

GB Meeting of the Society of Biotechnology Promoters of India (SBPI) on 27th June 2021

A virtual meeting of the Governing Body of SBPI was held on 27th June 2021 to review the progress and identify programmes that can be taken up in the near future. The quorum was complete as six of the seven members attended.

Dr. P K Ghosh President, SBPI
Dr. George John, Vice President, SBPI
Dr. Bindu Dey, General Secretary
Dr. B M Gandhi, Member
Dr. T V Ramanaiah, Member
Mr. S L Gowindwar, Member

The following was the Agenda

1. Review of IT returns and Balance Sheet for AY 2020-21
2. Review of programmes
3. Plans for the next six months
4. Review of membership requirements for SBPI
5. Any other item with permission of Chair

Dr. Ghosh noted that due to the unusual situation prevailing, virtual meetings were the forum to address issues that came up. Others also agreed that we need to do our best under the difficult circumstances. The meeting proceeded as per the Agenda.

1. It was noted that the IT requirements had been complied with and the audited Balance Sheet was available.

2. The last webinar was on Transformative Innovation in Indian Agriculture by Rajendra Barwale Chairman, Mahyco Grow on 29th January 2021. It was noted that the webinar was well received.

3. It was agreed that more webinars could be arranged. It was also decided that a series of lectures by eminent scientists could be recorded and hosted on the SBPI website. Members agreed to send in names of scientists along with topics for the lecture series.


4. The existing terms for membership in SBPI were reviewed. It was decided that the following amendments will be made in Section D of the Rules and Regulations of SBPI Memorandum of Association to read as :

i Admission (Registration fees): Non refundable fee of Rs 1000 (one thousand) to be paid by all Member categories except for student Members.

ii Annual Membership: Rs 1000 (one thousand) per annum.

iii Life Membership. Rs 5000 (one time payment) or after 10 years of continuous Annual Membership payment

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


(Approved by President, SBPI)