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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year. Greetings from Delhi. How time has flown! Before you know it, the year is over we have been to Pune in December, attended APCON 2014, and what an experience that was! I would like to officially record my heartfelt thanks to Brig Srinivas and his team, including Col Nijhawan, Col Sahai, Lt Col Sen and so many others for having organized a marvelous conference, which was highly appreciated by all who attended.



The highlights of this conference, besides the academic (and gastronomic!) feasts, was that we, as a group, resolved to bring about far reaching changes in the structure and functioning of IAPM, in order to come in tune with the 21<sup>st</sup> century. In this, a series of interlinked ventures will be undertaken, including developing action plans for distance and virtual teaching, virtual slides for diagnosis, redefining and remodeling the organization, and redesigning the formats of our activities. In all these efforts, we will, as usual, be relying heavily on our group of previous Presidents, who have for countless years, been devoting time and efforts, individually and collectively, for the IAPM. In all these, of course, the overall guidance has been from all the members of IAPM.

I have handed over the Presidential baton to Dr T Singh from Maulana Azad Medical College, and he will be doing his usual efficient and meticulous job as President of the IAPM. I would like to express my deep gratitude to Dr S DattaGupta, who was and continues as Vice President of IAPM, Dr Pradeep Vaideeswar, the Hony. Secretary of IAPM, and to all the other members of the executive, including Dr Sharda Rane, Dr Nanda, Dr Kar and Dr Vatsala Misra, and also to our group of Previous Presidents. I would like to reiterate my thanks to the Organizing team.

Looking forward to meeting all of you at Kochi in November 2015

Sincerely yours,

**Manoj Singh MD, FRCPath**



## SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Dear Members

Where did the year go? Within a blink of the eye, we are at the end of the year 2014 after having returned from APCON 2014, Pune and it is time for APCON 2015! All will certainly agree that the organizing committee under the able leadership of Brig. Srinivas left no stone unturned to make this conference a great success. I take this opportunity to wish all the members a happy 2015 and to welcome our new President IAPM, Dr. Tejinder Singh.



To ensure more active participation, it is imperative that all of us make new year resolution of encouraging the young generation to become members of this prestigious body at the earliest and to ensure that all the requirements are met with at the scheduled time. The cut-off dates for best paper sessions is 31<sup>st</sup> August, oral papers and poster abstract submissions is 30<sup>th</sup> September, and submission of topics for various academic sessions and other suggestions is 15<sup>th</sup> November. This has been the schedule, which has been followed for many years.

Lastly, I take this opportunity to thank Dr. Manoj Singh, President IAPM 2014 and other senior faculty, especially Dr. Lanjewar and Dr. Niranjana Rout for helping me to sail through the first year of the Secretary post.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Congratulations to Dr. J Shanmugam (Chairman, Puducherry IMSA Chapter) for being elected as the Fellow of the American College of Pathologists (FACE) and as the National President of the Indian Association of Medical Microbiologists for the year 2014-2015
- The 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Indian Association of Pathologists & Microbiologists (APCON 2015) is scheduled to be held at Kochi, Kerala from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015. The organizing Chairperson is Dr. KP Aravindan and Organizing Secretary is Dr. Praseeda Nair.

## MINUTES OF THE 63<sup>RD</sup> GENERAL BODY MEETING OF IAPM HELD ON 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2014 AT APCON 2014, AFMC PUNE

The meeting was chaired by President, IAPM Prof. Manoj Singh. Initially the meeting was adjourned due to lack of quorum and reconvened after 15 minutes.

**Agenda No. 1: Condolences:** The house was informed regarding the sad demise of the following honorable members of the association: a) Prof. LN Mahapatra, b) Dr. SK Bobhate and c) Dr. Chinoy John George Chacko.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 01/2014:** The general body observed silence in memory of the departed souls. Secretary IAPM will send condolence message to the bereaved family members.

**Agenda No. 2: Apologies:** The following former Presidents of IAPM and office bearers informed their inability to attend the Executive Committee and General Body Meetings: a) Dr. Challa Sundaram, b) Dr. Prakash Patil and c) Dr. Vatsala Misra

**Resolution: Agenda No. 02/2014:** The general body was informed about the apologies.

**Agenda No. 3: Confirmation of minutes of 61<sup>st</sup> and 62<sup>nd</sup> GBMs**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 03a/2014:** The minutes of the 61<sup>st</sup> GBM at APCON 2012, Jamnagar were confirmed and passed, proposed by Dr. Radotra and seconded by Dr. Lanjewar. The proposal from Dr. Nirag Jhala to pledge Rupees Five lakhs for five years and to fund the Professor CI Jhala Memorial Oration with the interest from the corpus was accepted. A memorandum of understanding between Dr. Nirag Jhala and IAPM (represented by the Secretary) will be made.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 03b/2014:** The minutes of the 62<sup>nd</sup> GBM at APCON 2013, Aurangabad were confirmed and passed, proposed by Dr. Radotra and seconded by Dr. Lanjewar.

**Agenda No. 4: Report of Honorary Secretary, IAPM**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 04/2014:** The General Body accepted the report of Honorary Secretary IAPM for the year 2014.

**Agenda No. 5: Report of Joint Secretary, IAPM**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 05/2014:** The General Body accepted the report of Joint Secretary IAPM for the year 2014.

#### **Agenda No. 6: Report of Treasurer, IAPM**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 06/2014:** The general body sought to defer the acceptance of the Treasurer's report till the financial affairs are resolved. The Secretary and the Treasurer are to follow up the contributions to be made by the Organizing Secretary APCON 2011 and Organizing Secretary APCON 2012. The general body approved formation of a financial sub-committee comprising Dr. AM Phatak (Chairperson), Pradeep Vaideeswar (Convener), Dr. Lanjewar and Dr. Harshmohan to review the financial situation. In order to resolve the problems encountered with the publishers of the Indian Journal of Pathology & Microbiology, the general body also approved of the decision to follow the advice of the lawyer appointed with guidance from Dr. Harshmohan. The signing of the auditors' report and proposed budget was deferred till the sub-committee clarifies the financial matters.

#### **Agenda No. 7: Report of Editor, Indian Journal of Pathology & Microbiology**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 07/2014:** The academic matters were accepted. Since the details of the accounts had not been submitted and the continuing problems with the publishers, the financial matters were deferred till amicable negotiations are made by the financial sub-committee.

#### **Agenda No. 8: Report of Joint Secretary, IAPM Headquarter**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 08/2014:** The report was partly accepted. Since the details of the accounts had not been submitted, the financial matters (especially the budget proposal) were deferred till the report from the financial sub-committee. The general body took the strongest objection to housing ATM facilities in the head-quarter premises and urged immediate withdrawal of the proposal.

#### **Agenda No. 9: Report of Secretary, Indian College of Pathologists**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 09/2014:** The General Body accepted the report of the Secretary, ICP

#### **Agenda No. 10: Histopathology EQAS**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 10/2014:** The General Body accepted the report of EQAS and in principle also approved development of regional accreditation centers in different parts of the country.

#### **Agenda No. 11: Admission of new members to IAPM**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 11/2014:** The General Body accepted the proposal of conferring membership to 605 applicants

#### **Agenda No. 12: Declaration of Results of Election 2014**

#### **Agenda No. 12a: Declaration of results for the post of President 2015**

Only one valid nomination of Dr. Tejinder Singh, New Delhi was received for the post of President IAPM.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 12a:** The General Body accepted the election of Dr. Tejinder Singh to the post of President IAPM 2015 unopposed.

#### **Agenda No. 12b: Declaration of results for the post of Vice President 2015**

No nominations for the post of Vice-President were received.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 12b:** The General Body accepted the proposal to allow Dr. Siddhartha Datta Gupta to continue in the post of Vice President for 2015.

#### **Agenda No. 13: Nomination of two members for scrutiny & counting of ballot papers in Elections 2015**

**Resolution: Agenda No. 13:** Prof. KP Deodhar and Prof. DN Lanjewar were nominated to count the votes of the elections for the post of office bearers of IAPM to be held in 2015.

#### **Agenda No. 14: Declaration of Papers for Awards**

**Agenda No. 14a:** For the Dr VR Khanolkar and Smt. Kunti Devi Mehrotra prizes for published papers, there were two entries and one entry, respectively. The judges recommended Dr. Niraj Kumari (SGPGIMS, Lucknow) and Dr. Aruna Nambirajan (AIIMS, New Delhi) for the Dr VR Khanolkar award 2014, and Dr. Rajni Yadav (AIIMS, New Delhi) for the Smt. Kunti Devi Mehrotra Award 2014.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 14a:** The papers of Dr. Niraj Kumari / Dr. Aruna Nambirajan were approved for the Dr VR Khanolkar award 2014, and the paper of Dr. Rajni Yadav was approved for Smt. Kunti Devi Mehrotra Award in 2014.

**Agenda No. 14b:** For the Prof KC Basu Mallick Award and Best Paper Award, there were two and four entries respectively. The judges recommended Dr. Priyanka Ravi (CMC, Vellore) and Dr. Brijnandan Gupta (AIIMS, New Delhi) for the Prof KC Basu Mallick Award 2014 and Dr. Valli Priyaa (SGPGIMS, Lucknow) for the Best Paper Award 2014.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 14b:** The papers of Dr. Priyanka Ravi / Dr. Brijnandan Gupta were approved for the Prof KC Basu Mallick Award 2014 and the paper of Dr. Valli Priyaa for the Best Paper Award 2014.

#### **Agenda No. 15: Proposals for Orations, Symposia, Slide Seminars & CMEs**

**a. Tamil Nadu-Puducherry Oration:** TN-Puducherry Chapter has nominated Dr. Usha Kini, Professor-Pathology,



St. John's Medical College, Bengaluru for this oration at APCON 2015.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 15a:** The General Body accepted the proposal.

## b. Symposia

### i) Dr. Gaya Prasad Memorial Pathology Symposium:

The following proposals had been received: Dr. Kedar Deodhar, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai: Update in epithelial and mesenchymal tumors of the uterus; Dr. Kim Vaiphei, PGIMER, Chandigarh: Pathobiology of tumors related to microsatellite instability; Dr. Smita Divate, Seth GS Medical College, Mumbai: Hypercoagulable states – clinical, laboratory and pathological perspectives **OR** Role of cardiac biomarkers in diagnosis and risk stratification of ischemic heart disease.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 15b (i):** The General Body accepted the proposal of Dr. Kedar Deodhar, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai on "Update in epithelial and mesenchymal tumors of the uterus". The duration of the symposium will be for **one hour** and will include preferably **only three speakers**.

### ii) Ananthanarayan Memorial Microbiology Symposium:

Only one proposal was received from Dr. Sharada Rane, BJ Medical College, Pune on "Subcutaneous Mycosis".

**Resolution: Agenda No. 15b (ii):** The General Body accepted the proposal of Dr. Sharada Rane, BJ Medical College, Pune on "Subcutaneous Mycosis". The duration of the symposium will be for **one hour** and will include preferably only **three speakers**.

**iii) Hematology Symposium:** Proposals were received from Dr. Renu Saxena, AIIMS, New Delhi on Myelodysplastic syndromes, Chronic lymphoproliferative disorders, Acquired bleeding disorders.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 15b (iii):** The General Body accepted the proposal of Dr. Renu Saxena, AIIMS, New Delhi on "Chronic lymphoproliferative disorders". The duration of the symposium will be for **one hour** and will include preferably only **three speakers**.

**c. Slide Seminar:** The following proposals have been received: Before the due date - Dr. Rachana Chaturvedi, Seth GS Medical College, Mumbai: Uncommon, non-neoplastic lesions of upper gastro-intestinal tract (preferred) **OR** Uncommon benign lesions of the liver **OR** Polypoidal lesions of gastro-intestinal tract; Dr. Kim Vaiphei, PGIMER, Chandigarh: Pathology of post-transplant related lesions of gastrointestinal tract; Dr. Megha Uppin, NIMS, Hyderabad: Pathology of non-neoplastic CNS lesions **OR** Pathology of peripheral nerve biopsies; After the due date - Dr. Asit Mridha, (through Dr. Manoj Singh), AIIMS, New Delhi:

Pseudo- and Non neoplastic bone lesions; Drs. MK Singh & S Arava, AIIMS, New Delhi: Vesiculobullous diseases of the skin; Drs MK Singh & S Arava, AIIMS, New Delhi: Lymphoproliferative diseases of the skin and Dr. Thanka, Sree Ramchandra Medical College, Chennai: CNS lesions, Ovarian tumors, Hepato-biliary lesions, Head & neck lesions, Fungal infections, **OR** Gastrointestinal parasites; Dr. Rekha Nair, Regional Cancer Center, Thiruvananthapuram: Extranodal lymphomas **OR** Peripheral T-cell lymphomas; Dr. RK Saran (Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi: Pancreaticobiliary lesions **OR** Glioneuronal tumors.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 15c:** The General Body accepted the proposal of Dr. Megha Uppin on "Pathology of peripheral nerve biopsies". The duration of the symposium will be for **one hour**.

**d. CMEs:** The following proposals have been received: Before the due date - Dr. Kim Vaiphei, PGIMER, Chandigarh: Infective & inflammatory conditions of biliary system **OR** Pathobiology of cardiomyopathies; Drs. Aruna Prayaga & Megha Uppin, NIMS, Hyderabad: Renal transplant pathology; Dr. Megha Uppin, NIMS, Hyderabad: Squash smear cytology of neoplastic and non-neoplastic CNS lesions **OR** Primary CNS tumors – WHO classification and recent advances **OR** Autopsy pathology of brain; Dr. Santosh Menon, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai: Update in uropathology; Dr. Seema Tyagi, AIIMS, New Delhi: Flow cytometry in benign and malignant hematology; Dr. Smita Divate, Seth GS Medical College, Mumbai: Hypercoagulable states – clinical, laboratory and pathological perspectives **OR** Role of cardiac biomarkers in diagnosis and risk stratification of ischemic heart disease; After the due date – Prof Nuzhat Husain, Director, Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, HOD Pathology & Officer In-charge State Referral Centre for Lab investigations, Lucknow, India: Oral cancer: Role of pathologist; Dr Usha Kini, Professor, Pathology, St. John's, Bangalore: The central role of a pathologist in the diagnosis and management of Hirschsprung's disease; Drs. Ruma Roy & Sudheer Arava, (through Dr. Manoj Singh), AIIMS, New Delhi: Indications and interpretation of endomyocardial biopsy with special emphasis on Post cardiac transplant biopsies; Drs. S DattaGupta & MK Singh, AIIMS, New Delhi: Pathology Education in the 21st Century; Drs. S DattaGupta & MK Singh, AIIMS, New Delhi: Approach to diagnosis of fungal infections; Dr Deepali Jain, (through Dr. Manoj Singh), AIIMS, New Delhi: Recent advances in Pleural & Thymic Tumors; Drs. S Datta Gupta & Prasenjit Das, (through Dr. Manoj Singh), AIIMS, New Delhi: Chronic Liver disease: A systematic approach to Diagnosis; Drs. S Datta Gupta & Prasenjit Das, (through Dr. Manoj Singh), AIIMS, New Delhi: Intestinal Pseudo-obstruction: Histological examination can clinch vital clues; Drs. MK Singh & S Arava, AIIMS, New Delhi: A Systematic approach to

Granulomatous Lung Diseases; Dr MC Sharma (through Dr. Manoj Singh), AIIMS, New Delhi: Upcoming WHO Classification of Brain Tumors; Dr S Mathur (through Dr. Manoj Singh), AIIMS, New Delhi: Approach to gynecological malignancies; Dr. Amanjit Bal, PGI, Chandigarh: Diagnostic issues in breast core biopsies; Dr. Kirti Chaddha, Metropolis, Mumbai: Ancillary Techniques in oncopathology, IHC and molecular tests in lymphoma OR Chromogenic in-situ hybridization and its applications; Dr. Thanka, Sree Ramchandra Medical College, Chennai: Mediastinal lesions, IHC in pathology, Molecular pathology, Histochemistry revisited, Laboratory diagnosis of autoimmune diseases OR Testicular tumors an update; Dr. Paromita, Tata Medical Center, Kolkata: Polypoidal puzzles.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 15d:** The General Body accepted / selected the following six CMEs from the above proposals. The duration of the CMEs will be **one and half hours**.

- Update in uropathology - Dr. Santosh Menon, Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai:
- Role of cardiac biomarkers in diagnosis and risk stratification of ischemic heart disease - Dr. Smita Divate, Seth GS Medical College, Mumbai
- Oral cancer: Role of pathologist - Prof Nuzhat Husain, Director, Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, HOD Pathology & Officer In-charge State Referral Centre for Lab investigations, Lucknow, India:
- Pathology Education in the 21st Century – Since a similar suggestion was put forth by Dr KP Aravindan and since Dr. Datta Gupta is one of the moderators of the Chronic Liver Disease CME, he had opted out of the Education CME. It was decided that both Dr Manoj Singh, AIIMS, New Delhi and Dr KP Aravindan, Medical College, Calicut would moderate the CME
- Chronic Liver disease: A systematic approach to diagnosis - Drs. S Datta Gupta & Prasenjit Das, AIIMS, New Delhi
- Testicular tumors an update - Dr. Thanka, Sree Ramchandra Medical College, Chennai

**e. Practicing Pathologists' Session:** A proposal was received from Dr. Sujay Prasad, Anand Diagnostic, Bengaluru on Digitization in practice.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 15e:** The General Body accepted the proposal

**f. Pre-conference workshop:** A proposal for pre-conference workshops had been put forward by Dr. Praseda Nair, Organizing Secretary APCON 2015.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 15f:** The General Body accepted the proposal. Three such workshops would be held at three different centers in Kerala

#### **Agenda No. 16: Proposals for venues for future**

**APCONs:** The following proposals were received: a. **Bhopal** from Dr. Reeni Malik, Professor and Head, Pathology, Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal; b. **Bareilly** from Drs. Kashmir Singh, Principal, Parbodh Kumar, Professor and Head & Ranjan Agrawal, Professor, Pathology, Rohilkhand Medical College & Hospital, Bareilly; c. **Jaipur** from Dr. Ajay Yadav, Professor and Head, Pathology, SMS Medical College, Jaipur; d. **Lucknow** from Dr. Nuzhat Hussein, Director, Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences, HOD Pathology & Officer In-charge State Referral Centre for Lab investigations, Lucknow.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 16:** The General Body accepted the invitation of Dr. Ajay Yadav, Professor and Head, Pathology, SMS Medical College, Jaipur to host APCON 2016 at Jaipur, and Dr. Reeni Malik, Professor and Head, Pathology, Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal to host APCON 2017 at Bhopal.

**Agenda No. 17: Protocols & SOPs for various categories:** These were prepared by the Secretary for all the sessions that are normally held at APCON.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 17:** The general body approved formation of a sub-committee comprising Dr. DN Lanjewar (Chairperson), Pradeep Vaideeswar (Convener), Dr. Siddhartha Datta Gupta, Dr. Manoj Singh, Dr. Harshmohan, Dr. Bishan Radotra, and Dr. Sujay Prasad so that these can be applied to the forthcoming APCON 2015.

#### **Agenda No. 18: Queries/Suggestions from IAPM office Bearers / Members**

a. Pradeep Vaideeswar, Mumbai - Clarifications of prize money, Online payment of membership fees etc.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 18a:** The general body resolved that these clarifications should be made in the protocols to be made.

b. Dr. Sidhartha Datta Gupta, New Delhi: Regarding Issue of Membership of parent body by those who are members of the State Chapter and Request for Postgraduate Programs at Regional Level

**Resolution: Agenda No. 18b:** The general body resolved that these issues have to be dealt with by the office-bearers of individual chapters

c. Dr. SK Nema, Indore: Regarding recognition of city chapters by IAPM

**Resolution: Agenda No. 18c:** This is not in accordance to the bye-laws of the IAPM

d. Brig. V Srinivas: Regarding free accommodation and transport to past Presidents and other office bearers and eligibility of chairpersons for various sessions.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 18d:** The general body was of the opinion that as members of the Executive Committee the past Presidents should continue to receive free accommodation and transport. The protocol to be prepared by the sub-committee will oversee the eligibility criteria for appointment of chairpersons for various sessions at the conferences.

**Agenda No. 19: Any other matter with permission of the Chair:**

a. Dr. Bishan Radotra expressed his opinion of the necessity to continue to hold microbiology symposia when there are hardly any microbiologists attending the APCON.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 19a:** The general body decided to hold the microbiology symposia after every two years and it should be based on pathologic microbiological aspects. Drs. KP Aravindan and DN Lanjewar would speak to the family of Dr. Anathanarayan and Dr. Usha Hardas, respectively to decide about the endowment.

b. Dr. Bishan Radotra further opined the need to segregate microbiology totally.

**Resolution: Agenda No. 19b:** The general body decided to have another subcommittee (Dr. Tejinder Singh, Dr. Siddhartha Datta Gupta, Pradeep Vaideeswar, Dr. Manoj Singh, Dr. DN Lanjewar, Dr. Harshmohan, and Dr. Bishan Radotra) to revise the constitution of IAPM and its by-laws to separate out the Microbiology part. A separate GBM would be held for this purpose during APCON 2015 and to incorporate the changes, which have been made bit by bit over the years. This should be held prior to the usual EC and GBM so that the changes can be accepted soon.

**Agenda No. 20:** Thanking the Hosts of APCON 2014

**Resolution: Agenda No. 20:** The General Body applauded the great efforts of the

entire Organising Committee of APCON 2014 for putting up a successful scientific event. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair and to all the office bearers of IAPM. The members also thanked the out-going office-bearers for their hard work and welcomed the new team. The Chair thanked all the honorable members of IAPM for attending this conference and the GBM. □



## OBITUARY

### DR. BRIJ BALA ARORA (04-03-1947 TO 21-11-2014)

**Late Dr. Brij Bala Arora**, Life-Member, Indian Association of Pathologists & Microbiologists, graduated from Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi in 1971. She began her illustrious career in Medical College, subsequently upgraded as Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences (PGIMS), Rohtak (Haryana) India in 1972. She obtained M.D. in Pathology in 1975. She worked in various capacities in PGIMS, Rohtak from 1971 to 2009. She was elevated to the post of Professor and then Senior Professor & Head of Pathology from 1992 to 2009. After retirement from PGIMS, Rohtak, she worked as Senior Professor & Head of Pathology, Saraswati Institute of Medical Sciences, Ghaziabad, from 01-04-2009 to 29-09-2009; Director-Principal & Professor of Pathology, SGT Medical College, Budhera (Gurgaon) from 30-09-2009 to 07-12-2009; Professor of Pathology, SRM Medical College, Chennai from 30-12-2009 to 31-07-2010; and finally Senior Professor & Head of Pathology, SGT Medical College, Budhera (Gurgaon) from 01-10-2010 to 02-05-2014. She had more than 42 years of teaching experience in pathology to medical and dental undergraduate and postgraduate students. She published five textbooks and 175 research

articles in indexed national and international journals of repute. Her research on AgNOR staining technique received international importance and paper on morphometric analysis of AgNOR in lymph node lesions was published in "Advances in Clinical Pathology 6:95-99, 2002". She supervised 67 P.G. students of Ph.D., M.D., M.S. and D.N.B. She had been examiner for B.Sc. Nursing, B.D.S., M.B.B.S., M.D., D.N.B. and Ph.D. of a number of universities. She was conferred MAMCOS Scroll of Honour in VIII Annual Conference on 20th December, 1994 at Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi; Bharat Jyoti Award for outstanding services, achievements and contributions on 23rd June, 2006 at New Delhi; and International Gold Star Award 2010 for outstanding achievements at 25th Indo-Thai Entrepreneurs Summit on 27th August, 2010 at Bangkok, Thailand. Her biography including academic activities and research work has been published in Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare 2011-12 (8th Edition) N.J. 07922, USA distinguishing her as one of the leading healthcare professionals from around the world. She was also conferred Lifetime Achievement Award recognizing her outstanding achievements at 33rd National Seminar on 4th December, 2012