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EDITORIAL

With this news Bulletin of the IAC, I wish you a "Happy New Year" and thank you all for giving me this chance to work for the academy. Besides the highlights of the Calcutta Conference this letter brings to you a very important item that is information regarding elections to the various posts

of office bearers, which in future will be held by Postal Ballot system.

I hereby request you all to send important information which needs dissemination all over the country.

Anjali Joshi.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE XXVI ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE INDIAN ACADEMY OF
CYTOLOGISTS HELD AT CALCUTA

23rd - 26th Nov. 96.

Calcutta the "City of Joy" hosted the XXVI Annual conference of the IAC for the year 1996. Venue was the "Technical Teachers Training Institute" at the peaceful and quiet Salt Lake City, far from Calcuttas maddening crowd. What a modest look the TTTI wore when the local lady delegates draped in sober Calcutta Handlooms, Baluchoris and Kantha works decorated the venue.

The conference was inaugurated with a melodious invocation to the Lord Ganesha, set in the traditional "Rabindra Sangeet" style.

The success of this conference is due to its organizing secretary Dr. Asitova Mondal, his better half Dr. Sukirti and other members of his family. He was ably supported by Prof. Sabitri Sanyal, chairperson IAC-CON, Dr. Manoj Roy and their colleagues from Calcutta Medical College.

The Pre-conference workshop and "Continued Medical Education" Lectures were a real treat. A sizeable number of delegates relished the "delicacies!! The workshop on Pediatric tumors was conducted by the Delhi Group of University Hospital led by Dr. Jyotsana Pande. All the faculty members were precise and informative.

The next day began with a "visual feast" of colourful slides-from the pelvic lesions. The CME lectures, co-ordinated by Dr. A. Mondal, enlightened

the delegates on important aspects.

The prestigious Cipla Award-Academy oration was delivered by none other than the dynamic Dr. Shyamala Bhaskaran. Her choice of "Bacterial Vaginosis" was excellent, to which she did full justice by virtue of her long drawn experience.

Another long awaited event was the "Diagnostic Slide Seminar" delivered by Dr. Dilip Das, whose meticulous and knowledgeable diagnostic approach was very useful.

The symposium on "Testicular lesion" was another interesting session. Its applications and use in cases of infertility was highly appreciated.

The Shireen Mehtaji oration, delivered by Dr. R.N. Chakraborty was very lucid and substantial.

A total number of 80 proffered papers were presented. Four young doctors appeared for the Nalini Bai Thakar award session and three for Jwaladevi Award meant for cytotechnicians and cytotechnologists.

The exciting poster session which was introduced at the Bombay conference had 14 displays. Thus this great megaevent concluded with the delegataes returning home with contented hearts, the taste of fish delicacies lingering in their mouths.

Dr. Anjali Joshi

INDIAN ACADEMY OF CYTOLOGISTS
ACCREDITATION & EXAMINATION COMMITTEE

EXAMINATION FOR CYTOTECHNICIANS AND CYTOTECHNOLOGISTS : (8TH : 9th SEP., 1997)

The Indian Academy of Cytologists is planning to conduct the examination for cytotechnologists and cytotechnicians on 8th & 9th September, 1997 at Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh.

Eligibility criteria for cytotechnologists examination are:

M. Sc. Medical Lab technology with cytology as special subject. OR

B. Sc. Medical Lab technology with experience in cytology for one year OR

5 years experience in Cytology as lab technician following diploma in MLT. OR

5 years experience in cytology as lab technician following passing the cytotechnicians exam. conducted by IAC.

Eligibility criteria for cytotechnician examination are:

Higher Secondary in biological sciences with diploma in MLT/certificate course and 6 months experience in cytology. OR

Higher Secondary in biological sciences with 5 yrs experience in cytology.

Those desirous of appearing in the examination may write to me for detailed information, application form and course contents.

Last date for receipt of applications is 30th June, 1997.

I would appreciate if this announcement is given due publicity in your Department/Institute/College.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Kusum Verma

Announcement for IAC Fellowship

Last date is 31st August 1997

This one months training fellowship of Rs. 1000/- is being offered to Medical Doctors by IAC. Those interested may apply to Dr. Maitreyee Munshi, Secretary IAC along with self addressed stamped envelopes.

Address : 35, Swapna Apartments
off, Cement Road, Shivaji Nagar,
Nagpur 440010
Ph. No. (R) 522560.

Awards

- 1) Sushil Malhotra Prize for 1996 for standing first in the National Cytotechnologists Exam went to Mrs. Kshama Uplekar from Bombay.
- 2) Bhaskar Reddy prize for 1996, for standing first in the national Examination for cytotechnicians went to Mrs. Surekha Harpale from Nagpur.
- 3) Nalinibai Thakar award for the best paper presented at IAC Calcutta, was bagged by Indranil Saha from PGI Chandigarh.
- 4) Jwaladevi Award for the best presentation was won by Miss. I. Anthony from Cytology Lab. Tata Memorial hospital, Mumbai.
- 5) Best poster prize was given to Mrs. Manisha Kulkarni from Tata Memorial Hospital-Mumbai.
- 6) Runner up for the poster contest was Dr. Sanjay Parate from Govt. Medical College, Nagpur.
- 7) Satya Monga Award-No paper was received in this Category.

Announcements

1) Last date for Satya Monga award is 31st August 1997. It is for the best paper published in the field of immunocytochemistry.

Regulations :

1. Publication should be after 1994.
2. Publication must be in an indexed journal.
3. Candidate must be one of the authors or Co-authors of the article.
4. He/She should submit in writing permission from the other Co-authors for entering the paper for the award.
5. Reprints of this should be sent to Secretary IAC on or before 31st August 1997.

ELECTION OF OFFICE-BEARERS BY POSTAL BALLOT

During the General Body Meeting held on 18.11.1995 at Mumbai it was decided to call nominations for the Vacant Posts in the executive council. However due to postal strike this information could not be properly disseminated. So in the next General Body Meeting held on 25.11.1996 at Calcutta it was decided that, as the academy has grown and it is now in a better financial position, election by postal ballot is essential.

NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION OF IAC OFFICE BEARERS

Nominations on plain typed sheets are invited for the election of the following posts of office bearers of Indian Academy of Cytologists.

SR. NO.	Post	Tenure
01.	President	2 Years.
02.	Secretary	3 Years.
03.	Editor Newsletter	3 Years.
04.	Three Executive Members	3 Years.

Each nomination duly proposed and seconded must be accompanied by Signed Consent and brief one page (double spaced typed) biodata of the nominee. The nominee, the proposer and the Secunder must be regular members of IAC with no subscription dues. The nominations must be sent by registered post to Dr. Maitreyee Munshi, Secretary IAC, 35, Swapna Apartments, Off Cement Road, Shivaji Nagar, Nagpur - 440 010.

TIME TABLE FOR ELECTION

- ◆ Receipt of Nomination Paper on or before 15th August 1997.
- ◆ Information to Contestants about other Contestants for the same post on or before 30th August 1997.
- ◆ Withdrawal of nomination on or before 15th September 1997.
- ◆ Return of Marked Ballot Paper on or before 20th October 1997.
- ◆ Scrutiny of Ballot Papers and Counting on 25th October 1997.

Biodata of the candidate should include

- 1) Duration and type of IAC Membership.
- 2) Contribution to IAC
- 3) Contribution to Cytology.

