Minutes of the 2nd General Body Meeting of ISES held at ISR, Gandhinagar as on 5th January, 2014

The 2nd General Body Meeting of ISES was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. B. K. Rastogi, President, ISES at the Conference Hall-I of ISR as on 05-01-2014 at 1400 hrs. Following Members were present:

- 1. Dr. B. K. Rastogi, ISR
- 2. Dr. Kapil Mohan, ISR
- 3. Shri K. M. Rao, ISR
- 4. Ms. Jyoti Sharma, ISR
- 5. Dr. T. J. Majumdar, SAC
- 6. Prof. R. D. Shah, GU
- 7. Shri Santosh Kumar, ISR
- 8. Ms. Pallabee Choudhury, ISR
- 9. Dr. B. Sairam, ISR
- 10. Prof. T. Harinarayana, GERMI
- 11. Shri Om Bihari, ISR
- 12. Dr. Rakesh Dumka, ISR
- 13. Dr. Girish Kothiyari, ISR
- 14. Dr. S. Prizomwala, ISR
- 15. Shri Sandeep Aggarwal, ISR
- 16. Ms. Babita Sharma, MOES
- 17. Ms. Payal Patel, Ganpat University
- 18. Ms. Vishwa Joshi, ISR
- 19. Ms. Falguni Bhattacharjee, ISR
- 20. Shri Sidharth Dimri, ISR
- 21. Dr. J. R. Kayal, JU
- 22. Dr. Paresh Patel, Nirma University

- 23. Dr. Sharad P. Purohit, Nirma University
- 24. Dr. Arun Bapat, Ex. CWPRS

1. Welcome by the President:

The President welcomed all the members and briefed about the aims and objectives of the Society. He informed the members that the Society was established in 2009 and is presently having 162 members. Currently, one Office Assistant is working in ISES.

II. Annual Report by the Secretary:

The annual report was presented by Dr. Kapil Mohan, Secretary, ISES. He informed General body about salient achievement/progress of the society (Publication of 6 editions of News Letter Bhoo Kampan, Symposium AES-2013 and AES-2014etc.)

III. Announcement of the next year's events:

The Following events were announced in the General Body Meeting:

- 1. Advances in Earthquake Science (AES)-2015 in the first week of January-2015.
- 2. Student Program (Quiz) in 2014 Exact dates yet to be finalized

IV. Presentation of audit report by the Treasurer:

The Treasurer presented the income and expenditure of ISES and other details like Fixed Deposit etc., in the meeting . He also informed the members that accounts of ISES are audited and cleared by C.A. up to March 2013.

V. Constitutional Amendments:

The President invited comments from the ISES Members and Office Bearers for the necessary constitutional amendments (if any).

Decisions:- No proposal/suggestion came from members in this regard.

VI. Discussion regarding forthcoming e-journal of ISES:

The President informed Members that the website of the e-journal of ISES is already launched (www.joes.org.in). He insisted on the need to do some more work on response from authors and fast review from the Editor/Reviewers. Dr. Majumdar and Prof. R. D. Shah have suggested for appointing Co-Editors in the concerned discipline. Members are also requested to send manuscripts and to encourage researchers in their own departments for publications of more relevant articles in the Journal of Earthquake Sciences (JOES).

Decision:

The general body gave powers to the Executive Committee to decide about appointing Co-Editors for JOES.

VII. Any other issues/discussions:

The following suggestions are provided by the Members:

- 1. Dr. T. J. Majumdar suggested publishing the latest Seismic Hazard Map of Gujarat in Bhoo-Kampan Newsletter at least once a year. He further suggested providing the copy of Bhoo-Kampan on ISES website.
- 2. Shri Om Bihari suggested to send Bho'o-Kampan (ISES Newsletter) to the Collectors and DDOs in Gujarat State for seismological research awareness.
- 3. Dr. Sharad Purohit suggested extending the scope of ISES upto College level through lectures on Earthquake Science. ISES should open Student Membership @ Rs. 250/- per student. He also suggested conducting one Quiz Programme per year on Earth Science and Earthquake Engineering. Dr. Majumdar and Prof. Shah have supported the suggestion.
- 4. Members have suggested increasing ISES Life Time membership fee from Rs. 1000/- to Rs. 5000/-.
- 5. Members also suggested for providing ISES Membership I-CARD.

Decisions:

- 1. The Seismic Hazard map of Gujarat will be published in the next edition of Bhoo-Kampan (ISES Newsletter) and the soft copy of Bhoo-Kampan will be provided on ISES website.
- 2. Future Issues of Bhoo-Kampan (ISES Newsletter) will be sent to the concerned authorities of the State Government and concerned non-member Scientists.
- 3. The Quiz Programme on the suggested topic will be organized after consultation with the concerned Educational Institutions for larger participation and subject awareness.
- 4. From 1st April 2014, the ISES Life Time Membership fee will be of Rs. 5000/-.

The General Body Meeting of ISES ended at around 1500 hrs. with thanks to the Chair.

Prof. (Dr.) B.K. Rastogi

President, ISES