Proceedings of the Fourth Virtual Group Meeting of ARICARE held on 23rd August, 2020

The Fourth Virtual Group Meeting of ARICARE was held on 23rd August, 2020 at 4:30 P.M. through "Google Meet" App. Nine members out of 26 invitees were present in the meeting. The members present were: Dr.K.K.Satapathy, Dr. Mrinmoy Datta, Dr.D.C.Nayak, Mr. Sumitranjan Sarkar, Dr. Banku Behari Das, Dr. Subhas Chandra Saha, Mr.Sanat Kumar Dutt, Dr. Syamali Chakraborti and Dr.Sushamoy Chatterji. Dr.Sushamoy Chatterji left the meeting probably due to bad connectivity of the internet. Dr. K.K. Satapathy, President of ARICARE, welcomed all members in this informal group meeting. He welcomed heartily the new members namely Dr. Banku Behari Das and Dr. Syamali Chakraborti for joining in our society and briefed the activities of ARICARE. He requested the members present in the meeting to express their views in COVID-19 pandemic situation and invited the suggestions for the activities of our society.

Mr.Sanat Kumar Dutt expressed his experience and views during this period and he is also associated with the Indian Society of Coastal agricultural research being a founder member. Dr. Mrinmoy Datta informed that Dr. S. Ayyappan, Former DG, ICAR was suffering with Corona virus and admitted in a hospital in Bengaluru. We, all prayed for his early recovery and good health. The President requested Dr. B. B. Das to share his experience in different ICAR Institutes of North-east region, H.P., Gujrat and South India as he served in these Institutes. Dr. Syamali Chakraborti also shared her experience in State agriculture in Tripura and ICAR service in NRC for Orchids, Sikkim. She also mentioned that ARICARE should take some social activities during this period and requested the President to organise some physical meeting if possible. The president told that the possibility may be explored with the better development of COVID-19 situation. On the issues of 80G Rebate in Income Tax, Dr. D.C. Nayak and Mr. Summit Sarkar informed that the requisite documents are listed and it needs sufficient time. Dr. Subhas Ch Saha participated on the discussion of the publication of different documents of ARICARE on the eve of 75 years of Independence of India in 2021which was discussed in the last meeting as he has the good experience in this matter during his service period. The President suggested the formation of Publication Sub-committee and also discussed for e-publication instead of hard copy as it requires sizeable fund.

The whole discussion was summarized by the President and proposed the next virtual group meeting at 4.30 PM (16.30 hrs) on 31st August, 2020 (Monday). The meeting was ended with vote of thanks.

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