, Past President IAPM and Prof. Sabitri Sanyal, Past Vice-President IAPM .

Agenda No.6: Nomination of two members for scrutiny and counting of ballot papers for Election of office bearers of IAPM in 2014.

Resolution Agenda No.6/2013:

Prof. KP Deodhar and Prof. DN Lanjewar were nominated to count the votes of the elections for the post of office bearers of IAPM to be held in 2014.

Agenda No.7: Seminars and Symposia topics for APCON 2014.

Agenda No.7 (a): Dr. Gaya Prasad Memorial Pathology Symposium.

Following proposals were received:

- i. Wg Cdr Prateek Kinra, Bengaluru: Approach to chronic hepatitis (Clinical findings, serology, liver biopsy histology, special stains, immunohistochemistry and systematic analysis).
- ii. Dr. Kusum Jashnani, Mumbai : "Maternal Death : Pathology lessons learnt from Autopsies".
- iii. Dr. Kim Vaiphei, Chandigarh.: Rare and unusual pathology of the Heart.

# Resolution: Agenda No.7 (a) /2013

The General Body accepted the topic "Maternal Death: Pathology lessons learnt from Autopsies". Moderator will be Dr. Kusum Jashnani, Mumbai.

Agenda No.7 (b): Dr. Usha Hardas Memorial Microbiology Symposium:

Following proposals were received:

- i. Prof Gita Satpathy, New Delhi: "Emerging Ocular Infections".
- ii. Dr. SK Shahi, Patna: Fungal Lesions- Recent trends, Pathogenesis and Diagnosis.
- iii. Dr. Asaranti Kar, Cuttack:
- a.Inflammatory & infectious dermatoses.
- b.Communicable diseases in India
- c.The continuing challenges of leprosy.

## Resolution: Agenda No.7 (b) / 2013

The General Body accepted the topic "The continuing challenges of leprosy". Moderator will be Dr. Asaranti Kar, Cuttack. The GB resolved that there should be 4 speakers and one of them has to be a leprologist / microbiologist.

## Agenda No.7 (c) Hematology Symposium:

Following proposals were received:

- i. Dr. Mayur Parihar, TMC, Kolkata: "Cytogenetics and molecular genetics have changed the way we diagnose and treat acute leukaemias: how far we must go."
- ii. Prof Tejinder Singh, New Delhi:
- a. Immune Haemolytic Anaemias
- b. Bone Marrow Biopsy in diagnosis of non-haematologic disorders.

## Resolution: Agenda No.7 (c) /2013

The General Body accepted the topic: "Cytogenetics and molecular genetics have changed the way we diagnose and treat acute leukaemias: how far we must go." Moderator will be Dr. Mayur Parihar, TMC, Kolkata.

Agenda No.7 (d) Histo-Pathology Slide Seminar.

Following proposals were received:

- i. Dr. Prasenjit Das, New Delhi: Cholestatic Liver diseases.
- ii. Dr. Kim Vaiphei, Chandigarh : Pathological spectrum in acute, occult and chronic gastrointestinal bleed.
- iii. Dr. Shantveer Uppin, Hyderabad / Dr. Ashim Das, Chandigarh: Endo-bronchial Masses.
- iv. Dr. Shantveer Uppin, Hyderabad: Tumour like lesions of bone.

## Resolutions: Agenda No.7 (d) /2013

The General Body accepted the topic "Endo-bronchial Masses". Moderator will be Prof Ashim Das, PGIMER, Chandigarh.

Agenda No.7 (f): Tamilnadu and Puducherry Chapter Oration-2014:

No nomination has been received from the Chairperson of Tamilnadu and Puducherry Chapter for this Oration.

Resolution: Agenda No.7 (f) /2013

The General Body resolved that the President and Secretary of IAPM will decide on as to who should be the Orator during this session. No further correspondence is to be made with the TN & Puducherry Chapter; however, the name of the orator will be communicated by the secretary to the chapter.

Agenda No.7 (g) Proposal for Guest Lecture for APCON 2014. Not a single proposal for Guest lecture was received.

Resolution: Agenda No.7 (g) /2013

The General Body suggested that the Hony Secretary in consultation with the President is authorized to finalize the speaker for Guest Lecture. He may be a distinguished overseas faculty; NRI or a foreign faculty. The faculty should be able to fund his own passage. Local hospitality to be provided by the APCON organisers(information to be communicated to the organizing Secretary APCON 2014 by the secretary IAPM).

Agenda No.7 (h): CMEs: Large number of proposals were received from members.

The proposed list of topics were as follows:

- i. Dr. Prasenjit Das, AIIMS, New Delhi.
  - a. Histopathological diagnosis of intestinal Pseudo-obstruction.
  - b. Vascular diseases of liver.
  - c. Pathology of Inflammatory Bowel Disease
- ii. Wg Cdr Prateek Kinra, Bengaluru
- a. Lymphoid neoplasms of gastro-intestinal tract (Classification, clinical inputs, immunohistochemistry, flowcytometry, differential diagnosis and recent advances).
- b. Algorithmic approach to diagnose a hepatic mass lesion (Clinical/ radiological inputs, trucut biopsy analysis using special stains/IHC and systematic analysis)
- iii. Lt Col Tanushri Mukherjee, Kolkata: Vascular tumors recent developments.

- iv. Dr. Kim Vaiphei, Chandigarh: Diagnostic dilemmas in interpreting lower esophageal and gastroesophageal junction biopsies a Histopathologist's perspective.
- v. Dr. Palash Mondal, NBMC, Siliguri: "Ancillary Techniques in diagnostic cyto-pathology".
- vi. Brig V Srinivas, AFMC, Pune: Student Assessment strategies in Pathology.
- vii. Dr. Bharat Rekhi, TMH, Mumbai : Recent Advances in Musculoskeletal Tumor Pathology.
- viii. Prof Subhada Kane, TMH, Mumbai: Thyroid Cancers from A to Z (FNAC, Histopathology, role of markers, role of IHC, Molecular Biology, RA Scan etc. etc.)
- ix.) Dr. Shantveer Uppin, Hyderabad :Pathology of Joints and Orthopaedic Reconstructive Surgery.
- x.) Dr. Satyakam Sawaimoon, TMC, Kolkata : a. Lung Carcinoma : Morphology to Molecular Genetics. b. Recent Advances in Colo-Rectal Cancers.
- xi.) Neeraj Arora, TMC, Kolkata: "Molecular Diagnostics and Beyond in Pathology: Actionable Results in Clinical Decision Making".

#### Resolution: Agenda No.7 (h) /2013:

The General Body accepted / selected the following six CMEs from the above proposals. The name of Moderators are mentioned against the selected topics. :

- a. Pathology of Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Dr. Prasenjit Das, AIIMS, New Delhi.
- b. Lymphoid neoplasms of gastro-intestinal tract (Classification, clinical inputs, immunohistochemistry, flowcytometry, differential diagnosis and recent advances): Dr. Prateek Kinra, Bengaluru.
- c. Ancillary Techniques in Diagnostic Cytopathology": Dr. Palash Mondal, Siliguri.
- d. Vascular tumors recent developments : Lt Col Tanushri Mukherjee, Kolkata.
- e. Pathology of Joints and Orthopaedic Reconstructive Surgery: Dr.Shantveer Uppin, Hyderabad.
- f. Lung Carcinoma: Morphology to Molecular Genetics: Dr. Satyakam Sawaimoon, Kolkata.

Agenda No.7 (i): 8<sup>th</sup> ICP Oration: ICP informed that 8<sup>th</sup> ICP Oration will be delivered by Prof Roshni Chinoy, Ex-Professor & Head, Dept of Pathology, TMH, Mumbai. Resolution: Agenda No.7 (i) /2013:

The General Body welcomed this decision and accepted the same.

Agenda No.7 (j): Practising Pathologists' Session: Three proposals were received:

- i. Dr. Ranjan Agarwal, Bareilly:
- a. Automation vis-a-vis Manual Reporting: Interpretation errors and Discrepancies.

b. Role of Digitisation in Routine Practice.

ii. Dr. Anita Bhaduri, Mumbai : A practical approach to endometrial and cervical biopsies with LBC correlations. "

Resolution: Agenda No.7 (j) /2013:

The General Body selected and approved "Automation vis-a-vis Manual Reporting: Interpretation of errors and Discrepancies". Moderator will be Dr. Ranjan Agarwal, Bareilly.

Agenda No. 7(k): APCON Quiz, Free Oral / Poster Paper Sessions:

Resolution: Agenda No.7 (k) /2013: General Body desired to maintain status quo on these two areas. Both to continue as previously practised. Dr. Sharada Rane, Pune to continue moderating the APCON Quiz.

Agenda No. 8: Results of Various Awards 2013.

Agenda No. 8 (a) Dr. VR Khanolkar Prize – 2013. Five published papers were received for Dr. V.R. Khanolkar prize in 2013.

The judges recommended Dr. Amanjit Bal, PGIMER, Chandigarh for the Dr. VR Khanolkar Award in 2013.

Resolutions: Agenda No.8 (a)/2013

The paper "BRCA1 - methylated sporadic breast cancers are BRCA- like in showing a basal phentotype and absence of ER expression " of Dr. Amanjit Bal, PGIMER, Chandigarh was approved for Dr. V.R. Khanolkar prize for 2013.

Agenda No.8 (b) Smt. Kunti Devi Mehrotra Award – 2013.

Two published papers were received for Smt Kunti Devi Mehrotra Award in 2013.

The judges recommended Dr. Anita Chopra, AIIMS, New Dehi for the Smt Kunti Devi Mehrotra Award in 2013.

Resolutions: Agenda No.8 (b)/2013:

The paper "Flowcytometry in myelodysplastic syndrome: analysis of diagnostic utility using maturation pattern - based and quantitative approaches." of Dr. Anita Chopra, AIIMS, New Delhi was approved for Smt Kunti Devi Mehrotra Award for 2013.

Agenda No.8 (c) Prof. K.C. Basu Mallik Award 2013. This year there were four entries for Prof. K.C. Basu Mallick Award 2012. All the entries were presented during plenary session on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2013 during APCON 2013.

Resolution: Agenda No.8 (c)/2013:

The paper "Hepatic venous outflow tract obstruction: Liver biopsy an important diagnostic adjunct to non-invasive techniques." of Dr. Rajni Yadav, AIIMS, New Delhi was approved for Prof.K.C. Basu Mallick Award 2013.

Agenda No.8 (d) There were 9 entries for the Best Paper Award 2013.. Four entries were shortlisted by the panel of judges to be presented during the plenary session on 13<sup>th</sup> December,2013 during APCON 2013.

Resolutions: Agenda No.8 (d)/2013:

The paper "Study of NOTCH Pathway regulators in the pathogenesis of ependymomas " of Dr. Rakesh Gupta, AIIMS, New Delhi was approved for the Best Paper Award 2013.

Agenda No.9: Venue of the next conference: 63rd Annual Conference of Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists, APCON-2014 and 64th APCON in 2015.

(a) Brig Vibha Dutta,SM and Brig V Srinivas from AFMC, Pune expressed their willingness to organise APCON-2014 at AFMC, Pune. (b) JIPMER, Puducherry verbally informed their un-willingness to be in the fray to host the 63rd APCON 2014.

There were Four proposals to host APCON 2015 and all of them presented a 10 minutes power-point presentation on their bids .

- (a) Kochi,Kerala ( Dr. I Praseeda ) (b) Raipur,Chattisgarh ( Dr. Renuka Gahine ) (c) Bareilly,UP ( Dr. Ranjan Agarwal ) and (d) Ranchi,Jharkhand ( Dr. Arvind Kumar ) . Resolution: Agenda No.9 / 2013:
- (a) The General Body accepted the invitation of Brig Vibha Dutta, SM and Brig V Srinivas to host APCON 2014 at AFMC, Pune (Maharashtra).
- (b) After all the 4 bids were presented the General Body accepted the invitation from Kochi, Kerala ( Dr. I Praseeda ) to host APCON 2015.

The new Secretary will send the official letter of acceptance to the concerned people.

Agenda No.10: Reports of the Hon. Secretary, Hony Jt Secretary, Hony Treasurer, Hony Editor-in-Chief, Hony Secretary ICP, Hony Jt Secretary HQ, IAPM; which were circulated

Dr. Kanaklata Dei submitted the Hony Jt Secretary HQ's report in her absentia. The General Body debated on various aspects of the Hony Jt Secretary HQ's report for the year 2013. There were some discrepancies in the electrical bills, the single phase / 3 phase electrical connections, statement of expenses & income and regarding the generator for the lift.

Resolution: Agenda No. 10(a) /2013: The General Body accepted the report of Dr. DK Mishra, Hony Secretary, IAPM for the year 2013.

Resolution: Agenda No. 10(b) /2013: The General Body accepted the report of Dr. Pradeep Vaideeswar, Hony Jt Secretary, IAPM for the year 2013.

Resolution: Agenda No. 10(c) /2013: The General Body accepted the report of Dr. Jayashree Rath, Hony Treasurer, IAPM for the year 2013.

Resolution: Agenda No. 10(d) /2013: The General Body accepted the report of Dr. Vatsala Mishra, Hony Editor-in-Chief, IJPM for the year 2013.

Resolution: Agenda No. 10(e) /2013: The General Body accepted the report of Dr. Fransisco Couto, Hony Secretary, ICP for the year 2013.

Resolution: Agenda No. 10(f) /2013: The General Body did not accept / approve Dr. Asaranti Kar, Hony Jt Secretary HQ's report. The GB asked the Hony Jt Secy HQ to clarify the raised points and resubmit the report including the statement of expenditures & income of the IAPM HQ. The report was submitted by Dr. Kanaklata Dei in her absentia, who could not clarify the raised issues. However, the GB in principle agreed to the installation of a generator set for the smooth functioning of the lift; arising out of the frequent power cuts in the local area in Cuttack, Odisha.

Agenda No.11: Financial Documents, Audited Statements, Budget Papers from the Hony Treasurer, IAPM and Hony Jt Secretary HQ; which were circulated.

Resolution: Agenda No. 11 /2013: The General Body accepted and approved the audited statements of Dr. Jayashree Rath, Hony Treasurer, IAPM for the year 2013 and the budget submitted for 2014.

The General Body did not accept / approve Dr. Asaranti Kar, Hony Jt Secretary HQ's statement of expenditures & income of the IAPM HQ. Except for the in-principle approval of the generator set ( for the lift ); no other budgetary provisions were approved. Hony Jt Secy HQ to clarify the raised points and resubmit the report including the statement of expenditures & income and the budget for the IAPM HQ.

Agenda No.12: EQAS in Histo-Pathology. Prof Manoj Singh, AIIMS, New Delhi briefed the GB. The GB desired that Slide opinion be included in the EQA reporting. Prof Manoj Singh reported that gradually more labs are participating in the EQAS program. In 2011 /

2012 / 2013 there were 117 / 147 / 174 institutions / hospitals / laboratories are participating in this program respectively.

Resolution: Agenda No.12/2013:

GB requested Prof Manoj Singh on the implementation of slide opinion also as part of EQAS in Histopathology.

Agenda No.13: Any other points for discussion with permission of the Chair.

Agenda No.13(a): Inauguration Function SOP should be in place. This was raised by the President and she re-inforced that proper protocols to be followed.

Resolution: Agenda No.13 (a) /2013:

The General Body agreed on this and pointed that Editor-in – Cheif should be properly placed in the order and opined that the incumbent Hony Secretary to prepare and place the SOP on the Inaugural Function for compliance by the APCON Organisers.

Agenda No.13(b): Point from President that all IAPM meeting records to be archived in IAPM HQ.

Resolution: Agenda No.13 (b) /2013: The house decided that let this be followed in letter and spirit. At the end of all APCONs, the connected documents be sent to IAPM HQ for archiving.

Agenda No.13(c): President discussed on the Chairperson Guidelines during APCON Conferences as there were some complaints on this issue and opined that it should be a transparent process.

#### Resolution: Agenda No.13 (c) /2013:

The General Body suggested that let there be a SOP on this to be prepared by the incumbent Hony Secretary and the SOP to be implemented from APCON 2014. It should be seen that no person has same responsibilities twice during the conference. Members expertise in the area should be kept in mind while deciding on chairpersons.

Agenda No.13(d): President favoured SOPs for various Orations and Events. Resolution: Agenda No.13 (d) /2013:

The GB approved and informed the Hony Secretary to look into this for future APCON Conferences.

Agenda No.13(e): President suggested a Grievances Committee.

Resolution: Agenda No.13 (e) /2013:

The GB approved the proposal and suggested that the a Past-President, current President and Hony Secretary to form a 3 member Grievances Committee to look into members complaints / suggestions / points.

Agenda No.13(f): Hardcopy of News Bulletin to continue.Point by Prof GN Mohanty. Resolution: Agenda No.13 (f) /2013:

Hony Secy informed about the cost issues and the large numbers that are returning back due to address problems. However, the GB felt that the printed hard copy issues should continue as before irrespective of all issues.

Agenda No.13(g): Point from Dr. Rajiv Rao and Dr. Jagdish Keskar on the issue of illegal Private Pathology Laboratories. They suggested that IAPM should write on this matter to the Health Ministry.

## Resolution: Agenda No.13 (g) /2013:

The GB opined that this is a criminal offence and should be dealt by the local police. Written complaint should be given to higher police authorities.

Agenda No.13(h): Point from Dr. (Mrs.) Rekha Gaikwad, Jalna. She requested if IAPM could take up a case with MCI for inclusion of Pathology as a clinical subject like Forensic Medicine, PSM etc.Govt of Maharashtra is denying her promotion on this ground. Resolution: Agenda No.13 (h) /2013:

The General Body debated on this . Hony Secretary Dr. DK Mishra informed that he had written to MCI on this matter nearly 2 years back, but there is no response from MCI. She was advised to liase with Prof Manoj Singh, who has been a Member of the MCI Governing Council and being a Pathologist may be able to help in this matter.

Agenda No.13(j): Point from Prof Manoj Rai, Ranchi. He suggested that glass slides should be made available for the Histopathology Slide Seminars, as used to be the practice before. Resolution: Agenda No.13 (j) /2013:

The GB discussed this and said that it should be revived and Moderators should now be requested to make such boxes available for a price. This will be a very good exercise for the post-graduates and junior faculty. Incumbent Hony Secretary to take this way forward.

Agenda No.13(k): Thanking APCON 2013 Organisers. Resolution: Agenda No.13 (k) /2013:

The General Body applauded the great efforts of the entire Organising Committee of APCON 2013 for putting in place a highly successful scientific event. The GB complimented and commended Prof KS Bhople, Prof RS Bindu and their able team for organising such an event . All the delegates learnt a lot academically but also they had a great social event.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and to all the office bearers of IAPM. The members also thanked the out-going office-bearers for their hard work and welcomed the new team. The Chair thanked all the honourable members of IAPM for attending this conference and the GBM.

Dr. (Col) Deepak K Mishra Hony Secretary, IAPM