



Indian Phytopathological Society

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Dr. Robin Gogoi
Secretary

Dated: June 24, 2022

Dear Esteemed Members:

It is to inform you that a High-Level Committee was constituted during the Annual General Body Meeting of the Society held on January 19, 2020 to review and revise the Byelaws of the Society which was earlier revised in February 1996.

Till date, a series of meetings was organized online as well as offline to discuss the composition of draft for revision of the Constitution and Byelaws of the Society as given below.

1.	May 24-26, 2021	Virtual meeting for discussion and composition of first draft
2.	July 24, 2021	Virtual meeting for discussion on the first draft of Constitution and Byelaws of the Society
3.	August 24, 2021	Byelaws Revision Meeting with IPS Executive Council members
4.	August 28, 2021	Virtual meeting of IPS Byelaws Revision Committee Meeting
5.	October 4, 2021	Physical meeting of Constitution and Byelaws Revision Committee members

The last meeting of the committee was held in the IARI campus, New Delhi on 4th October 2021, and on the basis of suggestions on the draft, the revision was made Article wise.

I am herewith sending the final draft of the Constitution and Byelaws of the Society for your information and suggestions, if any positively by **July 25, 2022**. After this date, no suggestions will be considered for revision and finalization.

With regards

(Robin Gogoi)



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Proceedings of Byelaws Revision Committee meeting held on October 4, 2021

A meeting of the following members of Byelaws Revision committee was held on October 4, 2021 at 11.00 AM to review and revise the existing Byelaws of the Society, which were revised 24 years ago in February 1996, in view of the present needs:

Prof. A.N. Mukhopadhyay	- Chairman
Prof. S. S. Chahal	- Member
Dr. Pratibha Sharma, President, IPS	- Member
Prof. B.N. Chakraborty, Chief Editor	- Member
Dr. Rakesh Pandey, President-elect	- Member
Dr. Malkhan Singh Gurjar, Treasurer	- Member
Dr. P. Nallathambi, former Zonal President (SZ)	- Member
Dr. Robin Gogoi, Secretary, IPS	- Member Secretary

Drs. B.L. Jalali, C. Manoharachary, C.D. Mayee, P.K. Chakraborty, Rashmi Aggarwal and Dr. Kalyan K. Mondal could not attend the meeting due to their preoccupation.

Dr. Robin Gogoi, Secretary, IPS welcomed all the members who joined the meeting and requested Dr. A.N. Mukhopadhyay to Chair the meeting. The Chairman requested Dr. Pratibha Sharma, President, IPS to initiate the proceeding for discussion on the draft byelaws of the Society.

On the basis of suggestions received on the draft Byelaws, the following revision was made Article wise.

CONSTITUTION AND BYELAWS INDIAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

(Registration No. S. 399 of 1949-50)

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(Revised: Year to be mentioned after approval of the GB.....)

The Indian Phytopathological Society is an organization of professionals related to plant pathology and crop protection which abides by the values of professional responsibility and is following the highest standards of the discipline. The Society directs the members to follow the procedures, conduct rules and regulations set in the Constitution and Byelaws of the Society.

	Existing Rules & Regulations (Revised up to February 1996)	Suggestions for amendments required
Article 1	<p>Name The Society shall be known as the "Indian Phytopathological Society"</p>	<p>Name : The Society shall be known as the "Indian Phytopathological Society".</p> <p>Abbreviation : IPS</p> <p>Headquarter: Division of Plant Pathology, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi.</p>
Article 2	<p>Aims and Objects The aims and objects of the Society shall be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) To advance the cause of Mycology, Plant Pathology in India. (ii) To encourage and promote Mycology, Plant Pathological study and research in the country. (iii) To disseminate the knowledge of Mycology, Plant Pathology. (iv) To facilitate closer association among members and other scientific workers in India and abroad. 	<p>Aims and Objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) To advance the causes and disseminate knowledge of Mycology and Plant Pathology for advancement of agriculture. (ii) To facilitate closer association among the scientific societies related to agriculture in India and abroad. (iii) To develop policies related to plant protection and crop biosecurity.

<p>Article 3</p>	<p>Members and Privileges of Members</p> <p>Any person interested in the science of Mycology, Plant Pathology shall be eligible for membership. The Society shall have regular members, student members, life-members, patrons, fellows and honorary fellows. Regular, student and life members and Patrons shall be admitted to the Society after being proposed and nominated by two members and approved by the Executive Council.</p>	<p>Members and Privileges of Members</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Any person interested in the science of Mycology, Plant Pathology shall be eligible for membership. The Society shall have regular members, student members, life-members, patrons, fellows, honorary fellows, <i>pravasi</i> fellows, advisory board. Regular, student and life members and Patrons shall be admitted to the Society after being proposed and nominated by two members and approved by the Executive Council. 2. A member shall have the privileges of free online accessibility of the Journal and Newsletter while other publications of the IPS will be provided at a concessional rate as decided by the Executive Council. 3. A member shall have the privileges of attending seminars, symposia, conferences and other scientific activities, General Body Meetings, voting rights and holding the executive council positions of the IPS through election.
	<p>(i) Annual Member: A person who pays annual dues regularly</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>(ii) Student Annual member: Full-time students registered for a degree at a recognized college, university or institute in India.</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>(iii) Life members: Any person who pays 15 years regular membership or a sum of Rs. 2,500/- either in a lump sum or in installments within one year. A regular subscribing member (as distinct from life</p>	<p>A member shall be entitled to become, at any time of a year, a life member on payment of membership fee at the current rate prevailing at that time. Life membership subscription can be</p>

	<p>member) with a standing of over 30 years should be made life member of the Society with attendant rights and privileges.</p>	<p>paid in two equal instalments. A life member shall enjoy all the privileges of a member as laid down in Article 3A.</p>
	<p>(iv) Patron: Any institution or concern paying Rs. 5,000/- or more in one installment. The patron will be entitled to all the privileges of a regular member except the voting right.</p>	<p>Any institution, firm or person paying Rs. 1,00,000.00 (Rs. One Lakh only) in single installment. The patron will be entitled to all the privileges of a regular member except the voting rights.</p>
	<p>(i) Fellow of IPS (FPSI): Members of the Society continuously for a period of 5 years or more and published at least 5 research papers in recognised journals and pay a sum of Rs. 300.00 at the time of application for fellowship would be eligible for consideration as a Fellow of the Society.</p>	<p>(i) Fellow of IPS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fellow of IPS shall be acronym as FIPS instead of FPSI. Maximum number of Fellowships to be conferred in a year is to be restricted to 10 numbers. 2. The fees of fellowship application will be Rs. 5,000.00 3. 10 years of membership of the IPS 4. At least 5 papers in <i>Indian Phytopathology</i> and 5 publications in other journals having NAAS rating equivalent to <i>Indian Phytopathology</i> or above. 5. Selection of Fellows will be based on merit and seniority in membership.
		<p>(ii) Pravasi Fellow</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Acronym : FIPS 2. Any Indian scientist working abroad for the cause of plant pathology can apply for FIPS 3. Maximum number of <i>Parvasi</i> Fellowships to be conferred in a year is to be restricted to two. 4. The fees of fellowship application will be US\$

		<p>100.00</p> <p>5. 5 years of membership of IPS</p> <p>6. At least 2 papers published in <i>Indian Phytopathology</i></p>
	(i) Honorary Fellow: Terms and conditions as given in Article 5.	No change
	(ii) Advisory Board	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All the Honorary Fellows will be Advisory Board Members. 2. The Board will be chaired by senior most honorary fellow, by age. 3. The Board will give advisement, suggestions and guidance to Executive Council
Article 4	<p>Subscription</p> <p>The dues for a regular member shall be Rs. 150.00 (US \$ 80.00 for foreign members) per calendar year. For student member, it shall be Rs. 100/- subject to production of a certificate from the Head of the Department that he/she is registered as a full time student. Honorary Fellows shall be exempted from such dues. Regular members and Life members pay Rs. 10/- as admission fee, patrons and foreigners being exempted.</p> <p>Annual dues shall include subscription to the journal of the Society and be payable on or before 31st July. Bills for dues shall be sent to all the members before 31st May. Members sending subscriptions up to 31st July and with at least two years standing will have voting rights. The supply of the journal to those members whose dues have not been paid by 31st July, will be discontinued.</p> <p>Members from abroad will pay their dues according to rates specified for foreign members.</p> <p>The amount of annual dues may be modified by the Executive Council provided the change is accepted by the General Body.</p>	<p>The annual member shall pay Rs. 1500.00 (US \$ 60.00 for foreign members) per calendar year. For student member, it shall be Rs. 1000/- subject to production of a certificate from the Head of the Department that he/she is registered as a full time student. Honorary Fellows shall be exempted from such dues. Annual members and Life members shall pay additional Rs. 100/- as admission fee, patrons and foreigners being exempted.</p> <p>Members from abroad will pay their dues according to rates specified for foreign members.</p> <p>The amount of annual dues may be revised by the Executive Council with approval of the</p>

		General Body.															
Article 5	<p>Honorary Fellow: Any living person from India or abroad who has made outstanding contributions to the science of Plant Pathology and Mycology would be eligible for consideration of the Society as an Honorary Fellow.</p> <p>Name(s) shall be proposed and considered by members of the Executive Council. Name(s) accepted by a majority of the council members present in the meeting will be circulated by a secret ballot to all the members of the Society for approval. Only the name(s) approved by two-third majority will be declared elected as Honorary Fellows. The number of Honorary Fellows shall not exceed 12 at a given time and not more than 2 may be elected in one calendar year.</p>	No change															
Article 6	<p>Executive Council</p> <p>(i) The Executive Council shall consist of the following, their tenure and election shall be as indicated against each.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="402 1220 964 1881"> <tr> <td>President</td> <td>President Elect will succeed</td> <td>1 year</td> </tr> <tr> <td>President-Elect</td> <td>Elected by the General Body</td> <td>1 year</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Secretary</td> <td>Elected by the General Body</td> <td>3 years</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Joint Secretary</td> <td>Elected by the General Body</td> <td>3 year</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Treasurer</td> <td>Elected by the General</td> <td>3 years</td> </tr> </table>	President	President Elect will succeed	1 year	President-Elect	Elected by the General Body	1 year	Secretary	Elected by the General Body	3 years	Joint Secretary	Elected by the General Body	3 year	Treasurer	Elected by the General	3 years	No change
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			Body		
		Zonal President and Councillors (one from each zone)	Elected by the respective members of the zone	1 year	
		Chief Editor	Elected by the Executive Council	3 years	
		Editor	Nominated by the Chief Editor	3 years	
	(ii)	None of the elected office-bearers will be eligible for more than two successive terms for the same office, or three successive terms for any office.			No change
	(iii)	Zones:			Each Zonal Chapter will have a President and a Councillor who will organize Annual Meetings of their Chapters.
		ZONE	STATES		
		Delhi Zone*	Delhi		
		Northern Zone	Haryana, Punjab, Chandigarh, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir		
		Mid-Eastern Zone	Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand		
		Eastern Zone	Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Andaman and Nicobar Island, Assam, Orissa, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Nagaland and Sikkim		
		Central Zone	Madhya Pradesh, Chhatisgarh, Rajasthan and Andhra Pradesh		
		Western Zone	Maharashtra, Gujarat		
					(iii) Zones Chapters
		ZONAL CHAPTERS	STATES		
		Delhi Chapter	Delhi		
		Northern Chapter	Haryana, Punjab, Chandigarh, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir		
		Mid-Eastern Chapter	Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand		
		Eastern Chapter	Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal,		

	Southern Zone	Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerela Goa and Pondicherry		Andaman and Nicobar Island, Orissa	
	North-Eastern Zone	Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura.	Central Chapter	Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan and Andhra Pradesh	
	<p>It has been resolved that Zones will be reorganized into Zonal Chapters starting from 1987. Each Zonal Chapter will have a Chairman and a Councillor who will organize Annual Meetings of their Chapters.</p>		Western Chapter	Maharashtra, Gujarat	
			Southern Zone Chapter	Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerela Goa and Pondicherry	
			North- Eastern Chapter	Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura.	
			Offices and their Functions		
	<p>President</p> <p>(i) He/She shall be the constitutional head of the Society.</p> <p>(ii) He/She shall preside over Executive Committee and General Body Meetings.</p> <p>(iii) He/She shall represent the Society on all ceremonial occasions.</p> <p>(iv) He/She shall have the privilege of exercising the casting vote in case of equal division at Executive Council and General Body meetings.</p> <p>(v) He/She shall have the privilege of representing the Society at the International Phytopathological Congress or meetings of the agencies sponsoring such gatherings. But in case of specialised symposia the representative will be decided by the Executive Council.</p>		<p>President:</p> <p>No change from (i) to (viii)</p> <p>(ix) The President on recommendation of the Executive Council, by at least two-third majority, can withdraw primary membership of a person or withdraw work from an office bearer for specific period following due procedure of asking an explanation or issuing show cause notice etc. as per the rules of Society Registration Act 1860.</p> <p>(x) The withdrawn primary membership of a person or withdrawn work from an</p>		

	<p>(vi) He/She can summon meetings of the Executive Council at any time.</p> <p>(vii) He/She may delegate his/her powers to the President-Elect for a limited period.</p> <p>(viii) The President with the approval of the Executive Council may appoint any number of temporary committees to make recommendations on specific activities to promote Plant Pathology.</p>	<p>office bearer (as provided under the above sub-clause ix), can be restored, with or without charging fresh membership fee, by a decision of the Executive Council by at least two-third majority, after satisfactorily assuring that such person/office bearer shall work for the betterment and development of the Society and considering that such action of the EC will be in the interest of Society.</p>
	<p>President-Elect</p> <p>(i) The President-Elect shall carry out all the functions of the President when the later desires him/her to do so.</p> <p>(ii) He/She shall be eligible to transact the business of the Society on behalf of the President under special circumstances for a limited period.</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>Secretary</p> <p>(i) He/She shall be elected from the headquarter of the Society and in the event of his transfer to another town, the Executive Council nominate another person in his place until another Secretary is elected.</p> <p>(ii) He/She shall be responsible for the day-to-day functioning of the Society and for proper maintenance of the establishment. For this purpose he/she shall be given part or full time administrative staff paid from the funds of the Society.</p> <p>(iii) He/She shall operate upon the Bank accounts of the Society jointly with the treasurer or joint Secretary.</p>	<p>No change</p>

	<p>(iv) He/She shall prepare the agenda for the meetings of the Executive Council and General Body whenever required as per regulations herein laid down.</p> <p>(v) He/She shall record proceedings of the Executive Council and General Body meetings and circulate them within a fortnight thereof to all the members of the Executive Council or General Body.</p> <p>(vi) He/She shall take appropriate steps to implement the recommendations and resolutions of the Executive Council and General Body.</p> <p>(vii) He/She may delegate his/her rights and duties to the Joint Secretary, if he/she so desires under special circumstances for a limited period.</p> <p>(viii) He/She shall be on Ex-Officio member of the Editorial Board.</p>	
	<p>Joint Secretary</p> <p>(i) He/She shall carry out all the duties and functions of the Secretary under special circumstances, for a limited period.</p> <p>(ii) He/She shall be elected from the Headquarter.</p>	No change
	<p>Treasurer</p> <p>(i) He shall be elected from among the members of the Society's Headquarter and in the event of his transfer to another town, the Executive Council shall nominate another person in his place until another Treasurer is elected.</p> <p>(ii) He shall maintain the accounts of the Society in the required form, submit them for annual auditing by a chartered accountant and place them before the Executive Council and the General Body for approval. The financial year for the purpose of accounts shall be January 01 to December 31.</p>	<p>(i) No change</p> <p>(ii) He shall maintain the accounts of the Society in the required format, submit them for annual auditing by a chartered accountant appointed by EC and place them before the Executive Council and the General Body for approval. The financial year for the purpose of accounts shall be April 01 to March 31.</p>

<p>Article 7</p>	<p>Editorial Board Journal : Indian Phytopathology The Editorial Board will be elected by the Executive Council. It shall consist of the Chief Editor from anywhere in the country, Editors (one from headquarter and one from anywhere in the country) and 18 other members, three each from the major disciplines of Mycology, Bacteriology, Virology, Nematology and six from Fungal Pathology. The members shall also be the referees for papers in their respective fields of specialization. They may send papers to other referees when necessary. Secretary of the society shall serve as the Ex-officio member in the Editorial Board. Whereas the Editorial Board shall be responsible for the publication of the Journal and maintenance of its standard, any policy matters regarding the Journal will be considered and decided by the Executive Council. Editorial board will be changed after three years of term.</p>	<p>The Editorial Board will be elected by the Executive Council. It shall consist of the one Chief Editor and two Senior Editors from anywhere in the country and 36 other editorial board members nationally and internationally. The members shall also be the referees for papers in their respective fields of specialization. They may send papers to other referees when necessary. Secretary of the society shall serve as the Ex-officio member in the Editorial Board. Whereas the Editorial Board shall be responsible for the publication of the Journal and maintenance of its standard, any policy matters regarding the Journal will be considered and decided by the Executive Council. Editorial board will be changed after three years of term.</p> <p>Journal : Indian Phytopathology Chief Editor (One) Senior Editors (Two)* Editors (36) The non performing editors will be substituted by new editors every year by the EC. *Four Sr. Editors in case of the journal publishing bimonthly</p> <p>IPS Newsletter: Indian Phytopath News (Peer reviewed) Editorial Board Chief Editor: to be nominated by EC (03 years term); minimum Principal Scientist (with 5 years' experience) Sr. Editor: to be nominated by EC from all over India (03 years term); minimum Principal Scientist Technical Editor: to be nominated by EC from HQ; minimum Sr.</p>
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		<p>Scientist Ex-officio : Secretary of the Society (03 years term) Editors (8): one from each zone, to be nominated by the EC (03 years term); minimum Sr. Scientist</p> <p>All the editors will review the submitted materials for newsletter from their respective zones and will forward, if found suitable to the Technical Editor. Technical Editor will further compile the newsletter and forward to Sr. Editor for finalization. Sr. Editor will finalize and forward to Chief Editor for final approval.</p>
<p>Article 8</p>	<p>Election of Officers The Secretary shall send to each member of the Society on October 1, a ballot for the nomination of the officers. If any nomination is lacking, the Council shall have the power to nominate. Three candidates for each office receiving the highest number of nominating votes shall be placed upon a final ballot to be sent to each member by December 1.</p> <p>Should the nominating votes received by a candidate place him among the highest there for more than one office, his name shall appear on the final ballot paper after obtaining his/her consent for the office he/she wants to contest: Votes shall be mailed to the Secretary with outer cover sealed. Unsealed covers will invalidate the vote.</p> <p>The President is authorised to have the final ballot papers opened and counted, before the Annual Meeting, by two persons nominated by him, so that the results can be announced at the General Body Meeting without delay.</p>	<p>Election of Officers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the general body decision (2017), the offline election system has been replaced with web-based online election 2020 onwards. • Eligibility for the election of the office bearers of the Society like: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ President: A senior member of high academic repute. ❖ Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer: 10 years membership ❖ Zonal President & Councillor: 5 years of membership • In the case of unavoidable delays in the elections, the Executive Council will continue to function until new Executive Council takes over. • The election committee will scrutinize the nominations and Secretary will communicate the proper names for various posts along with their address to the contestants for their

		<p>consent. The names of the members communicating/ conveying their willingness for contesting elections will be passed on to the Secretary for getting the online ballot ready having names and address of the contesting candidates duly numbered and signed will be dispatched online by the Secretariat.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In case of equal votes among the candidates, the present President have right to cast a single vote to have the final decision. • The results will be communicated by the Secretary to the contestants and will be uploaded on the Society Website. • Unless elections are delayed, the elected new Executive Council will take charge from 1st April of new term. • For the position for which the nominations are not received, the Executive Council will have option to nominate in the first EC meeting. • Within fourteen days after the new Executive Council assumes office, a list of the new Council Members along with their names, addresses and occupations shall be filed with the Registrar of Societies, and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.
Article 9	<p>Meetings</p> <p>(i) The place for the Annual Meeting shall be selected so as to ensure attendance of as many members as possible. It shall be held in rotation at different institutions in the country where active</p>	No Change

	research in Plant Pathology and Mycology is in progress. The final decision for selecting the location will rest with the Executive Council.	
	(ii) At the Annual Meeting, besides the Executive Council and General Body meeting to transact the Society's business affairs, there shall be one general session for presentation of original unpublished research papers. Maximum of two papers from an author, singly or jointly, will be permitted for presentation. The final decision of acceptance of such papers shall rest with the President. Only the abstract not exceeding 300 words, shall be published in the Journal.	No change
	(iii) The Executive Council may decide to hold special symposia or discussions in addition to the general session for presentation of papers.	No change
	Meetings of the Executive Council Executive Council meetings shall be arranged as and when required and at least once a year prior to the Annual General Body meeting or at the discretion of the President or at the request of one-third of the members of the Executive Council	No changes
	(i) The date and time of each meeting of the Executive Council shall be notified together with the agenda by the Secretary to each member of the Council at least two weeks in advance or at short notice when several members of the Executive Council from outside happen to be present at the Headquarters. The members not likely to be present at the meeting shall communicate their views in writing on the items of the agenda before the meeting.	No change
	(i) On any emergent issue the President in	No change

	consultation with the Secretary shall be empowered to take decisions subject to subsequent approval by other members of the Executive Council.	
	(ii) Draft proceedings of every meeting shall be circulated to the Council members for comments. The same shall be confirmed in the next meeting.	No change
	<p>General Body Meeting</p> <p>The general body meetings shall be held at least once a year, preferably along with the annual meeting. One month prior notice for holding the General Body meeting shall be given to the members by the Secretary. At the Annual General Body meeting the Secretary and Chief Editor shall present their reports. The Treasurer will present a statement of the financial position of the Society and also duly audited accounts for the previous year and budget for the following year. All the meetings of the Society shall be presided over by the President or in his absence by the President Elect. In the absence of either, a member elected by the General Body shall preside. Fifty members attending shall form the Quorum for the Annual General Body meeting.</p>	<p>The General Body</p> <p>General Body consists of Annual Members, Life Members, Student members, and patrons.</p> <p>General Body Meeting</p> <p>No change</p>
Article 10	<p>Divisions</p> <p>Branch organisations or units within the society known as Divisions may be established on a geographical basis provided formal application, setting forth the reasons for the establishment of the Division, is made to the parent body and approved by it.</p>	No change
Article 11	<p>Journal</p> <p>The Society shall establish a Journal which shall serve as its official organ primarily for</p>	<p>Article 11 renumbered as 11A</p> <p>Article 11A: Journal</p> <p>No change</p>

	<p>the publication of mycological and plant pathological papers by its members (or communicated by members) review of books and literature and for the publication of the report of the auditing Committee or of other reports, announcements and business of the Society.</p>	<p>Article 11B: Newsletter The Society publishes quarterly online newsletter “Indian Phytopath News” from 2018.</p> <p>Article 11C: Other publications The Society will publish Book, Booklets, Bulletins, Compendium (both in print and electronic forms), App etc. either singly or in collaboration with a professional publishers. EC will empower a separate peer reviewing committee to review and finalize the contents of the proposed publications. Only life members are entitled to submit the draft proposal for such type of publications for further consideration to this effect.</p>
<p>Article 12</p>	<p>These articles may be amended by two-third vote of the members voting at any regular General Body meeting of the Society, provided that the suggested amendments have been brought to the notice of the council in time to be circulated to all the members at least one month prior to such meeting.</p> <p>Interpretation of Rules and Regulations Any difference of opinion regarding the rules and regulations shall be referred to a committee of senior most five past-presidents of the Society chosen for the purpose. Their decision will be final.</p>	<p>No change</p>

BYELAWS

	<p>I. All the members of the Executive Council of the Society be paid Second class railway fare both ways as well as DA and incidental expenses of Rs. 100/- for attending the Annual General meetings. TA and DA will be paid only in case they do not get it from any other source.</p>	<p>The travel expenses shall be restricted to the II AC train fare or cheapest air fare only.</p> <p>DA and incidental expenses of Rs. 1000/- per day for attending the Annual General meetings. Accommodation will be managed by the Society.</p>
	<p>II. Budget and Expenditure</p>	
	<p>A. At the Annual Meetings of the General Body, the Treasurer shall present the audited accounts for the year under report and budget estimates for the ensuing year for approval of the General Body. Expenditure on items in excess of the budget provision shall be first approved by the Executive Council and later presented to the General Body for approval.</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>A. The Secretary will be empowered to spend an amount of Rs. 1000/- (Rs. One thousand) for contingent expenses at a time.</p>	<p>The Secretary shall have power to sanction an amount for expenditure up to Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) and beyond twenty five thousand, the approval of President shall be mandatory for an amount up to Rs.1.00 lakh. Beyond this amount, approval of EC is necessary up to Rs.10.00 Lakh. For expenditure beyond Rs.10.00 Lakh, approval/ratification of General Body shall be mandatory.</p>
	<p>B. For accepting donations offered by individuals or organizations for prizes, etc. to promote the aims and objectives of the Society, the following guidelines shall be followed</p>	<p>No change</p>
	<p>(i) The decision to accept the donation shall be first considered by the Executive</p>	<p>No change</p>

	Council and later placed before the General Body for final acceptance.	
	(ii) As far as possible, the award shall be for promotion of Plant Pathology and Mycology in general rather than for a narrow field of study.	No change
	(iii) While the donor may like to define the value of the prize, the manner and mode of selecting the winner shall rest with the Council.	No change
	III. Constitution The Rules and Regulations of the Society shall be reprinted once every five years incorporating all the amendments. Each member, patron or Honorary Fellow will be eligible to receive a copy of the Rules and Regulations of the Society.	No change
	IV. Resignations Resignations of any of the members of the Executive Council or other category will be considered and decided by the Executive Council. Before acceptance of the resignation the member will be required to clear all the outstanding dues towards of the Society.	No change