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President's Message

Dear Friends,

I thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to serve the Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists as its President. It is an honor. Being the President of IAPM, it is my responsibility, along with the other committee members, to improve the overall functioning of the association. After last year's academic exercise at the 65th APCON 2016, Jaipur, the focus is now on Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, for the upcoming 66th APCON 2017, which is scheduled to be held from 7th to 10th December, 2017. I am sure that the organizers have already started preparations for this event.



The activity of the IAPM should not be restricted to its annual conference; rather we should continue our activities throughout the year and across the country. In this direction, it will be our sincere effort in this year to improve the activities of the affiliated state chapters. Some of the chapters such as the Maharashtra chapter, Karnataka chapter and others are performing very well in terms of numerous activities; however, some are either dormant or not communicating with the main organization. If the state chapters improve, IAPM as an association gains its importance throughout the country. India being a vast country, it will be worth considering selecting four joint secretaries to oversee the activities of the four zones from the country; namely North, South, East and West.

In the last general body meeting of IAPM held in Jaipur, our immediate past president Prof. Siddharth DuttaGupta had suggested to give importance to all specialties of surgical pathology and the same should be reflected in the scientific programme of the annual conference. We are trying to implement this in the forthcoming Bhopal APCON. I also feel there should be a student corner where we can discuss the topics which will be suggested by the students rather than the experts and the teachers in this field. We are also planning to bring the breakfast session related to different specialties after a gap of several years.

On behalf of IAPM, I wish all the members of Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists, a very happy and prosperous new year.

Dr. Ashim Das



Vice President's Message

Dear Members,

Best wishes and greetings from Kolkata. At the outset, I must apologise for the delay in reaching out to you after the Jaipur APCON. There was a delay in getting some vital inputs and it took some time to get into the groove. It is indeed a privilege and honour to assume the onerous responsibilities as the Vice President of this illustrious association and put on the shoes of my able predecessors. I sincerely thank all of you to have reposed their faith in me. I would like to put my heart and soul into this demanding responsibility. My strengths are the blessings of seniors and the support of all the honourable members. Another memorable conference has gone by, this time at the Pink city of Jaipur. APCON 2016 was marked by the warmth, hospitality and the passion of a dedicated team. Our congratulations to the entire team. We do hope you are preparing for the APCON 2017 at Bhopal. The organizing committee is arranging a feast of academic events spread over 4 days in early Dec, 2017. I, appeal to our youngsters to participate actively in this conference. Your suggestions and criticisms are essential inputs for the improvement of our association and they are most welcome.

With warmest regards.

God speed IAPM !!!

Dr. (Col) Deepak K Mishra
Vice-President, IAPM



Message from Secretary, IAPM

Dear members of IAPM family,

I feel greatly honoured and privileged to assume the post of Secretary of this prestigious organisation, the Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists. This would not have been possible without the blessings and goodwishes of several senior members and my colleagues.

I will assure all of you that I would make sincere efforts to continue with traditions and good work of my predecessors. I take this opportunity to thank my predecessor Dr. Pradeep Vaideshwar who has served this office with utmost dedication and sincerity. I would like to seek his advice as well as guidance to serve and fulfil your expectations.

As a Secretary, my main motto is upgradation of database of this organisation. It has become mandatory to update the personal details, contact number and email ids of all the IAPM members on regular basis. This is because



as everyone is aware that many crucial and important decisions have to be taken to streamline the workings of this association and to modify the procedures during the annual conferences. So upgradation of database would help in smooth and uninterrupted functioning of this organisation.

I would strive hard to help this association grow in leaps and bounds so I would like to request all members of our profession especially those in academic institutions to constantly encourage and motivate our postgraduate residents to participate in the academic activities as well as to make it mandatory to become members of the parent body.

I take this opportunity to wish all members a happy and healthy 2017 and welcome all kinds of suggestions and criticisms. Now the time has come to gear up for APCON 2017. All details regarding the conference will be uploaded soon on our website. Hope to see you all at APCON 2017 at Bhopal.

Message from Joint Secretary, IAPM

Dear friends,

Namaskar. I feel honoured to assume the onerous job of Joint Secretary, IAPM (Head Quarters) and take this opportunity to thank the members of IAPM and Odisha chapter for selecting me for this post. I am aware of the responsibilities bestowed on me and take this as a privilege to communicate with esteemed members of our association during my tenure. I will try my best to increase the activities both academic and social in the Head Quarters and will work untiringly to archive the old documents, bulletins, reports and journals for future referral of members of IAPM. I am lucky to have all the committed members in our executive and invite suggestions from all of you for improvement in several fields of our association and it's Head Quarters.

Jai IAPM,

Pro. (Dr.) Kanaklata Dei



Message from Treasurer, IAPM

Dear Members

It's a great privilege and honour to assume the post of Treasurer of this prestigious Organisation with the blessings and good wishes of office bearers and senior members. I pledge to make every effort to continue with the good work of my predecessors. It will be my endeavour with the support of other office bearers to ensure that the organisers of future APCONs submit an audited report and amicably share their profits with IAPM so that there is a corpus that can be utilised to provide



seed money for future APCONs as well as to provide travel grants to deserving postgraduates. I request all members to motivate their postgraduates and faculty members to enrol themselves and become active members of the Organisation. Also, please keep updating your contact details with IAPM. I take this opportunity to wish all members a happy and healthy 2017. Hope to see you all at APCON 2017, Bhopal.

Prof. Dilip Ramrakhiani

DR ASHIM DAS, PRESIDENT, IAPM, 2017

PROF. (DR) ASHIM DAS

(MBBS, MD (Path), Dnb NB and FRCPath)

I started my undergraduate career in Calcutta Medical College and got my **MBBS degree from Calcutta University in 1981**. Then I completed my internship in 1982 followed by house staffship in General Medicine in the same college.



The career in Pathology started as a **MD student in Pathology in the prestigious Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh (PGIMER, Chandigarh)** in the year 1984. After obtaining my **MD degree in 1987**, I continued as a Senior Resident in the same Institute for three years. In 1990, I joined as an Assistant Professor of Histopathology in PGIMER, Chandigarh and at present working as a **Professor of Histopathology since July 2008**.

In 1992, I obtained the Diplomate of National Board of Examination (Dip NBE Pathology). In 1997, I went to UK for advanced training where I was trained in the North Manchester Health care trust for 2 years until 1999. I cleared the membership examination and became a **Member of the Royal College of pathology (MRC Path)**. I returned to India in 1999 and continued to serve as a faculty member in the Department of Histopathology of PGIMER, Chandigarh. In 2007, I became a **Fellow of Royal College of Pathology (FRC Path)**. In 2011, I became also a fellow of Indian College of Pathology.

During my career as a pathologist, I found a special interest in liver and lymphoreticular pathology along with breast and pulmonary pathology and published around 180 articles in the national and international journals. Apart from presenting several papers in the national and international conferences related to liver and lymph node pathology, I moderated slide seminars and CME in the annual conferences of Pathologists and Microbiologists. Apart from contributing cases in the slide seminar sessions, I delivered several lectures in the National conferences of the IAPM and IAPID. I have been **invited to JIPMER, Pondicherry as a Visiting Professor** and also been awarded "**M R Parthasarathy – A V Ramaprasad Oration KCIAPM 2013**" by the Karnataka chapter of IAPM. I have guided many MD and PhD theses as principal

and co-investigators and contributed several chapters in the book. After serving IAPM as a vice-president in 2016; I have been honored to be the President of IAPM.

DR (COL) DEEPAK K. MISHRA

Vice President, IAPM (2017)

Dr. Mishra is currently a Senior Consultant in Laboratory Haematology & Molecular Genetics at the Tata Medical Centre, Kolkata; a fledgling new comprehensive cancer hospital. He is also the Director & Head of the Dept of Laboratory Sciences in the hospital. After working for more than 25 years in the Armed Forces; in its flag-ship hospitals & institutes like Army Hospital (Research & Referral), New Delhi and Armed Forces Medical College, Pune; he joined his current assignment in 2010, which has state of the art diagnostic, therapeutic and research facilities. He received his formal training in Haematology at the prestigious AIIMS, New Delhi and have been further trained in many centers of excellence in the west. His major areas of interest have been flowcytometry and molecular genetics in haemato-oncology including minimal residual disease in CML, ALLs, Myeloid neoplasms including MDS and Multiple Myeloma.



He is a PG teacher in Pathology of MUHS and Delhi University. PG examiner in Pathology & Transfusion Medicine to many universities and DM examiner in Haematology.

Twice he has been a Fellow of the UICC; once at the King's College School of Medicine, London, UK and then at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, USA. He is the chair of the ICMR task force sub-committee on MDS and the national convener of the Indian MDS Registry initiative. He has been the former President of the Indian Society of Haematology & Blood Transfusion and the former Secretary of the Indian Association of Pathologists & Microbiologists. He is the past-Editor of the Indian Journal of Haematology & Blood Transfusion. Currently he is in the Board of Directors of the International Society of Laboratory Haematology. He is a founding member of the Molecular Oncology Society, Molecular Pathology Association of India and chairs its haemato-oncology sub-committee.

DR SHARADA RANE

Secretary, IAPM, 2017-2019

She is graduated from B.J Medical College from Pune University in 1984. Started postgraduation in M.D Pathology after completion of internship in 1986 in the same premier institute.



After completing her MD in the year 1988, she joined as Assistant Professor in

the same institute. At present she is Senior Associate Professor, Incharge of Histopathology in her alma mater i.e. B J Govt Medical College, Pune, Maharashtra. In the year 2005, she also became fellow of Indian College of Pathology. (FICP)

During her career as a pathologist, with blessings of senior teachers she developed special interest in Renal Pathology, Liver Pathology and infectious pathology and pathology quizzes and intra-operative consultation. She had presented posters, papers and quiz cases in numerous state, National and international pathology conference since 1992. She moderated slide seminars, symposium and CMEs in the annual National pathology conferences. She also delivered talks in the state and national level CMEs.

She also won the 1st prize in poster session in Gold APCON in 2002, Mumbai.

Published more than 30 articles in national and international journals.

She has been working for pathology association since 2005, at state level as Quiz Convener and was former chairperson of Maharashtra chapter (Mapcon). She was elected as joint secretary of IAPM(2014-2016) and served IAPM. And now honoured being Secretary, of prestigious organisation.

DR DILIP RAMRAKHIANI

Treasurer, IAPM, 2017-2019

Dr Dilip Ramrakhiani is currently Professor, Department of Pathology, SMS Medical College, Jaipur. He did his MBBS and MD(Path) from the same Institute. He underwent training in Gastrointestinal & Liver Pathology including Liver Transplantation Pathology at Apollo Hospital and also at Institute of Liver & Biliary Sciences, New Delhi. He has been in the faculty at the Department of Pathology, SMS Medical College, Jaipur for twenty one years where he served in various positions starting his career as a Senior Demonstrator.



Dr Ramrakhiani is a Surgical Pathologist and his field of interest is Liver and Gastrointestinal Pathology and Neuropathology. He is much sought after for rapid onsite evaluation of EUS guided FNACs in Gastroenterology and intra-operative consults for brain tumours in Neurosurgery. He is an active member of the Liver Transplant team and Tumour Board at SMS Hospital. He has supervised/co-supervised several postgraduate theses. He is both an undergraduate and postgraduate examiner at several Universities in India. He has co-authored several publications in National & International journals. He has served as faculty in several Conferences & CMEs on EUS-FNA of GI lesions, Breast, Lung & Thyroid Cancer.

He is a Life member of IAPM & IAC & also a member of IAP-ID. He is a founder of Jaipur Association of Pathologists and Joint Organising Secretary of Rajasthan Chapter of IAPM and has organised numerous CMEs at SMS Medical College, Jaipur under the auspices of both these Associations. He served as the Organising Secretary for the just concluded APCON 2016 at Jaipur.

He is a founder member of Rajasthan Breast Oncology Group & Metabolism and Molecular Research Society, Jaipur and appears regularly as faculty at their Conferences. He is also the moderator of India's largest online community of Pathologists- Patho-India and also Patho-L, an online community of Pathologists from USA & other countries. In lieu of his contributions to IAPM and his numerous publications he shall be awarded the prestigious ICP Fellowship at APON 2017, Bhopal.

Besides academics he is a true foodie, loves to travel, enjoys music, movies and loves reading self-improvement books and is an avid morning walker with interest in Buddhist philosophy.

DR(MRS.) KANAKLATA DEI

Joint Secretary, HQ, IAPM, 2017-2019

Dr Kanaklata madam has rich experience of more than 26 years working in the field of Pathology having served Government of Odisha, as Faculty. Member in the Department of Pathology in all the three Government Medical Colleges of the state in various capacities from Lecturer to Professor. She is retired from Government service with experience of 7 years as a Professor & HOD, Post Graduate Department of Pathology, MKCG Medical College, Berhampur.



She has special interest in Hematology and had been President of Hemophilia society, Behrampur branch

She has been regularly attending almost all the National Conference of IAPM since 1991 and chaired Scientific Sessions, Judge to Free and Award Papers and Poster Presentations and also organized three State Chapter Meet of IAPM Odisha Chapter. She was also Hon. Treasurer of National IAPM in 2006.

She is a member of various associations like Indian Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists (IAPM), International Academy of Pathology- Indian Division, Indian Society of Hematology & Transfusion Medicine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS 2017

A. IAPM Elections for 2018

Nominations are invited by the Honorary Secretary for the election to the following posts (to be elected through postal/ electronic ballot):

1. **President** - Tenure of one year
2. **Vice President** - Tenure of one year

The duties of the above posts are provided in the Bye-Laws of the Association. Every candidate for the posts of **President, Vice President** should have at least **10 years standing as Life Member** (without interruptions) and have served the Association in one or more ways by being an office-bearer, or being a member of the council or Chapter/ Chairperson or participating in Symposium/Seminar at the Annual Conference or as an Organizing Secretary/ Chairman.

Nominations are to be made on plain paper duly proposed and seconded by Members who do not owe any membership dues (such as Life Members). The nominated member, proposer and seconder should provide their IAPM Membership Numbers and sign the nomination. The nominated candidate shall provide a letter of consent and a copy of their bio-data (not exceeding one A4 size page). Note: Under no circumstances the candidates should canvas for elections by any means.

The last date for receipt of nominations is **31st August 2017**. Last date for withdrawal of nominations is **25th September 2017**. Ballot Papers will be dispatched by 30th September 2017, only to those members who have cleared all dues by 30th June 2016 as notified by the Honorary Treasurer. Last date for **receipt of Ballot papers** is **15th November 2017**. The Association shall not be responsible for any delays/non-receipt of ballot papers due to incorrect address/postal delays or similar circumstances beyond its control.

B. APCON 2017 Awards Session

Applications from IAPM members are invited for the Dr VR Khanolkar Prize, Smt. Kunti Devi Mehrotra Award, Prof KC Basu Mallick Award, and Best Paper Award. The applications, complete in all respects should reach the Honorary Secretary by the **31st August 2017**.

1. The **Dr VR Khanolkar Prize** is one of the most prestigious awards of IAPM for published research work.
 - The contest for this prize is open to all members fulfilling the following criteria: **1.** Age of the applicant should be **below 45 years** of age on 31st July for that particular year (age proof to be provided), **2.** The research work submitted should have been carried out in India, **3.** The above research work should have been published as the first author in the preceding two years.

- The principal author shall submit: **1.** Covering letter indicating the IAPM Membership number, **2.** Certificate from **all authors** certifying that this research work has been carried out in India and this work has not received any other award, **3.** Certificate from the **co-authors** (if any), attesting and supporting the candidature of the principal author, **4.** In case the applicant is a postgraduate or senior resident, there should be letter from Head of the Department/Dean stating that the applicant is eligible for the award, and **5.** His / Her brief biodata. The Covering letter, Certificates from all authors / co-authors, Letter from head of Department (if necessary), along with age proof must be sent as a **hard copy** and a **soft copy** to the Secretary IAPM.
- PDF format of the published paper is to be submitted to the Secretary IAPM as a **soft copy**.
- The applications, complete in all respects should reach the Honorary Secretary by the **31st August 2017**.
- 2. The **Smt Kunti Devi Mehrotra Award** is another prestigious award given annually for published research work.
 - The contest for this prize is open to all members fulfilling the following criteria: **1.** Age of the applicant should be **below 50 years** of age on 31st July for that particular year (age proof to be provided), **2.** The research work submitted should have been carried out in India, **3.** The above research work should have been published as the first author in the preceding two years.
- The principal author shall submit: **1.** Covering letter indicating the IAPM Membership number, **2.** Certificate from **all authors** certifying that this research work has been carried out in India and this work has not received any other award, **3.** Certificate from the **co-authors** (if any), attesting and supporting the candidature of the principal author, **4.** In case the applicant is a postgraduate or senior resident, there should be letter from Head of the Department/Dean stating that the applicant is eligible for the award, and **5.** His / Her brief biodata. The Covering letter, Certificates from all authors / co-authors, Letter from head of Department (if necessary), along with age proof must be sent as a **hard copy** and a **soft copy** to the Secretary IAPM.
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3. **Dr KC Basu Mallick Award** is given to the best paper during the plenary session of the APCON.
 - The award for this prize is open to all members fulfilling the following criteria: **1.** There is no age restriction, **2.** The research work submitted should have been carried out in India, **3.** The principal author shall submit: **1.** Covering letter indicating the IAPM Membership number, **2.** Certificate from **all authors** certifying that this research work has been carried out in India and this work has not received any other award, **3.** Certificate from the **co-authors** (if any), attesting and supporting the candidature of the principal author, **4.** In case the applicant is a postgraduate or senior resident, there should be letter from Head of the Department/Dean stating that the applicant is eligible for the award, and **5.** His / Her brief biodata. The Covering letter, Certificates from all authors / co-authors, Letter from head of Department (if necessary), along with age proof must be sent as a **hard copy** and a **soft copy** to the Secretary IAPM.
 - All candidates should submit a full length text of the research work to be presented in the form of a manuscript for publication (refer to instructions to authors of Indian Journal of Pathology and Microbiology) – This should be a soft copy. The format is pdf with images embedded within the manuscript at the end of the write-up.
 - The applications, complete in all respects should reach the Honorary Secretary by the **31st August 2017.**
 - The paper will be initially scrutinized by a panel of referees selected by the President/Secretary, IAPM for its presentation at the plenary session.
 - A **maximum of five papers** will be finally selected for presentation. If the paper is not selected, it will be submitted for the Oral free paper session by the Secretary with due notification
 - The time allotted for presentation is generally **10 minutes** only (including the questions and answers).
4. The **Best Paper Award** is given to the best paper presented during the plenary session of the Annual Conference of IAPM.
 - The award for this prize is open to all members fulfilling the following criteria: **1.** Age below 35 years on 31st December of that year (age proof to be provided), **2.** The research work submitted should have been carried out in India, **3.** The principal author shall submit: **1.** Covering letter indicating the IAPM Membership number, **2.** Certificate from **all authors** certifying that this research work has been carried out in India and this work has not received any other award, **3.** Certificate from the **co-authors** (if any),

attesting and supporting the candidature of the principal author, **4.** In case the applicant is a postgraduate or senior resident, there should be letter from Head of the Department/Dean stating that the applicant is eligible for the award, and **5.** His / Her brief biodata. The Covering letter, Certificates from all authors / co-authors, Letter from head of Department (if necessary), along with age proof must be sent as a **hard copy** and a **soft copy** to the Secretary IAPM.

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- The paper will be initially scrutinized by a panel of referees selected by the President/Secretary, IAPM for its presentation at the plenary session.
- A **maximum of four papers** will be finally selected for presentation. If the paper is not selected, it will be submitted for the Oral free paper session by the Secretary with due notification

C. APCON 2017 – Free Papers

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- The presenting author should be member of IAPM. If the author is a non-member and wishes to present the paper, then he/she should apply for IAPM membership in advance and at the earliest. Only registered delegates can send the abstracts. Each member can present only one paper (either paper or poster and not both)
- All the abstracts are to be uploaded using online registration at the Conference web-site. It is mandatory that the delegate be an IAPM member during the process of uploading. There is no need to send hard copies by post or by CDs. **The cut-off date will be 30th September 2017.** No abstracts will be taken after this deadline.
- The **First Page** of the abstract should contain the following details: Name of the Presenting Author (underlined) and co-authors (if any), IAPM Number of



the presenting author, Address for correspondence, Delegate registration number (if already available), Mobile number, Email, and the appropriate sub-specialty.

- The delegates may choose the following sub-specialty: Autopsy Pathology, Bones/Joints/Soft Tissue Pathology, Cytopathology, Dermatopathology, Endocrine Pathology, Gastrointestinal Pathology, Hepatobiliary & Pancreatic Pathology, Laboratory Medicine (includes Biochemistry, Clinical Pathology, Immunology and Hematology), Lymphoreticular Pathology, Microbiology, Neuropathology, Pediatric Pathology, Thoracic Pathology, Uro-genital & Breast Pathology, **AND** Others.
- The **Second Page** of the abstract should include: the **Title**, **Presenting Author** (underlined) and co-authors (if any) and **Institutional Affiliations**. The abstract is restricted to a maximum of 250 words, using Times New Roman size 12 font. It should include: **Objectives**, **Methods**, **Results**, **Conclusions**, and **Key words**. Please check for grammar and spelling mistakes.
- The number of cases/patients for a free paper should be more than ten; otherwise it will be relegated to the poster category, unless the cases are unusual or rare.
- **All abstracts are peer reviewed, and the IAPM reserves the right to assign it as oral or poster presentation.** The abstract therefore should not be casually written and due care should be taken to ensure its contents.
- There will be total of seven minutes for presentation and two minutes for discussion. All participants should finish in the time allotted.
- No correspondence regarding a change in the presentation shall be entertained and all members are requested not to contact the Conference Secretariat or the Honorary Secretary in the matter.
- On the basis of the consensus received from the screening committee members and Secretary IAPM, Secretary Organizing Committee shall prepare the final list of papers to be presented. Accepted abstracts will be listed on the conference web-site by **31st October 2017**. Abstracts may be withdrawn by a written communication via email to the Organizing Secretary by **15th October 2017**.
- The presenting author should be member of IAPM. If the author is a non-member and wishes to present the poster, then he/she should apply for IAPM membership in advance and at the earliest. Only registered delegates can send the abstracts. Each member can present only one paper (either paper or poster and not both)
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- The **Second Page** of the abstract should include: the **Title**, **Presenting Author** (underlined) and co-authors (if any) and **Institutional Affiliations**. The abstract is restricted to a maximum of 250 words, using Times New Roman size 12 font. It should include: **Objectives**, **Case Report**, **Conclusions**, and **Key words**. Please check for grammar and spelling mistakes.
- All abstracts are peer reviewed, and the IAPM reserves the right to assign it as oral or poster presentation. The abstract therefore should not be casually written and due care should be taken to ensure its contents. No correspondence regarding a change in the presentation shall be entertained and all members are requested not to contact the Conference Secretariat or the Honorary Secretary in the matter.
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D. APCON 2017 – Posters

The aim of this session is to encourage post-graduates and young faculty to present rare or unusual cases.



- Accepted abstracts will be listed on the conference web-site by **31st October 2017**. Abstracts may be withdrawn by a written communication via email to the Secretary by **15th October 2017**.
- A total of ten posters **will be** selected for presentation. Every effort should be made to select equal number of case reports and case series (presented as poster). The presentation will be for five minutes (three minutes for presentation and two minutes for discussion).

E. APCON 2017 – Online Quiz

Contributions are invited for the online quiz on December, conducted by Dr. Sharada Rane, Secretary (09422081682, sharadarane22@gmail.com). The contributors will be acknowledged.

NOTICE REGARDING INDIAN JOURNAL OF PATHOLOGY & MICROBIOLOGY

As per the decisions taken in the meeting of IAPM Executive council and General Body, the journal will be only available as an online version for all the IAPM members registered after the year 2000. So henceforth the printed copy of the journals will not be sent to the members who have registered after the year 2000. Printed version will be sent to older members only. However, corresponding authors with publication in an issue of the journal will get a complimentary copy. The cost of color figures have also changed. Authors are requested to read the instructions carefully for payment details and other changes before submitting the article.

NOTICE REGARDING APCON 2017 - BHOPAL (MADHYA PRADESH)

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Dates - 6th to 10th December 2017.

Venue – Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal

6th December Pre Conference Workshop

Venue: Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal

There are four workshops.

- 1) APPROACH TO DIAGNOSIS OF ACUTE LEUKEMIA”**
National coordinator
Dr Tejinder Singh, New Delhi
- 2) IMMUNOHISTOCHEMISTRY – TECHNIQUE AND INTERPRETATION”**
National Coordinator
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