

# INDIAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

## *Review of the activities of the Society for the year 1967-68*

On behalf of the Council of the Indian Society of Agricultural Statistics, I have great pleasure in presenting the report of the activities of the Society for the year ending 30th June, 1968. The Society's membership during the year was 228. Seven of the members are Honorary members, eight patrons, 60 life members and 153 ordinary members. The membership is drawn from all parts of India as well as from abroad and extends over agricultural and other Government departments, institutions and universities besides agricultural statisticians and other workers interested in the development of statistics. In addition to its regular membership, the society is maintaining a list of subscribers to its journal which includes important research institutions in India and abroad. The number of foreign and Indian subscribers was 190 during the year.

As regards the publication programme of the Society, the current year's Vol. 20, No. 1 (1968) has already been published. The second number of the volume is under print. The publication of the journal has been punctual with the co-operation of the R.K. Printers, Delhi. With the high standard that the journal maintains through the efforts of its editors and contributors, the Society continues to receive frequent requests for the exchange of the journal with the publications of similar renowned institutions throughout the world. But the Council of the Society confines this exchange to a limited number of carefully selected publications. There are at present 22 journals which are received in exchange and are kept at the library of the Institute of Agricultural Research Statistics, Library Avenue, New Delhi-12 and are available to the members of the Society.

The Hindi supplement continues to be a feature of the journal. This represents an attempt on the part of the Society at precise expression of the scientific discussion on the subject of statistics in the national language. The council had decided to publish technical articles in Hindi in Society's journal. The summary of such articles would be published in English.

The problem of adequate finances for scientific activities of the Society and printing of the journal continues to receive the attention of the Executive Council of the Society. The cost of printing such a technical journal being high, its publication is sustained mainly through the grants in aid received from the Central and State Governments and other national organisations. During the year under report grants were received from the Government of Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, and the National Institute of Sciences of India. The Society wishes to acknowledge gratefully the financial assistance received from these organisations.

The Society's publication on "Sampling Theory of Surveys with Applications" by Dr. P.V. Sukhatme continues to be well received. This important book on sampling theory has been revised and is under print. This is being published jointly by the Indian Society of Agricultural Statistics and Asia Publishing House. The price of the revised edition of the book is likely to be high. We are however glad to inform that the Government of India have agreed to sanction a suitable amount to the Society for subsidising the sale of the book to bonafide students and research workers at a reduced rate.

As reported last year, an important activity of the Society is the setting up of research unit of the Society in a separate rented building near the Institute of Agricultural Research Statistics. This activity has been possible through grants from the Government of India. The Society is very much grateful to the Government of India for the grant. The Society is also very grateful to Shri J.S. Sarma, Economic and Statistical adviser to the Government of India for his keen interest in setting up the unit and its development and continuation.

Under the project a research Statistician assisted by computational staff has been appointed. Analysis of available data on livestock statistics has been taken up with a view to working out economics of livestock; requirement of milk for human population and that of feeds and fodders for bovine population in future. Shri V.N. Amble, Deputy Statistical Adviser, Institute of Agricultural Research Statistics, is providing guidance for these problems. A research direction Committee has been formed to formulate problems and guide research activities of the Society.

In appreciation of the valuable services rendered by Dr. V.G. Panse, the Council decided that a felicitation volume comprising of

articles contributed by noted statisticians, agricultural economists and allied workers should be got ready for presentation to him on the occasion of his sixty second birth day. We are glad to inform that a good number of articles were received from eminent persons and the volume was presented to him on his birthday on 11th January, 1968. The Society is very much thankful to those who have contributed to the volume. It has been decided to print 500 copies of this felicitation volume entitled "Contributions in Statistics and Agricultural Sciences". It is under print and will be made available very shortly.

The 21st Annual Conference of the Society was held at Lucknow from 11th to 13th February, 1968. The conference was inaugurated by Dr. B. Gopala Reddi, Governor of Uttar Pradesh. Dr. A.V. Rao, Vice-Chancellor, Lucknow University welcomed the delegates. Dr. B. Ramamurti, Ex-chief Statistician, U.N.O. delivered a technical address on "Some Statistical Problems relating to the Agricultural Sector". During the conference two symposia on (i) "Teaching of Mathematics and Statistics in Agricultural Colleges and Universities," (ii) "Current status of Fisheries Statistics" were organised. The first symposium was presided over by Dr. G.R. Seth, Statistical Adviser, Institute of Agricultural Research Statistics (I.C.A.R.) and the second by Dr. N.K. Panikkar, Director, National Institute of Oceanography, C.S.I.R.

To perpetuate the memory of Dr. Rajendra Prasad, who was the President of the Society for 16 years from its inception, the Society instituted a lecture called "Dr. Rajendra Prasad Memorial Lecture" which is delivered on the occasion of the annual conference of the Society. The first lecture was delivered by Dr. W.D. Hopper of the Ford Foundation under the title "Mainsprings of Agricultural Growth" at the 18th annual Conference of the Society held at Trivandrum. The second lecture was delivered by Dr. P.V. Sukhatme, Chief of Statistics Division F.A.O. at the 19th Annual conference held at Cuttack and the subject matter of his talk was "Self sufficiency in Food Production - Can India achieve it?" The third lecture entitled "Vicissitudes of Indian Agricultural Statistics" was delivered by Shri S. Subramaniam, Chairman, Tariff Revision Committee at the 20th Annual Conference of the Society held at Waltair. Dr. B.N. Datar, Member Secretary, National Commission of Labour, Government of India delivered the fourth lecture at Lucknow on "Rural Labour in India". Dr. Ashok Mitra, Chairman Agricultural Prices Commission, Government of India, presided over the memorial

lecture at Lucknow. There were two sessions for reading contributed papers in the conference held under the chairmanship of Dr. N.K. Chakravarti, Joint Director, Central Statistical Organisation, Government of India and Dr. A.R. Roy, Professor of Statistics, Lucknow University. In all 48 technical papers were presented in these two sessions.

The railway authorities as in the past gave concession to the members and delegates attending the 21st Annual Conference of the Society at Lucknow. The Society records its grateful thanks to the railway authorities.

A statement of audited accounts of the Society for the year 1967-68 is attached. The audit has been carried out by a professional auditor as usual.

The work of the Society during the year was made possible through the active help of the members of the Executive Council of the Society. A large number of statistical experts both in India and abroad helped the Society in refereeing the papers received for publication in the journal. The Society wishes to record its thanks to all of them. The Society is also thankful to Shri B.B.P.S. Goel for the help in preparing the Hindi supplement of the journal. In the end I have to thank the staff of the Society for their devoted work.

**INDIAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, PUSA, NEW DELHI**  
*Income and Expenditure Account (Journal) for the Year Ending 30th June, 1968.*

1966-67	Expenditure	1967-68	1966-67	Income	1967-68
2,154.00	To Opening Stock	3,336.98	6,311.20	By Subscriptions for Journal Received	7,880.03
9,189.99	To Printing Charges of Journal	6,406.95		By Grant in Aid :	
31.91	To Packing Freight & Cartage	—	500.00	National Institute of Sciences, New Delhi	500 00
1,310.00	To Staff Salaries (Proportionate)	2,286.09		Govt. of Gujarat, Ahmedabad.	150.00
1,032.10	To Other Expenses (Proportionate)	1,415.46	150.00	Govt. of U.P., Lucknow	—
			2,000.00	Govt. of Maharashtra, Bombay	—
			1,000.00		650.00
				<b>By Closing Stock :</b>	
			1.00	Upto Vol. xv. (At token value)	1.00
			476.00	Vol. xvi. (i) (At Cost)	399.00
			770.74	Vol. xvi. (ii) (-do-)	666.82
			384.80	Vol. xvii. (i) (-do-)	343.20
			605.76	Vol. xvii. (ii) (-do-)	504.80
			538.68	Vol. xviii. (i) (-do-)	441.91
			560.00	Vol. xviii. (ii) (-do-)	459.20
				Vol. xix. (i) (-do-)	514.74
				Vol. xix. (ii) (-do-)	444.44
			419.82		3,775.11
				<b>By Deficiency for the year C/o</b>	
				to Balance Sheet	1,140.34
13,718.00		13,445.48	13,718.00		13,445.48

64-Regal Buildings,  
New Delhi.

Dated : 13-12-68

Subject to our report of even date.

For C. S. Bhatnagar & Co.

Sd/- C.S. Bhatnagar

Chartered Accountants

THE INDIAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, PUSA, NEW DELHI

*Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 30th June 1968*

Previous year	Expenditure	Current year	Previous year	Income	Current year
	<b>To Salaries</b>	3,048.13		<b>By Membership Fees</b>	
435.00	Less : Transferred to Journal Account.	2,286.09	762.04	818.00	450.00
476.20	To Affiliation Fees		2,574.00	By life membership fees	2,484.00
				By ordinary membership fees	2,934.00
	<b>To Other Expenditure</b>			<b>By Grant-in Aid</b>	
607.89	Postage Post Box Renewals and Telephone Charges	1,054.77	1,000.00	Govt. of Orissa Grant from UP Govt. for (Conference)	5,000.00
248 54	Printing and stationery	60.63		Interest on (S.B. A/c)	463.93
30.74	Bank charges	27.15	839.90	Interest on Fixed Deposit	1,678.53
139.55	Conveyance Charges	56.35	1,425.76	By Miscellaneous Income (Due to Exchange)	139.22
—	Miscellaneous Charges	135.23			
28.46	Cycle Repairs and Expenses	52.31	89.48		
275.00	Audit Fees	400.00			
—	Entertainment Expenses	27.35			
45.95	Magazine Binding	73.50			
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		1,887.29	471.83		
-1,376.13		1,415.46			
1,032.10	Less : 75% Transferred to Journal A/c.		1,233.87	6,747.14	10,215.68
344.03					

344.03	B/F	5,765.00	1,233.87	6,747.14	B/F	10,215.68
2,322.00	To Arrears of Membership Subscription Written off.					
	To Annual Conference Expenses					
473.50	Travelling Expenses	765.00				
34.20	Conveyance and Stationery					
	Expenses of Conference					
	Incurred by Conference	5,000.00				
	Secretary : (As per his Certificate)					
		5,765.00	1,233.87	6,747.14		
131.50	Badges					
	Typing Charges of Dr. Panse's	755.00	6,520.00			
	Felicitations Volume					
	To Depreciation Written Off					
28.00	To Furniture at the rate of 10%	26.00				
25.00	To Cycle at the rate of 15%	20.00	46.00			
2,470.71	To Excess of Income over Expenditure		2,415.81			
6,747.14	carried over to General Reserve.					
	Total Rs.		10,215.68	6,747.14	Total	10,215.68

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THE INDIAN SOCIETY OF AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS, PUSA, NEW DELHI  
(PUBLICATION FUND ACCOUNT)

*Income and Expenditure Account for the Year Ended 30th June, 1968*

<i>Previous Year</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Current Year</i>	<i>Previous year</i>	<i>Income</i>	<i>Current Year</i>
114.64	To Opening Stock (7 Copies)	—		<b>By Sale of Books</b>	
44.61	To Cost of 1 copy purchased.	14.87	216.50	1. Cash Sales (11 Copies)	25.00
18.35	To Postage Expenses	—		2. Credit Sales	25.00
1.40	To Bank Charges	—		By Closing Stock (6 Copies)	
75.00	To Audit Fees	125.00			
907.50	To Income Over Expenditure Carried over To Balance Sheet	830.13	945.00	<b>By Interest on F.D.R.</b>	945.00
<u>1,161.50</u>	<b>Total Rs.</b>	<u>970.00</u>	<u>1,161.50</u>	<b>Total Rs.</b>	<u>970.00</u>

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