

MINUTES OF MEETING

INDIAN ACADEMY OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES (IABS)

MINUTES OF THE 14th ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING HELD ON 25.03.2026 at 6.00 PM

Venue: DLT-9 BITS, Pilani Goa Campus, Goa

Members Present:

1. Prof. Indu Verma , Chandigarh President – in the chair
2. Prof. Hari S. Sharma, Founder President
3. Prof. Abbas Ali Mahdi, Secretary – General, Lucknow
4. Dr. Malbika Biswas , Goa
5. Dr. Vijay Kumar Kutala, Hyderabad
6. Dr. Jagadeesh Bayry, Palakkad
7. Dr. NB Ramachandran, Mysore
8. Prof. Jyotdep Kaur, Chandigarh
9. Prof. Hariom Sharma, Bhavnagar.
10. Dr. Shuryansh Sharma, Ahmedabad
11. Dr. Sukesh Mukerjee, Bhopal
12. Dr. Amrita Chatterjee, Goa
13. Prof. Farzana Mahdi, Lucknow
14. Dr. Harsh Vardhan Singh, New Delhi
15. Dr. Suman Kundu, Goa
16. Dr. Sushmita Jha, Jodhpur
17. Dr. Shyam Praakash, New Delhi
18. Dr. Medha R, Pondicherry
19. Dr. Ashok Kumar, Bhopal
20. Dr. H.P. Gurushankara,, Kasaragod
21. Prof. BSS Rao, Bangalore
22. Dr. Janaki Ramaiah , Vellore
23. Dr. Israr Ahmad Lucknow
24. Dr. M. Kaleem Ahmad, Lucknow
25. Dr. Ajay Kumar Verma, Lucknow
26. Dr. Navneet Kumar, Lucknow
27. Dr. Sucheta Dandekar, Lucknow

1. The meeting was called to order by Prof. Indu Verma, Vice President, in the absence of Prof. Sadhana Sharma, President. She welcomed the Hon'ble members to the 14th Annual General Body Meeting. She stated that the Academy has made commendable progress in recent years due to the collective efforts of its members. She also appreciated Prof. Suman Kundu and the organizing team of BITS Pilani, Goa, for successfully organizing the meeting. She further mentioned that the Academy is moving in the right direction and achieving new milestones day by day.
2. The minutes of the 13th Annual General Body Meeting held on 12.02.2025 at 5:00 p.m. at AIIMS, Bhopal were presented. Prof. Abbas Ali Mahdi proposed that the minutes be accepted and confirmed. The proposal was seconded by Prof. Jyotdeep Kaur and Prof. Jagadeesh Bayry. The minutes were unanimously approved and confirmed by the members.
3. Prof. Abbas Ali Mahdi informed the Hon'ble members about the sad demise of Prof. Subir Kumar Das on 20 October 2025. He mentioned that Prof. Das was one of the senior members of the Academy. The house observed a two-minute silence and a condolence resolution was passed.
4. The Secretary General, in his report, briefed the Hon'ble members about the progress made by the Academy during the year under report. He informed that the Academy now has more than 493 life members. He also presented the names of the awardees and fellowship recipients for the year 2025. He stated that two issues of the Academy's journal have been published and are now in the public domain. He appealed to all members to promote the journal and contribute quality articles. He further informed that a large number of applications were received for various awards, which were screened by a committee, reviewed by the Awards Committee, and finally approved by the Core Committee.

Awardees:

1. Dr. Narendra Malhotra, Agra – Padma Shri Prof. Mahdi Hasan Award
2. Dr. B.S. Shankaranarayana Rao, Bangalore – Prof. Sohail Ahmad Award
3. Dr. Snigdha Singh, New Delhi – Smt. Kusum Sharma Award
4. Dr. Swathi Sudhakar, Chennai – Smt. Kusum Sharma Award
5. Dr. Mohd. Kaleem Ahmad, Lucknow – Shri Om Prakash Sharma Award
6. Dr. M. Janaki Ramaiah, Vellore – Farha Deebea Haq Award
7. Dr. Sarika Gupta, New Delhi – Mrs. Abida Mahdi Award
8. Dr. Vimal Kumar Paliwal, Lucknow – Dr. Shyama Narang Oration Award

9. Dr. Raghvendra Kumar Vidua, Bhopal – Justice Jagdish Sharan Mishra Oration Award
10. Padma Shri Dr. Shyam Sundar, Varanasi – Lifetime Achievement Award

Elected Fellows:

11. Dr. C.M. Singh, Lucknow
 12. Dr. Ajay Kumar Verma, Lucknow
 13. Dr. Ashok Kumar, Kanpur
 14. Dr. Harsh Vardhan Singh, New Delhi
 15. Dr. Ramendra Pati Pande, Pune
 16. Dr. Ritu Gupta, New Delhi
 17. Dr. S. Jayachandran, Chennai
 18. Dr. S.K. Katiyar, Kanpur (Honorary)
 19. Padma Shri Dr. Shyam Sundar, Varanasi (Honorary)
 20. Ms. Vijay Lakshmi Venkatesan, Hyderabad
 21. Dr. Amiya Agarwal, Lucknow
5. The financial report of the Academy was presented and Hon'ble members approved the same.
 6. Prof. Hari S. Sharma, Founder President, remarked that the Academy is continuously learning and improving. He invited suggestions from the Hon'ble members for further strengthening the Academy. The following suggestions were made:
 - I. Dr. Ashok Kumar suggested creating social media platforms such as X (Twitter), LinkedIn, and other networking platforms. Members should share their achievements and tag the Academy.
 - II. Dr. Sukesh Mukherjee suggested that the next Annual Meeting should be widely advertised to increase participation.
 - III. Prof. Ramachandran suggested that all awardees and fellows should be encouraged to publish articles in the Academy's journal.
 - IV. Dr. B.S.S. Rao suggested that a Membership Directory be created, in which members' affiliations, contact numbers, and email IDs should be updated.
 - V. Dr. J. Ramaiah suggested promoting the Academy in institutions and universities to increase life membership.
 - VI. Dr. B.S.S. Rao further suggested that the Head Office should maintain and share a list of active life members attending IABSCON for better communication and invitations.

- VII. Dr. Hari Om Sharma suggested that abstract submissions should strictly follow the prescribed guidelines.
- VIII. Dr. Jyotdeep Kaur emphasized that more members should attend the General Body Meeting.
7. After detailed deliberations, it was decided that the 15th Annual Meeting of the Academy in 2027 will be held in New Delhi. Prof. Shyam Prakash offered to organize the meeting at AIIMS, which was unanimously accepted. Another proposal was also received from AIIMS Raipur; however, as the proposer was absent, it was suggested that any institution willing to host future meetings should present their proposal in the GBM with a brief presentation. Moreover, in principle it was agreed that the 16th Annual Meeting can be organized at AIIMS, Raipur.
8. At the end of the meeting, Prof. Indu Verma, (Chandigarh), handed over the charge of President of IABS to Dr. Sukesh Mukherjee. Members congratulated Dr. Mukherjee on assuming the charge and also placed on record their appreciation for the services rendered by Dr. Sadhana Sharma in promoting the Academy and enrolling a large number of life members. It was also informed that, in the absence of Prof. Jagat R. Kumwar, the presidency would be shared for six months each by Dr. Sukesh Mukherjee followed by Dr. Ashok Kumar.
9. A resolution was moved by the Secretary General appreciating and applauding the efforts of Prof. Suman Kundu and his team, including Prof. Malbika Biswas and Dr. Amrita Chatterjee for organizing an excellent 14th Annual Conference at BITS Pilani Goa Campus and it was unanimously passed by all members present in the meeting.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(Prof. Abbas Ali Mahdi)
Secretary – General, IABS

(Dr. Sukhes Mukherjee)
President, IABS

Date: 25 March, 2026