



THE INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE MUMBAI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

The Executive Committee Meeting (ECM) of The Institute of Science Mumbai Alumni Association (ISMAA) were held on 12th January 2024 and 9th February 2024.

The current membership status:

Corporate members	02
Patron members	16
Life Members	364

Annual Report of The Institute of Science Alumni Association (ISAA) for the Academic year 2023-24

The association conducted following activities for the benefit of students & faculty.

Vikasit Bharat @ 2047 – Empowering Young Scientists

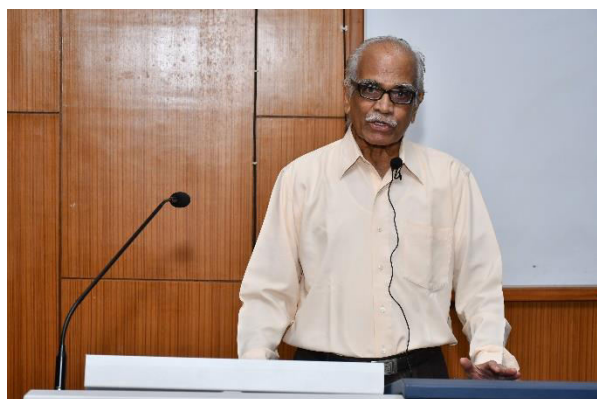
The Institute of Science Mumbai Alumni Association (ISMAA) in association with Bharucha School of Ecology, Mumbai conducted a symposium on Vikasit Bharat @ 2047– Empowering Young Scientists on 9th January 2024.

Trained Botanist has a big role to play for improving environment by way of research based on learned scientific approach. Prof. Sharad Chaphekar, Ex-Head, Department of Botany, The Institute of Science, Mumbai along with his 9 PhD students, published a booklet "A Botanist for Degraded Environment - ABDEN" consisting of 12 selected research articles highlighting the environmental concerns and ways to mitigate the situation to restore the degraded environment based on scientific measures. The aim of the program was to inspire young environmentalists to adopt scientific approach in dealing with environmental issues.



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The Institute of Science, Mumbai



Department of Botany

in collaboration with

The Institute of Science Mumbai Alumni Association,
&
Bharucha School of Ecology, Mumbai

cordially invite you to a symposium

on

“Viksit Bharat @ 2047 - Empowering Young Scientists”

Tuesday, 9th January 2024, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Venue: Room No. 36

Prof. Rajanish Kamat

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Homi Bhabha State University,

will grace the function.

Prof. Aparna Saraf
Head, Dept. of Botany

Prof. N.V. Thakkar
President, ISSA

Prof. S.B. Kulkarni
I/C Director



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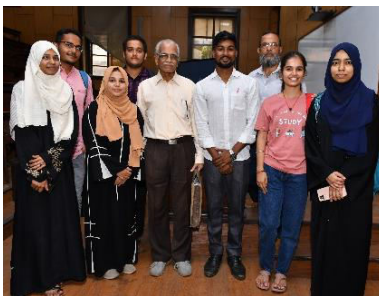
Program

10:00 – 10:30 am	Registration & Breakfast	
10:30 – 10:40 am	Welcome	Prof. Aparna Saraf, HoD, Dept. of Botany
10:40 – 10:50 am		Prof. S.B. Kulkarni, I/C Director, The Institute of Science
10:50 – 11:00 am	Introduction to Symposium	Dr. Ambika Joshi
11:00 – 11:10 am	The Concept	Prof. Rajanish Kamat, VC, Dr. Homi Bhabha State University
11:10 – 11:50 am	“Restoration of land”	Prof. Sharad Chaphekar
11:50 – 12:05 pm	Our student's contribution to the theme	Prof. Sanjay Deshmukh
12:05 – 12:20 pm		Prof. Anil Patil
12:20 – 12:35 pm		Dr. Ramesh Madav
12:35 – 12:50 pm		Firdaus Poonawala
12:50 – 2:00 pm	Lunch	
2:00 – 2:15 pm	Our student's contribution to the theme	Dr. C.S. Latto
2:15 – 2:30 pm		Dr. Ambika Joshi
2:30 – 2:45 pm		Dr. Seema Ghate
2:45 – 3:00 pm		Dr. Satish Bhalekar
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Open House	Dr. Hemant Rane
3:15 – 3:45 pm		
3:45 – 4:00 pm	Summing up	Prof. A.D. Sawant
4:00 – 4:10 pm	Vote of Thanks	Prof. Sagarika Damle

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Head, Dept. of Botany

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“Career Failures (and Successes) in Agricultural Biotechnology” 8th February 2024

A very motivating talk by Anuradha Raman, Bayer Crop Science, St. Louis, Missouri, United States, that had the students captivated. Alumnus Prof. Sawant, Prof. Thakkar, Dr. Bhosale, Dr. Sudesh Bhagwat and Dr. Sarang, attended the session along with students from Botany, Biotechnology & EVS Departments.

Dr Homi Bhabha State University

Department of Botany
The Institute of Science, Mumbai
in association with
Institute of Science Alumni Association (ISAA)

Cordially invites all for a talk by



Anuradha Raman

Digital Transformation Lead, Global Digital Manufacturing,
Bayer Crop Science, St. Louis, Missouri, United States.

on

“Career Failures (and Successes) in Agricultural Biotechnology”

Date: Thursday, 8th February 2024, 2:00 pm
Venue: Auditorium, 2nd Floor.

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Head, Dept. of Botany
Secretary, ISAA

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“Surface Analysis -New Opportunities for Advanced Materials



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Characterization” 8th February 2024

Alumnus Dr. Sankar Raman, Retired - Surface Analysis Business Development executive, St. Louis, Missouri, United States, conducted a session on “Surface Analysis - New Opportunities for Advanced Materials Characterization”. It was a well-articulated talk giving insights into various techniques in the field of surface analysis and its application.

Dr Homi Bhabha State University

Department of Physics
The Institute of Science, Mumbai
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Cordially invites all for a talk by



Dr. Sankar Raman

Retired - Surface Analysis Business Development executive
St. Louis, Missouri, United States.

on

“Surface Analysis - New Opportunities for Advanced Materials Characterization”

Date: Thursday, 8th February 2024, 12:30 pm
Venue: Auditorium, 2nd Floor.

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Secretary, ISAA

Prof. N.V. Thakkar
President, ISAA

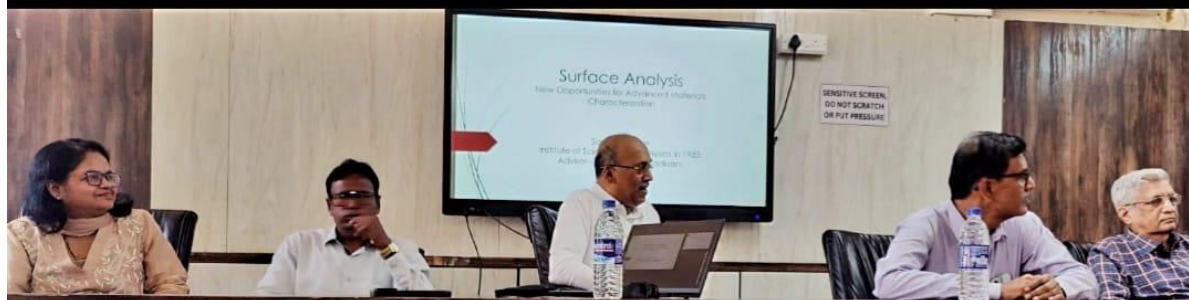
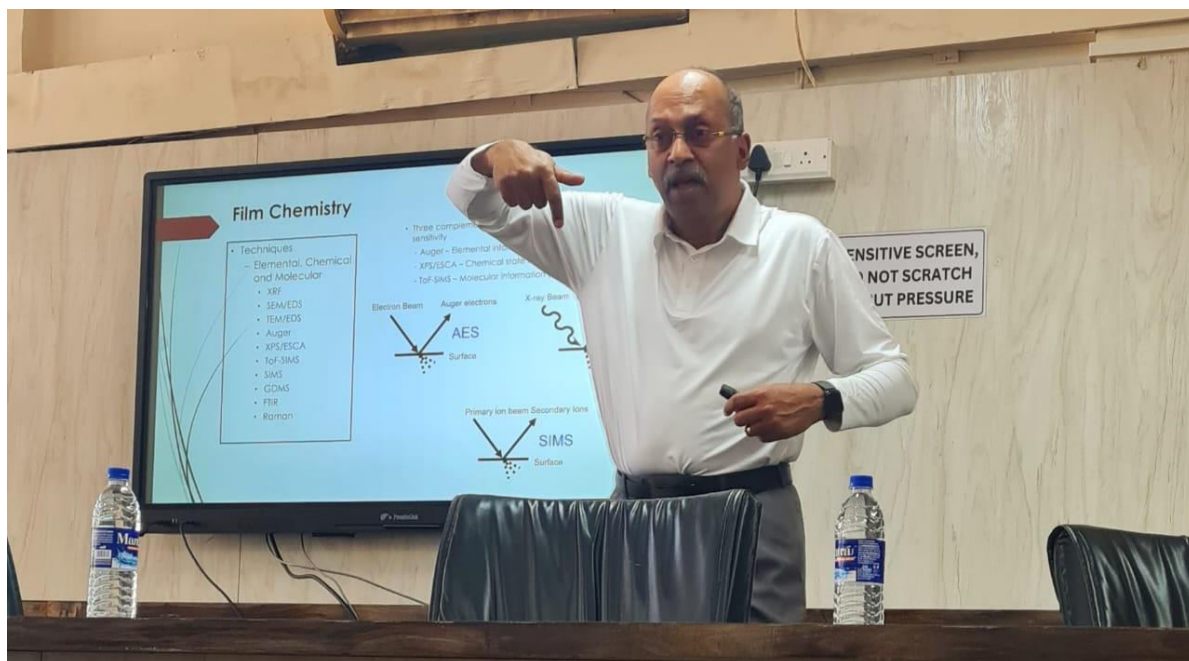
Prof. R.B. Kale
Head, Dept. of Physics

Prof. S.B. Kulkarni
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Dr. Sankar Raman giving insights in the field of Surface Analysis.....



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“Indoor Pollution and Phytoremediation” 21st February 2024

An interactive talk by Dr. S.C. Sharma, Ex- Scientist, CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow, on “Indoor Pollution and Phytoremediation” was organised on 21st February 2024. 36 students attended the talk.

Dr Homi Bhabha State University

Department of Botany

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Cordially invites all for a talk by



Dr. S.C. Sharma

Ex- Scientist, CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow.

on

“Indoor Pollution and Phytoremediation”

Date: Wednesday, 21st February 2024, 3:00 pm

Prof. Aparna Saraf
Head, Dept. of Botany
Secretary, ISMAA

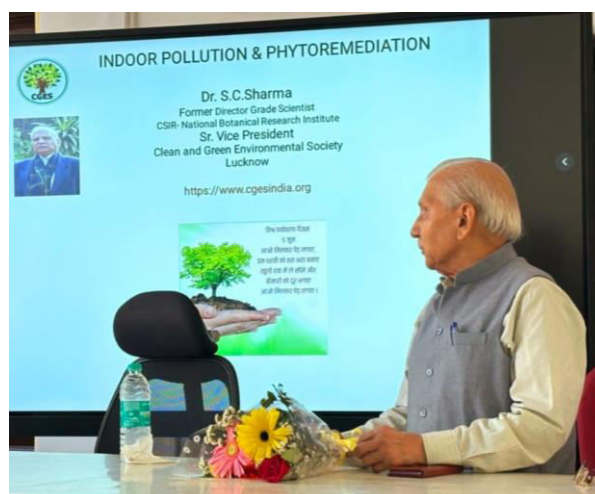
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Glimpses of the talk....



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Amidst the greens... with alumnus Dr Lattoo at Mahim Nature Park 24th February 2024

Alumnus Dr. C.S. Lattoo conducted a short excursion for Botany students. It was an experience to remember and cherish. The subject expertise awed young minds and his enthusiasm motivated them.



GPS Map Camera

Mumbai, Maharashtra, India

Maharashtra Nature Park, Sion Bandra Link Road, Dharavi,
opp. Bus Depot, Mahim Nature Park, Dharavi, Mumbai,
Maharashtra 400017, India

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Vidnyan Sanstha Ratna Awards & Annual Alumni Get-Together 16th March 2024

The Institute of Science, Mumbai
Lead Institution

Dr. Homi Bhabha State University (HBSU)

The Institute of Science Mumbai Alumni Association (ISMAA)

Announces

Vigyan Sanstha Ratna Awards

To

Dr. Yazdi Italia

and

Prof. Sharad Chaphekar

The Awards will be presented

at the

Annual Alumni Get-Together

Chief Guest

Dr. Nipun Vinayak IAS
Director, PM-USHA, Maharashtra

Prof. Rajanish Kamat
Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, HBSU
will preside

Date : Saturday, 16th March, 2024

Venue : Room 36, The Institute of Science, Mumbai

All are cordially invited

Prof. Aparna A. Saraf
Hon. Secretary, ISMAA

Prof. N. V. Thakkar
President, ISMAA

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Vc Director, The Institute of Science



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Financial Provisions from the ISMAA funds for activities at the Institute of Science, Mumbai

The Institute of Science Mumbai Alumni Association (ISMAA) has made financial provisions from the available funds of the ISMAA for the following activities for the benefit of students and faculty of the Institute:

I. Late Shri C. C. Shroff Memorial Lecture:

A lecture named as The Institute of Science Mumbai Alumni Association's Late Shri Champraj C. Shroff Memorial Lecture by an eminent scientist, industrialist or an academician, to be organised every year by the Department of Chemistry at the Institute.

The funding available may be utilised towards honorarium, travel expenses, felicitation etc. of the speaker, hospitality and other miscellaneous expenses for organisation of the lecture etc. The total funding available for the purpose may be approximately Rs. 10,000/- per lecture per year, but may vary. The exact amount available for a lecture in a particular year will be communicated by the Office Bearers of ISMAA on request.

II. Alumni Association's Late Shri C C Shroff Convention Awards:

The seven Convocation Awards, named as follows, to be given away to the Institute students at the annual convocation:

- i. "The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Late Shri Champraj C. Shroff Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Inorganic Chemistry".
- ii. "The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Late Shri Champraj C. Shroff Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Organic Chemistry".
- iii. "The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Late Shri Champraj C. Shroff Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Physical Chemistry".
- iv. "The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Late Shri Champraj C. Shroff Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Analytical Chemistry".
- v. "The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Late Shri Champraj C. Shroff Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Environmental Science".
- vi. "The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Late Shri Champraj C. Shroff Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Biochemistry".
- vii. "The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Late Shri Champraj C. Shroff Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Biotechnology".



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III. ISMAA Convention Awards:

The five Convocation Awards, named as follows, to be given away to the Institute students at the annual convocation:

- viii. “The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Physics”.
- ix. “The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Botany.”
- x. “The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Zoology”.
- xi. “The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Microbiology”.
- xii. “The I.Sc. Mumbai Alumni Association's Convocation Award for M.Sc. in Mathematics”.

NOTE-1 : The above Convocation Awards (i to xii) are to be given to the candidates from the Institute of Science, Mumbai, who have secured highest CGPA in the relevant MSc Degree Examinations in their respective subjects.

NOTE-2 : The amount available for each award is Rs. 500/- for the Convocation on 20th July 2023. This amount is to be utilized against the cost of the Medal. The balance amount to be given as the Cash Prize to the respective candidate.

Mumbai
12th March 2024

Prof. N. V. Thakkar
Chairman

Dr. Aparna A. Saraf
Hon. Secretary



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NOTICE FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee Meeting (ECM) of The Institute of Science (Mumbai) Alumni Association (ISAA) will be held **ONLINE** on Friday, 12th January 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

All the Trustees and EC Members are requested to make it convenient to attend the Meeting and confirm their presence at the earliest.

AGENDA

- ✚ Confirmation of Minutes last ECM held on 9th December 2019.
- ✚ Report of ISAA activities so far.
- ✚ Update on financial matters
- ✚ Ratification of the decisions taken in the meeting of the ISAA Fund Raising Committee
- ✚ Update and consideration of further action: Process of Nomination for Vigyan Sanstha Ratna award
- ✚ Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

2nd January 2024

Prof. Aparna A. Saraf
Hon. Secretary

N. B.:

- i) If there is no Quorum at **7.45 p.m.**, the meeting shall be adjourned. The adjourned meeting shall be reconvened at **8.00 p.m.** on the same day and there shall be no quorum requirement. The business transacted at the said meeting shall be valid.
- ii) A confirmation of your presence at the Meeting through WhatsApp at the earliest will be highly appreciated.



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12th January 2024.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD IN ONLINE MODE ON 12TH JANUARY 2024

A Meeting of the Members of the Executive Committee of ISAA was held in online mode on **12th January 2024** at 7:30 pm on Zoom platform.

Following EC Members and Trustees were present at the Meeting in offline mode:

Prof. N. V. Thakkar, Prof. Aparna A. Saraf, Prof. A. D. Sawant, Prof. S.B. Kulkarni, Dr. Sankar Raman, Dr. Ambuja Udas, Shri Anil Nimkar, Prof. Ramesh Yamgar, Prof. Gayatri Barabde, Prof. Sagarika Damle, Dr. Sudesh Bhagwat, Dr. Rupesh Gaikwad, Smt. Manjushree Savadi and Shri Shubham Tanpathak.

Dr. Hippalgaonkar attended the meeting as an invitee.

Prof. Chaphekar, Dr. Ajay Joshi and Dr. Sampurna Murti had communicated their inability to attend the meeting.

Following business was transacted in the Meeting with Prof. Thakkar in Chair.

Agenda Item 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the last ECM held on 15th February 2023.

Prof. Thakkar mentioned that the Minutes of the last ECM held on 15th February 2023 were circulated to EC members, and hence may be taken as read to which members agreed. As there were no queries, Prof. A. D. Sawant proposed that the Minutes be accepted and Dr. Sankar Raman seconded the same. The minutes were then approved unanimously.

Agenda Item 2: Action Taken Report.

Dr. Thakkar mentioned that the Action Taken Report was circulated. As there were no queries, the report was accepted unanimously.

Agenda Item 3: Update by the Treasurer on the matters related to financials.

In absence of Prof. Sushama Ambadekar, Tresurer, ISMAA, Prof. Thakkar informed that several documents related to the financials of the Association were already circulated before the meeting. A list of life, patron and corporate members was also circulated along with the details of donations received. He further apprised that Income Tax Returns were filed and the financials including Statement of Income and Expenditure and Balance Sheet for the financial year 2022-23 were submitted to the Charity Commissioners Office.

He also suggested that there should be three corpus, the Membership Corpus, the General Corpus and the Specific Purpose Corpus.



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Agenda Item 4: Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

- (i) Updating of the records: Members' List, Issue of Receipts etc.

Prof. Thakkar informed that the list of Life Members, Patron Members and Corporate Members has been updated and receipts for the membership fees and donations have been issued. This work is being looked after by Dr. Utkarsha Lekhak.

- (ii) Membership Drive

Prof. Thakkar requested Director Sir to help to increase the alumni membership by appealing to the faculty members and current MSc & PhD students to become members, to which he received a positive response from the Director.

- (iii) Fund Raising Drive

Regarding Fund Raising drive, Prof. Thakkar suggested that the members can also consider personal contribution and at the same time they can also explore the corporate to donate under CSR. Prof. Sagarika Damle suggested to have a team maybe of 2-3 members along with a team of students to appeal to corporate and have a follow up regarding the same. Dr. Sankar Raman put forth that alumni who have moved on in life and who are in well-established organizations, are a much better, much more viable entity to generate funds from outside rather than fresh graduates who are building their careers. Such senior alumni should be involved in the fund raising drive.

- (iv) Planning of the activities by ISAA, including

Vigyan Sanstha Ratna Awards:

A committee comprising of Prof. Sawant, Dr. Ambuja and Shri. Anil Nimkar was constituted to work upon the criteria of Vigyan Sanstha Ratna Awards.

Annual Gathering

It was decided that AGBM and Annual Gathering would be conducted at the earliest.



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Agenda Item 5: Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

It was decided that Dr. Utkarsha Lekhak to take over as new Treasurer since Prof. Sushama Ambadekar has been transferred from The Institute of Science, Mumbai and is unable to give time to ISMAA. Accordingly, following Resolution was passed:

“IT IS RESOLVED that as the present treasurer Prof. Sushma Ambadekar is unable to give time and work as treasurer of ISMAA due to her transfer from The Institute of Science, Mumbai, Dr. Utkarsha Lekhak, Assistant Professor, be requested to work as the Treasurer, ISMAA.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the President and the Hon. Secretary be authorised to take necessary steps to complete formalities in this respect including those for introducing the new treasurer to the Bank for the ISMAA account operation.”

The Resolution was proposed by Dr. Ambuja and seconded by Prof. Sawant. It was passed unanimously.

The Meeting concluded with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

Dr. N. V. Thakkar
President, ISMAA

Dr. Aparna Saraf
Hon. Secretary, ISAA



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4th February 2024

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO BE HELD IN ONLINE MODE ON 9TH FEBRUARY 2024

A Meeting of the Members of the Executive Committee of ISMAA will be held on **9th February 2024** at 6:00 pm. All the Trustees of the Association and the members of the Executive Committee are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the Meeting.

The link for the on-line mode of meeting shall be communicated later.

AGENDA

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the last online ECM held on 12th January 2024.
2. Update by the Treasurer on the matters related to financials.
3. Planning of the activities by ISAA:
 - (i) Finalising the date for AGBM for the year 2023-24.
 - (ii) Report of Vigyan Sanstha Ratna Awards Committee.
 - (iii) Vigyan Sanstha Ratna Awards.
 - (iv) Annual Gathering.
4. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

Prof. N. V. Thakkar
President, ISAA

Prof. Aparna Saraf
Hon. Secretary, ISAA

N. B.:

- i) If there is no Quorum at **6.00 p.m.**, the meeting shall be adjourned. The adjourned meeting shall be reconvened at **6.30 p.m.** on the same day at the same place and there shall be no quorum requirement. The business transacted at the said meeting shall be valid.



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09th February 2024.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD IN ONLINE MODE ON 09TH FEBRUARY 2024

A Meeting of the Members of the Executive Committee of ISAA was held in online mode on **09th February 2024** at 6:00 pm on Zoom platform.

Following EC Members and Trustees were present at the Meeting in offline mode:

Prof. N. V. Thakkar, Prof. Aparna A. Saraf, Prof. S. B. Kulkarni, Dr. Ambuja Udas, Shri Anil Nimkar, Prof. Ramesh Yamgar, Prof. Gayatri Barabde, Dr. Rupesh Gaikwad, Smt. Manjushree Savadi, Dr. Utkarsha Lekhak and Shri Shubham Tanpathak.

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Prof. Chaphekar, Dr. Sankar Raman, Dr. Ajay Joshi, Dr. Sampurna Murti, Dr. Sudesh Bhagwat and Dr. Sagarika Damle had communicated their inability to attend the meeting. Prof. A. D. Sawant could not join as he was occupied elsewhere.

Following business was transacted in the Meeting with Prof. Thakkar in Chair.

Agenda Item 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the ECM held ONLINE on 12th January 2024.

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Action Taken Report: Dr. Thakkar informed that as advised by the CA Shri Sabharwal, a notice was issued to the Treasurer Prof. Sushma Ambadekar, following which she submitted her resignation on 21st January 2024 giving reason as she was unable to continue to work as treasurer because of her transfer from the Institute. As resolved in the ECM, steps were initiated to induct Dr. Utkarsha Lekhak as Treasurer.

Agenda Item 2: Update by the Treasurer on the matters related to financials:

The newly appointed treasurer reported that the formalities of introducing her as the new treasurer in place of Prof. Ambadekar to the UCo Bank were completed by Prof. Saraf and herself. A copy of the Resolution to that effect was submitted to the Bank. All the FDs were updated. Also, instructions were given to the Bank to create a fresh FD of Rs 2L and close seven FDs of 50k each @ lower rate of interest, and create instead new FDs of Rs 2L and 1.5L @best rate of interest available, she further informed. Prof. Thakkar added that with this, we now have FDs of total 6L (2L, 2L, 1.5L and 50k) which completes the total requirement of FDs corresponding to Membership Corpus (Life, Patron & Corporate).



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Agenda Item 3: Planning of the activities by ISMAA

(i) Finalizing the date for AGBM for the year 2023: Dr. Thakkar pointed out that due to transfers of the Hon. Secretary Prof. Aparna Saraf and the Treasurer Dr. Sushma Ambadekar out of Institute, the AGBM for the FY 2022-23 could not be held in 2023. It was necessary to hold it as advised by the CA Shri Sabharwal. Taking into consideration the examination program, it was decided that the AGBM may be convened on Saturday, the 16th March 2024. Director Prof. Kulkarni agreed that the date was convenient. He was requested to inform the Hon. Vice Chancellor, HBSU to ensure his availability on the said date.

(ii) Report of the Committee to decide criteria for award of Vigyan Sanstha Ratna Awards: The Committee comprising of Prof. A. D. Sawant, Dr. Ambuja Udas and Shri Anil Nimkar had submitted their report with draft criteria which was already circulated. The criteria points were read out by the Secretary Prof. Saraf. After discussion, it was decided that the members may consider the report carefully, may give suggestions if any for improvement, and the criteria and the procedure for selection of candidates for VSRatna Awards may be finalized in subsequent ECM/s for implementation in future.

(iii) Vigyan Sanstha Ratna Awards: There was in-depth discussion on VS Ratna Awards in the next AGBM/Alumni Re-Union; it was decided that based on the draft criteria submitted by the Committee, one or two VS Ratna awards be given this time. It was pointed out by the members of VSR Award Committee present in the meeting that Dr. Yezdi Italia, whose name had appeared in the shortlisted candidates for the Awards in Dec. 2022, has now been awarded Padma Shri by the Government of India in Jan 2024, and is a fit case for consideration of award this time. The name of Prof. S. B. Chaphekar (who was not present on health grounds) was also suggested, to which all the EC members and trustees unanimously agreed as his noteworthy contributions in his field as also for the Institute students are well-known to all. The members of the Award Committee present in the meeting therefore recommended that on the basis of the draft criteria, both Dr. Italia and Prof. Chaphekar be given the VS Ratna Awards. The EC Members were unanimous in accepting the recommendation.

(iv) Annual Gathering: After a brief discussion, it was decided that the AGBM-2023, Annual Alumni Re-union and the Felicitation and presenting of VS Ratna Awards to Dr. Italia and Prof. Chaphekar be held on Saturday, the 16th March 2024.

Agenda Item 4: Any other matter with the permission of Chair.

As there was no other matter for discussion, Hon. Secretary Prof. Aparna ended the meeting with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

Dr. N. V. Thakkar
President, ISMAA

Dr. Aparna Saraf
Hon. Secretary, ISAA



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ISSA/ AGBM (2024)/1

February 24, 2024.

NOTICE

THE ISMAA ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING (2022-23)

TO BE HELD ON 16TH MARCH 2024

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGBM) of the Members of The Institute of Science Mumbai Alumni Association (ISMAA) for the year 2022-23 will be held on **Saturday, the 16th March 2024 at 4.30 pm** in Room. Number 21.

The detailed agenda for the AGBM Meeting will be posted soon.

All the trustees, registered patrons and life members of the Alumni Association are requested to attend the Meeting

Regards.

Prof. N. V. Thakkar
President, ISMAA

Prof. Aparna Saraf
Hon. Secretary, ISMAA

- N. B.:**
1. If there is no Quorum at **4.30 p.m.**, the meeting shall be adjourned. The adjourned meeting shall be reconvened at **5.00 p.m.** on the same day and there shall be no quorum requirement. The business transacted at the said meeting shall be valid.
 2. Those alumni who are not yet registered members are requested to consider registration as patron/life member by submitting the membership form and paying the membership fees at the earliest.
 - 3 AGBM will be followed by Annual Gathering in Room No. 36.



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ISSA/AGENDA-AGBM (2022)/16MAR2024

March 3, 2024.

AGENDA OF THE ISMAA ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING (2022) **TO BE HELD ON 16TH MARCH 2024**

This is in continuation of the Notice dated 24.02.2024 of the Annual General Body Meeting (AGBM) of the Members of The Institute of Science Mumbai Alumni Association (ISMAA) for the year 2022-23 to be held **in Room No. 21, The Institute of Science, Mumbai on Saturday, the 16th March 2024 at 4.30 pm.**

Following is the Agenda for the AGBM Meeting:

AGENDA

1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the last AGBM held on 18th June 2022.
 2. Annual Report for the year 2023.
 3. Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2023.
 4. Election of Members to the EC in place of those retired (Treasurer)
 5. To appoint an Auditor to audit the Accounts of the Association for the FY 2022-23 & 2023-24 and fix his remuneration.
 6. Discussion on the current and future activities of the Association.
 7. Any other matter with the permission of Chair.
- 6(i) Feedback/Suggestions from the Members
- 6(ii) Any other matter

All the Trustees, registered patrons and life members of the Alumni Association are requested to attend the Meeting.

Regards.

Dr. N. V. Thakkar

President, ISAA

Dr. Aparna Saraf

Hon. Secretary, ISAA

- N. B.:**
1. If there is no Quorum at **4.30 p.m.**, the meeting shall be adjourned. The adjourned meeting shall be reconvened at **5.00 p.m.** on the same day at the same venue and there shall be no quorum requirement. The business transacted at the said meeting shall be valid.
 2. Those alumni who are not yet registered members are requested to consider registration as patron (Rs 10,000/-)/life member (Rs 1000/-) by submitting the membership form and paying the membership fees at the earliest.
 3. The AGBM will be followed by Annual Get-together in Room No. 36, the details of which are announced separately.



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ISSA/MINUTES-AGBM-2023

March 16, 2024.

MINUTES OF THE ISMAA ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING (AGBM) **HELD ON 16TH MARCH 2024**

Annual General Body Meeting (AGBM) of The Institute of Science (Mumbai) Alumni Association (ISMAA) was held on Saturday, the 16th March 2024 at 4.30 pm. in Room No. 21, The Institute of Science, Mumbai.

Following members were present:

Prof. N. V. Thakkar, Prof. Aparna Saraf, Prof. A. D. Sawant, Dr. K. V. Hippalgaonkar, Prof. Gayatri Barabde, Dr. Ambuja Udas, Shri Anil Nimkar, Shri Nijen Desai, Dr. Kumud Kale, Prof. Sagarika Damle, Dr. Sudesh Bhagwat, Dr. Rupesh Gaikwad, Prof. S.B. Chaphekar, Dr. B. M. Patil, Ms. Manjushri Savadi, Shri Shubham Tanpathak, Dr. Mandakini Thakkar, Dr. Razia Manjrekar, Dr. Mrinal Bapat, Dr. Archana Thite, Dr. Varsha Andhare, Prof. Manisha Kulkarni, Dr. Sandip Pawar, Dr. Vaishali Palwankar, Dr. Aditi Roy, Dr. Subhayu Roy, Prof. Vijay Mendhulkar, Prof. S.B. Kulkarni, Shri. Jayant Khadilkar, Mrs. Vinaya Joshi, Dr. Ajit Deshpande, Dr. S. Mani, Prof. S.B. Chaudhary, Mrs. Varda Kulkarni, Dr. Kalpesh Khot, Dr. Sasikumar Menon, Dr. Mayuri Joshi and Dr. Ravindra Joshi.

The meeting was preceded by fellowship and interaction amongst the alumni over a Cup of Tea.

At the outset, on behalf of the Executive Committee, President Prof. Thakkar extended a warm welcome to all those present, including the Director Prof. S. B. Kulkarni, all the Trustees and the EC Members, ISMAA Members and all the alumni.

In the beginning, the members were requested to write their name and sign in the Register to record their attendance. Keeping in view that the main function was to start at 5.30 pm, Prof. Thakkar requested all to kindly cooperate so that the AGBM could be conducted in a fruitful manner and is concluded well in time.

Before beginning with the Agenda items of the Meeting, on behalf of the Association, all those present paid tribute to the following alumni who were no more with us:

- Prof. V. S. Darshane
- Dr. Vilas Deshmukh
- Dr. Rajendra Damle

Two minutes silence was observed in honour of the departed Souls.



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Following business was then transacted with Prof. N. V. Thakkar in the Chair.

Agenda Item 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the last AGBM held ONLINE on 18th June 2022.

The Minutes were already circulated; hence all those present agreed that it can be taken as read. As there were no queries, the Minutes were unanimously approved.

Proposed by: Prof. A.D. Sawant

Seconded by: Dr. Ambuja Udas

Agenda Item 2: Annual Report for the year 2023.

Prof. Aparna Saraf informed that the Annual Report 2023 was circulated on Whatsapp of various alumni groups. The alumni activities were conducted in online mode. Prof. Thakkar added that response to all the activities was overwhelming and thanked Dr. Aparna Saraf and her colleagues for their active role in organising of ISAA activities.

Members appreciated the activities carried out.

Proposed by: Dr. K.V. Hippalgaonkar

Seconded by: Prof. Sagarika Damle

The Annual Report-2023 was approved and accepted unanimously.

Agenda Item 3: Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2023.

Treasurer Dr. Utkarsha Lekhak informed that the Balance Sheet & Statement of Income & Expenditure were circulated along with Agenda and Annual Report. Prof. Thakkar highlighted some salient points as follows:

--At the end of FY2022-23, we had total of Rs 4L in the Bank FDs.

--A major donation of Rs 11L was received from M/s Excel Industries Ltd on 31MAR2023, for which he placed on record a big Thank You to Shri Ashvinbhai Shroff. In this connection, he also thanked Shri C. M. Deshpande of Excel Industries and our very own Dr. K. V. Hippalgaonkar for his initiative for the same.

--More relevantly, as on Feb 2024, Rs 6L were transferred to bank FD towards Membership Corpus; 6L towards Special Purpose Corpus and 5L towards General Purpose Corpus.

He asked if there were any questions. As there were no questions, the Audited Statements of Accounts were accepted unanimously.

Proposed by: Shri. Anil Nimkar

Seconded by: Dr. Rupesh Gaikwad



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Agenda Item 4: Election of Members to the EC in place of those retired (Treasurer).

The members were informed that the Treasure Prof. Sushma Ambadekar had resigned with effect from 21st January 2024 as she was unable to continue to work as the Treasurer because of her transfer to I.Y. College. Hence, Dr. Utkarsha Lekhak was appointed as Treasurer after approval from the EC.

Proposed by: Prof. A.D. Sawant

Seconded by: Dr. Ambuja Udas

The Action Taken was approved and ratified unanimously.

Agenda Item 5: To appoint an auditor: It is proposed to continue Shri Pravin Sabharwal, Chartered Accountants, Sabharwal & Associates as the auditor for the Association for 2023-24 at the Remuneration of Rs. 41,300.

The appointment of the auditors was approved at the remuneration mentioned.

Proposed by: Shri. Anil Nimkar

Seconded by: Prof. A.D. Sawant.

Agenda Item 6: Discussion on the current and future activities of the Association.

6 (i) Feedback/Suggestions from the Members

6 (ii) Any other matter

--Dr. Subhayu Roy suggested that various instruments manufacturing and other companies/organizations would be willing to sponsor some of the ISMAA activities and this possibility can be explored.

--Dr. J. D. Chavan suggested that the Registration Charges should not be collected from Vigyan Sanstha Ratna Awardees, pointing out that Prof. Chaphekar had paid the charges. Prof. Thakkar clarified that ISMAA does not ask for the registration charges from the Ratna Awardees. Prof. Chaphekar had insisted on paying the charge saying he was first an alumni member and then an awardee.

It was also suggested that suitable steps should be taken for increasing the membership of the Association.

Agenda Item 7: Any other matter with the permission of Chair.

As there was no other matter, Prof. Thakkar thanked all members for the support and cooperation. He invited all to the main Ratna Award Presentation function and join for the



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dinner thereafter. He mentioned that the dinner was sponsored and arranged by M/s. Sunanda Speciality Coatings Ltd. for which he thanked Dr. Surendra Manjrekar and Dr. Mrs. Razia Manjrekar.

The meeting then concluded with Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

Dr. N. V. Thakkar
President, ISAA

Dr. Aparna Saraf
Hon. Secretary, ISAA