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EDITORIAL

After a lot of turmoil, apprehension and anxiety our postponed 22nd Annual Congress was held in Pune on 17th and 18th January. This Newsletter is bringing you details of a successful Conference inspite of many odds due to heroic efforts of the Association of practising pathologists of Pune who hosted the conference. Here are all the details for those who wanted but could not

attend and a nostalgic trip for those who attended the conference.

I thank all I. A. C. members for giving me a nice opportunity to be the editor of the newsletter again. I expect a free flow of correspondence for exchange of ideas. Thanks for the confidence shown in me.

Dr. Maitreyee Munshi

Highlights of XXII Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Cytologists, Pune 17th - 18th January 1993

This conference was organised by Indian Association of Practising Pathologists Pune branch and was dedicated to the memory of late Dr. M. B. Gharpure a Senior Practising Pathologist of Pune.

When we landed in Pune; the pleasant weather and quiet atmosphere balmied out anxiety and apprehension about the success of the conference. On 16th January 93 K. E. M. Hospital Pune was buzzing with 25 participants, Dr. Kusum Kapila & her team for the Pre-conference workshop on 'Breast Cytology' a knowledge must for a novice in the field. Typical cool climate of Pune was welcoming about 130 delegates from all over the country for the inaugural function in Hotel Blue Diamond on 17th January. The inaugural function was graced by dignitaries like Padmabhushan Dr. Banu Coyagi & Dr. P. B. Desai, Senior Pathologist Dr. R. V. Junnarkar, I. A. C. President Dr. Shobha Grover and Secretary Dr. Maya Lulla along with office bearers of I. A. C. & of organising committee. In her Presidential Address Dr. Grover wished that the mandate of this twenty two years old academy should be strengthened. This academy advocates that cytology is an easy and cost effective method of diagnosing cancer at an early stage. During the inaugural function our president was wearing a nice Presidential Medal. It is worth mentioning that so far our academy has not had the Presidential Medal but this year through the good offices of Dr. Usha Saraiya we have a medal. The grand old man of Pathology Dr. R. V. Junnarkar was felicitated on this occasion to celebrate his 75th Birthday.

Inaugural function was followed by Shireen

Mahataji oration by Dr. P. B. Desai, Director Tata Memorial Hospital on 'The Impact of Cytodiagnosis on clinical oncology.' In very simple words he gave a bird's eye view about an explosion called cytology and its overall effect on oncology. He did not forget to caution us about its overenthusiastic use and disadvantages. Cipla academy oration by Sreedevi Amma on 'Strategies for Cancer Control in India' and panel discussion on 'Human Resource Development', chaired by Dr. Usha Saraiya made us aware of the practical problems and difficulties in implementing downstaging which requires an infrastructure of trained and competent personnels at all levels. In Diagnostic Slide Seminar by Dr. Nalini Venugopal we saw interesting & brain tickling smears. In this conference we saw a total change in scenario as practical day to day problems were being discussed and stressed upon I. A. C. members.

On both days thirty six young enthusiastic and experienced people including Cytotechnician and cytotechnologists presented papers on various disciplines in cytology. This organization encourages paramedical personnels to share the platform to express their views. Their confident participation in panel discussion and paper presentation assures us that our organization is achieving the goal.

At the sumptuous pool side lunch together after valedictory function everybody was all praise for Neelam Kolte & her team for an organised & successful conference arranged within a short time. We said goodbye to meet again down south for the next conference.

AWARDS

1. **Nalinibai Thakkar Award** : Shared by Dr. Anil Prasad from JIPMER Pondicherry and Dr. Kanchan Sortey from Cama & Albles Hospital Bombay.
2. **Jwala Devi Award** : Bagged by MR. Kalia of JLN Hospital and Research Centre Bhilai. A feat achieved by him for the second time.
3. **Sushil Malhotra Award** : For cytotechnologist for 1991 was awarded to MR. S. P. Bandopadhyaya of Jamshedpur.
4. **Dr. Bhaskar Reddy Award** : For cytotechnician was bagged by MR. T. P. Narayankutty from Trivandrum.
5. **Dr. Satya Monga Award** : No paper was received in field of immunocytochemistry for this award.

Change in Office - Bearers

1. Dr. Kusum Kapila treasurer I. A. C. after a successful tenure since 1988 handed over charge to Dr. Sreedevi Amma. Her Address for correspondence is **Dr. Sreedevi Amma, Treasurer, IAC Superintendent & Chief of Cytopathology, Regional Cancer Centre, Trivandrum - 695 011 Kerala.**
2. Dr. Kusum Verma who took over from Dr. Usha Luthra consented to look after the committee in capacity of a chairperson.
3. Dr. Neelam Kolte organising secretary of 22nd Annual Conference was inducted into the executive committee along with Dr. Revathi Ananth and Dr. B. Chandralekha in place of Dr. Nilima Dhar, Dr. Kiran Mishra and Dr. Sreedevi Amma.

