

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF VETERINARY SCIENCES (INDIA) (REGD.)

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MINUTES OF GENERAL BODY MEETING OF NATIONAL ACADEMY OF VETERINARY SCIENCES (INDIA), HELD ON 22 DEC 2025 AT 1.00 PM AT BIHAR ANIMAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY, PATNA (BIHAR)

The General Body (GB) meeting of National Academy of Veterinary Sciences (India) was convened on 22 Dec 2025 at 1.00 P.M. Since, the quorum for the GB Meeting was not complete; hence, the meeting was adjourned and reconvened after half an hour. Sixty seven were the attendees.

The President Dr DVR Prakash Rao, welcomed all the Fellows, Members, Dignitaries and Students. At the outset he thanked Honorable Vice Chancellor BASU Dr Inderjeet Singh for hosting NAVS (I) Convocation-cum-Scientific Convention. He apprised the house regarding salient achievements of the Academy during past one year. He highlighted the recognition of the Academy by Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Govt of India by co-opting the President of NAVS (I) as a member of high level committee constituted for the formation of National Veterinary Commission.

The Secy Gen Maj Gen ML Sharma (Retd) read out the Minutes of the last year General Body meeting held on 08 Mar 2025 at 11.30 AM at KVAFSU, Hebbal, Bengaluru (Karnataka). The Minutes were confirmed.

Proposed by – Dr Vipin Kumar Gupta, Seconded by- Col Tej Ram (Retd)

Further, the Secy Gen read out the Annual report along with update on Financial Statement including Audit Report of the Academy.

(a) Progress on pending points from previous GB Meeting: -

- (i) **Continues Veterinary Education (CVE)** – The Academy in collaboration With Brooke India has conducted two Short Courses of 4 days duration for 20 Field Veterinarians at GADVASU, Ludhiana, TANUVAS, Chennai and one Course at BASU, Patna. One more similar Course will be conducted at BASU, Patna in due course.
- (ii) **Recognition of NAVS (I) Fellowship-** The Academic Council of Bihar Animal Sciences University, Patna has approved grant of four marks weightage for NAVS (I) Fellowship for selection and promotion of teaching staff.
The Academic Council of Nanaji Deshmukh Veterinary Sciences University, Jabalpur has approved the recognition of NAVS (I) Fellowship at par with other Academy Fellowship for assessment in selection and promotion of teaching staff.
- (iii) **Corporate- Academia Interaction-** The Academy has organized an interactive session between Veterinary Universities and Corporates

during the current Scientific Convention to discuss and finalize the areas of mutual interest.

- (iv) **Academy's Vision Document** – The Vision Document of the Academy has been published and being released during Inaugural Sessions of this Convocation.
 - (v) **Coding/Numbering of Academy's Certificates-** The Coding/Numbering of Academy's Certificates are being carried out from the year 2025.
- (b) **The agenda points for ratification by the GB: -**
- (i) **Institutional Membership-** Nanaji Deshmukh Veterinary Sciences University, Jabalpur has applied for Institutional Membership of the Academy. Similarly, Siksha "O" Anusandhan, Deemed University, Bhubaneswar has also applied for Institutional Membership of the Academy.
 - (ii) **Representation of Outstanding Veterinarians from Various Streams-** The Veterinarians having outstanding contributions in various streams like Industries, Corporates, Defence Forces, Entrepreneurship, Field Vets and other Govt/ Non Govt Organizations will be awarded Honorary Fellowship. The Awardees must possess minimum MVSc qualification. However, Graduates with BVSc qualification be awarded Academy's Membership. Maximum two Honorary Fellowship and Membership award be given every year.
 - (iii) **Fellowship and Academic Awards for the year 2024: -** Based on the recommendations of the Evaluation Committees and approval of the President, the Secy Gen read out the names of the candidates selected for the following Fellowships/Awards: -
 - (aa) **FELLOWSHIP** – The Secy Gen informed the house that out of 38 applications received for Fellowship Award, 26 applicants have qualified for the award. The list of twenty applicants, who have been selected for the Fellowship Award is enclosed as Annexure I.
 - (ab) **ASSOCIATE FELLOWSHIP-** Out of 23 applications received for Associate Fellowship Award, 20 applicants have been qualified for the award. The list of 20 selected candidates is enclosed as Annexure II.
 - (ac) **MEMBERSHIP** – Out of 25 applications received for the Membership Award, 22 applicants have qualified for the award. The list of 22 selected candidates is enclosed as Annexure III.
 - (ad) **HONORARY FELLOWSHIP-** Dr Jeetendra Verma, Director (Tech) Raviora Biotech has been awarded Honorary Fellowship for his outstanding contributions towards advancement of Veterinary Profession in Corporate Sector.
 - (ae) **Dr CM SINGH AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN VETERINARY SCIENCES -** The committee after due deliberations recommended

Dr Inderjeet Sing, Vice Chancellor, Bihar Animal Sciences University, Patna (Bihar) as most suitable candidate for the above award.

Proposed by – Dr KML Pathak

Seconded by – Prof (Dr) Suresh S Honnappagol

(af) **DR DVR PRAKASH RAO LIFE TIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD-CUM-LATE SMT SUNDARI PRAKASH RAO ENDOWMENT LECTURE**

The committee after due deliberations recommended **Dr Raghvendra Bhatta**, DDG (AS), ICAR, as the most suitable candidate for the above award.

Proposed by – Dr KML Pathak

Seconded by – Prof (Dr) Suresh S Honnappagol

(ag) **DR VALLABH MANDOKHOT MEMORIAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING YOUNG WOMAN VETERINARIAN SCIENTIST** – Out of ten applicants, **Dr Shalini Vaswani**, Asst Professor, Department of Animal Nutrition, CVSc & AH, (DUVASU) Mathura has been selected for the award.

(ah) **DR VALLABH MANDOKHOT MEMORIAL AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING YOUNG WOMAN (FIELD) VETERINARIAN** – Out of four applicants, **Dr Manju Pal**, Government Veterinary Hospital, Jaiharikhal, Pauri Garhwal, Uttarakhand has been selected for the award.

(ai) **DR RK SHARMA MEMORIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN VETERINARY EXTENSION EDUCATION** – Out of three applicants, **Prof B Subrahmanyaswari**, Department of Veterinary & Animal Husbandry Extension Education, NTR College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram (AP) has been selected for the award.

(aj) **DR KK BAXI OUTSTANDING SCIENTIST AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN VETERINARY SCIENCES** – Out of three applicants, **Dr Vinayagamurthy Balamurugan**, Veterinary Microbiology, ICAR-National Institute of Veterinary Epidemiology and Disease Informatics, Ramagondanahalli, Yelahanka, Bengaluru (Karnataka) has been selected for the award.

(ak) **YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD IN VETERINARY SCIENCES** – Out of seventeen applicants, **Dr Jaydip Jaywant Rokade**, Senior Scientist, ICAR-Central Avian Research Institute, Izatnagar, Bareilly has been selected for the award.

(iv) **Revision of Score Cards/Guidelines recommended by the various evaluation committees**

The committee recommended the following amendment in the Score Card of Dr RK Sharma Award Memorial Award for Excellence in Veterinary Extension Education

- (a) Para A - Workshop/Conferences attended to be amended to read Inter National/ National Workshop/Conferences attended with 1.0 and 0.5 mark respectively.
- (b) Para B – Maximum Score awarded to be increased from 3 to 5 and under Para C maximum marks awarded to be reduced from 22 to 20.
- (c) Para C – Foot Note remarks to be deleted.
- (d) Para D – Piggery, Yak, Mithun to be added.

Note: The above point was dropped on the request of some of the Fellows, who wanted to revisit the Guidelines/Score Card.

(v) **GC Members not to be eligible to apply for NAVS (I) Awards-** The Governing Council deliberated the issue and decided the GC Members will not to be eligible to apply for NAVS (I) Awards. The same will be incorporated in the Guidelines for various awards.

(vi) **Utilization Certificate from Institutions Organizing Events in Collaboration with NAVS (I)-** The Academy will seek Utilization Certificate from various Institution for the Income generated/Expenditure incurred for the Events organized in collaboration/behalf of NAVS (I).

(vii) **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: -

- (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/-

(viii) **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.

(ix) **Income/Expenditure Statement:** -

(a) **Balance Sheet:** - Balance Sheet for the Financial Year 2024-25, duly audited by the CA, is enclosed herewith.

(b) **Income:** - Brooke India, an Associate of our Academy has granted the following amount for the conduct of Short Courses: -

(i) For TANUVAS, Chennai – Rs. 2.94 Lakhs in Mar 2025

(ii) For BASU, Patna - Rs. 2.94 Lakhs in May 2025

(c) **Financial Status:** - As on 31 Oct 2025, the Academy has Rs. 1,73,00,828/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy-Three Lakhs Eight Hundred and Twenty-Eight only) in **Fixed Deposit** and Rs. 12,48,325/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Forty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Twenty-Five only) **Cash in Bank**.

(x) **Fixation of Corpus Amount of the Academy-** The President expressed his views that the Academy has been struggling to build up funds for the past few years; and as on date has approx. Rs. 1.73 Cr in FD and approx. 12.5 Lakhs in Bank. Effort is on to raise the FD amount to Rs. 2 Crore in due course. The Academy needs approx. Rs. 12 Lakhs per year as running expenditure, which will be taken care by the interest earned on Rs. Two Crore as Fixed Deposit.

The President proposed that Rs Two Crore FD be kept as Corpus Amount of the Academy. Further, since the Academy does not have regular source of Funding from the Govt, its prudent for the subsequent GC's to ensure that the Corpus amount of Rs. Two Crores is maintained. However, if any unforeseen situation arises, the Governing Body will only be authorised to approve withdrawal from Corpus Fund with a clear re-payment plan to replace the withdrawn amount from the Corpus Amount. The Governing Council approved the above proposal.

The Governing Body ratified above points.

Proposed by - Dr KML Pathak, Seconded by - Dr JM Kataria

(c) Info Point

Venue for Convocation-cum-Scientific Convention- 2026- The next Convocation-cum-Scientific Convention is scheduled to be held in Oct 2026 at Lala Lajpat Rai University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Hisar.

(d) Any Other Point with the permission of the Chair- The Patron, Dr KM Bujarbaruah expressed his views that in future, the Organizers of Convocation-cum-Scientific Convocation be requested to allocate adequate time for GB Meeting. Further, to improve attendance of Fellows in GB meeting. There is a need to subsidize travel expenses of retired Fellows. He suggested that Rs. 1000/- be charged from all Fellows per year to cater for such expenditure.

Resolve- The proposal was accepted. The President viewed that we will be required to formulate the norms of utilization of funds generated for the purpose.

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

Approved By

Dr DVR Prakash Rao
President, NAVS (I)