The Indian Society for Ecological Economics INSEE

Annual Report for the year 2004-05

1. INSEE Election

The INSEE President and the members of the Executive Committee in the General Body Meeting held on 18th December 2003, appointed Prof. Amita Shah, GIDR, Ahmedabad as the Returning Officer to undertake the task of conducting INSEE election 2004-2006.

The INSEE election held in February-March 2004 the following persons were elected:

Executive Committee (2004-2006):

Office Bearers

President

Vice-President
Jayanta Bandyopadhyay Professor, Centre for Development & Environment Policy, IIM (C) Kolkata.

Secretary
Pushpam Kumar Reader, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi.

Joint-Secretary
Madhu Verma Associate Professor, Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal.

Treasurer
B. Sudhakara Reddy Professor, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai.

Executive Committee Member:

Sudarshan Iyengar Director, Centre for Social Studies, Surat.

Kanchan Chopra Professor, Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi.

Sharachchandra Lele Project Director, Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies in Environment & Development, Institute for Sociala & Economic Change, Bangalore.

Gopal K. Kadekodi Director, Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Bangalore.
In the Executive committee meeting held on 7-6-2004 following persons were co-opted for the Executive Committee of the INSEE. Prof. B. S. Reddy, IGIDR, was nominated as the Treasurer for the rest of the period since, Dr. E. Somanathan has resigned from Treasurership due to his relocation to the US.

V. B. Eswaran Secretary (Retired), Government of India.

Ranjit Daniels Director, Care Earth, Chennai.

2. Unavailability of grants from the Ministry of Finance prevented INSEE from carrying out the regular activity as done in the past.

3. Workshop on Eco-system Services in Costal and Marine Systems on June 2, 2005

Dr. Ranjit Daniels is organizing a one-day Pre-Conference workshop on “Eco-system Services in Costal and Marine Systems” on June 2, 2004 at the IGIDR, Mumbai.


The Fourth Biennial Conference of the INSEE will be held in Mumbai, at the Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, during 3-4, June 2005. The Main theme of the Conference is “Ecology and Human Well-Being”. The sub-themes are given below:

Sub-themes:

1. Ecological and Social Resilience.
2. Ecosystem Services and Quality of Life.
4. Valuation for Ecosystem Changes.
5. Communities and Collective Action.

5. Notification of the Conference Call for Papers of the 4th Biennial Conference of the INSEE had appeared in the following publication magazines and journals.

As per guidelines of the Executive Committee of the INSEE, notification of the Call for Papers appeared in the following headers.

3. Current Science, Volume No.87, No. 6 Page No. 838 Dated September 25 2004

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6. Publications

Selected Papers, which were presented at the Third Biennial Conference held in December 2003 are being published in a Volume entitled "Biodiversity and Quality of Life" edited by Nirmal Sengupta, Jayanta Bandopadhyay, McMillan Publishers.

7. INSEE Newsletter

Professor Kanchan Chopra edited the first INSEE Newsletter in September 2003. INSEE deeply appreciated this effort and she is also continuing to edit and bring out the second issue in March 2004. Prof. Nirmal Sengupta has supported as the co-editor from the second issue onwards. Dr. Rajit Daniels has volunteered to work as an Editor of the INSEE Newsletter for the next issue with possible help from Dr. S. Lele.

8. INSEE Website

The Secretary and other Executive Committee decided to change the format of the INSEE website due to change of the modernization. INSEE has successfully got new website URL WWW.ECOINSEE.ORG AND E-MAIL OFFICE@ECOINSEE.ORG. INSEE is providing online registration to interested members, those who want to get INSEE family membership. Mr. Jitender, Office Assistant, INSEE is watching time to time its management and other updating details on it with the website designer Mr. Parag Kamal Sharma.

9. Other Activities

ISEE Conference 2006

INSEE has agreed to cohost the ISEE 2006 Conference in India. The Main theme of the Conference will be "Ecological Sustainability and Human Well-Being: Integrating the Global and the Local" during December 16-18, 2006.

INSEE and President, ISEE 2006 has selected Event organizer M/s Conference & Incentives Management (I) Pvt. Ltd. for the ISEE-2006 Conference.

10. Membership

As on May 17, 2005, INSEE has 192 Life Members, 34 Ordinary Members, 6 Student Members and 4 Life Corporate Bodies members. The total membership thus stands at 236.

Date: May 17, 2005

Pushpam Kumar
Secretary, INSEE