

Minutes of General Body Meeting of High Energy Materials Society of India

Venue: TBRL, Chandigarh

Date - 24/05/2022

The General Body Meeting of HEMSI was conducted on 24 May 2022 at TBRL, Chandigarh during 13th International High Energy Materials Conference and Exhibits (HEMCE - 2022). The following members were present;

Shri KPS Murthy	President, HEMSI
Shri Prateek Kishore	Co-Chairman, Chandigarh-Delhi Chapter
Dr N Vinod Kumar	Vice-President, Trivandrum Chapter
Shri V Ranganathan	Vice-President, SHAR-Chennai Chapter
Dr. MVL Ramesh	Vice-President, Jagdalpur Chapter
Dr. S Radhakrishnan	General Secretary, HEMSI
Dr. J Saji	Joint Secretary, HEMSI
Prof P A Ramakrishna	SHAR-Chennai Chapter
Dr. P K Soni	Young Scientist Member, Chandigarh-Delhi Chapter
Dr. Sreejith	Young Scientist Member, Trivandrum Chapter
Shri Avtar Singh	Young Scientist Member, Pune Chapter

About 100 life members of society from headquarters and chapters

1. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan General Secretary, HEMSI welcomed all members to the GBM.
2. Shri K P S Murthy, President of HEMSI in his opening remarks, appreciated the efforts of organizing committee of HEMCE - 2022 for the excellent conduct of conference and lauded the efforts of the Team. He also mentioned that the conference has active participation from industries, users, academia and research organizations as well as students. To have a good deliberations as well as establishing personal contacts, the conference shall be limited to 2.5 days (as originally envisaged) and number of invited lectures and presentations shall be restricted to a reasonable number. He suggested that the number of papers presented shall be restricted to 80-100 (3 parallel sessions) and invited talks shall not be more than 8 to 10. Further, President, HEMSI mentioned about maintaining high standards of publication and review mechanism for publications shall be of national level committee and setting of standards.

3. President emphasized to encourage active participation of academia and industry and expressed that the conference shall be hosted by Industry-Academia in near future.
4. President also brought out that the HEMCE with 39 years of history has professionally grown all over India especially with members from DRDO & ISRO only. In view of the fast pace of policy changes in this area, smaller companies needs to be encouraged for participation and need to be brought under a common platform. The bodies / universities associated with the HEM material development need to be apprised with safety guidance in order to avoid untoward accidents. He has appreciated the vibrant participation of chapters and requested all chapters to adhere to the bye-laws.
5. Minutes of GBM 2019 was presented and approved unanimously by all the members.
6. Dr S Radhakrishnan, General Secretary HEMCE, briefed about the last GBM action points.
 - He brought out that the proceedings of last HEMCE 2019 were hosted in the society website.
 - The process for updating Membership has been initiated. However, many chapters have not submitted the records yet.
 - Part of the funds generated during the conduct of HEMCE shall be shared with HQs
7. President, HEMSI reiterated that the applications for membership should be forwarded to HQs along with 50% of the Fees by the concerned chapters along with their recommendation for award of membership.
8. He mentioned that few of the chapters have not shared their membership form for the past few years and not intimated about their membership registration details to the Society.
9. Prof Ramakrishna, SHAR-Chennai chapter requested general body, for the formation of separate chapter. He proposed to have the Chapter located at IIT Chennai in view of the recent developments such as defense corridor start-ups, MSME at Tamilnadu.
10. General Secretary briefed the mandates prescribed in the Society Rule book. President HEMSI stated that Society will consider it positively if required conditions are met as per bye-laws. In this connection, necessary documents may be forwarded to HQ.
11. The office bearers presented activity report of HEMSI HQs and Chapters.
 - Dr. J Saji, Joint Secretary presented the activities of HEMSI HQs Pune. He briefed about the two webinars conducted at Pune under co –sponsorship of

HEMSI on Propellants and Explosives through hybrid mode with good student participation. He also thanked the HEMSI Award selection committee for their support in selection of 2022 awards.

- Dr Vinod, Chairman, Thiruvananthapuram Chapter presented the activities conducted by Chapter.
- Shri Gokul presented the SHAR-Chennai chapter presented about the student symposium & rocket science program conducted in hybrid mode.
- Dr MVL Ramesh, Chairman, Jagdalpur Chapter briefed that he will stimulate the activities of HEMSI and proposed to host national seminar within a year.
- Dr P K Soni, Delhi-Chandigarh chapter presented about chapter activities including the HEMCE 2022.

12. The following decisions were taken by GBM

- It was unanimously accepted that all chapters shall forward the membership application forms from 2019 to the HQ for their admission to Society and along with 50% of the fees by the concerned chapters.
- HQ will register the forms and generate unique numbers from 2019 with the details such as email, mobile number, present position etc and intimate to concerned Chapter.
- It was agreed that 20% of the unspent money on conduct of HEMCE should be transferred to HQs.
- Relevant documents shall be forwarded to HQ for the consideration of new chapter at Chennai.
- General Secretary pointed out that the Governing Council need to be reconstituted in view of changes in the office bearers of Chapters, new Young scientist members, etc. The Chapters were requested to forward recommendations for the same to HQs at the earliest.
- The conduct of 14th HEMCE in 2023 was deliberated in detail. Based on the suggestions and opinions received from the GBM, President announced that Thiruvananthapuram Chapter will host the 14th HEMCE in the year 2023.

13. General Body Meeting ended with Vote of thanks by General Secretary.



(Dr S. RADHAKRISHNAN)

General Secretary, HEMSI