

### INDIAN SOCIETY OF BLOOD TRANSFUSION & IMMUNOHAEMATOLOGY

National Organization on Blood Transfusion Medicine, Blood Banking & Donor Motivation

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MINUTES OF 44th ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING OF INDIAN SOCIETY OF BLOOD TRANSFUSION AND IMMUNOHEAMATOLOGY HELD 0N 02<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER, 2019 at 6 PM at Punjab Institute of Medical Sciences, Jalandhar (Venue of the 44th Annual Conference)

44th Annual General Body Meeting of ISBTI was held at Punjab Institute of Medical Sciences, Jalandhar, on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2019. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Yudhbir Singh IAS, President of ISBTI. Members from all across the country attended the meeting.

At the outset Dr Yudhbir Singh President ISBTI welcomed all the members present in the meeting and appreciated the hard work and efforts undertaken by the members of organizing committee of TRANSCON-2019. He further said that the efforts of all the members of the organising committee especially of Dr. Rimpreet Valia deserve special applause from all the members of the society and that it must be placed on record as well.

He also shared a major milestone reached during the year i.e. the invitation received from Indian Convention Promotion Bureau (ICPB) to attend a conference in Kochi. Indian Convention Promotion Bureau is a Govt. of India body which wants to enhance the level of conferences organized in our country. The President and Deputy President (Motivational) Dr. T.R. Raina attended the conference after consultation with the Governing Body Members. He further shared that ISBTI is the only organization in the country which is holding annual conferences regularly since 1973. ICPB enlisted us as an organization they would love to support in all respects like financial help in organizing the conferences and to organize an international conference/event in our country. He further shared that two options available as far as holding international conferences is concerned are,

1. World Blood Donors day i.e. 14th June. There is always an event on this occasion held under the aegis of World Health Organization (WHO)

2. Some regional conference or the original conference of ISBT (International Society of Blood Transfusion).

He further added that we have started working on this and have sounded the ICPB also that we are keen in organizing international events also. The sole purpose of ICPB is to enhance the level of conferences in India so that International conferences are held in our country. Our Govt. is keenly interested that International conferences are also held in our country.

He then asked Dr. Sangeeta Pathak, Secretary General ISBTI to go ahead with the Agenda of the meeting. Dr. Sangeeta Pathak welcomed and expressed her sincere thanks to all the members present in the meeting for participating in the conference in a big way and also for their contribution in strengthening the ISBTI at the state and national level. Dr. Sangeeta Pathak then proceeded taking up each agenda point for discussion and deliberations.

#### Agenda Item No 1

# Approval of the proceedings of last Annual General Body Meeting held at Vishakhapatnam on 26.10. 2018.

The proceedings of the previous AGM were presented before the house by the Secretary General which were approved unanimously.

#### Agenda Item No 2.

#### Actions taken on the decisions of the previous meeting

All the actions taken were noted by the members.

#### Agenda Item No 3

#### Activities of ISBTI at the State and National level during the preceding year

Dr. Sangeeta Pathak read out the Annual Report of ISBTI in detail including various activities undertaken by State Chapters which were appreciated by everyone. During the deliberations, the President pointed out that some members are doing very well but they are more active on facebook than sharing their activities with head office or putting them on our website. It was decided to add the facebook ids of all the ISBTI members on ISBTI's facebook page. One member suggested the formation of a whatsapp group for the purpose. Secretary general

welcomed the Idea but as member's list is too big it was suggested by Dr. Vasavada to have a group of Zonal and State Presidents. Finally, it was decided to have a whatsapp group of Zonal and State Chairpersons so that they could share the activities organized in their state and zone.

#### Agenda Item No 4

#### **Future planning of ISBTI.**

The President once again reiterated that CSR is a must for long term financial sustainability of the society. He urged all the worthy members and state chapters to formulate projects for seeking funds under CSR and assured them of all possible help from ISBTI headquarter.

#### Agenda Item No 5

#### Audited Report of ISBTI for the financial year 2018-19

Audited report is available on the website of ISBTI and members can have a look at it. Seen and approved.

#### Agenda Item No. 6

## Steps to be taken to activate the state chapters especially the north east chapters.

All the Zonal councils and state chapters were requested to scale up their activities.

President reiterated that we should find out the right type of persons who is ready to enjoy taking responsibility. There is no better way to activate the state chapters.

#### Agenda Item No. 7

#### Request for TRANSCON -2022 and 2023

Karnataka State Chapter made a formal request for organising Conference Transcon- 2022 at Bangalore. The same was approved.

Dr. Tulika, KGMC, Lucknow made a formal request for organizing Transcon 2023 at Lucknow. The same was approved.

General Secretary appreciated and was quite happy that requests for organizing Transcons are received so much in advance.

#### Agenda Item No. 8

#### Any other point with the permission of the chair

- 1. Deputy President (Technical) Mr. M. Satish Kumar stressed on the need of uniformity in pricing and legal framework for the smooth functioning of blood banks. President informed the members that Dr. Vasavada has done lot of homework and has gone in litigation also. He further said that the same can be compiled and sent as a representation to the Govt. of India. He further reiterated that two members should come forward to work on this. They may consult and seek help from other members but no committee for this will be formed. He nominated Dr. Vasavada and M. Satish Kumar to prepare a draft and go ahead with it. He assured of all possible help in this regard.
- 2. It was also proposed that every year the state chapters should organize state level event before the Annual Conference.
- 3. Deputy Secretary (Technical) Mr. M. Satish Kumar suggested that a list of awardees should be made available on the website. The suggestion was welcomed by one and all present. Dr. Ved Prakash Gupta, Chairperson, Rajasthan State Chapter was also requested to provide a list of awardees available with him. Suggestions were also sought from other members present in the AGM.
- 4. One of the members suggested to have a deliberation/representation on fixation of processing charges in the wake of input cost going up by 6-7% post GST. It was decided to request Hon'ble Health Minister, Govt. of India in this regard. President reiterated that society is ready for whatever is thought out and given on paper.

5. A member from J & K, Mr. Sadiq Khan suggested that National headquarter should seek regular reports from state chapters. It was decided to ask for monthly reports. It was also pointed out that facility to upload activities is already available on the website and members were encouraged to use the

same.

6. A letter was received from Mr. R. Rajkumar regarding the holding of

Transcon-2020 and was read verbatim as per his request.

It was decided to hold Editorial board meeting of AJTS separately.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Dr. Sangeeta Pathak Secretary General