

Proceedings of the Annual General Body Meeting of the Maize Technologists Association of India held at the Directorate of Rice Research (DRR), Hyderabad on 7th April, 2013

Annual General Body meeting (AGM) of the Maize Technologists Association of India (MTAI) was held on 7th April, 2013 at the Auditorium of the Directorate of Rice Research, (DRR), Rajendernagar, Hyderabad (AP). The meeting was chaired by Dr. I.S. Solanki, Head, IARI Regional Station, Pusa, Samastipur (Bihar).

The meeting started with welcome address by Dr. Solanki. The chairman requested Dr. Ishwar Singh, Secretary, MTAI to present the general progress of the association. Dr. Ishwar Singh acquainted the house with the general progress of the association since its inception in 2011.

Dr. Dharam Paul Chaudhary, Returning Officer, then declared of the results of the general election (2013-14) for various positions of the **Executive Committee**. On-spot nominations were also invited to fill some of the vacant EC positions. Finally house approved the following Executive Committee for the year 2013-2014.

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| President | Dr. B.S. Dhillon |
| Vice-President | Dr. O.P. Yadav |
| Secretary | Dr. K.S. Hooda |
| Treasurer | Dr. Ishwar Singh |
| Joint Secretary | Dr. A.K. Singh |
| Executive Members | Dr. D.R. Thakur (Zone-I) Dr. C.M. Parihar (Zone-II) Dr. J.P. Shahi (Zone-III) Dr. Bajinder Pal (Zone-IV) Dr. S.M. Khanorkar (Zone-V) |

Other important decisions approved by the AGM are as follows:

It was decided to organize **1st Indian Maize Congress (IMC)** during October 2014. Proposals were received to hold this meeting in Delhi, Ludhiana and Bangalore. Finally it was left to the Executive Committee to take final decision about the venue of 1st IMC.

It was proposed to develop a dedicated **Web-site** of the association and publish a half yearly **Newsletter**. The house agreed to these proposals and Dr. Pranjal Yadava, Scientist, DMR, New Delhi was entrusted the responsibility of its Editor-in-Chief.

It was proposed to institute two **Young Scientist** awards and one **Best Paper** award (published in Maize Journal during preceding year) to be conferred during the proposed biennial Indian Maize Congress. House also agreed to this proposal.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and the distinguished members, who participated in the meeting.


(K.S. HOODA)
Joint Secretary


(ISHWAR SINGH)
Secretary