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Beloved and distinguished chief guest of the day, the dynamic and proactive leader of Medical profession and custodian of empowered health care delivery system of Tamilnadu, Hon'ble Dr. C. Vijayabaskar, the leader par excellence with far sighted 360 degree vision, passion, courage, integrity and innovation who had decorated the corridors of World medical association as its President and remains an infallible, impeccable and scrupulous chief patron of IMA Prof. Dr. Ketan Desai, the 21<sup>st</sup> century spider man for disasters both natural and manmade, a glorified friend and motivator our beloved Health secretary Dr. Radhakrishnan IAS, hailing from Haryana but serving Tamilnadu for nearly 30 years and today serving as Additional chief secretary Mr. Dayanand Kataria IAS, the blessed comforter for millions of people across the Globe and an ardent philanthropist educationalist Dr. Paul Dinakaran, known as a trend setter in the health care delivery the legendary Dr. C. Pratap Reddy, daughter and vice president of the Apollo group of Hospitals Dr. Preetha Reddy, respectful Dr. Rajan Sharmaji who had just installed me as your president, Gandhian embodiment Dr. R V Asokan, my beloved mentors our distinguished Past presidents especially my brother Dr. Ravi Wankhedkar, dynamic academician Dr. S. Arulrhaj, seasoned veteran Dr. Vinay Aggarwal, rock solid Dr. A. Marthanda Pillai, actions packed Dr. K. Vijayakumar, my state leaders and my beloved members of the southern tip of India Kanyakumari district, eminent Vice chancellors, invited guest and family members I pay my gratitude and welcome you all to this August solemn installation ceremony.

It is indeed a great honour and privilege for me to be here today in the traditional cultural city Chennai as your **92<sup>nd</sup> President of this formidable 92 years young IMA**. I thank profusely my parents, teachers and family and IMA for molding me, for reaching to this coveted position and I firmly believe what I am today is the Gift of my almighty God Jesus Christ and what I become tomorrow will be my gift to God. With gratitude I salute for giving me this opportunity unanimously. I affirm the statement of Mother Teresa once "You can do what I cannot do, I can do what you cannot do but together we can do great things." Shall be my modus operandi.

The true strength of IMA lies in our unity and common commitment to the betterment of the medical profession. As I stand here today, I would like to promise you that I will give in my 100% to meet your expectations and help harbour a more promising future for our profession. I do not fear struggles and am ready to put my best foot forward in the year ahead. My passion for medicine and commitment to the society is rooted in my mind inculcated by my legendary teachers and colleagues. My strengths are my passion for hard work, perseverance, communication and long journey in IMA starting as joint secretary of my branch IMA Marthandam in 1996. I am blessed with, veracious mentors in IMA, spirited scores of members of IMA, galaxy of IMA leaders and office bearers, who live and breathe IMA, raring to do something good for the profession. It is a privilege to represent the collective consciousness of 3.7 lakh modern medicine doctors across 1700 local branches and 31 state branches. It is the largest NGO of doctors of modern medicine in the world and connects the medical fraternity to one another on a daily basis.

### PURITY OF PROFESSION WITH PARITY OF HEALTH CARE.

The entire modern medical profession of the nation feels betrayed by the level of violation and encroachment by the Central Council of Indian Medicine (CCIM) which is beyond their scope of power and authority. IMA demands withdrawal of the notification of the amendment regulations of Postgraduate Ayurveda Education dated 19.11.2020. It is painful to note in the said notification the Post Graduate courses namely MS Shalya Tantra the words (General Surgery) have been incorporated. A long list of modern medicine surgical procedures have been enlisted under Shalya Tantra and Shalakya Tantra. All These procedures fall under the ambit, authority and jurisdiction of modern medicine having been prescribed by the then Medical Council of India as the competencies ascribable

to the postgraduate course titled MS (General Surgery). It is nothing but a blatant attempt at Mixopathy and Khichadification of medical education and practice. IMA strongly object the concept of MIXOPATHY which is detrimental and devastating for the health of our nation. The CCIM amendments cannot be seen in isolation. The National Education Policy 2020 speaks of medical pluralism and lateral entry laying the foundation legitimising Mixopathy. NITI AAYOG in its wisdom has formed four committees in medical education, practice, public health and research to officially mix all systems into one Integrative system of medicine. One Nation One System is being espoused as the official policy. All the six hundred odd medical colleges of India are expected to turn out Hybrid doctors of a Khichadi medical system by 2030. This is not the issue of the profession alone. This entails serious inroads into the Health Care Delivery System of the country.

There are issues arising out of such indulgent decisions all impacting patient care and safety. What about the pre anaesthetic medication? Will it be AYUSH drugs? What about Anaesthesia? Does AYUSH have their own anaesthesia drugs and procedures? Perhaps AYUSH doctors who are trained in administering them as AYUSH anaesthetists? What about postoperative care and infection control? How will a system not subscribing to microbial theory find a way to control sepsis? Will it be a throwback to the 19th century septic wards? What about the modern surgical equipment's? Do they have AYUSH surgical equipment? How will the Government find adequate resources to create new infrastructure from nowhere to fend for this modern medicine B team? It is very obvious that AYUSH is dependent on modern medicine doctors, anaesthesia, antibiotics and equipment to perform modern medicine surgical procedures. It fails the test of logic behind such irresponsible initiative placing thousands of gullible patients at risk. Let each system of medicine excel in their own domain & help the patients to recover, instead of crossing their barrier into other system, getting half-baked training which is equal to producing qualified quacks. IMA is prepared for the ensuing long drawn struggle for existence and identity. All Associations of the fraternity including the specialities and students are determined to resist this ill-advised adventure in our national life. Health of generations of Indians is at stake.

Indian doctors are providing leadership in modern medicine. Today India remains the frontier of modern medicine in both evidence based and clinical streams. Advanced and sophisticated surgeries and procedures are done at a fraction of the cost than in West. Indian doctors are supporting Health Systems globally.

IMA opposes and condemns the predatory poaching on Modern Medicine and its surgical disciplines by CCIM. IMA will resist and fight back this criminal plagiarism. IMA has launched the freedom struggle of modern medicine from the forces of Mixopathy and restore the purity, I will lead this in to a logical culmination. IMA will all its options and also seek legal remedies for this menace.

# COVID MARTYR FUND

COVID has taught us various lessons and one of which how volatile the human life is. All what we have done to society will not be remembered when we are at the receiving end. The humble incidence of denying a decent burial for Dr. Simon Hercules is still haunting us. We have lost 710 members of our association in this battle and more than 3000 morbidities. IMA is always a family and when we lost some one in the family it is our duty to support them. It is true, the Government is also supporting them, but it is our responsibility to see to that the families are not deprived of anything which if he is alive, he could have provided it.

As per the guidance of our Chief Patron, we have initiated COVID Martyr Fund and have given substantial amount of 10 lakhs to deserving families. Kindly make sure every one of us the **IMA members** are sharing their minimum one-day income to our COVID Martyr Fund so that all our deserving martyrs as per the criteria laid down shall be helped with 10 lakhs fund.



Team IMA has metamorphosed to Team Digital IMA due to this corona pandemic. In utilizing this new climate, in the coming year, IMA will function in a paperless fashion, including in all its meetings. Our data base will be upgraded on war footing to ensure that at given point of time we will be able to reach out at least to 3 lakhs of our members in a fraction of second. In the first week of January, we will have a coordination meeting on zoom with each state office and synchronise the Branch, state and HQ data. Our digital plate form will function effectively with two ways communication. We will also regularly communicate with the press, public, and our leaders and members through e-mails, SMS, WhatsApp and Google Groups, Facebook and Twitter.

The professional voice of IMA will be broadcasted as an interactive lecture by the National President addressed and connected with all the members of IMA on the **first day of every month** to bring close harmony between branch, State and HQs. It will be named as **IMA Prime Talk – IMA Pradhan Vachan**. The dedicated media room in the HQ will be upgraded to international standard and will serve as a sheet anchor of knowledge propagation.

Telemedicine has been adopted by many of our colleagues in cities and tier two cities. There are mushrooming of telemedicine platforms with questionable integrity on autonomy and beneficiary. IMA HQ envisioned to work with Government of India and launch a unique platform for all our members' adoption and usage.

#### MEMBERSHIP GROWTH:

To be the voice of the medical profession, to be a part of all government programmes and to build credibility akin to the United Nations and the World Health Organization, we need to increase the membership of our organization. Number is the key word in politics. Regulation 1.2.2 of the MCI Code of Ethics also mandates that for the advancement of one's profession, a physician should affiliate himself/herself with associations and societies and be actively involved in the functioning of such bodies.

**Free e-membership to all medical students** and **five -year interest-free instalments** for all doctors up to **five** years after their MBBS will be implemented intensively and effectively. Every year nearly 80000 fresh graduates are coming and we will make it possible to catch them young.

#### ACADEMIC WINGS:

The strengths of IMA include its **Academic Wing** (IMA AMS), **Research Wing** (IMA AKN Sinha Institute) and **GP Wing** (IMA College of General Practitioners). IMA has 10,000 IMA member-owned medical establishments in the **Hospital Board of India Wing.** We will ensure the Coordination with each other and make their works complement to each other. A national coordination platform will be structured for total revamp of academic programme. IMA firmly believe knowledge is power and knowledge empowerment to doctors are our social responsibility.

#### IMA ACCREDITATION COUNCIL:

We propose to make all our structured continuing medical and continuing professional developmental courses /meetings ends with tangential outcome to the physician and palpable benefit to the society. By empowering a doctor with Knowledge will not only enhance his clinical skills and performance which will also percolate as a quality health care, patient safety and benefit to the community and the society in which the doctor is serving. Accreditation of courses and knowledge enhancement are essential. As per the MCI Code of ethics it is mandatory for modern Medicine physicians to upscale their knowledge and skills and it shall be accredited with 30 credit hours in 5 years. Knowledge empowerment includes cognitive domain, psychomotor domain and affective domain. IMA with its widespread networks and designated academic wings with much reputed professors will take up the responsibility to provide at least 1/3 of this credit scores to all its members by conducting structured continuing medical education and continuing professional development courses as per National and International Guidelines. We will approach all state councils to recognize IMA as the knowledge partner to carry on these coveted missions. The Maharashtra Medical Council has already done it. National IMA should be recognized

as an autonomic professional academic body for this purpose. IMA, during the year, will bang more on the IMA Accreditation Council.

I am pleased to inform, the veteran scholar Dr. Vedprakash Mishra will lead and inspire this council more effectively this year.

#### IMA PARAMEDICAL COUNCIL:

IMA HQ is conducting various structured paramedical education courses across the country with limited success. The demand for trained paramedical staff in our small and medium level hospitals are mounting. It is our responsibility to cater and raise up to the needs of the hospital. Our Paramedical courses needs total revamp and we will take up as the priority agenda. An IMA Paramedical Council will be launched with a dedicated team of office bearers as per the norms of an educational institution and will function from the HQ with autonomy and innovation. The affiliation with Universities will be our priority. I appeal to all our leaders to interact with Universities heads known to them to help us on this. We will work with National open school also.

#### VIRTUAL UNIVERSITY:

Virtual learning has become a reality and viable one. The horizon of the class rooms have widened as it cross the geographical barriers. Telemedicine has been provisionally accepted for health care delivery. We will strive hard to initiate and start a virtual university of IMA through the academic council of IMA.

#### MEDICAL STUDENTS ADOPTION

God has blessed our IMA and its members. Today with the changing scenario of NEET and especially in Tamilnadu the dedicated 7.5% reservation for rural students from Government Schools it is appropriate for us to extend helping hand to adopt one Medical student from each Medical College and support them physically and mentally. If each of our branch can do it literally every year, we can help minimum 2000 students amounting nearly 10 crore rupees. This investment on manpower will be a great asset to Indian Medical Association.

#### SUPPORT A GIRL CHILD:

IMA will also promote the concept of **Support a Girl Child** and **Support a Health Check**. Instead of offering food on birthdays or death anniversaries, people can be motivated to offer **'Health Checks'** to needy people.

### EARLY NEONATAL DEAFNESS SCREENING

IMA Safe Sound Initiative is a novel project which is training and creating awareness on the reduction of noise pollution. Our TN State Government is supporting Cochlear implant surgery to the tune of 7.5 lakhs per patient. We understand there is in average 1 lakh child is born with congenital deafness and if we can identify it earlier it will be of great therapeutic benefit. I must admit many of our General Practitioners or Pediatricians are not trained on this. To make this a project of making Sound India, IMA HQ will initiate this innovative screening project and I am pleased to inform Dr. C.N. Raja the renowned ENT Surgeon will lead and inspire this project.

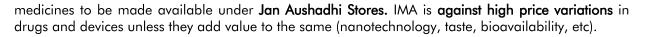
All CMEs locations and venues will be **noise-friendly** with **acceptable PM 2.5 and PM 10 levels. IMA** safe sound initiative will be continue to take care for this vital preventable hazard.

IMA National Initiative for Safe Sound will have a pan-India campaign on "Say No to Honking".

### JAN AUSHADHI

IMA is for **quality and cheap drugs**. IMA was the first to open a **Jan Aushadhi Kendra** at its headquarters in Delhi and would like all states to do the same. IMA wants all **stents and devices** in the essential list of

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#### PROTECTION TO SMALL & MEDIUM NURSING HOMES

Thanks to the sustained efforts of IMA, the MSME has included our small and medium sized hospitals under its coverage on the hospitality sector. MSME offers greater financial, moral and legal empowerment. It has lot of resources which we have just entered and not reaped the benefit. This year IMA will be carry on systematic scaled up activities to reap out the maximum patronage.

We also want **single-window registration** of our establishments. Today, doctors are required to obtain more than 50 clearances to open any medical establishment. Also, how can we justify getting **multiple registrations** to get the license to practice? When one driving license is applicable pan India, then why multiple registrations for doctors?

#### **CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT:**

Banging on the intent of the government expressed by the then consumer affairs minister in the parliament and on the content on the newly enacted consumer protection 2019 bill, we are exempted from the draconian CPA act. However, the legal luminaries are trying their best to detract us and claim contrary to it. When we are exempted, as 12% of consumer protections cases are based on medico legal issues, they will lose their income. Hence, we are constantly watching on this issue and if needed definitely will seek the opinion of supreme court on this contentious issue.

#### IMA UNESCO BIOETHICS:

IMA is committed to promote the concept of Bioethics. The principles of autonomy, beneficence, maleficence and justice shall be the corner stone all our vision and deeds. We will be strengthening the State UNESCO Chairs. The good works of Dr. Russel Desouza and leaders like Dr. Ravi Wankhedkar, Dr. A. Marthanda Pillai and Dr. Vedprakash Mishra will be effectively put in to practice. IMA will work on structured bioethics training and sensitization. IMA will work with all health Universities in this greater mission of inculcating the Bioethics principles in to the minds of medicos and medical faculties.

We are professionals and do not run commercial activities. MCI Ethics Regulations do not allow us to hire agents or touts (7.19) and indulge in fee splitting or giving or receiving cuts and commissions (6.5). **IMA is against any unethical act and strongly opposes any cuts and commissions.** 

#### SDG GOALS AND TARGETS.

IMA is committed to the following SDG Goals and Targets.

- 1. By 2030, reduce the global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100,000 live births (3.1).
- 2. By 2030, end preventable deaths of new born and children under 5 years of age (3.2).
- 3. By 2030, end the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and neglected tropical diseases and combat hepatitis, water-borne diseases and other communicable diseases (3.3).
- 4. By 2030, reduce by one third, premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being (3.4).
- 5. Strengthen the prevention and treatment of substance abuse (3.5).
- 6. By 2020, halve the number of global deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents (3.6).
- 7. By 2030, ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services, including for family planning, information and education, and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes (3.7).
- 8. Achieve universal health coverage, including risk protection, access to quality essential healthcare services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all (3.8).
- 9. By 2030, substantially reduce the number of deaths and illnesses from hazardous chemicals and air, water and soil pollution and contamination (3.9).

10. StrengthentheimplementationoftheWorldHealthOrganizationFrameworkConventiononTobacc o Control in all countries, as appropriate (3.a).

#### SEX-SELECTIVE ABORTIONS

IMA will have a 'zero tolerance' policy against the health care providers committing sexual violence, sex-selective abortions and other unethical practices. They need to be dealt with, by law, in an exemplary and deterrent manner, so that the desired signals stand strongly conveyed to all concerned. One cannot turn a blind eye to the sex-selective abortions and falling sex ratio, issues of vital concern in India. IMA, by an appropriate resolution, will terminate the primary membership of any member indulging in such sex-selective abortions.

Under the **Welcome the Girl Child** project, IMA members will support the girlchild. No girl should die of any disease just because her family cannot afford treatment.

#### IMA PHARMACO VIGILANCE NODAL CENTRE

**IMA PvPi Nodal Centre** will run the helpline 9717776514 and will ask all members to report adverse reactions to drugs, devices, herbs, blood and vaccines. IMA will also pursue inclusion of Pharmacovigilance training in the internship curriculum and 2 to 4 days training in the Department of Pharmacology during the internship posting in Community Medicine. The National standing committee will be constituted with experts to expedite the proactive role IMA in this much needed Pharmaco Vigilance.

I am happy to announce the GSK pharma will coordinate with us in promoting awareness and prevention of raising concerns of Antimicrobial resistance.

# 3 C's:- 1- CONSOLIDATE - OUR FRATERNITY ... CONNECT-WITH SOCIETY ...

#### CHANGE-WITH CONTINUITY...

Dr. Ravi Wankhedkar started this slogan and IMA will continue to work on this vision. All activities of IMA shall be directed to protect and benefit our members as well as the society so as to regain the trust, prestige and glory of our profession.

- We as doctors are the sole torch bearers to maintain the health of the nation which can only be achieved through a healthy profession.
- To keep the nation healthy, our health care system should be healthy and for that our profession should be healthy. Health of the society and health of the profession are the two sides of the same coin. New regulations causing threat to profession ultimately land society in dangerous health. Problems of our fraternity are indeed problems related to health of the society; hence we need to actively sensitize and engage the general public in solving these common problems.

To enhance and promote the health of the health care system we will work on making our proactive suggestions could make its impacts on the corridors of power.

#### RIGHT TO HEALTH:

- To improve healthcare for the society IMA demands that "Right to Health" should be incorporated as constitutional right. The government should be brave to declare health as the right of citizens.
- In our country, health has never been the election agenda. That indicates the political apathy towards public health care.
- Increase Health Spending It is impossible to achieve even basic health goals with meagre 1.2 % GDP being spent on health. It should be at least 8 to 9 % and government should ensure that a minimum of 55% of healthcare budget is spent on primary care, 35 % on secondary and 10 % on tertiary care.
- Aided Hospitals Government must promote aided hospitals on the lines of government schools or industries. Those doctors who want to open establishment in unserved rural areas should be given concessional lands, tax benefits and other amenities.

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• **Private Public Partnership** - The services of family physicians, single doctor clinics and small nursing homes should be optimally used by the Government on a retainer-ship basis in places where public services are unavailable.

#### VIOLENCE AGAINST DOCTORS AND CENTRAL HOSPITAL PROTECTION LAW:

We are certainly in the dark ages. The barbaric attacks on doctors need to be condemned by all right thinking people. Professionalism, quality up gradation, clinical skills, bed side manners and documentation could be the answer benefitting the dignity of the profession. Every doctor should rise to the occasion. A central Hospital Protection Act could be a deterrent. Safety and ambience in hospitals are of paramount importance. Improved doctor-patient relationship will be the key to solve this issue. In continuation of the Hospital protection law ordinance issued on the pretext of pandemic, we will demand and lobby with the ministry to bring forth an exclusive hospital protection law.

#### IMA REFORMS INITIATIVES:

I will work on with open mind and with an inclusive agenda. Transparency will be our hall mark.

- IMA working needs qualitative and quantitative change to fulfil the aspirations of fraternity on one side while satisfying the needs of society.
- IMA needs to be more democratic, transparent, organized in its overall functioning and agile in its approach. Technology and Digitization will help a lot in achieving this goal.
- IMA needs to shift from Generalists to Specialists in its functioning. Long term cadre of issue based specialists needs to be created. Working groups with a sufficiently long tenure is need of hour.
- Considering the change in demographics of fraternity where more young and women doctors are in field, IMA needs to empower them to make a better representative nature of IMA.
- Accordingly, focus of this year will be on young doctors, women doctors, medical students and service doctors. The brunt of the attack on the profession is being borne by the young doctors. They are our sentinels manning the emergencies and causalities. They form the backbone of our hospitals. They are the most vulnerable group today. They are angry and frustrated. Their needs and aspirations have to be addressed on priority. Inhuman working hours, vagaries of career prospects, economic instability and the stress of beginning a family life put them into immeasurable physical and mental stress. As the children of modern medicine, they deserve the best care and attention we could provide.
- Gender neutrality is the strength of our profession. There is no other profession where women are more comfortable and enjoy equal space and prospects. This is the sterling quality of the medical profession. There is strong need to bring women doctors to the forefront of leadership and decision making. They are excellent communicators and are capable of changing the face of the profession.
- Medical students remain our hope and destiny. They are our ultimate weapon in getting a new deal for the profession. Student force is capable of reshaping the world. Revolutions have always been sparked off from universities. The modest beginning of IMA Medical Students Network will be nurtured to become a force to reckon with. The last mile connectivity will be provided to students in all medical colleges through our local branches.
- Service doctors are the foundation of all public health services. The issues of service doctors are multiple and complex. Accordingly, it requires a powerful and sophisticated response. An All India Cadre of Indian Medical Services has been our main demand and it is destined to be a reality. One Rank One Pay Across India and better promotional prospects will be IMA's priority.

#### BRANDING AND MARKETING OF FRATERNITY:

• Day in and day out, we the doctors nationwide, do charity work and exemplary service. IMA needs to be a catalyst in marketing those good things in order to improve the image of the fraternity. We need to take professional help of public relation agencies for this purpose. IMA will also identify personalities within fraternity and brand them as fraternity ambassadors.

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- All the social activities of IMA should be given effective and wide publicity so that IMA image will be elevated in the eye of the public
- Media and public relationship needs to be improved so a streamlined viewpoint of IMA is presented throughout the country.
- Medico Legal Cell Many of our issues need to be addressed legally. Hence a strong nationwide network of medico legal cells will be created at all levels.
- **Political liaisoning** Politics, good or bad is a reality. We need to have better political liaisoning at all levels.
- **IMA Houses** IMA is just not an organisation, it is our family and family requires own house. Hence it is a request to all branches that they have their own IMA House.

<u>Innovations & Research</u> - The culture of innovations and research needs active promotion and help. A dedicated team will be made available to help our members in this regard.

#### INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE:

Medical profession is highly complex field with both science and art component and for the Long-term betterment it shall be planned and executed by a highly knowledgeable and skilled medical professionals only. Hence a dedicated cadre of Indian Medical service shall be constituted in our country. The scope of the Indian Medical Services which would be a cadre under the umbrella rubric of Union Public Services in terms of their origin from All India Services Act, 1951 needs to be viewed in the context of material realities catalogued herein below:

- Public health management means not only addressing Preventive and Promotive measures of health, but also organising of Primary, Secondary and Tertiary healthcare services as an integral part of crystallized healthcare delivery system. This, in turn, needs expertise in all key health systems components including human resources for health, community participation, health informatics, management approaches, suited technology for the health governance and management, financing of healthcare in the domain of health economics, demographics and above all it also needs a sound ingraining in epidemiology, as well as surveillance.
- 2. There is a myth that doctors as professionals are poor managers. However, the runaway success of doctors as leaders in private healthcare industry belies such a generalized and simplistic conclusion.
- 3. Doctors in Health Services are recruited and trained to play entirely different roles than what is required for health administrators and policy makers.
- 4. As of now it is vividly seen that there is a palpable technical gap between planning, and execution in as much as that the personnel in the administrative cadre may be a good administrator but necessarily may not understand the intricacies of the healthcare sector. Similarly, a doctor may be excellent in his clinical practice, but may not be as good as an administrator. This gap is bridgeable in terms of creation of a specialized breed of administrators that would cater to better management and administration of healthcare systems including the Public Health in the country as a whole.
- 5. The core scope of the Indian Medical Services therefore, would invariably be to create a specialized breed of administrators who would undertake better management of healthcare system including public health with ease, elegance and desired innovation in larger public interest as a part of cadre under All India Civil Services christened as 'Indian Medical Services'.

### REINCARNATION OF FAMILY MEDICINE CULTURE:

India is traditionally known for having a cost effective continuous comprehensive medical care delivery from womb to tomb by a traditional community oriented modern medicine family physician. Now slowly this is becoming an extinguished species and more and more organ cantered super specialist are coming. India needs the culture and concept of family medicine need to be incarnated. IMA will work hard to have a due place for family medicine in our health care system. Though MCI had notified Family Medicine as a speciality of its own, as the department of family medicine is not there in undergraduate medical colleges, the takers for this speciality are less. The primary health centres shall be mandatorily manned by family physicians, which enhance the passion for this course.

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Though we fully welcome and cooperate with the government on this greater public oriented project, IMA is much disappointed to note our repeated requests to enhance the provider fee to survival level is not taken seriously by the government. It is literally strangulating the medium sized hospitals. The scientific study on costing reveals that greater subsidy is offered by doctors by doing almost do multitasking and long hours of restless service. To make win solutions for the service provider and receiver, the government should come forward to do costing study before fixing the fees and also annual cushion for increasing the price due to the rising cost of man power and equipment's shall be also included. We are trying to unite all service providers organizations and the FICCI and CII to vociferously rise this issue

### **STANDING COMMITTEES:**

IMA has a structured dynamic Organizational setup. The specialized cadre leaders who are well versed in certain aspect of our professional issues will be grouped as a special standing committee to have continued attention. The renewed standing committees will be constituted right from day one and minimum every month they will meet through Zoom and submit the report. Members if anyone has special interest in any issue, project or innovative, please submit them we will help and sustain you.

#### **RECOGNITION OF IMA**

Dr. B.C. Roy award is constituted by MCI and after NMC no news on the Dr. B.C. Roy coveted award.

IMA is the consumer organization of product to any Medical University. It is mandatory to have discussed with consumer form of producers for effective product output. We will unite all Medical Universities to include two representatives of IMA as the member of senate of the Universities.

The nominated Member of parliament is normally given to film actors and sports man. The Government should come forward to come and recognize the legendary service of Doctors and give a nominated position for these legends in medical profession representing the largest professional organization IMA.

### DOCTORS DAY

Doctors day is a blessed privileged day in the life of Modern medicine doctor and reminds and revokes us to have altruistic dedication and wholistic consecration on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Teachers day will not be celebrated by teachers but the beneficiary students. Unfortunately, we are celebrating our day as mostly none has come forward to do it. I am happy to inform in our state Tamilnadu, the government is awarding doctors day award, but many times it is not happening on the, the day July first. IMA will strive hard and do lobbying to make Doctors day is celebrated as an official government function and the head of the states come forward to distribute these awards and honour the deserving the doctors in the state and National level.

This year National Doctors day will be celebrated in honour of all our departed COVID Martyrs, and will promote Organ donation pledge and blood donation day on July 1<sup>st</sup> by IMA and launch this event from the rock Vivekananda at Kanyakumari with a clarain call to our medical fraternity to "Arise, awake, and stop not till the goal is reached", the goal being Purity of profession with parity of health care.

Dear elders and colleagues, I once again profusely thank you for your love and affection and beseech all your full cooperation and support. Let us work in unison to protect the purity of our profession and ensure accessible and affordable parity of health care service to all.

# Message from Dr Jayesh M. Lele, Honorary Secretary General, IMA



Greetings from Indian Medical Association Hqs!

Indian healthcare has developed enormously over last century. Today Indian doctors and Indian healthcare has earned its position across the globe. Almost all countries in the world have Indian doctors delivering the best of their expertise. Medicine, surgery and all faculties in healthcare have the best Indian doctors as world authorities.

While the entire developed world is getting benefited from Modern Medicine Indian doctors, there is a complete paradoxical situation being created in our country. The recent CCIM Notification allowing Aayush people to practice surgery is completely unscientific, unsafe, impractical and is going to push Indian healthcare retrograde.

IMA opposes and condemns the predatory poaching on Modern Medicine and its surgical disciplines by CCIM. It was decided by IMA to resist and fight back this criminal plagiarism. IMA sees this as another step to legitimize Mixopathy. This illegal notification by CCIM is the culmination of the Khichadification of medical education and practice initiated by National Education Policy and NITI AAYOG. IMA has launched the freedom struggle of modern medicine from the forces of Mixopathy.

IMA has urged the Government to immediately withdraw the controversial notification which is unscientific, unsafe & unethical. This is clear back door entry to the unscientific & untrained people into surgical faculty & is the biggest threat to the quality & safety of healthcare of the country.

IMA HQs is herewith giving immediate directives to all members across the country to start 'SAVE HEALTHCARE INDIA MOVEMENT'. Under this National movement, IMA has decided to launch a massive awareness drive across the country as this is the clear threat to safety of healthcare of people. 'SAVE HEALTHCARE INDIA MOVEMENT' shall be conducted in unison with due protocols to be followed.

In this regard, IMA members & modern medicine doctors across the country will start Relay Hunger Strike. Doctors will stay on hunger strike in turns 24x7 from February 1, 2021 for 14 days. It is an urgent appeal to all State branches, Local branches as well as all members of the Association to undertake this National movement meticulously.

Instructions for Relay Hunger Strike have been sent to all of you. You are requested to take permissions from the concerned authorities following all protocols of the pandemic. All states are requested to send the list of the participants who are coming to Delhi for hunger strike and also provide us the lists of the Centres of your State where the hunger strike will be conducted. 24x7 presence: Relay hunger strike centers should be manned 24x7 and minimum persons as representation at night hours is preferred. Prepare the Back drop, Posters, Banners. While preparing the posters and banners, please do not hurt other pathy at any cost. We are not against any pathy. We are against mixing of pathies, Awareness posters, pamphlets, local language posters, Release the awareness posters & banners all across and People of the country should understand the battle is being fought by us for their safety. Conduct Press Conferences and meet your Local Political Leaders, social workers, NGOs should be invited at the centers. Regular letters with photographs to be given to local civic authorities. The same should also be sent to PMO & Health Ministry. Engage JDN and MSN, FOMA doctors everywhere possible. Regular images with short report to HQs is welcome & shall help us build the momentum.

We are sure that Unity always Wins!!

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Greetings from Indian Medical Association!

I on behalf of Indian Medical Association seek your good office to ensure purity of modern medicine and halt the attempt of AYUSH to encroach upon the highly team oriented surgical care. IMA with full heart support the propagation of our ancient systems of Medicine and make it available to every citizen of this country. We also acknowledge the need and benefit of other system of medicine in certain chronic disorders and life style diseases. We endorse the view of integrative medicine in which doctors of multiple systems in synergy work on the same patient.

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Dr. Jayesh M Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA

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COVID VACCINE : PRESS RELEASE : 08.01.2021

COVID-19 has shown the hardest times for all of us in last 10 months. Indian Medical Association, with you all as association leaders & entire membership, has worked professionally during the pandemic. Professional might of the Indian Medical Association has been proved beyond doubt during the pandemic.

As you all are aware of the Covid Vaccine being made available in the immediate future, it becomes our natural responsibility to assist the vaccination drive in professional way. With the vaccination against SARS COV2 at our doorsteps, it is worth remembering that indigenous vaccines, have been developed after the tireless efforts of the Indian Scientists in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) & National Institute of Virology (NIV). India is heading towards becoming the Super Power with Research and Development in the field of modern medicine. Indian Medical Association, the largest body of modern medicine doctors in the world, rightfully stands firm as the natural & professional stakeholder in this achievement.

Two Indian vaccines against SARS COV19, Covaxin, developed by Bharat Biotech, and Covishield, by Serum Institute of India are making us feel proud. Bharat Biotech has developed a whole viron inactivated vaccine (COVAXIN) & Serum Institute of India, Pune coming out with Recombinant Chimpanzee Adenovirus vector vaccine (COVISHIELD) are our Indian Vaccines. Good protective levels of antibodies have been found to develop with Indian Vaccines. With great efficacy levels & affordability, these Indian Vaccines shall perform great for the people of our country.

We, at Indian Medical Association, appreciate the contributions of all Indian Scientists and Researchers who have relentlessly spent their time in making this dream a success and contributing to develop Self-sufficient India.

It is an immediate appeal to all members of this mighty association to actively participate in the Covid Vaccination drive across the country. Indian Medical Association, as the sole representative of the modern medicine in India & the largest association in the world, shall rightfully assist the government vaccination drive in every possible way professionally. IMA Headquarters shall send timely details of the drive. Public awareness & countering the myths on social media must be on priority.

Indian Medical Association stands with Safety, Quality & Professionalism during these difficult times.

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# MIXOPATHY : PRESS RELEASE : 08.01.2021

Indian healthcare has developed enormously over last century. Primary healthcare is progressed & percolated with secondary & tertiary healthcare raising the bar of Indian healthcare to great heights. Today Indian doctors & Indian healthcare has earned its position across the globe. Almost all countries in the world have Indian doctors delivering the best of their expertise. Medicine, surgery & all faculties in the healthcare have the best Indian doctors as world authorities.

While the entire developed world is getting benefitted from modern medicine Indian doctors, there is a complete paradoxical situation being created in our country. CCIM notification allowing ayush people to practice surgery is completely unscientific, unsafe & impractical. Out of the blue notification is a blow to world renown modern medicine of our country. While the world is progressing, this notification is going to push Indian healthcare retrograde.

Modern medicine is an evidence-based medicine & has its own backbone of research modules, studied approach & ethically controlled treatment modalities. The modern medicine has its own pharmacopeia developed & strengthened over by various clinical trials.

Modern medicine is taught in various medical colleges with thorough 4.5 years course of M.B.B.S. The specialization in surgical specialties need further 3 years of strict learning & practice. The vigorous modern medicine education system gives out a trained surgeon at the end of nearly 10 years. The basic need for medical practice is the quality & safety of the patient. Surgery without proper vigorous training will have disastrous results.

Will anyone of us like to undergo surgery by an untrained surgeon? The answer obviously will be 'NO". Then how can we accept such a baseless notification. This will put the entire system of healthcare in danger.

Surgery is a very specialized branch. Surgeon has to know all parts & related anatomy to the perfection to avoid any complication. Presurgical fitness is given by modern medicine doctors. Anesthesia, an integral part & need of any surgery is given by modern medicine. Postsurgical treatment is equally important & needs perfect knowledge & experience to understand the patients' condition. Best & most important part is to understand clinical judgement when to do surgery & when to avoid it. This judgement is the yield of vigorous modern medicine education & is incomparable, unparalleled. It is next to impossible for untrained people to have right clinical judgement, accuracy in surgery & correct understanding of postsurgical period. In short, surgery is not a cup of tea for anybody other than surgeons of modern medicine.

Modern medicine has various faculties which develop after thorough training. All these faculties work as team during surgery to safeguard life of the patient. How can Ayurveda be allowed to do surgery when they do not have all required faculties developed including pharmacopeia, anesthesia & post-operative medical care?

The recent policy tilt as evidenced in the medical pluralism advocated by the National Education Policy 2020 and the four committees of NITI AAYOG for officially integrating the systems of medicine in medical education, practice, public health and administration as well as research ostensibly for a 'one Nation One System' policy will ring the death knell of modern medicine system as a whole.

The notification of the amendment to the CCIM Act on Post graduate Ayurveda surgery and the entitlement to study and practice independently have to be seen as another step in advancing and legitimizing mixopathy. In fact, the purity and identity of Ayurveda stands equally challenged. That the council prescribed modern medicine text books and Ayurveda institutions practiced surgery with the assistance of modern medical doctors cannot be reason enough to legitimize encroachment into the jurisdiction and competencies of modern medicine.

IMA opposes and condemns the predatory poaching on Modern Medicine and its surgical disciplines by CCIM. IMA will resist and fight back this criminal plagiarism. IMA sees this as another step to legitimize mixopathy. This illegal notification by CCIM is the culmination of the Khichadification of medical education and practice initiated by National Education Policy and NITI AAYOG. IMA has launched the freedom struggle of modern medicine from the forces of mixopathy.

IMA demands withdrawal of the CCIM order and dissolution of the NITI AAYOG committees for integration. IMA appeals to the Government to consider the sensitivity of the medical fraternity and take appropriate steps. IMA will be constrained to intensify the agitation until the steps towards implementing mixopathy are abandoned.

Dr. J A Jayalal

Dr. J A<sup>r</sup>Jayalal National President, IMA

J. M. Lele Dr. Jayesh M Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA An Official Publication of Indian Medical Association (HQ)

#### PRESS RELEASE

### IMA to partner with the Government in COVID Vaccination Programme.

Date: 11.01.2021

The Indian Medical Association, the largest representative body of Modern Medicine Doctors after extensive review of scientific data, indexed articles, expert panel reports and in discussion with IMA, ICMR and WHO experts, decided to actively take part in the mission of COVID Vaccination programme rolled out by Govt. of India.

Indian Medical Association has requested all its 3.5 lakhs members in 1800 Local branches to voluntarily come out to get vaccinated first to show to the world that these vaccines are safe and efficacious.

IMA recognizes the great services of the healthcare team including nurses, para-medical personnel, ASHA and Anganwadi workers, hospital support colleagues, ambulance team and all other healthcare workers who have contributed in this Corona control programme. It is the time to honor them with protective Covid vaccination. As a Captain of healthcare team, we request all our branches of IMA and all members to ensure that all our health care team is getting the priority vaccination.

Indian Medical Association appreciates and congratulates the hard works of Indian Scientists, Modern Medicine Doctors and the Govt. of India for bringing out two Indian Vaccines against SARS Covid-19. Bharat Biotech has developed a whole viron inactivated vaccine (COVAXIN) and Serum Institute of India, Pune a Recombinant Chimpanzee Adenovirus Vector Vaccine (COVISHIELD) are our Indian Vaccines. Good protective levels of antibodies have been found to develop with our Indian Vaccines against current strain and new mutated strains. These vaccines are practically easy to store and used in Indian Condition.

India is heading towards becoming super power with Research and Development in the field of modern medicine. IMA rightfully stands firm as the natural and professional stakeholder in this achievement not only in the development of the vaccine but also in delivering the vaccine. All infrastructure facilities of IMA branches across the country will be available voluntarily for this vaccination programme and all our members of Indian Medical Association will voluntarily serve with technical and supportive manpower.

IMA believes getting vaccination is not only to protect individual but also to brings herd immunity to the community thereby raising the hope to control the corona pandemic. All IMA State and Local Branches are requested to pro- actively meet the District Officials and concerned authorities of their respective states /branches and extend all possible help in the process of planning and implementation of Covid Vaccination Programme. We stand with the scientists to endorse the safety and efficacy of both these vaccines, so public awareness and countering with myths on vaccine percolating in social media shall be our priority. Our Modern Medicine Doctors

will vouch for the safety, quality and professionalism in this difficult time and support the emergency approval for

the usage of Vaccines.

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However, we appeal to the public even after vaccination, to adhere to the COVID appropriate behavior like masks, physical distancing, hand hygiene and respiratory hygiene.

Indian Medical Association HQs has also constituted a Pharmacovigilance Centre in IMA HQs Building, New Delhi for monitoring post vaccination reactions and render appropriate support.

We are looking forward to have a smooth, hassle-free, effective vaccination delivery system in our motherland.

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# REQUEST TO CONDUCT STRAY VACANCY/MOP UP ROUND FOR 700 + VACANT SEATS IN SUPER SPECIALTY

IMA/HSG/22/400

Dated: 13.1.2021

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Dr. Suresh Chandra Sharma Chairman National Medical Commission New Delhi

Dear Sir,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association Hqs!

IMA on the behalf of all candidates of NEET Super Specialty request you to kindly conduct stray vacancy/Mop up round for more than 700 vacant super specialty seats for admission in DM, MCh and DNB (SS) courses, which are still lying vacant in various medical colleges and Hospitals of the country. It is important to draw your kind attention that hundreds of willing candidates are still waiting for the stray vacancy/Mop Up round as these precious seats are still vacant.

It is pertinent to mention here that, in past years also, due to vacant seats your authority conducted the stray vacancy/ Mop up round and several candidates got the opportunity for admission and this year when the country is on a grave medical emergency due to pandemic our country cannot afford any vacancy in medical field.

So, we request you to kindly consider for the revision of cut off for NEET SS and conduct another round of counseling (stray or mop up) for remaining vacant seats.

Your consideration not only helpful for the willing candidates but it will also result in form of great help in increasing medical work force. IMA humbly request you to kindly consider and announce the dates for counseling as earliest as possible.

Hoping for your positive response.

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Dr. J A Jayalal National President, IMA





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RAJESH BHUSHAN, IAS SECRETARY

Dear Dr. Jayalal,

भारत सरकार स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण विभाग स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय Government of India Department of Health and Family Welfare Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

D.O. No.2022335/2021/Immunization 14<sup>th</sup> January 2021

As you are aware, in the context of nationwide COVID 19 vaccine rollout, unprecedented immunization drive for the country is slated to start from 16<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Based on a prioritised list of persons most at risk, India is geared to vaccinate 3 crore healthcare and frontline workers. The success of this program aimed at containing the COVID-19 pandemic would require close collaboration of all stakeholders.

2. I would like to express my deep appreciation to the Indian Medical Association (IMA) for proactively articulating its full support for the vaccination drive. The IMA has indeed led by example, by encouraging their 3.5 lakh members to be the front runners in the vaccination drive. We sincerely believe that the support of your organization would go a long way to amplify and spread the right information related to the vaccines, the vaccination process and to stop the spread of misinformation that may deter the process.

3. The National IMA and the State chapters having members from public and private sector can play an important and crucial role in clearing any doubts among their networks and also, especially in the community. The support could be by way of:

- i. Banner on Website Placing a highly visible feature / section on your homepage that hyperlinks to the Covid19 Vaccinationpage on MoHFW's webpage.
- Using your Social Media Channels Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn. MoHFWshareable Google drive link contains audio, visual, social media content for posting on your channels and retweeting/reposting requests of relevant materials.

Link: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Y6eQohnz8y1M9YDqghIDPnrZdQMByQJ?usp=sharing

The above link will be updated on an ongoing basis and it may be accessed regularly.

For any facilitation, Ministry's Communication Control Room representatives, Mr. Parvesh Sharma (9311405762) or Ms. Gauri Rishi (9811005199) may be contacted.

iii. Whatsapp Groups – Leverage your national and state level Whatapp groups to share positive and myth busting content, which again we would request the group members to further amplify.

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Room No. 156, A-Wing, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi-110 011 Tele : (O) 011-23061863, 23063221, Fax : 011-23061252, E-mail : secyhfw@nic.in iv. Support on-site mobilization activities, specially facilitate the elderly and indisposed at the vaccination session site by providing assistance wherever feasible.

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4. We look forward to your support in making the pan-national Covid-19 vaccination drive a success.

Harm Legards

Yours sincerely

(Rajesh Bhushan)

Dr J A Jayalal National President Indian Medical Association IMA House, Indraprastha Marg, New Delhi – 110002.

### **STATE PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES MEET**

#### **PRESS CONFERENCE**



#### IMA REQUEST FOR REPEAL OF CCIM NOTIFICATION ON MS GENERAL SURGERY AND NO TO MIXOPATHY REGARDING

IMA/NP/328/409

Dated:19.1.2021

To Dr. V. K. Paul Member, Niti Aayog New Delhi

vinodk.paul@gmail.com

Sub: IMA request for repeal of CCIM notification on MS General surgery and no to Mixopathy regarding

Respected Sir,

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# **STATES ALLOCATED TO NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENTS OF IMA 2020-2021**

Dear Sir,

National President, IMA, Dr. J.A. Jayalal is pleased to allocate the following areas to the National Vice Presidents of IMA for the current year as mentioned against the names of each:-

| S.No. | Name of National Vic<br>President | State Allotted   |  |
|-------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| 1     | Dr. Vijaykumar C Popat            | Gujarat, Maharashtra, Kerala, Go<br>Karnataka, Pondicherry, Tamilnadu  |  |
| 2     | Dr. Navjot Singh Dahiya           | Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Himach<br>Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Jammu<br>Kashmir, Chandigarh, Andhra Prades<br>Telangana |  |
| 3     | Dr. Ashok Rai                     | Uttar Pradesh, Bengal, Odish<br>Andaman & Nicobar, North East State  |  |
| 4     | Dr. Shyam Narain Harsh            | Rajasthan, Madhya Prades<br>Jharkhand, Bihar, Chhattisgarh   |  |

They are requested to be in regular touch with State Leaders of their allotted states in connection with various issues faced by them and should present their monthly reports of the activities conducted by them in their respective states.

Separate communication is being sent to the State Leadership of all States with a request to kindly keep you updated with the information about the various events being organized by them and request your representation in the absence of National President in such events.

We enclose herewith a complete list of all State Presidents and Hony. State Secretaries with a request to kindly get in touch with the State leaders of the areas allocated to you for better liaisoning with them.

You are requested to kindly ensure that all Headquarters' Policies/Schemes/ initiatives are duly implemented in all the State/Local Branches of IMA.

# Dr. Jayesh Lele

Honorary Secretary General, IMA



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#### FOMA MEETING

21.01.2021

Dear Doctor,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association !

Meeting of Federation of Medical Associations (FOMA), all associations across the country were held on a digital platform on Thursday, January 21, 2021. IMA National President Dr. J. A. Jayalal presided over the meeting. The following members were presented:

- 1. Dr. J A Jayalal, National President, IMA
- 2. Dr. Jayesh M Lele, Hony. Secretary General, IMA
- 3. Dr. Anil Goyal, Hony. Finance Secretary, IMA
- 4. Dr. Mangesh Pate, Secretary, IMA HBI
- 5. Dr. O P Sharma, General Secretary, Geriatric Society of India
- 6. Dr. D J Christopher, President, Indian Chest Society
- 7. Dr. Raman Goel, President, IAGES
- 8. Dr. Arnab Gupta, President, IASO
- 9. Dr. Mahipal S Sachdeva, President, AIOS
- 10. Dr. Vatsala Misra, President, IAPM
- 11. Dr. S Arulrhaj, President, API
- 12. Dr. Abhay Dalvi, President, ASI
- 13. Dr. Jaydeep Tank, Secretary General, FOGSI
- 14. Dr. P K Dalal, President, IPS
- 15. Dr. Naveen Malhotra, Honorary Secretary, ISA

Following resolutions were made in the meeting:

- 1) It was expressed that FOMA supports & respects all Pathies in the healthcare. FOMA strongly objects mixing of different Pathies. It was unanimously declared by all associations to fight the war against Mixopathy & Integration of medical education.
- 2) FOMA leaders decided to send formal letters to Honorable Prime Minister from their individual associations.
- 3) FOMA recognizes the issue of Mixopathy as serious threat to healthcare of people. It was decided to fight this issue as public centered issue & build public awareness for the same.
- 4) FOMA shall seek help of consumer forum on these issues.
- 5) FOMA shall pursue the legal court case in Hon. Supreme Court with IMA.
- 6) FOMA expressed an immediate need to register the federation as a society with its headquarters situated at IMA HQs. Delhi.
- 7) FOMA leaders expressed to form draft of registration.
- 8) FOMA decided to form state wings of FOMA.
- 9) FOMA leaders expressed complete support to the COVID Martyrs Fund.

The draft of a letter to be sent to the Honorable Prime Minister is attached herewith. Kindly send letters to PMO on your official letterheads & mark cc to IMA Headquarters on hsg@ima-india.org. We thank you for attending the meeting.

Dr. J A Jayalal National President, IMA LETTER TO PM AGAINST MIXOPATHY

21.01.2021

To, Shri. Narendra ji Modi Honorable Prime Minister of India.

Sub: Mixopathy and Integration of Medical Education – Indian Healthcare catastrophe

Respected Sir,

Greetings from -----

We congratulate you for excellent and visionary leadership during the pandemic. You have lead the country as a role model. We are proud of you as our Prime Minister.

Modern medicine is a backbone of healthcare. World of healthcare is spearheaded by evolving modern medicine. Indian doctors have proved their might all across the world and are contributing to the healthcare evolution in large extent. Recent COVID pandemic has proved the scientific and evidence- based modern medicine beyond doubt. COVID management protocols have been successful only with modern medicine. Preventive modern medicine has been successful in rolling out the COVID vaccine for the mankind.

Surgery is the faculty of invasive healthcare based on precision, accuracy and correct operative skills. The surgeons can not afford to have errors in their dictionary. The entire accuracy is an outcome of extensive medical education and surgical experience. The expertise and skills of surgeons are unique and unmatchable. People performing surgery without any adequate and ethical qualifications will be dangerous for patients in the country. Lack of clinical, anatomical knowledge, expertise with precise experience will create unqualified and unsafe cadre of surgeons in the country. Mixopathy will prove to have a catastrophic effect on the entire healthcare of citizens.

Modern medicine and other alternative streams are separate dispels of healthcare. These originally different streams have different educational systems and standards. Mixing of these different systems in education as well as in practice will be impractically wrong. NITI Aayog committees slating for integration of different streams of medical education is unfortunate. Alternative system of medicine like Ayurveda needs promotion. We respect Ayurveda and expect the steps for its independent progress. Ayurveda will be suppressed by its integration with totally unrelated different stream.

Thanking you. Warm Regards.

Sincerely,

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# LETTER TO PM AGAINST MIXOPATHY

21.01.2021

To,

Shri Rajesh Bhushan Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Government of India, New Delhi

Dr Vinod K Paul Member, Niti Aayog Government of India

Dear Sir,

Indian Medical Association, the largest Association in the world, is the sole representation of the modern medicine.

The pandemic has seen the might of IMA & modern medicine. While the world was under mass quarantine, IMA doctors were busy in delivering their duties, against all odds. Doctors delivered their professional expertise in fearless manner. Pandemic marked the importance of modern medicine & doctors beyond doubt. Finally, our Indian scientists have come out with the vaccine against covid-19. And this is the proud moment for all of us. IMA has expressed its solidarity with the Government during the covid vaccination drive.

Unfortunately, the social media & the country stands flooded with many myths & untrue stories about covid vaccine, its safety, efficacy etc. More than covid, these rumours are proving harmful. People are getting misled by these myths. Obviously, as the modern medicine professional body, it is the natural responsibility on our shoulders to fight with the menace of the misinformation against covid vaccine.

To come out from these myths, the following members of Indian Medical Association vaccinated themselves voluntarily to make our people aware of the importance of Covid Vaccine as well as importance of preventive medicine.

| Sr No. | Name & Designation of the IMA Member                                 | Mobile                 |
|--------|--|------------------------|
| 1      | Dr. Ketan Desai, Past National President, WMA                        |                        |
| 2      | Dr. J A Jayalal, National President, IMA                             | 9443160026             |
| 3      | Dr. S Arul Rhaj, Past National President, IMA                        | 9965980001             |
| 4      | Dr. Neralla Subrahmanyam, President, IMA Andhra Pradesh State Branch | 9848199818             |
| 5      | Dr. Natwar Sharda, Dean IMA CGP                                      | 9300131280             |
| 6      | Dr. Ajay Singh, Past National Vice President, IMA                    | 9835154816             |
| 7      | Dr. A K Israni, Joint Secretary, IMA                                 | 9810060108             |
| 8      | Dr. Divya Saxena, Chairperson, IMA Mission Pink Health               | 9812810011             |
| 9      | Dr. Pankaj R. Bandarkar, Secretary, IMA Maharashtra State            | 9820797320             |
| 10     | Dr. Satyajit Borah, President, IMA Assam State                       | 8638396997, 9435081219 |
| 11     | Dr. Parul Vadgama, Secretary, IMA JDN Wing                           | 9879533318             |
| 12     | Dr. S N Harsh, National Vice President, IMA                          | 9414140004             |
| 13     | Dr. Abul Hasan, Chairman, IMA JDN Wing                               | 9843025300, 944332050  |

In addition to the above list, IMA has organized camps for vaccination in various branches of IMA. IMA has also requested to all its States and Local branches to design the mechanisms to promote the vaccine.

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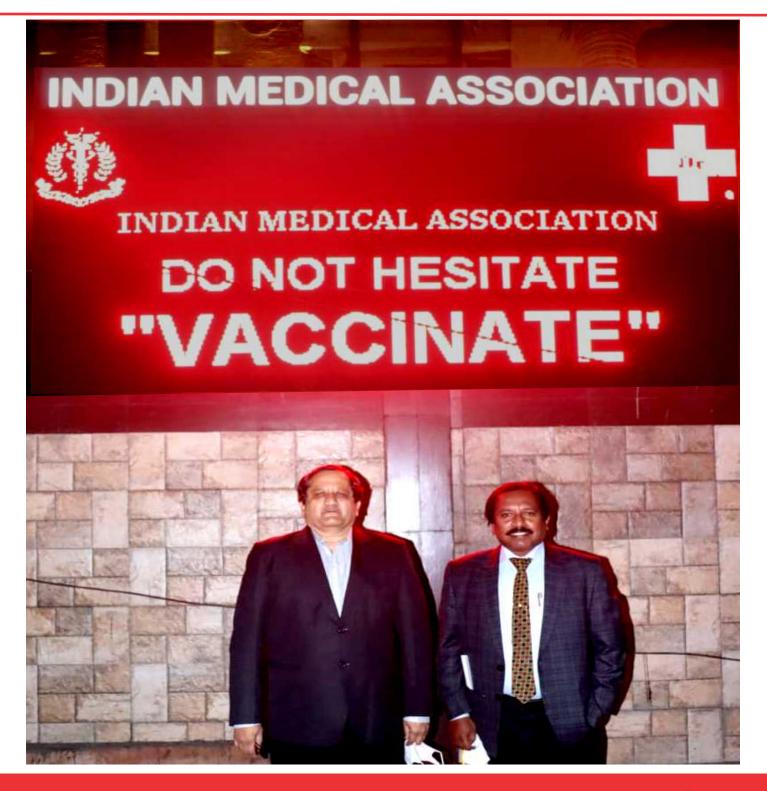
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