

**Proceedings of the Indian Potato Association Executive committee meeting held under the chairmanship of Dr. NK Pandey, President, IPA on 11.05.2022 in the committee room of Director Cell**

The committee met on 11.05.2022 to discuss the agenda items put forth by the secretary. Meeting started with the opening remarks of Dr. NK Pandey, President IPA and then he asked Dr Vinay Bhardwaj, Secretary IPA to start the proceedings.

**Fortune Inn Haveli payment:** Regarding non refund of advance payment by the Fortune Inn Haveli, it was informed by the Secretary that one instalment of Rs. 81,544/- has been received (01.02.2022) from Fortune Inn Haveli and the balance payment of Rs. 1.00 lakh has also been received (16.05.2022). Since full refund has been made by the party; hence, it is decided to withdraw the legal notice served to Fortune Inn Haveli.

**Change of name from Association to Academy:** Dr Vinay Bhardwaj informed the house that he is receiving requests from IPA members to change the name of Indian Potato Association to Indian Potato Academy. In this regard, deliberations were made in length and it was decided to seek suggestions from IPA members and Dr Bhardwaj was asked to circulate this agenda among the members through WhatsApp.

**Updation of IPA website:** The following committee was constituted for the said purpose and the committee is supposed to do updation of the website within 45 days.


- i) Dr Anil Chaudhary
- ii) Dr Ajay Thakur
- iii) Dr Rahul K Tiwari
- iv) Dr Milan K Lal

**Review the progress of Potato Journal publication and its NAAS rating:** The IPA executive express its happiness on regularization of its publication 'Potato Journal' and restoring of its NAAS rating. The executive applauded the efforts of the editorial board to clear the back log of the Journal and restoration of its NAAS rating. Dr Som Dutt informed that efforts are on to get Impact factor for the Journal. It was decided by the house that all reviewers and authors should be encouraged to cite Potato Journal references.

**Revision of salary of Sh Upender Kumar:** It was unanimously decided to revise the salary of Sh Upender Kumar to Rs. 18,000/- with 10% annual increment and the same may be reviewed after five years.

**Renewal of term of editorial board:** Since the term of current editorial board is expiring in the month of June, the same may be reviewed before its expiry.

**Organization of zone-wise events:** It was decided to hold events zone-wise to address the regional problems of the stakeholders. It was also decided to pay an honorarium of Rs.2000/- for retired and outside experts whereas serving resource personnel will not be entitled for honorarium.

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Submitted to President, IPA for approval please.

  
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