



INDIAN SOCIETY OF ENGINEERING GEOLOGY

NHPC Office Complex,
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Annual General Meeting

Venue: Online meeting via MS Teams app
At 11.00 hrs on 6th March 2021.

AGENDA

1. Welcome by Secretary, ISEG
2. Address by President ISEG
3. Address by invited patrons of ISEG
4. Status report on activities of ISEG in the Year 2020 and proposals for 2021.
5. Report of the Editorial team
6. Annual report by the Treasurer.
7. Membership drive for ISEG. _ Introduction of student members' category.
8. Membership of IAEG for the year 2021.
9. Publication of ISEG Newsletter and journals and request for papers/articles for upcoming issues of the Journal of Engineering Geology/ Newsletter.
10. Any other issue with permission of the chair.
11. Concluding address by Secretary, ISEG.

MINUTES OF THE ISEG ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

The AGM of the Indian Society of Engineering Geology Council, for the year 2020-21, was held on 6th March, 2021 at 11.00 AM. Amidst prevailing restrictions over physical meetings due to COVID-19, the meeting was held online over the MS Teams platform. The list of participants is given at Annex-I.

The meeting started as per scheduled time. The Meeting was attended by many senior members, council members and patrons of the society. The following issues were discussed in the meeting:

1. **Welcome address by the Secretary, ISEG:** The Secretary, ISEG, Sh. S. L. Kapil, welcomed all the participants in the meeting. He expressed his happiness over presence of many veterans. He presented an outline of the activities to be taken up in the tenure of the present council and assured the house to complete all the pending works by end of this year.
2. **Address by President ISEG:** Due to his urgent engagement elsewhere, the Hon'ble President, ISEG, Sh. A.K. Singh, could not attend the meeting. In his absence, the secretary-ISEG, Sh. SL Kapil, read out his presidential address.



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In his address the President, expressed pleasure over the progress made by the Society, despite the Covid-19 pandemic situation resulting in inability to organized physical events. He made a call to all the ISEG members to rise to the occasion to meet the challenging demands of energy sector and infrastructure projects. He expressed optimism over the progress of the hydropower projects in the country and increasing role of geotechnical professionals in the years to come. He shared his feeling with the members that the highly technical and professional societies like ISEG having such a learned talent pool can play a major role in mitigating the geological risks by providing a platform wherein the academicians and the practicing technocrats can discuss, deliberate and come out with out-of-the-box innovative solutions for complex geological problems.

- 3. Address by invited patrons of ISEG:** The meeting was attended by many veteran members of the society, who shared their valuable suggestions and experiences for betterment of the society.
- 4. Status report on activities of ISEG in the Year 2020 and proposals for 2021:** The secretary, ISEG, presented an account of the activities carried out and achievements during the last one year. He appraised the house that with active support of the President, 65 new members have joined the ISEG. He welcomed the new members to the ISEG family.

The secretary, appraised the house about the progress of the editorial works. The flagship journal of ISEG, Journal of Engineering Geology was lagging behind when the present council took over. With active support of the members, vol 42(2017), vol 43(2018) and vol 44 (2019), has been published and the publication of vol 45(2020) is expected soon. Similarly, the ISEG Newsletter issue of April 2020 has been published and Oct 2020 and April 2021 issue shall be issued soon as a combined issue. He discussed the difficulties faced in bringing out the issues of the journal due to want of articles. The secretary, ISEG, urged all the members to contribute articles/ news items for publication in the JoEG and the ISEG Newsletter. The house appreciated the efforts of the Executive Council in streamlining the publication of the journal and the Newsletter. The members emphasized the importance of timely publication of the issues of the journal and indexing of the journal to increase its visibility and acceptability amongst prospective professionals and academics who wish to get their articles published in the journal.



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The house was appraised about the issue of the indexing of the journal. The house agreed to form a committee of the following four members to expedite the process of indexing of the journal:

- i. Sh. Rahul Khanna, Editor, JoEG
- ii. Sh. Vipul Nagar, Joint Editor, ISEG,
- iii. Sh. Sumit Dabral, SM (Geo), NHPC, and
- iv. Dr. Ashit Swain, Director, GSI, Bhubaneshwar.

As a pre-requisite of the indexing, three internationally renowned professionals, viz. Dr. Rajinder Bhasin, NGI, Norway, Dr. Bineshian Hoss, Principal Consulting Head, Amberg, Australia and Dr. T. Fechner, Geotomographie, GmbH, Germany, have been added on the Editorial Board of the JoEG. The secretary, ISEG welcomed them all on the editorial board of the Journal..

The house was appraised that the summary of the ISEG activities during the last year has been published in the IAEG Newsletter and IAEG has appreciated the efforts of ISEG.

The secretary ISEG, appraised the house that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, organization of EGCON/GoP could not be planned. However, efforts are underway, to organize these activities in the present year. He also appraised the house about the new webinar series started by ISEG to continue with its endeavor of disseminating knowledge. The members appreciated these activities very much.

5. **Report of the Editorial team:** The secretary and the Editor, ISEG presented the progress of the editorial works and status of the journal of Engineering Geology and Newsletter. The editor elaborated the detailed procedure and other requirements for indexing of the journal.
6. **Annual report by the Treasurer:** The Treasurer of the society, Dr. Mridul Srivastava was not present during the meeting as he was away in field with some official assignments. The audited accounts shall be shared with members soon over email.
7. **Membership drive for ISEG & Introduction of student members' category:** The secretary, ISEG, appraised the house about the difficulties being faced in encouraging new professionals to join the society. As the expenses of the society on publication of journals and newsletter has got reduced due to being published only online, he proposed to reduce the charges of membership across various categories, to encourage more and more members. Further, he proposed to introduce a new category for student members with valid I-card from any recognized institution/University. The student membership shall be



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valid for 5 years. A student member shall have to convert in a regular life member either on expiry of the term or on entering into regular employment, whichever is earlier. A student member can get upgraded as a regular life member on payment of balance fees as applicable at that time, when he decided to do so.

The new proposed charges of membership are as follows:

Membership category	Existing rates	New Proposal
Admission fee (one time):	Rs. 1000/-	Rs. 500/-
Annual membership fee:	Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 1000/-
Life membership fee:		
• for <35 years age	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 3000/-
• for 35-50 years age	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 2500/-
• for >50 years age,	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 2000/-
• Student Member	---	Rs. 2000/-

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GST@18% is extra as applicable.

The house discussed the above issues in detail. The introduction of student category was welcomed by all, however, the proposal for reduction of membership across categories was approved to be implemented on trial basis for one year.

8. **Membership of IAEG for the year 2021:** The issue of low representation on the IAEG was discussed in detail. There has been only 79 subscription to the IAEG during 2020. The secretary, ISEG, proposed the following charges for joining IAEG in 2021:

Proposed Charges for IAEG membership for 2021:

Conversion rate of Euro/ INR = Rs. 89.1580/Euro as on 01.01.2021

Category of Membership	Annual Charges in Euro	Annual Charges, in INR including GST @18%	Rounded off including handling charges
IAEG Annual Member with Bulletin	19€	₹1998.92	₹2050/-
IAEG members without Bulletin	7€	₹736.44	₹750/-



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To encourage more and more members into the IAEG, it was proposed to offer a discount of 30% over above charges to members who subscribe before 30th April '21 and 15% to those who subscribe before 30th June '21. The shortfall so accrued shall be met from the kitty of the Society.

The house agreed to the proposal.

9. **Publication of ISEG Newsletter and journals and request for papers/articles for upcoming issues of the Journal of Engineering Geology/ Newsletter:** The secretary, ISEG, once again requested all the members to contribute articles for publication in the JoEG/ Newsletter.
10. **Any other issue with permission of the chair.** Some of the senior members presented their views regarding dissemination of knowledge initiative of the society and wanted to deliver lectures alongwith the experts from the academia. It was also desired that the Society should come forward in finding long-term solutions to the events like recent Uttarakhand tragedy.
11. **Concluding address by Secretary, ISEG:** The Secretary, ISEG, expressed his gratitude to all the members who were present in the meeting and shared their views.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



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ANNEXURE-I

List of Members Attended the Meeting					
Sl. No	Membership No		Name	Designation	ISEG Portfolio
1	LM	1406	Sh. SK Wadhawan	Retd.	
2	LM	33	Sh. IB Chhibber	Retd.	
3	LM	758	Sh. VK Sharma	Retd.	
4	LM	1400	Dr. Aurtar K Raina	CIMFER	
5	LM	1115	Sh. Imran Sayeed	Retd. CGM (Geo), NHPC.	Past Gen Secy, ISEG
6	LM	1341	Dr. Saibal Ghosh	Director, GSI	Secretary ISEG 2018-19
7	LM	1408	Sh. S.L. Kapil	Executive Director , NHPC	Secretary ISEG 2020-21
8	LM	1226	Sh. Vachaspati Pandey	DGM (Geology), NHPC	Joint Secretary, ISEG 2020-21
9	LM	1212	Sh. Nihar Ranjan Bhattacharjee	Director, GSI, Kolkata	Joint Secretary, ISEG 2020-21
10	LM	1296	Sh. Rahul Khanna	DGM (Geology), NHPC	Editor, ISEG 2020-21
11	LM	1269	Sh. Arindom Chakraborty	DGM (Geology), NHPC	Jt. Secretary, ISEG 2018-19
12	LM	1525	Sh. Vipul Nagar	SM (Geophysics), NHPC	Joint Editor, ISEG 2020-21
13	LM	1517	Sh. Dharmendra Kumar	Sr. Geologist, GSI	Council Member, ISEG 2020-21
14	LM	1431	Sh. Sunil Jaideo Ganvir	DGM (Geology), NHPC	Council Member, ISEG 2020-21
15	LM	1236	Sh. Saikat Pal	AGM, EIL, New Delhi	Convener, ISEG Delhi NCR Chapter 2020-21
16	LM	1420	Dr. A. P. Singh	Director, Explore Engineering Consultancy (P) Ltd., Noida.	Co-Convener, ISEG Delhi NCR Chapter 2020-21
17	LM	1232	Sh. Prashant Rai	SM (Geology), NHPC	Treasurer, ISEG Delhi NCR Chapter 2020-21
18	LM	1437	Sh. Ajay Singh	DGM (Geology), NHPC	Council- Member, ISEG Delhi NCR Chapter 2020-21
19	LM	1521	Dr. Ashit Kr. Swain	Director GSI, Bhubaneshwar	Council Member, ISEG 2020-21
20	LM	1557	Sh. Bedi Ram	HOP, Sewa-II PS, NHPC	



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21	LM	1515	Sh. AP Thaplial	Sr. Geologist, GSI	
22	LM	1530	Mr. Anshuman Dutta	SM (Geology), NHPC	
23	LM	1225	Mr. Bhaira Ram Godara	DGM (Geo), NHPC	
24	LM	1369	Dr. Sumit Dabral	SM (Geo), NHPC	
24	LM	1558	Mr. Chandan Kr	AM (Civil), NHPC	
25	LM	1535	Mr. Durgam Raja Babu	DM (Geo), NHPC	
26	LM	1503	Mr. Mahesh Swami	Trinity college, Pune	
27	LM	1526	Mr. Mohinder Pal Singh	SM (Geophysics)	
28	LM	1306	Mr. Ratan Das	SM (Geology), NHPC	
29	LM	1474	Sh. Vinod Kumar Jaiswal	SM (Geology), NHPC	
30	LM	1481	Sh. Shirish Dube	General Manager	
31	LM	1532	Sh. Wasi Iqbal	Project Manage, Tata Projects	
32	LM	1469	Sh. Shishir Rath	Manager (Geology), NHPC	
33	LM	1439	Sh. Sailendra Bariha	DGM (Geology)	
34	LM	1370	Sh. Vivek Shama	SM (Geology), CVPPL	
35	LM	1455	Sh. Tarun Singh	Research Scholar, IITD	
36	LM	1285	Sh. Ajay Verma	DGM(Geo), NHPC	
37.	LM	1391	Dr. Pranay Vikram Singh	Manager (Geology)	
38.	LM	1240	Sh. BNS Naveen	SM (Geo), NHPC	
39.	LM	1374	Sh. Lokesh Jaiswal	SM (Geology), NHPC	
40.	LM	1233	Sh. Rajeev Saxena	SM (Geology), NHPC	