

## Sectional Committee 2024

### **Sectional Committee - I : Mathematical Sciences:**

*Applied Mathematics, Pure Mathematics, Theoretical Computer Science, Statistics and Operations Research*

Name and Address	Specialization	To serve until 31st December
<b>Professor Probal Chaudhuri</b> Theoretical Statistics and Mathematics Unit Indian Statistical Institute 203, BT Road Kolkata 700108	Statistics	2024
<b>Professor Ritabrata Munshi</b> Indian Statistical Institute 203 B.T. Road Kolkata 700108 <b>(Past Convener)</b>	Number Theory	2024
<b>Professor Parameswaran Sankaran</b> Chennai Mathematical Institute SIPCOT IT Park Siruseri Kelambakkam 603103	Topology, Representation Theory	2024
<b>Professor A Adimurthi</b> TIFR CAM PB No.6503 Shardanagar Chikkabommasandra Bengaluru 560065	Partial Differential Equations	2025
<b>Professor DS Nagaraj</b> Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Tirupati Karakambadi Road Rami Reddy Nagar Mangalam (P.O.), Tirupati 517507	Algebraic Geometry	2025
<b>Professor Kapil Paranjape</b> Professor of Mathematics Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) Mohali Sector 81, SAS Nagar Mohali 140306 <b>(Present Convener)</b>	Geometry	2025
<b>Professor Manindra Agrawal</b> Department of Computer Science Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur 208016	Theory of Computation	2026
<b>Professor MJ Mahan</b> JC Bose National Fellow, Senior Professor (I) School of Mathematics Tata Institute of Fundamental Research Homi Bhabha Road, Colaba Mumbai 400005 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Hyperbolic Geometry, Geometric Group Theory, Probabilistic Geometry, Topology of Algebraic Varieties	2026
<b>Professor Sujatha Ramdorai</b> 550/12 Dodsworth Enclave Borewell Road, 5th cross Whitefield Bengaluru 560066	Algebra, Geometry, Number Theory	2026

## Sectional Committee 2024

### Sectional Committee - II : Physics:

*Astronomy, Astrophysics, Nuclear and High Energy Physics, Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics, Statistical Physics, Theoretical Physics, Mathematical and Computational Physics, Condensed Matter including Soft, Liquids and Nano Materials, Cosmic Radiation, Cosmology, Space Physics, Basic Planetary Sciences, Lasers and Optoelectronics, Plasma Physics, Solar Physics, Atmospheric Physics*

Name and Address	Specialization	To serve until 31st December
<b>*Professor Anurag Sharma</b> Emeritus Professor Department of Physics Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi New Delhi 110016 <b>(Past Convener)</b>	Photonics, Fiber & Integrated Optics; Gradient-Index Optics; Applied Optics	-
<b>Professor Manchikanti Krishnamurthy</b> Senior Professor (I), Dean Tata Institute of Fundamental Research 36/P Gopannapally Hyderabad 500107	Atomic, Molecular, Optical and Plasma Physics	2024
<b>**Professor Kalobaran Maiti</b> Senior Professor and Dean Natural Science Faculty Tata Institute of Fundamental Research Homi Bhabha Road, Colaba Mumbai 400005	Condensed Matter Physics	2024
<b>Professor Mahendra Kumar Verma</b> Department of Physics Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur Kanpur 208016	Turbulence, Plasma Physics, Nonlinear Dynamics	2024
<b>Professor Arindam Ghosh</b> Department of Physics Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru 560012	Experimental Condensed Matter Physics at Ultra-low Temperature, Nano Electronics, Semiconductor Physics	2025
<b>Professor Bedangadas Mohanty</b> JC Bose National Fellow National Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhubaneswar Jatni Jatni, Bhubaneswar (Odisha) 752050 <b>(Present Convener)</b>	Experimental High Energy Physics, Phenomenology of Quark Gluon Plasma, QCD Phase Diagram and Direct Dark Matter Search	2025
<b>Professor SP Trivedi</b> Director and Distinguished Professor Tata Institute of Fundamental Research Dr Homi Bhabha Road Mumbai 400005	String Theory and Particle Physics and Cosmology	2025
<b>Professor Madan Rao</b> National Centre for Biological Sciences Tata Institute of Fundamental Research GKVK Campus, Bellary Road Bengaluru 560065	Statistical Physics, Nonequilibrium Statistical Physics, Soft Matter, Biological Physics, Cell and Tissue Biophysics	2026
<b>Professor Tanusri Saha-Dasgupta</b> Director SN Bose National Centre for Basic Sciences Sector III, Salt Lake Kolkata 700106 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Computational Materials Physics, Electronic Structure	2026

<b>Professor Kandaswamy Subramanian</b> Distinguished Professor & Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes Inter University Centre for Astronomy & Astrophysics (IUCAA) Post Bag 4, Ganeshkhind Pune 411007	Astronomy and Astrophysics	2026
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\*\* In place of Professor Sriram R Ramaswamy for the years 2023 and 2024 only

### Sectional Committee 2024

**Sectional Committee - III : Chemistry:**

*Analytical Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Physical Chemistry, Theoretical and Computational Chemistry, Structural Chemistry, Chemistry of Materials, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Bio-organic, Bio-inorganic and Bio-physical Chemistry*

Name and Address	Specialization	To serve until 31st December
<p><b>*Professor Govindasamy Mugesh</b> Department of Inorganic and Physical Chemistry Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru 560012 <b>(Past Convener)</b></p>	Inorganic Chemistry	-
<p><b>Professor Jitendra Kumar Bera</b> Department of Chemistry Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur Kanpur 208016</p>	Inorganic Chemistry	2024
<p><b>Professor Hirendra Nath Ghosh</b> Director National Institute of Science Education and Research (NISER) Jatni, PO: Bhipur-Padanpur Bhubaneswar 752050</p>	Chemistry	2024
<p><b>Professor Sourav Pal</b> Professor &amp; Head Department of Chemistry Ashoka University Sonapat 131029</p>	Theoretical Chemistry, Electronic Structure Theory, Ab initio quantum Chemistry	2024
<p><b>Professor Amit Basak</b> INSA Senior Scientist Department of Chemical Sciences Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata Mohanpur 741246</p>	Organic Chemistry	2025
<p><b>**Professor Srinivasan Sampath</b> Department of Inorganic and Physical Chemistry Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru 560012</p>	Materials Electrochemistry (Interfacial Chemistry)	2025
<p><b>Professor CP Rao</b> JC Bose National Fellow Department of Chemistry Indian Institute of Technology Tirupati Tirupati-Renigunta Road, Settipalli Post Tirupati 517506</p>	Inorganic Chemistry	2025
<p><b>Professor GUR Kulkarni</b> President Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research Jakkur P.O. Bengaluru 560064</p>	Nanomaterials and Self-assembly routes to nanofabrication	2026
<p><b>Professor M Lakshmi Kantam</b> Dr.B.P. Godrej Distinguished Professor of Green Chemistry and Sustainability Engineering Department of Chemical Engineering Institute of Chemical Technology Nathalal Parekh Marg, Matunga Mumbai 400019 <b>(Present Convener)</b></p>	Catalysis, Materials and Process Chemistry	2026

<b>Professor Thalappil Pradeep</b> Deepak Parekh Institute Chair Professor Department of Chemistry Indian Institute of Technology Madras Chennai 600036	Molecular and Nanoscale Materials, Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, Molecular Surfaces, Low Energy Ion Scattering, Instrumentation; Water Purification	2026
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\*\* In place of Professor Uday Maitra for the year 2024 only and Professor Uday Maitra will be the Convener Elect for the year 2025

## Sectional Committee 2024

### **Sectional Committee - IV : Earth & Environmental Sciences:**

*Surface and Solid Earth Science, Applied Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics, Climate Sciences, Meteorology, Geo Engineering, Ocean Sciences, Geo Sciences and Applied Planetary Sciences*

Name and Address	Specialization	To serve until 31st December
<p><b>*Professor AK Singhvi</b> B31, Shakti Enclave Satya Marg, Bodakdev Ahmedabad 380054 <b>(Past Convener)</b></p>	<p>Quaternary Climates and Geochronology, Radiation Effects and Dosimetry</p>	<p>-</p>
<p><b>Professor Mudlappa Jayananda</b> Centre for Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences University of Hyderabad Professor CR Rao Road, Gachibowli Hyderabad 500046</p>	<p>Petrology, Solid Earth Geochemistry and Tectonics</p>	<p>2024</p>
<p><b>Professor NV Chalapathi Rao</b> Electron Probe Micro Analyzer (EPMA) &amp; Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) Laboratory Centre of Advanced Study in Geology, Institute of Science Banaras Hindu University Varanasi 221005</p>	<p>Mineralogy, Igneous Petrology, Geochemistry, Geodynamics and Mineral Resources</p>	<p>2024</p>
<p><b>Dr VP Rao</b> INSA Senior Scientist Department of Civil Engineering Vignans University Vadlamudi. Andhra Pradesh Guntur 522213</p>	<p>Marine Geology, Sedimentology</p>	<p>2024</p>
<p><b>Professor Somnath Dasgupta</b> INSA Senior Scientist Geological Studies Unit Indian Statistical Institute 203, BT Road Kolkata 700108</p>	<p>Metamorphic Petrology, Geochemistry, Precambrian Geology</p>	<p>2025</p>
<p><b>Professor Shyam Lal</b> Honorary Scientist Physical Research Laboratory Navrangpura Ahmedabad 380009</p>	<p>Atmospheric Science, Ozone and Trace Gases, Air Quality and Climate</p>	<p>2025</p>
<p><b>Professor DC Srivastava</b> JC Bose National Fellow Department of Earth Sciences Indian Institute of Technology-Roorkee Roorkee 247667</p>	<p>Structural Geology, Precambrian Geology and Fluid-inclusions</p>	<p>2025</p>
<p><b>Professor G Parthasarathy</b> INSA Senior Scientist School of Natural Sciences and Engineering National Institute of Advanced Studies Indian Institute of Science Campus Bengaluru 560012</p>	<p>Earth and Planetary Science, High-Pressure Mineral Physics, Nanogeoscience, Condensed Matter Physics, Materials Science, Mineralogy and Environmental Science</p>	<p>2026</p>
<p><b>Dr Kalachand Sain</b> Director Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology 33, General Mahadeo Singh Road Dehradun 248001 <b>(Present Convener)</b></p>	<p>Inversion, Modeling, Advanced Processing &amp; Interpretation of Seismic Data, Machine Learning for Gas-hydrates, Basin Evolution, Geo-tectonics and Earthquake Processes</p>	<p>2026</p>

<b>Professor SN Tripathi</b> JC Bose National Fellow Department of Civil Engineering Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur Kanpur 208016 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Atmospheric Sciences, Planetary Atmospheres, Aerosol and Cloud, Air Quality	2026
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### **Sectional Committee - V : Engineering & Technology:**

*Electrical Engineering, Telecommunication Engineering, Electronics and Optoelectronics, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering, Metallurgical Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering including Software and Data science, Information Science and Technology, Advanced Materials (such as Bio-materials, Hybrid Materials and Nano Materials), Polymer Science & Engineering*

<b>Name and Address</b>	<b>Specialization</b>	<b>To serve until 31st December</b>
<b>Professor Neelesh B Mehta</b> Department of Electrical Communication Engineering Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru 560012	Wireless Communications	2024
<b>Professor Sushmita Mitra</b> Professor HAG Machine Intelligence Unit Indian Statistical Institute 203 B.T. Road Kolkata 700108 <b>(Past Convener)</b>	Machine Learning, Data Science, Deep Learning, Medical Imaging, Bioinformatics	2024
<b>Dr AB Pandit</b> Vice Chancellor and UGC Research Scientist C (Professors Grade) Chemical Engineering Department Institute of Chemical Technology Mumbai 400019	Chemical Engineering, Design of Multiphase Reactors, Bubble Dynamics and Cavitation Phenomena	2024
<b>Professor Shalabh Bhatnagar</b> JC Bose National Fellow Department of Computer Science and Automation Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru 560012	Stochastic Approximation Algorithms, Optimization via Simulation, Stochastic Control	2025
<b>*Professor Rama Govindarajan</b> Senior Professor and Dean Academic International Centre for Theoretical Sciences Tata Institute of Fundamental Research Survey No. 151, Shivakote Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli Bengaluru 560089	Fluid Dynamics	2025
<b>Professor Santosh Kapuria</b> JC Bose National Fellow Department of Applied Mechanics Indian Institute of Technology Delhi New Delhi 110016 <b>(Present Convener)</b>	Structural Mechanics, Multifunctional Structures	2025
<b>Professor Suman Chakraborty</b> Department of Mechanical Engineering Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur Kharagpur 721302 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Microfluidics, Nanofluidics and Microscale/ Nanoscale Transport Processes	2026
<b>Professor BS Murty</b> Director Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad Kandi Sangareddy (Telangana) 502285	Physical Metallurgy, Advanced Materials	2026



<b>Professor Bhim Singh</b> SERB National Science Chair and Emeritus Professor Department of Electrical Engineering Indian Institute of Technology Delhi Hauz Khas New Delhi 110016	Electrical Engineering	2026
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\* In place of Professor Sanjay Mittal for the years 2024 and 2025 only

### Sectional Committee 2024

**Sectional Committee - VI : General Biology:**

*Taxonomy, Structure, Ecology, Environmental Biology, Evolution and Behaviour of Plants, Animals and Microbes including Unicellular Eukaryotes*

Name and Address	Specialization	To serve until 31st December
<b>Professor G Marimuthu</b> 2/201, North 2nd Street Rajambadi, Palkalai Nagar Madurai 625021	Animal Behaviour and Chronobiology	2024
<b>Professor HA Ranganath</b> Site No. 33, Flat No. 101 Jayalakshmi Residency, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross Income Tax Layout, Chandra Layout Bengaluru 560040	Zoology, Genetics and Evolution	2024
<b>Professor Syamal Roy</b> JC Bose National Fellow, Emeritus Scientist CSIR- Indian Institute of Chemical Biology Jadavpur Kolkata 700032	Parasitology, Immunology	2024
<b>*Dr Eklabya Sharma</b> Strategic Advisor and Distinguished Senior Fellow Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE) PO Royal Enclave Srirampura, Jakkur Bengaluru 560064	Ecology	2025
<b>Professor Nirupama Mallick</b> Department of Agricultural & Food Engineering Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur Kharagpur 721302 <b>(Present Convener)</b>	Algal Biotechnology	2025
<b>Professor Anil Kumar Tripathi</b> Director, Institute of Science & Professor, School of Biotechnology Banaras Hindu University Varanasi 221005 <b>(Past Convener)</b>	Molecular Microbiology (Agricultural & Environmental)	2025
<b>Professor Anuranjan Anand</b> Molecular Biology and Genetics Unit Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) Jakkur Bengaluru 560064	Human Genetics and Genomics	2026
<b>Professor Paramjit Khurana</b> JC Bose National Fellow Department of Plant Molecular Biology University of Delhi South Campus New Delhi 110021 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Plant Biotechnology, Molecular Biology, Genomics	2026
<b>Dr Yogesh Shouche</b> School of Arts and Sciences Azim Premji University Burugunte Village, Survey No 66, Bikkanahalli Main Rd, Sarjapura Bengaluru 562125	Microbial Diversity, Human Microbiome, Microbial Taxonomy	2026

\* In place of Professor Madhoolika Agrawal for the year 2024 only

### Sectional Committee 2024

**Sectional Committee - VII : Molecular and Cellular Biology:**

*Cell Biology, Physiology, Development, Genetics, Genomics and other Omics of Plants, Animals and Microbes including Unicellular Eukaryotes*

Name and Address	Specialization	To serve until 31st December
<b>Professor Samir Bhattacharya</b> Prantik Paschimpara Behind Prantik Resort Santiniketan 731235	Comparative Endocrinology and Molecular Signaling	2024
<b>Professor Rentala Madhubala</b> House No. 618 Aurora Housing Colony Banjara Hills Road No. 3 Hyderabad 500034	Molecular Parasitology, Functional genomics	2024
<b>Professor AS Raghavendra</b> School of Life Sciences Department of Plant Sciences University of Hyderabad Hyderabad 500046 <b>(Past Convener)</b>	Botany, Plant Biochemistry, Molecular Plant Physiology & Plant Metabolomics	2024
<b>Dr PK Chakraborti</b> INSA Senior Scientist Department of Biotechnology Panjab University Chandigarh 160014	Molecular Biology & Biochemistry, Molecular Microbiology	2025
<b>Dr Debasis Chattopadhyay</b> JC Bose National Fellow, Scientist VII National Institute of Plant Genome Research Aruna Asaf Ali Marg New Delhi 110067	Plant Biology, Plant Genomics	2025
<b>Dr Sagar Sengupta</b> Director National Institute of Biomedical Genomics Kalyani 741251 <b>(Present Convener)</b>	Cancer Biology, Cell Biology, DNA Damage Response, DNA Repair, Mitochondria Biology	2025
<b>Dr Uday Bandyopadhyay</b> Director Bose Institute P-1/12 CIT Scheme-VII-M Kolkata 700054 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Biochemistry and Cell Biology	2026
<b>Dr Soumen Basak</b> Staff Scientist VI and the Laboratory Head Systems Immunology Laboratory National Institute of Immunology New Delhi 110067	Immunology, Cancer Biology, Systems Biology, Virology, Cell Signaling	2026
<b>Professor Ullas Kolthur-Seetharam</b> Tata Institute of Fundamental Research Homi Bhabha Road, Colaba Mumbai 400005	Molecular Physiology Chromatin & Gene Expression Mitochondria & Metabolism Aging & Metabolic Diseases	2026

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**Sectional Committee - VIII : Biomolecular, Structural Biology and Drug Discovery:**  
*Biochemistry, Biophysics, Molecular Biology, Pharmacology, Structural Biology, Bioinformatics, Computational Biology, System Biology*

Name and Address	Specialization	To serve until 31st December
<b>Professor H Balaram</b> Molecular Biology and Genetics Unit Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR), Jakkur PO Bengaluru 560064 <b>(Past Convener)</b>	Biochemistry, Metabolism, Molecular Parasitology, Molecular Enzymology	2024
<b>*Professor Samudrala Gourinath</b> Lab# 430, Structural Biology Lab School of Life Sciences Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi 110067	Structural Biology (Infectious Disease)	2024
<b>Professor R Varadarajan</b> Molecular Biophysics Unit Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru 560012	Protein Structure and Folding	2024
<b>Professor US Bhalla</b> National Centre for Biological Sciences TIFR, Bellary Road Bengaluru 560065	Computation Neuro Science, Neuro Biology	2025
<b>Dr Vinay Kumar Nandicoori</b> Director Centre for Cellular & Molecular Biology Habsiguda Uppal Road Hyderabad 500007	Microbiology, Molecular Biology and Cell Signalling	2025
<b>Dr Rajan Sankaranarayanan</b> Outstanding Scientist Structural Biology Laboratory CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology Uppal Road Hyderabad 500007 <b>(Present Convener)</b>	Structural Biology	2025
<b>Dr Souvik Maiti</b> Senior Principal Scientist CSIR-Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology Sukhdev Vihar, Mathura Road New Delhi 110025 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Chemical Biology and Biophysics	2026
<b>Dr GN Sastry</b> Director CSIR-North East Institute of Science & Technology Jorhat 785006	Computational Chemistry, Theoretical Chemistry, Computer-aided Drug Design, Machine Learning & Data Science	2026
<b>Dr Smita Dilip Mahale</b> A-503, Devdeveshwar C.H.S Telly Galli Cross Lane Andheri (East) Mumbai 400069	Reproductive Physiology	2026

\* In place of Late Dr KVR Chary for the years 2023 and 2024 only

## Sectional Committee 2024

### **Sectional Committee - IX : Health Sciences:**

*Basic and Clinical Medical Sciences–Communicable and Non-communicable Diseases, Epidemiology, Anthropology, Psychology, Cognitive and Neurosciences, Medical Genetics and Genomics, Public Health, Nutrition, Immunology*

<b>Name and Address</b>	<b>Specialization</b>	<b>To serve until 31st December</b>
<b>Professor Shinjini Bhatnagar</b> Professor of Eminence-Maternal & Child Health Translational Health Science and Technology Institute NCR Biotech Science Cluster, 3rd Milestone Faridabad-Gurgaon Expressway, Post Box #04 Faridabad 121001 <b>(Past Convener)</b>	Health Sciences	2024
<b>Dr Paturu Kondaiah</b> INSA Senior Scientist Department of Molecular Reproduction Development and Genetics Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru 560012	Cancer Biology and Biomarkers, Cancer Therapeutics, Gene Regulation by Steroid Hormones	2024
<b>Professor TK Kundu</b> Transcription and Disease Laboratory Molecular Biology and Genetics Unit Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) Bengaluru 560064	Regulation of Gene Expression (Transcription) in Humans with Special Emphasis on Disease and Therapeutics and related chemical biology	2024
<b>Professor Rakesh Aggarwal</b> Director Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research (JIPMER) Puducherry, Dhanvantri Nagar, Gorimedu Puducherry 605006 <b>(Present Convener)</b>	Medical Sciences, Gastroenterology, Liver Disease, Viral Hepatitis, Epidemiology, Health Economics	2025
<b>Dr Nita Bhandari</b> Senior Scientist and Director Centre for Health Research and Development Society for Applied Studies 45, Kalu Sarai New Delhi 110016	Nutrition, Child Health, Vaccinology	2025
<b>Dr T Ramamurthy</b> INSA Senior Scientist ICMR- National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases (NICED) P-33, CIT Road Scheme XM, Beliaghata Kolkata 700010	Microbiology and Molecular Microbiology	2025
<b>Dr Vidya Avinash Arankalle</b> 3C-A2-24, New Ajanta Avenue Paud Road, Kothrud Pune 411038	Virology, Biotechnology, Vaccinology	2026
<b>Professor Shally Awasthi</b> Department of Pediatrics King George's Medical University Shahmina Road Chowk Lucknow 226003	Pediatrics	2026
<b>Professor MV Padma Srivastava</b> Professor and Head Department of Neurology Chief, Neurosciences Center All India Institute of Medical Sciences New Delhi 110029 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Medicine (Neurology)	2026

### Sectional Committee 2024

**Sectional Committee - X :Agricultural Sciences:**

*Agriculture, Horticulture, Forestry, Fisheries, Food Science, Veterinary Science, Pathogen Biology and Host Pathogen Interaction Both Plant and Veterinary Importance*

Name and Address	Specialization	To serve until 31st December
<p><b>*Dr RV Sonti</b> JC Bose National Fellow CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology, Uppal Road Hyderabad 500007 <b>(Past Convener)</b></p>	Pathogen-plant interactions	-
<p><b>Dr Premananda Das</b> Chairman &amp; Director, The Science Foundation for Tribal and Rural Resource Development C-122 (HIG), State Housing Board Colony Baramunda Bhubaneswar 751003</p>	Biotechnology of Woody Plants and Horticultural Crops	2024
<p><b>Dr Himanshu Pathak</b> Director General Indian Council of Agricultural Research Krishi Bhawan New Delhi 110001</p>	Agricultural Sciences	2024
<p><b>Professor Narpinder Singh</b> Vice Chancellor Graphic Era Deemed to be University 566/6, Bell Road, Clement Town Dehradun 248002</p>	Food Science and Technology	2024
<p><b>**Dr Sanjay Kumar</b> Former Director CSIR-Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology Palampur 17606</p>	Molecular Plant Physiology	2025
<p><b>Professor Lal Chand Rai</b> BHU Distinguished Professor (Lifelong) Centre of Advanced Study in Botany Molecular Biology Section, Institute of Science Banaras Hindu University Varanasi 221005</p>	Algology, Environmental & Agricultural Microbiology, Molecular Biology	2025
<p><b>Professor B Senthilkumaran</b> Department of Animal Biology School of Life Sciences University of Hyderabad P O Central University, Gachibowli Hyderabad (Telangana) 500046 <b>(Present Convener)</b></p>	Fish Molecular Endocrinology, Developmental Biology, Reproductive Biology, Nanotoxicology	2025
<p><b>Dr MS Chauhan</b> Vice-Chancellor G.B.Pant University of Agriculture and Technology Pantnagar 263145</p>	Animal Reproduction Assisted Reproduction Technology, IVF, Stem Cell Culture, Animal Cloning and Transgenesis	2026
<p><b>Dr Pradhyumna Kumar Singh</b> Senior Principal Scientist Plant Molecular Biology and Biotechnology Division CSIR- National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI) Rana Pratap Marg Lucknow 226001</p>	Crop Genetic Engineering	2026

<b>Dr Sneh Lata Singla-Pareek</b> Group Leader & National Officer Plant Stress Biology, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB) Aruna Asaf Ali Marg New Delhi 110067 <b>(Convener Elect for the year 2025)</b>	Plant Stress Biology and Crop Biotechnology	2026
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