

Proceedings of Executive Committee (EC) / General Body (GB) Meeting of XLI Annual Conference of Indian Association of Veterinary Pathologists and XV Annual Meeting of Indian College of Veterinary Pathologists and National Symposium on “Exploring Veterinary Pathology and Diagnostic Innovations in Animal and Poultry Diseases Amidst Climatic Challenge” held w.e.f. 28-30 November, 2024 at Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology- Jammu, Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, India	
<p>The Executive Committee / General Body Meetings were held under the Chairmanship of Dr B.N. Tripathi, President, IAVP on 27th and 29th November, 2024, at SKAUST- Jammu, respectively. The meeting was attended by Vice Presidents, the Secretary General, Web Manager, Zonal Secretaries, EC Members, and Life Members. Dr G.A. Balasubramaniam, Secretary General, IAVP welcomed all office bearers and EC/GB members. Dr B.N. Tripathi, President, IAVP & Vice- Chancellor, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology- Jammu, Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, India gave opening remarks and appreciated the efforts of office bearers for advancement of IAVP/IVCP:</p>	
1.	He emphasized that the sincere efforts should be made to improve the rating of the Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology.
2.	Members should be encouraged to submit plenty number of quality research papers to improve the standard of the Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathologists.
3.	He also reiterated that the Heads of the Department of Veterinary Pathology should encourage their students to submit their MVSc and PhD thesis abstracts to the journal for publication without fail.
Agenda No. 1: Approval of the minutes of the Proceedings of last Executive Committee / General Body meeting held at ICAR-Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar, Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh.	
1.	The Secretary General informed the members about the action taken report (ATR) based on the Proceedings of 40 th IAVP Conference, 2023 held at ICAR-IVRI, Bareilly.
2.	The Proceedings have been circulated among the EC members and all the members agreed with the same.
3.	The approval of minutes of the 40 th Proceedings of IAVP held at Bareilly was proposed by Dr S.K. Panda, Zonal Secretary (East) and seconded by Dr R.V.S. Pawaiya, Secretary, ICVP. The minutes were approved by EC/GB members, respectively.
Agenda No. 2: Report by the Secretary General	
1.	Request of Dr R.C. Ghosh to utilise the unspent balance money of IAVPCON 2016 held at Durg: Dr R.C. Ghosh had requested for permission to utilise the unspent balance amount (Rs.2,58,855) of the conference he organised in 2016 at Durg to purchase microscopes and repair works of equipment for teaching and research work of students of Department of Veterinary Pathology. Necessary permission was accorded to utilise the amount for the purpose requested with the condition that due acknowledgement should be given to the society.
2.	Zonal Activities: West Zonal Conference and “Brain storming session on emerging diseases of livestock and poultry” and National Workshop of ICVP were conducted by the Department of Veterinary Pathology on 3 rd & 4 th June 2024 at Krantisinh Nana Patil College of Veterinary Science, MAFSU, Shirwal. South Zone Conference and National Symposium on “Recent advances in diagnosis of infectious, non-infectious and zoonotic diseases of domestic and wild animals” were organized by the Department of Veterinary Pathology on 26 th & 27 th of September 2024 in Veterinary College at Shivamogga, KVAFSU, Karnataka. While appreciating the organisers of both zonal conferences, the President of IAVP entreated all the Zonal Secretaries should come forward to organize at least one event each year Conference/ Symposium/ Workshop in their respective zone in order to motivate the

	youngsters. Zonal Secretaries were directed to undertake some activities and cooperate for strengthening of the society.
3.	New Life Members: A total of 58 new Veterinary Pathologists had been enrolled as Life Member of IAVP in 2024. As on date, there are around 1597 members in the society. HoDs were requested to enrol their PG students compulsorily as Life Members of the society.
4.	Database Updating: Updating of the addresses of Life Members of the IAVP was discussed and the Zonal Secretaries were requested to expedite the process and complete the work at the earliest.
Agenda No. 3: Report of the Chief Editor	
Dr A. Anandkumar, Chief Editor, IJVP, could not turn up for the EC/GB meeting due to personal reasons and expressed inability to attend the same in advance. On his behalf, Secretary General briefed the house about the IJVP report and informed that:	
1	A total of 46 research articles and 3 thesis abstracts were received for publication in the IJVP.
2	All four issues of IJVP of 2024 were published well in time and uploaded in IAVP Website.
3	The acceptance and rejection rate of the articles were 91.31% and 8.69%, respectively.
4	A wide discussion was held to switch over the Indian Journal of Veterinary Pathology from Indian Journals.Com to Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Directorate of Knowledge Management in Agriculture (ICAR-DKMA), e-Journal publication system for publication of the journal both online and off line. w.e.f. 2025. Finally, as per the directions and approval of Dr B.N. Tripathi, Honourable Vice Chancellor, SKUAST, Jammu and President (IAVP) it was decided to discontinue the publication system of IJVP with Indian Journals.com and to transfer the ownership of the IJVP to ICAR-DKMA to improve the NAAS rating and Citation Index. The purpose of the incorporating our journal in ICAR e-Journal publication system is to have wider reach and higher usage among the academicians, scientists and research scholars. The Chief editor and his team were requested to expedite the process.
5	The Chief Editor and Editors were requested to collect detailed reports of citations, downloads etc. of IJVP.
6	The President requested Secretary General to write a letter to all the HODs to send the PG thesis abstracts to IJVP for publication.
Agenda No. 4: Non-return of the advance/seed amount (Rs 50,000/-) received by Dr M. Lakshman, Organizing Secretary of XXXIX Annual Conference of IAVP during 17-20 November, 2022 held at Department of Veterinary Pathology, College of Veterinary and Animal Science, Rajendranagar, PVNRTVU, Hyderabad, Telangana.	
The matter was elaborately discussed. Secretary General explained in detail about the action taken so far in this regard. A letter was sent to Dr M. Lakshman requesting to refund the long pending issue of seed money (Rs 50,000/-) and the 20% of the registration fee of the Conference he organised in PVNRTVU, Hyderabad in 2022. In response, Dr M. Lakshman has requested the society for exemption from the return of the seed money and 20% of the registration fee as the expenditure had exceeded his original estimate during the conference. Subsequently another letter was sent by the Secretary General to him mentioning that there is no any possibility for exemption and insisted him to return the money. Still, he has not returned the amount. After a long deliberation on the issue, the EC/GB members are in view that Dr M. Lakshman should refund the seed money (Rs.50,000) without fail. After the receipt of the seed money (Rs.50,000) from him, the possibility for exemption for the 20% of the registration fee may be considered.	
Agenda No. 5. Treasurer Report	
Dr Pawan Kumar, Treasurer could not turn up for the EC/GB meeting due to his personal	

reason. Instead, Dr K.P. Singh, Vice-President presented the Audit Report of the income and expenses of the IAVP for the year 2023-24. He informed the house:	
1. Opening Balance for the year 2022-23	Rs 2,55,298.00
2. Income during the year (Subscription fee, membership fee, publication charges, financial assistance from ICAR, interest earned from FDR, Award processing fee etc.)	Rs 6,29,421.00
3. Expenditure during year (Printing IJVP charges, remunerations and salary, website maintenance, postal stamps, zonal conferences, audit fee, etc.)	Rs 9,57,269.00
4. Excess Expenditure	Rs 3,03,748.00
5. Total Balance	Rs 2,97,961.00
6. Cash in hand	Rs. 5,787.00
7. Fixed deposit in SBI	Rs.43,10,757.00
Treasurer's Report was accepted by EC/GB members.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurer is constantly observing and narrating that in the recent past years income of IAVP is reduced and expenditure is increased which resulting in breaking of fixed deposit certificates annually to meet out expenditures. This was matter of great concerned. One of important reason of over expenditure is payment of salary of Rs 3,60,000/- (Rs 15,000/- X 2 =Rs 30,000/- X 12= Rs 3,60,000/-) for two contractual staff one at with Chief Editor at Tirupati and another at with Managing Editor at Izatnagar. The matter was discussed in great detail and following decision was taken: The Chief Editor is requested to restrict the wages of contractual labour within Rs.10000 in view of financial constraints. At Izatnagar, full time contractual worker with monthly salary of Rs 10,000/- should be kept instead of Rs 15000/- <p>Concerned IAVP office bearer should make attempt to enhance income of by making new LMs, sale of journal and other measures.</p>	
Agenda No. 6: Web Manager Report	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr R. Somvanshi, Web Manager informed that IAVP website (https://www.iavp.org/) is regularly updated and functioning smoothly. He also informed that The Lesion, 2024 was published and circulated to life members and also uploaded in IAVP website. 	
Agenda No. 7: Venue of the next IAVP conferences	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The venue of the next IAVP Conference was discussed in detail. The Department of Veterinary Pathology, Faculty of Veterinary Science & Animal Husbandry, Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi, Jharkhand was proposed as the venue for the Veterinary Pathology Conference, 2025. Dr M.K. Gupta, Professor & Head was proposed to be the Organizing Secretary of the Conference. Department of Veterinary Pathology, College of Veterinary Sciences & Animal Husbandry, DUVASU, Mathura, Uttar Pradesh was proposed as the venue for the Veterinary Pathology Conference, 2026. Dr Desh Deepak Singh, Professor and Head was proposed to be the Organizing Secretary of the Conference. 	
Agenda No. 8: Miscellaneous	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The most of IAVP Patrons viz. Drs P.K.R. Iyer, R.R. Shukla, D.D. Heranjal, D.L. Paikne, Mrs. Shanta Sinha, T.L. Som, N.C. Jain and Mrs. Shanti Vyas are either aged and no-active or passed away in due course. As such Eminent Veterinary Pathologists and Ex. President IAVP viz. Drs J.L. Vegad (Jabalpur), G.C. Mohanty (Puri), R.N.S. Gowda (Bengaluru), Lal Krishna (New Delhi) and B. Muralimanohar (Chennai) who build IAVP should be inducted as Patron. The non or poorly sponsored and uneconomic IAVP Awards which are not on names of 	

<p>Veterinary Pathologists should be discontinued. As such matter was discussed in detail following decisions were taken to modify/ discontinue following three IAVP Awards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. IAVP-Savithree Jibachch Sinha Third Best-Poster Presentation Award- To be discontinued 4. IAVP-Gang-Mana Sharma Award for Best Article/ Case Report on Pack Animals-To be discontinued 5. IAVP-Dr Ram Raksha-Kiran Shukla Award for Second Best MVSc Thesis-To be modified as IAVP-Award for Second Best MVSc Thesis <p>Proposal of New Awards:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. (A) Dr Supriya Shukla, Mhow, MP proposed to institute a new award in honor of Dr J.L. Vegad. She consented to donate Rs 1.00 lakh to IAVP. The matter was discussed and it was decided that one of currently existing award may be named after Dr Vegad viz. IAVP-Dr J.L.Vegad-Best PhD Thesis Award. (B). Dr M.K. Gupta, Ranchi proposed to institute a new award in honor of Dr H.V.S. Chauhan. He consented to donate Rs 1.00 lakh to IAVP. The matter was discussed and it was decided that one of currently existing award may be named after Dr Chauhan viz. IAVP-Dr H.V.S. Chauhan-Best Poultry Pathologist Award.
<p>Agenda No. 9: Condolence on Deceased IAVP Members</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The house was informed that-two Veterinary Pathologists viz. Dr U.K. Sharma (17.11.2024), Pantnagar and Dr A. Prakash (21.08.2024) Tamil Nadu have passed away. • Dr Uma Kant Sharma (95) born on November 11th of 1931 completed his under graduation and Post-graduation in Veterinary College, Mathura and IVRI, Mukteswar, respectively. Subsequently he had undergone the study of M.S. in Illinois in 1964 and later pursued his PhD, program in Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar in 1976 under the guidance of Dr C.M. Singh, Director of the Institute. He was the recipient of gold and silver medals for his outstanding excellence in academics. He was having total professional service of 38 years with working in different capacities in various laboratories within country and abroad. He had served for more than 20 years as a faculty in Veterinary College, Pantnagar and about 8 years as Professor and Head, Department of Veterinary Pathology & Hygiene, there. He had contributed considerably for research, extension and disease diagnosis during his career. Dr Sharma was Patron of IAVP and he donated Rs 50,000/- to IAVP. He passed away on 17th November, 2024. • Dr A. Prakash, alumni of Veterinary College and Research Institute, Namakkal was Wildlife Veterinary Pathologist, Tamil Nadu working with the Forest Department for the past 14 years and since last 8 years as Wildlife Veterinary Surgeon. Dr Prakash had involved in several elephant captures and other wildlife rescue operations. He was conferred with 'Anna Award' by the state government in recognition of his bravery during such rescue operations. The elephant calf Raghu, featured in the Oscar winning film, "The Elephant Whisperers", was rescued and treated by him. He has also published several scientific papers and articles in reputed journals. He passed away on 21st August, 2024. • The house appreciated the contributions and services of the both individuals to the profession and IAVP and a silence of 2 minutes was observed for peace of departed souls.
<p>Agenda No. 10: Vote of Thanks</p>
<p>Dr G.A. Balasubramaniam, Secretary General proposed the vote of thanks to all the members of the EC/GB for their contributions in fruitful discussion in the meeting.</p>