Dear collegues,

Greetings from the secretary office.

1. The midterm SPOSI conference/ symposium will be held amid the scenic beauty of Srinagar, Kashmir. The date is 4th, June, 2016. This will be a one day symposium with selected didactic talks only.

Persons who are interested to come to Kashmir and participate in the midterm event, should send their choice of 3 topics alongwith a short resume. This has been decided in the recent GBM at Coimbtore that the selection of speakers should be by a scientific committee of SPOSI, which is already in place, from all the applications received. Kindly send topics with resume latest by 31-3-2016.

The following persons are in the organising committee, and you can start contacting them. The registration fee, accommodation, tours, etc. will be available shortly on the sposi website:www.sposiindia.org a)-Prof. Reyaz untoo: organising chairman. email: untooreyaz53@gmail.com; mob: 9419006812 b)-Dr Sheikh Sajjad; organising secretary. email: sjjd\_sheikh@yahoo.co.in; mob-09419008125

2. The Joint AAPOS-SPOSI conference will be from 2-4 Dec; 2016 at Hotel Marriot, Jaipur. The brochure with details will be sent by

June, 2016. There would be separate SPOSI sessions also for the Gold Medals sessions. You are welcome to send papers for SPOSI as well as joint AAPOS-SPOSI sessions. The abstract for Joint session will have to be sent to AAPOS; while for SPOSI sessions, to the Secretary. The registrations and abstract submission for conference will open from July, 2016. The details will be available in the brochure which will be sent in due course of time.

3. An issue of whether SPSOI should join the WSPOS conference in Dec., 2017 was pending since few months. There were some concerns regarding the proper representation of SPOSI and regarding our own SPOSI sessions in the joint conference. With prolonged deliberations of the SPOSI executive & myself, with WSPOS executive, am glad to state that all issues with WSPOS executive have been resolved and we are joining the WSPOS World conference with full force. There was a memorandum by some members of SPOSI to call a GBM on a single agenda to discuss the logjam as to why SPOSI is reluctant to join the WSPOS. Since now this issue has been solved there is probably no need to call an extraordinary GBM. The points of mutual agreement between WSPOS & SPOSI will be made available on the SPOSI website. If anybody has any further query, they can write to me.

With warm regards, & best of wishes,

Prof. Yogesh Shukla, Secretary, SPOSI.