

Maize Technologists Association of India
Cummings Laboratory, Pusa Campus, New Delhi-110012

Proceeding of the Executive committee meeting held on 8th February, 2020 at IIMR, Ludhiana

The Executive Committee meeting of Maize Technologists Association of India (MTAI) was held at 5:00 PM on 8th February, 2020 at ICAR-IIMR, PAU Campus, Ludhiana under the chairmanship of Dr. Sujay Rakshit, Director, ICAR-IIMR, Ludhiana and President, MTAI. The following members attended the meeting:

Members

1. Dr. Ishwar Singh, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, Delhi Unit and Vice-President, MTAI
2. Dr. Ashok Kumar, Principal Scientist, ICAR, New Delhi and Secretary, MTAI
3. Dr. Ramesh Kumar, Principal Scientist, ICAR-IIMR Ludhiana and Joint Secretary, MTAI
4. Dr. Ganapati Mukri, Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi and Treasurer MTAI
5. Dr. Suby S.B, Senior Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, Delhi Unit and Executive Member, NWPZ
6. Dr. S.K. Gularia, Principal Scientist, CSKHPKV. Bajaura and Executive Member NHZ
7. Dr. J.P Shahi, Professor, BHU, Varanasi and Executive Member, NEPZ
8. Dr VK Paradkar, JNKVV, Chindwara and executive member, WZ

At the outset Dr. Ashok Kumar, Secretary MTAI welcomed Chairman and all the members of the Executive Committee and briefed about agenda items to be discussed. After confirmation of minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on 13 January, 2020 other agenda items were discussed and following decisions were made.

1. Review of the progress of National Seminar:

Dr. Ramesh Kumar, Principal Scientist, IIMR and Jt. Organising Secretary of the National Seminar briefed the progress and arrangements for organisation of the seminar. The technical programme of the seminar and speakers for different sessions were discussed and finalised. Dr. Kumar also informed about expected number of delegates and all arrangements like registration schedule, logistics etc. He also acquainted the house about the financial sponsorship from the firms/organisations etc.

2. Approval of MTAI awards: Dr Ramesh Kumar, Principal Scientist, IIMR and Member Secretary of MTAI awards Committee informed the house that the applications received from the different maize scientists for various awards were evaluated by the respective committee for different awards as per the evaluation matrix finalised. Dr. Kumar presented the recommendations of the Award Committees before the Executive Committee, MTAI. After reviewing the recommendations of Award Committees for MTAI awards, the awardees for different awards were approved by the Executive Committee. The details of awards and awardees are mentioned below:

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| 1 | Dr. N.L Dhawan Life Time Achievement Award | Dr. B.S. Dhillon, VC, PAU, Ludhiana |
| 2 | Dr. Joginder Singh Outstanding Research Award | Dr. J.C. Sekhar, Principal Scientist, WNC, ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad |
| 3 | Dr. N.N. Singh Young Scientist Award | Drs. S.L. Jat, Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, Delhi Unit Bhupender Kumar, Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, Delhi Unit |
| 4 | Manihar Best PG Research Award for Ph.D. | Dr. Rajkumar Zunjare, Ph.D., Genetics Div., ICAR-IARI, New Delhi |
| 5 | Manihar Best PG Research Award for M.Sc. | Mr. Hari Shankar Nayak, M.Sc., Agronomy Div., ICAR-IARI, New Delhi |

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| 6 | MTAI Fellow | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Dr J.C. Sekhar, Principal Scientist, WNC, ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad ii. Dr Pranjali Yadava, Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi iii. Dr J.P. Shahi, Professor, BHU, Varanasi iv. Dr. BS Dhillon, VC, PAU, Ludhiana v. Dr. Sain Dass, Ex- Director, ICAR-IIMR, New Delhi vi. Dr. S.M. Kanoorkar, Professor, GAU, Anand Campus, Anand vii. Dr. Pradyumn Kumar, Ex- Director, ICAR-IIMR, New Delhi |
| 7. | Honorary MTAI Fellow | <p>In addition to above awards recommended by the award committees, the Executive Committee also decided to confer the following Scientists/Professors who have made a significant contribution in the field of maize research and development by “Honorary MTAI Fellow”.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Dr. S.K. Vassal, CIMMYT, Mexico ii. Dr. H.S. Gupta, Ex-Director, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi iii. Dr. T Satyanarayan, Professor, PJTSAU, Hyderabad- iv. Dr. N.S. Malli, Retd. Professor, PAU, Ludhiana v. Dr. V.K. Saxena, Retd. Professor, PAU, Ludhiana vi. Dr. Maninder Singh Greval, Retd. Professor, PAU, Ludhiana vii. Dr. V.P. Ahuja, Retd. Maize Breeder, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi viii. Dr. N.P. Gupta, Retd. Principal Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, New Delhi ix. Dr. G. Nalathambi, Retd. Maize Breeder, TNAU, Coimbatore x. Dr. I. Singh. Retd Professor, GBPUA&T, Pantnagar xi. Dr. Panduranga Gowda, Retd. Professor, VC form Mandya xii. Dr. S.B. Singh, Retd. Principal Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, New Delhi xiii. Dr. R.P. Singh, Ex Director, ICAR-IIMR, New Delhi xiv. Dr. Sangit Kumar, Retd. Principal Scientist, ICAR-IIMR, New Delhi xv. Dr. K.R. Sarkar, Retd. Principal Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi xvi. Dr.B.K Mukharjee, Retd. Principal Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi |
| | <p>Farmers Award</p> <p>It was also decided to pay Rs 2000/ to each farmers towards meet their travel expenses to</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sh.Sukhjeet Singh s/sh. Harbans Singh VPO Diwala, The- Samrala, Distt. Ludhiana 2. Sh. Rajpal Singh s/ Sh. Mohar Singh |

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| | receive the award. | <p>VPO, Kular, The- Jagraon, Distt. Ludhiana</p> <p>3.Sh, Bahadur SinghS/Sh. Lambar Singh VPO. Mehtab Pur, The- Garhshankar, Distt., Hoshiarpur</p> <p>4. Sh. Bohar Singhs/Sh. Kartar Singh VPO. Algon Kothi, The.-Patti, Distt.Taran Taran</p> <p>5.Sh. Jagat Parkash Gill s/sh. RP Singh VPO., Thamanwal, Distt., Jalandhar</p> |
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Financial Issues: Dr Ganpati Mukri, Scientist, ICAR-IARI, New Delhi and Treasurer, MTAI informed the house that MTAI accounts for the year 2017-18 and 2018-19 have been audited. Dr Mukri also informed that as per decision of the Executive Committee, an amount of Rs 5.0 lakhs has been deposited in term deposit scheme in the bank.

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

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(Secretary, MTAI)


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