NUTRITION SOCIETY OF INDIA

Memorandum, Rules & Bye-Laws,
Activities and
General Information

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MEMORANDUM
OF
NUTRITION SOCIETY OF INDIA

1. The name of the association shall be NUTRITION SOCIETY OF INDIA (NSI), hereinafter referred to as the `Society'.

2. The Headquarters of the Society will be situated at the National Institute of Nutrition, Jamai-Osmania PO, Hyderabad-500 007, Andhra Pradesh, India.

3. The aims and objectives for which the Society is established are the following :

   i) To be the representative organisation of the nutrition scientists of India and to promote the study of the science of nutrition.

   ii) To organise lectures and scientific symposia at different centres of India and invite leading scientists both from this country and abroad to present new developments in different aspects of the science of nutrition and to exchange information and views. To publish the proceedings of these scientific discussions from time to time.

   iii) To carry out and foster research on important nutrition problems.

   iv) To sponsor and organise the holding in India of national and international conferences such as the Congress of Nutrition.

   v) To secure and manage funds and endowments for the promotion of the science of nutrition education of the general public.

We, the several persons, whose names and addresses are subscribed, are desirous of being formed into a Society in pursuance of this Memorandum. We also desire that the Nutrition Society of India be registered under the Public Society Registration Act.

RULES AND BYELAWS

1. Membership

Scientists engaged in the study and application of the science of human and animal nutrition are eligible to be members of the Society. Any person with a basic degree in science and arts can become a member of the Society.

A Credentials Committee consisting of the Office-Bearers of the NSI will screen and examine applications for membership and recommend for admission to the Society.

2. Membership fee :

The membership fee shall be as follows:

Annual Subscription for Ordinary Members	Rs. 300-00
Annual Subscription for student members	Rs. 100-00
Life membership fee	Rs. 2,000-00
Annual subscription for foreign members	US $ 100-00
Life membership fee for foreign members	US $ 300-00

Any member whose subscription has been in default for two consecutive years will forfeit his/her membership. Such members may, however, re-enrol themselves on payment of three years subscription (current year and arrears for the previous two years). Membership will be deemed to have been renewed only from the current year.

The financial year (from April to March) will be followed for the collection of the membership fee.

Enhancement or changes in the membership fee may be made on the recommendations of the Executive Committee and approval of the Annual General Body from time to time.

3. General Body and Its Functions

a) To elect the Managing Committee (Office-Bearers).
b) To approve the expenditure statement of previous year and pass the budget for the coming year.
c) To approve the report of the activities of the Society.

d) The General Body shall meet in the last quarter of every year.
e) The quorum for the general body shall be 30 members.

4. Executive Body

(a) There will be an Executive Committee consisting of not more than 26 members to manage the working of the Society. This shall include the following Office-Bearers :

i) President
ii) Two Vice-Presidents, one of whom should be a resident of Hyderabad where the headquarters of the Society is located.
iii) Secretary
iv) Joint Secretary

Either the Secretary or Joint Secretary should be from Hyderabad.

v) Treasurer.

(b) The Founder-President of the Society shall be a permanent ex-officio member of the Executive Committee.

(c) Since the Headquarters of the Society is located at the National Institute of Nutrition, the Director of the Institute shall be an Ex-Officio Member of the Executive Committee.

(d) Persons holding the highest positions in the International Organizations like IUNS may also be appointed as Ex-Officio Members of the Executive Committee.

(e) The Executive Committee including the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Joint Secretary and Treasurer will be elected once in two years by a general body meeting of the members of the Society convened for this purpose. The Immediate Past-President shall continue to be a member of the Executive Committee till such time that the successor President assumes his office.

(f) The out-going Executive Committee will consider the nominations received for the new Executive Committee and submit the final nominations to the General Body for election at the Annual Meeting.

(g) The President is empowered to nominate three members to the Executive Committee, when needed.

(h) The President shall call for and preside over the Executive Committee and General Body Meetings. The Secretary will maintain the minutes of the meeting and organise the activities of the Society in consultation with the President.

(g) The quorum for the Executive Committee meeting shall be four members of the Executive Committee.
(h) The Convenors of different local chapters will be appointed by the Executive Committee. The term of Convenors shall be for two years. They will be eligible for reappointment.
(i) All the office-bearers of the Executive Body are eligible for re-election to the same post consequently only for one more term. However, re-election to the same post may be sought after a minimum lapse of one term also. The President is eligible for re-election only for one more term.

5. In the absence of the President at a meeting officially called by the President, one of the Vice-Presidents will conduct the meeting. In the absence of the President and the Vice-Presidents, one of the Committee members may be elected to conduct that meeting.

6. The President in consultation with the Secretary shall decide on the date and place of the General Body and Executive Committee meetings and agenda of business for discussion at such meetings. Members should communicate their suggestions to the Secretary.

7. Proposals for consideration of the General Body shall be communicated (3 months) in advance to the Secretary/Joint Secretary who shall, after consulting the Executive Body, place them before the General Body. The General Body may accept such proposals by majority. Every member shall have one vote and in case of a tie, the President shall have a second casting vote.

8. In the event of the resignation or death of any member of the Executive Committee, another member may be co-opted by the Executive Committee to fill the vacancy. Such a co-opted member will hold office till the next General Body Meeting. His continuation as a member of the Executive Committee shall be subject to his election at such a meeting.

9. The Executive Committee shall have the powers to collect, invest and expend the funds on behalf of the Society. The Executive Committee can authorise two of its members, one of whom will be the Treasurer, to open, operate and deal with bank accounts on behalf of the Society. The funds shall be spent only for the attainment of the objectives of the Society, and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly to any of its members through any means. The Secretary or in

his/her absence, the Joint Secretary will have the power to spend funds upto Rs.5,000/- (if necessary upto Rs.10,000/-) at any one time, on behalf of the Society.

10. The State Bank of India, Secunderabad and State Bank of Hyderabad, Lallaguda Branch, shall be the bankers for the Society.

11. Auditor

The Treasurer shall cause proper books of accounts to be kept with respect to :

(a) All sums of money received and expended by the Society;
(b) All sales and purchases of goods by the Society, and
(c) The assets and liabilities of the Society.

The books of accounts shall be kept at the Society office and shall be open to the inspection of the members of the Executive Committee. Chartered Accountants appointed by the Executive Committee shall audit the accounts of the Society every year.

12. The amendments of the rules and bye-laws of the Society, if any, shall be placed before the General Body after the consideration of the Executive Body and shall be adopted only after approval by two-thirds of the members present in the General Body Meeting.

13. Election of the Executive Committee

The President, the Vice-Presidents (First Vice-President and Second Vice-President), Secretary, Joint Secretary, Treasurer and 13 Executive Committee Members shall be elected by the General Body once in two years. The procedure for conducting the elections shall be as follows :

i) The Secretary, in consultation with the President, shall announce the schedule for elections. The call for nominations shall be made about 5 months before the General Body Meeting is scheduled to conduct elections.

ii) The last date for receiving nominations shall be 3 months before the General Body is scheduled to conduct elections. The last date for withdrawal of nominations shall be 2 months before the General Body is scheduled to conduct elections.

iii) The nomination forms bearing the name of the nominee and the post being nominated for, duly proposed and seconded by eligible members of the Society along with the consent letter of the nominee indicating his/her willingness to accept the office, if elected, shall be received by the Secretary.

iv) Any ordinary or life member of the Society is eligible to contest for the election, to propose or second a nomination. However, for being nominated as well as to propose/second, the member should have been on the rolls of the Society at least for three years prior to the year of election and should have no arrears of subscription including that for the current year.

v) No member of the Society is eligible to file nomination for more than one post in the Executive Committee or to propose or to second more than one nominee for the same post.

vi) Scrutiny of the nominations shall be done by the Secretary in consultation with the Executive Committee.

vii) Election, if necessary, shall be conducted during the General Body Meeting.

viii) The President of the General Body Meeting shall conduct the election during the General Body Meeting.

ix) Election shall be by secret ballot. All members (Life or Ordinary) present at the General Body Meeting shall be entitled to vote, provided that the member is on rolls for at least one year and has no arrears of subscription including that for the current year.

x) The President shall declare the results of the election at the General Body Meeting.

14. If any member of the Society shall wilfully disobey rules or orders of the Society or shall commit wilful breach of order at any of the meetings or having unwittingly committed, shall persist in any disobedience or breach of order after being admonished by the President, or works against the interests of the Society or if, for any other reason, it shall appear to the Society that the member should not continue as a member, he/she shall be liable to be removed from the membership of the Society. Whenever there shall appear cause as aforesaid for disqualification/

removal of a member from the Society, the Executive Body, after due deliberation, shall propose it to a ballot at any general body meeting. Such a member will be deemed to be removed from the membership of the Society by a simple majority.

15. In case the Society has to be wound up, the property and funds of the Society that will remain after full satisfaction of the liabilities of the Society, will be transferred or paid to some other institution with similar aims and objectives.

16. Reputed nutrition scientists from other countries can be honorary or corresponding members of the Society. Their names will be proposed to the General Body by the Executive Committee for ratification, before admission.

17. The Society is affiliated to the International Union of Nutritional Sciences (IUNS) through the Indian National Science Academy (INSA) which is the Adhering Body to IUNS under Category II. The Society is a member of the Federation of Asian Nutrition Scientists, which is also affiliated to the IUNS.

ACTIVITIES

Scientific Meetings

The primary objective of the Society is to contribute for the advancement of the science of nutrition. For this purpose, periodical meetings, lectures and seminars shall be organised. Advantage can be taken of visits of distinguished nutrition scientists for organising lectures and seminars.

The Annual General Body Meetings of the Society will be held during the National Conferences.

The National Conferences of the Society may be held every alternate year at any of the Zonal/Local Chapters of the Society. At all other times, the meetings shall be held at the Headquarters of the Society The Convenor, in his/her absence, Co-Convener of the respective Chapter (who is attached to an Institution) proposing to hold the National Conference of the Society, should submit a letter of support from their Organization (covering Institutional support, Proven ability to conduct national meetings, Manpower / logistics support, Administrative support to apply, receive and disperse funds) to the Society's Headquarters well in advance and he/she will be nominated as Organising Secretary for the respective National Conference organised outside Hyderabad. The Society Headquarters shall make available a refundable seed amount of Rs.50,000/- to Rs.1.00 lakh to the Chapter hosting the National Conference to meet the initial expenses and the same be refunded by the Organising Secretary to the NSI Headquarters before end of the concerned financial year. The Organizing Chair of NSI National Conferences, at the end of the Conference, has to deposit a the unspent collections (specially donations / sponsorships), in addition to refunding of the seed money advanced to them by the NSI Headquarters in the Society's Headquarters account.

The activities at the National Conference include Gopalan Oration, Srikantia Memorial Lecture, Rajammal P Devadas Memorial Lecture, Symposia, Special Lectures, Young Scientists' Awards Sessions, Free Communications and Poster Sessions. Apart from the National Conference, a Pre- or Post-Conference Workshop will be organised for student community on the relevant topics.

Soft copy of proceedings/abstracts of papers presented at the National Conference is made available on the website of the society. The printed

material will be available for free distribution among the registered delegates at the National Conference.

The Society will support the travel of a limited number of young members (below the age of forty five) whose papers are accepted for presentation in the Young Scientists Awards Sessions at the National Conference and who do not have institutional support for such travel.

Guidelines for Accepting Grants from Food Industries for Organising Annual Meetings

1. Assistance may be accepted from private philanthropists and from commercial/industrial establishments. However, no assistance will be sought or accepted from manufacturers of infant milk-formula foods (Infant Milk substitute manufacturers).

2. Souvenirs, that may be brought out, will not carry any advertisements on infant formulae as this may amount to indirect endorsement.

3. Assistance will not entitle the donor to participate in the scientific meetings.

4. No advertisements of any kind from commercial/industrial establishments will be permitted in the conference halls and lobbies where scientific discussions are held.

5. If facilities permit, a separate room or enclosure for exhibition of products and brochures of donors, away from the main conference hall may be made available. No exhibits will be permitted outside this separate enclosure. The room or enclosure where such products are exhibited will carry an announcement (disclaimer) on the following lines.

> "The products exhibited here and the statements in brochures and reading materials that may be distributed here, do not necessarily carry the approval or endorsement of the Nutrition Society of India".

Study Groups

The President of the Society, in consultation with the members of the Executive Committee, can form Study Groups to examine in depth nutritional problems of national importance. The responsibility of such a

group would be to prepare an exhaustive document on the subject with adequate background information, which would serve as a blueprint for planning programmes, which may be useful to the government. The Executive Committee of the Society may take appropriate steps to obtain finances for operation of these study groups.

AWARDS FOR RESEARCH PAPERS

YOUNG SCIENTISTS' AWARDS

Awards for best papers will be presented at the National Conference, in the following areas:

Community Nutrition	:	One Senior and One Junior Award
Experimental Nutrition	:	One Senior and One Junior Award

The winners of Senior Awards and Junior Awards receive a cash award and a Certificate.

Criteria for Awards

1. *For Senior Award*: The awardee should be 45 years of age or less and be working in an organisation for a minimum period of 3 years. He/She should be the first author of the paper and be a life member or the member of the Society for at least 3 years.

2. *For Junior Award* : The awardee should be 35 years of age or less. He/She should be a life member or the member of the Society for at least one year and should be the First Author of the paper.

3. The work done should be original in content and directly or indirectly related to nutritional problems of national importance.

4. The author should indicate whether the paper should be considered for Community Nutrition or Experimental Nutrition category.

5. He/She should obtain a certificate from the Head of the Institute or the Department that the work was primarily carried out by the applicant. The paper should not have already been published in any scientific journal. However, there will be no objection to the paper being published elsewhere after the presentation, provided it is acknowledged that the

paper was presented at the Annual Meetings of the Nutrition Society of India. Only the Abstract of the paper will be published in the Proceedings of the Society.

6. A member who has once won the prize under a particular Award, shall not be eligible for that Award for a second time, although such a member can be a co-author of a paper for the subsequent award.

7. No member can present more than one paper for the Award.

8. Co-author(s) need not necessarily be member(s) of the Society.

9. The research work on which the paper is presented must be the actual work undertaken by the main author only. If at a later date, it is detected that the work was not actually done by the person, stringent action will be taken by the Society, which can include withdrawal of the award with public intimation.

10. The papers, selected for awards, will be presented by the competitor at the National Conference of the Society and 10 minutes (8 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion) will be given to each paper for oral presentation.

11. In case, the Award is not given to a paper after oral presentation, a certificate of merit would be given.

12. Identity of the authors or place of work should not be disclosed in the entire text of the paper. The first page bearing authors' names and the last page with acknowledgements will be separated by the Society's Secretariat and coding will be done before sending the papers to the judges.

The competitors must send **Four Copies** of their manuscripts typed in double space along with the abstract, to the Joint Secretary, Nutrition Society of India, National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad-500 007, India, **before the stipulated date** every year. Entries received after the due date will not be entertained. There will be preliminary screening of the papers by a panel of three judges appointed by the Executive Committee and their decision will be final and binding on all concerned. (The term of the Panel of Judges is 3 years). Travel expenses (Second Class Train Fare) for attending the National Conference will be given to the candidates selected in this preliminary screening, provided their own institution is unable to

support their travel for the meeting. A certificate from the Head of the Institution to that effect should be provided. Final selection for the prizes will be done on the basis of the presentations made during the meeting. For this purpose, the interest accrued on the fixed deposits made by the Society for this purpose shall be used for presenting awards to the best paper(s) presented at the annual meetings.

Guidelines for Submitting the Papers for Award

1. The research paper should have clear and specific objectives with an appropriate plan of investigation.

2. The methods employed should be appropriate to fulfil the objectives.

3. The sample size covered should be adequate.

4. Appropriate statistical methods should be employed.

5. Results should be clearly presented in tables and figures.

6. Discussion should be centred around the findings.

7. Conclusion(s) should be precise.

8. The candidate should clearly highlight the new findings either in the approach to the problems or in terms of adding to the existing knowledge in the field.

9. The paper should be written up in a standard format consisting of introduction, materials and methods, results, discussion and summary. **The paper should be between 12 and 15 A4 sized pages (including tables, figures and references)**, typed in double in space. The number of references should be within the limit of 15-20.

10. Competitors for the Senior and Junior awards should send a brief biodata covering age, place of work, number of papers submitted for Scientific Societies' Meetings and names of awards received, if any, along with a list of publications.

FREE COMMUNICATION SESSION – ORAL/POSTER PRESENTATIONS

The Scientific Committee of the National Conference invites all interested individuals to submit abstracts for presentation in the free communication / poster sessions.

Guidelines for submitting the abstract for free communication – Oral presentation

1. The presenting author should be a member of the Society.
2. No member can submit more than two abstracts.
3. Along with the Abstract, a forwarding letter from the concerned Department / Institute should be sent to the Organising Secretary of the National Conference of the Society.
4. Abstract of the paper must be submitted in electronic format by email to the Joint Secretary of the National Conference of the Society. Electronic format will be accepted only after receiving the hard copy.
5. Preference for presentation in oral / poster session should be indicated. Depending on the suitability and availability of time, the Scientific Committee will make the final decision.
6. Nine minutes (7 minutes for presentation and 2 minutes for discussion) will be given to each paper.
7. The decision of the Scientific Committee shall be final and binding on all the matter concerned.

Guidelines for Poster Presentation

1. The poster should be prepared in English.
2. The poster should be self-explanatory. To be effective, the text should be kept to a minimum - be clear and concise.
3. Title should be brief, informative and readable (maximum length 1 to 2 lines).

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4. Wherever possible, use photographs, diagrams and tables. Use bold font to enhance legibility.
5. Include author(s) name(s) and affiliations.
6. Do not include an abstract on a poster. Introduction : Include absolute minimum of background information, research questions, hypothesis and aims and objectives (Maximum 200 words). Results : Briefly describe qualitative and descriptive (Mean with SD) results and findings. Include Tables/Bar diagrams, photographs, graphs to

support your findings (Maximum 200 words). Conclusions: Discuss as to how the results are conclusive, relevance of the finding and future directions.

7. Lettering used for the heading should be at least 2.5cm high and that of text at least 1.0cm but preferably larger. Use italics instead of underlying.
8. Poster presenters are responsible for mounting and removing their posters on the designated poster board.
9. Materials for putting the posters on poster board will be provided by the Secretariat.
10. The poster size should be within the limits notified by the Organising Committee.

RAMANATHAN AWARD

The Ramanathan Award was instituted in the year 2001 which will be presented for the best paper presentation in the Free Communications Session at the National Conference. The presentations will be screened during the presentation by the Panel of Judges and recommend the best presentation for award. The winner receives a **cash award** and a **Certificate.** The Cash Award will be given out of the interest accrued on the fixed deposit of Rs.35,000/- made under this account.

BEST POSTER AWARDS

Shri Haveli Ram Pasricha Prize

An Endowment Prize in the name of Shri Haveli Ram Pasricha was instituted in the year 1997, which will be presented to a best poster presentation at the National Conference every year. A sum of Rs.15,000/- donated by Ms.Swaran Pasricha was accepted and out of the interest accrued on this deposit, a cash award and a Certificate are given to the recipient..

Dr. K. Seetharam Bhat Memorial Prize

An Endowment Prize in the name of Dr. K. Seetharam Bhat Memorial Prize was instituted in the year 2009. A sum of Rs.50,000/- donated by his family and research students was put in fixed deposit. Out of the interest accrued on this deposit, a cash prize and a Certificate

are given to the best poster presentation at the National Conference every year.

NSI Prize

The NSI Prize will be presented for the best posters selected by the Panel of Judges, at the National Conferences. The Award winner receives a cash award and a Certificate.

Dr. C. GOPALAN ORATION TRUST

Dr. C. Gopalan Oration Trust, for advancement of education and organizing lectures in the broad field of Food and Nutrition has been functioning since 1975, based on a munificent grant for the purpose, handed over to the Nutrition Society of India. The rules and regulations of the Trust are specified in the Trust Deed. The trust consists of five members and the term of the each trustee is five years. Dr.C.Gopalan and Dr.M.S.Swaminathan are Trustees for Life. The Trustees from among themselves shall appoint a Managing Trustee with powers to operate bank accounts and look after the day-to-day affairs of the Trust. The present Trustees are: Dr.C.Gopalan, Dr.M.S.Swaminathan, Dr.Kamala Krishnaswamy (Managing Trustee), Dr.B.S.Narasinga Rao, Dr.(Mrs) Mrunalini Devi Puar.

Gopalan Oration

(a) The Oration will be held annually, preferably at the time of the National Conferences of the Society. The First Oration was held in January 1976.

(b) The invitee for the Oration shall be an outstanding person from any part of the world, who is an expert of high calibre in the broad field of food and nutrition, including agriculture, economics, sociology, public health administration etc.

(c) The invitee will receive a Gold Medal and a Certificate.

(d) The Trustee will invite the speaker to deliver the Oration. Members of the Executive Committee may suggest names for consideration by the Trustees, but the final choice will rest with the Trustees.

(e) The Abstract/Extended Abstract/Full Text of the Oration will be published in the Programme/Abstracts/Proceedings Book of the

Nutrition Society of India distributed among the delegates of the National Conference. Apart from this, the material is displayed on the website of the Society..

(f) Scientists from abroad, delivering the Gopalan Oration shall be conferred with honorary membership of the Society.

Dr. S.G.SRIKANTIA MEMORIAL LECTURE AWARD

Srikantia Memorial Lecture Award was instituted in 1989 by the Nutrition Society of India to honour late Dr.S.G.Srikantia, one of the Founder-Members of the Society. As a Member, and later as its Treasurer (1974-1978) and Vice-President (1978-80), Dr.Srikantia was instrumental in building, expanding and consolidating the activities of the Society. The Lecture is organised annually, preferably at the time of the National Conferences of the Society. The invitee for the Award shall be an outstanding person in the field of food and nutrition, including agriculture, economics, sociology, public health administration etc., within India. The Office-Bearers will recommend the names of speakers for the Award for consideration of the Committee Members to nominate the speaker to deliver the Lecture. The Committee Members of the Award are: (1) Dr. Prema Ramachandran (2) Dr. Tara Gopaldas (3) Dr. B. S. Narasinga Rao (4) Dr. Kamala Krishnaswamy (5) President, Nutrition Society of India, and (6) Director, NIN (Ex-Officio, NSI). The Awardee will receive a Silver Plaque and a Certificate. The text of the Lecture will be published in the Programme/Abstracts/ Proceedings Book of the Nutrition Society of India distributed among the delegates of the National Conference. Apart from this, the material is displayed on the website of the Society.

Dr. RAJAMMAL P DEVADAS MEMORIAL LECTURE

The Rajammal P Devadas Memorial Lecture Award was instituted by the Nutrition Society of India, in association with Avinashilingam Education Trust and Avinashilingam University for Women in the year 2009. Dr. Rajammal P Devadas (lovingly called ‘Amma’ by her colleagues and students) had made significant contributions for the

cause of Nutrition Science, Home Science and Women's development in the country. She was the President of the Nutrition Society of India during 1987 to 1991.

Dr. Rajammal P. Devadas Memorial Lecture Award is given every year to an outstanding women nutrition scientist of Indian origin working in India who has made noteworthy contributions in the field of applied nutritional sciences.

The Office-Bearers will recommend the names of speakers for the Award for consideration of the Committee Members to nominate the speaker to deliver the Lecture. The Committee members of the Award are: (1) President, Nutrition Society of India (Chairperson of the Trust), (2) Dr. S. Premakumari (3) Dr. B. Sesikeran (4) Dr. V. Prakash (5) Dr. M. Muralikrishna, and (6) Joint Secretary, Nutrition Society of India. The Awardee will receive a Gold Medal and a Certificate. The Abstract/Extended Abstract/Full Text of the Lecture will be published in the Programme/Abstracts/ Proceedings Book of the Nutrition Society of India distributed among the delegates of the National Conference. Apart from this, the material is displayed on the website of the Society..

ZONAL/LOCAL CHAPTERS

Activities

The Zonal/Local Chapters are the back-bone of the Society. These Chapters organize such scientific activities as Workshops, Symposia, Special lectures, Panel Discussions and extension activities like popular talks, radio talks, World Health Day, World Breast Feeding Week, National Nutrition Week, observe World Food Day, National Science Day and conduct Film/Video Shows, Exhibitions, Demonstrations, Quiz/Elocution competitions, Educational Camps etc. The Conveners of the Chapters send a report covering the activities undertaken by their respective chapters to the Headquarters at the end of each financial year. They also present a brief report at the National Conferences of the Society.

Formation of New Zonal/Local Chapters

A demand for the formation of the Chapter should come from the members residing in the concerned area. The following guidelines shall be adhered to in the formation of Chapters:

i) The President may permit the formation of a Chapter in a centre if a minimum of thirty active members in that centre express in writing their desire to constitute themselves into a separate Chapter with an assurance that they are in a position to organise an active programme on behalf of the Society.

ii) Not more than one Chapter can be formed in any given centre.

iii) Whenever the membership falls below thirty, the Chapter will automatically cease to exist.

iv) The Convener of the Chapter will be appointed by the Executive Committee. The Secretary, who will be responsible for organizing the programme for the Chapter, will be elected by the members of the concerned Chapter.

v) The Chapter could organise periodical meetings, lectures and seminars once a month or at least once in three months. Advantage may be taken of visits of important nutrition scientists to the area for organising such lectures. The report of the Proceedings may be sent to the Headquarters for incorporation in the Annual Report of the Society.

vi) Since the financial resources of the Society are limited, it will be difficult to subsidise the expenses of the Chapter from out of NSI funds. The President may, however, empower the Convenor of each Chapter on behalf of the Nutrition Society of India, to collect such funds as may be necessary to meet the expenses for the functioning of the Chapter. Such collections received and expenses incurred, may be duly audited and approved by the members of the Society of the Chapter.

Correspondence relating to meetings of the Society and other related matters should be addressed to the Joint Secretary of the Society at the National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad-500 007, A.P. Subscriptions may be paid through bank draft or money order payable to the **Treasurer, Nutrition Society of India** at the **National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad**. A subscription reminder is sent each year to all the members. Receipts are issued at the time of payments. Change of address should be communicated immediately.

RECIPIENTS OF GOPALAN ORATION AWARD

1977 *Dr. D. B. Jelliffe*
World Trends in Infants Feeding.

1978 *Dr. J. Cravioto*
Intersensory Integration as a Function of Nutrition and Stimulation.

1979 *Dr. M. Behar*
National Nutrition Policy & Trace Elements and Metabolism.

1980 *Dr. M. S. Swaminathan*
Green Power and Freedom from Hunger.

1981 *Dr. V. M. Dandekar*
Measurement of Undernutrition.

1982 *Dr. S. Varadarajan*
Technology for Better Nutrition.

1983 *Dr. H. K. Jain*
Evolutionary March of Indian Agriculture.

1984 *Dr. S. G. Srikantia*
Nutrition Adaptation in Man.

1985 *Dr. K. T. Achaya*
Invisible Fats Revised.

1986 *Dr. V. Kurien*
Oils and Fats Beyond Nutrition.

1987 *Dr. R. K. Chandra*
Nutrition, Immunity and Clinical Outcome.

1988 *Dr. Anand S. Prasad*
Human Zinc Deficiency.

1989 *Dr. J.V.G.A. Durnin*
Is Satisfactory Energy Balance Possible on Low Energy Intake ?

1990 *Dr. J. C. Waterlow*
A New Look at Protein-Energy Malnutrition - Controversies and Challenges.

1991 *Dr. Vernon R. Young*
Amino Acids Kinetics in Humans

1992 *Dr. M. C. Latham*
Alleviating Malnutrition in the developing countries of the World.

1993 *Dr. Nevin S. Scrimshaw*
Complementarities among foods and nutrients.

1994 *Dr. W.P.T. James*
Assessing Energy Need : Recent Advances.

1995 *Dr. Florentino S Solon*
Food Fortification Programme Development in the Philippines.

1996 *Dr. John D Potter*
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