

MINUTES

THE 14th GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING OF NATIONAL ACADEMY OF VETERINARY SCIENCES (INDIA) HELD ONLINE ON 16 DEC 2025 AT 11.30 AM

The 14th Governing Council (GC) meeting of NAVS (I) was held online on 16 Dec 2025. The following GC members attended the meeting:

1. Dr DVR Prakash Rao	:	President
2. Maj Gen ML Sharma (Retd)	:	Secretary General
3. Dr SK Gupta	:	Treasurer
4. Dr LD Singla,	:	Editor
5. Dr Gajraj Singh	:	Member
6. Dr Ravindra Sharma	:	Member
7. Dr Vipin Gupta	:	Member
8. Dr Mandeep Sharma	:	Member
9. Dr Jag Mohan Kataria	:	Member
10. Col Tej Ram (Retd)	:	Member
11. Dr SK Saha	:	Member
12. Dr Varinder Pal Uppal	:	Member
13. Dr Jyoti Palod	:	Member

Maj Gen SS Balaje, Offg DGRVS, Dr Raghvendra Bhatta, DDG (Animal Science) ICAR and Dr Umesh Sharma, President VCI (Ex-Officio Members), Dr Rajeswari Shome, Dr Manish Kumar Chatli, Dr YPS Malik, Dr Neelam Bansal and Maj Gen Shri Kant SM, VSM (Retd), Past President (Members) did not attend the meeting due to their prior commitments.

Dr AC Varshney, Vice President, Dr Ashok Kumar and Dr Vivek Kumar Gupta (Members) did not attend the meeting without any information.

Dr DVR Prakash Rao, President NAVS (I) welcomed all the GC Members and thanked them for their time for the meeting. The President informed the house that Govt. Of India has constituted a High Level Committee to draft National Veterinary Commission Bill under the chairmanship of Shri Tarun Shridhar. This Committee has co-opted the President of NAVS (I) for his inputs in drafting the bill. It is a matter of great pride and achievement for the Academy for this recognition. He further, apprised the house that the Vision Document of the Academy will be released during forthcoming Convocation.

Agenda Points

(a) **Review of Award of Medals** – Maj Gen ML Sharma, Secy Gen NAVS (I) informed the house that because of sudden hike in the cost of Silver, the cost of the medal has shot up to Rs. 14000/- (Rupees Fourteen thousand) (approx.) and therefore it's become difficult to manage the cash award as well as cost of medal within the interest accrued out of donated amount of various medals. The issue was discussed and it was resolved that we will continue to award the medals, however, the amount of cash award be revised as under: -

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| (i) Dr CM Singh Award for Excellence in Veterinary Sciences | - | Rs. 31000/- |
| (ii) Dr DVR Prakash Rao Lifetime Achievement Award-cum-Late Smt Sundari Prakash Rao Memorial Endowment Lecture | - | Rs. 31000/- |
| (iii) Dr Vallabh Mandokhot Memorial Award for Outstanding Young Woman Veterinarian (Scientist/Field Work) | - | Rs. 21000/- |
| (iv) Dr RK Sharma Memorial Award for Excellence In Veterinary Extension Education | - | Rs. 21000/- |
| (v) Dr KK Baxi Outstanding Scientist Award for Excellence in Veterinary Science | - | Rs. 21000/- |
| (vi) Young Scientist Award | - | Rs. 21000/- |

(b) **Applicability of NAVS (I) Fellowship, Associate Fellowship and Membership Awards-** Secy Gen apprised the house that some of the candidates had applied for both Fellowship/Associate Fellowship and Membership Awards and were selected for both the awards. In such situation, there is need to amend the Guidelines for applicability of the award.

Resolve- The GC discussed the issue and resolved that in such situation the candidature for the higher award only, be considered.

Info Points

The Secy Gen informed the house that Nanaji Deshmukh Veterinary Science University, Jabalpur has remitted Rupees Five Lakhs to Academy account on account of Lifetime Institutional Membership. Further, Dr Inderjeet Singh, Hon'ble VC, BASU, Patna and President Indian Buffalo Association has informed the President NAVS (I) that his Association will soon be seeking Institutional Membership of the Academy.

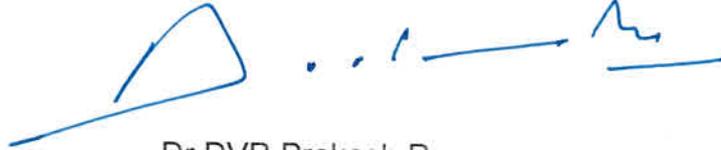
Any Other Points

The President requested all the GC members to forward their view points regarding formation of National Veterinary Commission.



Maj Gen ML Sharma (Retd)
Secy Gen, NAVS (I)

Approved By



Dr DVR Prakash Rao
President, NAVS (I)