



## INDIAN SOCIETY OF SOIL SCIENCE

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### **Proceedings of get-together on the occasion of New Year 2025 celebrated on 7 January 2025 in hybrid mode at the office of the Indian Society of Soil Science (ISSS), NASC Complex, New Delhi**

Following were present in-person and 29 members joined online.

1. Dr. Himanshu Pathak, Secretary (DARE) and Director General (ICAR); and President (ISSS)
2. Dr. S.K. Chaudhari, Deputy Director General (NRM), ICAR; and Chief Editor and Past President (ISSS)
3. Dr. D.R. Biswas, Emeritus Scientist, ICAR-IARI; and Past President (ISSS)
4. Dr. Ranjan Bhattacharyya, Secretary
5. Dr. Manoj Shrivastava, Joint Secretary
6. Dr. Shrila Das, Assistant Secretary
7. Dr. B.B. Basak, Treasurer

Dr. Ranjan Bhattacharyya welcomed the President, Past-Presidents and other office bearers and members of the Society who joined the meeting in-person and online. Dr. S.K. Chaudhari also welcomed and congratulated for successful organization of the Global Soils Conference 2024. Dr. Himanshu Pathak conveyed the greetings of New Year 2025. He mentioned that due to efforts of all of us, the organization of Global Soils Conference 2024 in New Delhi could be possible. He also urged all to show the same passion in future to forward the activities of the ISSS. For this, he made the following suggestions:

- Regarding impact factor of the Journal of the ISSS, the international publishers like Springer Nature, Elsevier etc. may be explored.
- ISSS may restart its Newsletter in soft copy only.
- One good book on Digital Soil Science may be published every year.
- The Annual Convention of the ISSS can be re-oriented.
- Few new awards can be instituted.

- One more event may be organized beside the Annual Convention.
- More communications can be done with the Chapters of ISSS.
- One brain storming session may be planned.
- Chapters may be encouraged to organize one event every year.
- ISSS may prepare a calendar of activities for headquarters and Chapters.
- Secretary may assign 3-4 Chapters to every Councillors in their region to increase the activities of the Chapters.
- Chapter-wise WhatsApp groups may be created.

Dr. Shrila Das, Assistant Secretary was requested to take the responsibility of Newsletter which will be published quarterly and she agreed upon.

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



(Ranjan Bhattacharyya)  
Secretary