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**Dr. Sahajanand Pd. Singh**  
National President, IMA



Dear Friends,

Wishing you a very Happy and Prosperous New Year 2022!

It gives me immense pleasure to pen down the Presidential Address for the first issue of IMA NEWS for the year 2022.

On behalf of Indian Medical Association, I express my gratefulness and gratitude to all the Leaders, Office Bearers, Central Council Members and IMA State Presidents & State Secretaries for making IMA NATCON-2021 a great success.

I realize that the post of National President, IMA is studded with responsibilities. I am confident that with the blessings and support of our Chief Patron Dr Ketan Desai, senior leaders and cooperation of my team, we will be able to achieve the goal for the betterment of our medical fraternity. Soon after taking over as National President, IMA, I had detailed discussion and meeting with Hon'ble Union Health Minister Shri Mansukh Mandaviya on 30th December, 2021 and resolved, intricate, issues of starting the counselling of NEET PG Students. I am delighted to say that Government considered our views and put forth the affidavit in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India accordingly.

The main issues which are boggling the mind of our medical community are regarding the inclusion of Health care in Consumer Protection Act, formation of Central Act against violence on medical professionals and their medical establishments and amendments in PC-PNDT Act.

On the occasion of Padbhar Grahana Samaroh of our team held on 31st December, 2021 at IMA Hqs., we had the unique privilege of having Shri Ashwini Kumar Chaubey, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Consumer Affairs Forest and Environment, Govt. of India and during the Samaroh, officially as well as personally, Hon'ble Minister is conveyed to make necessary amendments in the CPA for which he had agreed to have a separate meeting with IMA to consider our views.

We will also be approaching our Hon'ble Prime Minister to solve the tangle of Mixopathy at the earliest and suggesting to form a Committee consisting of learned experts like, Dr. Vedprakash Mishra Dean, IMA Academic and Accreditation Board, Director AIIMS Delhi, Director PGI Chandigarh, Experts from Ayurveda and Homeopathy to recommend the way forward.

IMA participated in a Special Consultative Meeting with the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare on 11th January-2022 and a large number of IMA leaders participated in the meeting from different parts of the country and expressed their views in managing the present crisis of COVID.

Our nation is represented by a large number of rural populations. Unfortunately, health care services, either from the Government or from the Private sector are not able to reach out to the rural population and provide even basic primary services to the farmers and villagers who form the backbone of our economy. I appeal all my fellow members to reach out to the unreachable rural areas to provide basic medical services through Local Branches and also involve all local Government. Therefore, we have chosen the theme of this year "Priority in Rural Healthcare & Dignity of Profession - ग्रामीण स्वास्थ्य सेवा में प्राथमिकता एवं पेशे की गरिमा". This will be possible only through humane services from the local branches and active IMA members. At the end of the year, I will be able to proudly announce some achievements and progress in this regard.

Any organization runs only on the strength and vision of its leaders. Active participation in driving the Organization to newer height is the responsibility of each and every member of the Organization. I shall leave no stone unturned to bring each and every member from the remotest part of the country to get actively involved at Branch Level, State Level and at National Level activities to make IMA Flag high in the comity of the nation.

Long Live IMA!!





Dear members

Greetings from INDIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HQ!

Wishing you all very Happy Healthy New Year 2022.

At the outset let me thank you all for the cooperation extended to IMA HQ in all respects. The year (2020-21) led by Prof Dr J A Jayalal was very successful and proactive. He guided and led IMA from front and The NATCON 2021 was held at Patna, hosted by IMA BIHAR was a great show. The grand installation ceremony was witnessed by the leaders from Bihar as well as all the seniors from IMA and many junior doctors and students. Prof Dr Sahjanand Prasad Singh has taken over as National President 2021-22. The grand show was mesmerizing.

We have added nearly 15000+ members during the 25% discount given to new life members from Oct 2021 till 15th Dec 2021. We are still working and organizing the membership details and updating the strength of the branches as well as states.

Our various CME activities are being continued and working on with some leading pharma companies to organize on variety of subjects. Presently we shall continue with the web platform and are developing or strength for the CME activities.

December 2021 and January 2022, saw a step rise in the COVID 2019 cases, and looking like still the daily patients are increasing. But fortunately all the cases look like of the variant, and the disease is looks mild and not causing serious issue so far. INDIA has also started the 3rd / Booster or called as precautionary dose for the vaccine. It is very good move and surely we shall protect the frontline workers.

IMA priorities are surely being looked after by the leaders and we shall collectively rise for the difficult occasion and do best for the fraternity. We are hoping to solve the difficult issues like CPA. Also some burning problems like quackery and Violence also will be taken up with the political help.

Friends, once again we request your participation in IMA HQs. in various wings and committees whichever interests you. Because of your contribution, will help us to work better.

Long live IMA

*J. M. Lele*

**Dr Jayesh Lele**

Honorary Secretary General, IMA





## IMA NATCON 2021

ADDRESS BY

**DR. SAHAJANAND PRASAD SINGH**

**NATIONAL PRESIDENT,**

**INDIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION : 2021-2022**

**ON 28<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2021**



**Om Namo Bhagvate Vasudeva....**

Respected & most popular Hon'ble Chief Minister **Shri Nitish Kumar**, Hon'ble Speaker Bihar Legislative Assembly **Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha**, Hon'ble Chairman Bihar Legislative Council **Shri Awadhesh Narain Singh**, Hon'ble Education Minister **Shri Vijay Kumar Choudhary**, Hon'ble Health Minister **Shri Mangal Pandey**, Our Mentor and Visionary supreme leader Hon'ble Dr Ketan Desai Sir, Outgoing dynamic National President Dr Jayalal, My hardworking HSG Dr Jayesh Lele, Dr. Anil Goyal, Dr. Vedprakash Mishra, Dr. N. Appa Rao, Dr. G. K. Thakur, **past national presidents** – Dr. Rajan Sharma, Dr. Ravi Wankhedkar, Dr. A. Marthanda Pillai, Dr. Vinay Agrawal, Dr. Santanu Sen, Dr. Jitendra B. Patel, Dr. Sudipto Roy, Dr. Ashok Adhao, Dr. G. Samaram, Dr. S. Arul Rhaj, Dr. K. Vijayakumar, HSGs, office bearers of IMA, all leaders of IMA, delegates coming throughout the country, ladies and gentlemen.

Welcome to the historic and pious land of Bihar.

Firstly I thank and seek blessings of the almighty for this momentous occasion of my life.

I thank and fondly remember the legend and doyen of medical fraternity of India Late Dr AKN Sinha sir who inducted me into IMA and guided me on to the espoused path with zeal, determination and commitment to cater to the cause of medical profession and professionals by walking onto the footsteps left by him on the sands of time which are inerasable and would remain so.

I profusely thank WMA, MCI, IMA past President and my friend, philosopher and guide Dr Ketan Desai Sir for always reposing faith in me and thus giving me this opportunity of serving my fraternity and community, for which my reverence in him were are and would be unending in nature.

I would also like to thank Dr N Apparao and all the leaders esp Dr Ravi Wankhedkar who have guided me upto now and I humbly seek to continue with their blessings and cooperation in my tenure so as to cater to the larger cause espoused by them in my own humble way.

Dr Jayalal and his team and all the past presidents have done a wonderful job in strengthening our mother organization and I understand it will be difficult to fill in their shoes. But I am confident that I and my team will try our level best to do a honest and transparent job to bring more glory and dignity to our profession by upholding the strong legacy that has been set out by them for us to tread on.

My motto is simple like that of our Hon. PM- SABKA SAATH, SAABKA VIKAS and COLLABRATION not CONFRONTATION.

Last few years IMA has definitely changed gears from being a NGO to Trade Union. Thanks to my illustrious predecessors, BRAND IMA is now a force to reckon with and is taken note of by all concerned. All law makers, Opinion makers, Media etc now always look upto what IMA has to opine on. Media on their own take cognizance of what IMA has to observe.



News of what our national, state or local IMA leaders is flashed in all types of media. We have come a long way from giving paid advertisements to extensive free media coverage. This itself is a great achievement, which stands generated because of our solidarity and commitment to cater to the cause of profession and professionals in a selfless but upright, bold and respectful manner. However, it is imperative that instead of being satisfied and contented with the present significant alteration which gives us a huge sigh of relief yet we have to move a stage ahead. From being 'reactive' we need to be 'pro active', for a simple reason that adds creative credence and turns out to be significantly cognizable ensuring impacting significantly the path to desired success in larger public and professional interest. It is true that in the interest of profession and larger stakes of public health including the likelihood of adverse impact on the process of medical education inter alia resultant infliction on healthcare delivery system as a whole we are required to oppose certain health related laws and policies pertaining to medical education and public health. However, we need to build an image in the form of a Brand out of our creative well articulated documented ventures whereby the decision makers and the policy makers look upto IMA for consultation realizing that but for the same the optimization of decision making would not be feasible. IMA being the largest stake holder in the medical community of our country, it is in the interest of community and nation that we should be actively consulted and engaged before any law is passed or policy is made by the Government. This is a subtle policy in many developed nations like USA, UK where AMA or BMA have major say in preparing health laws and policies in view of the significant contribution in the form of required inputs provided for by the said associations and thereby establishing their credence and inevitable positioning whereby they stand invariably sought by any and every decision and policy maker independent of political hues and colourations.

To achieve and accomplish the aforesaid position we need to translate and set out the same into destined goals and thereby work out an blue print converted into an action plan to be executed in a concerted and consolidated manner. This would entail initiation of certain vital steps:-

- 1) Strengthen unity of the entire medical community under umbrella of IMA. Too much precious time and energy is squandered on small and petty things embroiling them into politics which has always turned out to be counter productive and contemptuous in nature and character. When we work in IMA sacrificing our practice and family time, we should make friends in IMA for espousing the larger cause by annihilating all that adversely impacts the medical profession and the professionals. As such our energies should be directed in fighting external threats not on our own brethren. It is important to rise above our own egos or narrow considerations of caste, creed and religion and uphold the sole dictum that we are all linked by one thread that we all are doctors and our only religion is Humanity which is to be catered through our committed role and dispensation of responsibilities as Doctors.
- 2) Connect with the community. IMA should and will engage with the community more and more by strengthening its various community health projects. By doing so the image of IMA and medical fraternity will get up scaled a lot improve a lot and dr - pt relationships will be far more conducive and congenial resulting in desired minimization of incidences of violence against doctors and resultant litigations. My emphasis will be on what our chief patron Dr. Ketan Desai has called to us - "Aao Gaon Chalen". We have plan to establish quality IMA hospitals in every district of the country for affordable quality treatment to poor and middle class people. Some of them may later be elevated to teaching institutions. Further if the general public is made aware that the issues which IMA is raising are infact concerning common man, and are in their interest and well being the entire population will be with us in their own interest and IMA being looked up as a pioneer and spear header for the same.
- 3) Collaboration with authorities. Persuasion and political liasoning and collaborating with authorities they be on more than one occasion turns out to be the easiest and handy way to achieve our goals. To confront all time, results in creation of a negativity which is invariably counter productive. Hence political liasoning will be strengthened at all levels of IMA. No doubt that when the need arises we will confront and agitate against any government for any and every wrong doing which would prejudice the interest of profession, professionals and





population at large. Our struggle against undermining modern medical sciences, mixopathy, crosspathy and quackery in any form will be more aggressive. The CPA need not to include medical professionals as assured by the government in the parliament. We demand amendments in impractical and anti doctor provisions in Central CEA 2010, PCPNDT and other Acts. Many states have made security acts for medical & health professionals. We urge all states to make it more stringent. IMA has already demanded a stringent Central Protection Act with minimum 10 years Jail punishment and its inclusion in CrPc.

- 4) Horizontal and vertical integration within IMA. Real strength of IMA is in local branches. We need to empower, strengthen, recognize and connect with them. So many of our IMA branches are doing extraordinarily wonderful work. Unfortunately other branches are not aware of it. Hence a mechanism will be created so that local and state branches can cooperate and replicate the good work. Also all this community work will be collaged and adequate publicity will be given to it. Real strength of IMA is in its local branches. Many a times common members and local branches are not even aware of the work done by state or national IMA. This communication gap between local, state and national IMA will be ameliorated.

HEALTH FIRST Campaign. As doctors our prime responsibility is towards maintaining health of common man of our country. If India has to become a superpower, each and every citizen of our country should have affordable, accessible and available quality health care. A campaign will be launched to make Health as Basic Fundamental right enshrined in our constitution and thereby urging the Government to upscale the public health through 5% of the GDP allocation to it in every financial year.

The efforts to make BRAND IMA a Academic brand will also continue and will be strengthened, so as to bring in its fold the much needed and required tenets through a three pronged approach of "Quality sustenance, Quality enrichment and Quality enhancement in an open ended manner through creating standing mechanisms on the basis of the sole Governing Dictum that 'Quality is a journey and not a destination'.

Women and young Drs now form the majority of medical profession. The focus will be to further empower and strengthen them so that their legitimate expectations that they rightly and richly deserve are catered to in a cogent, credible and a meaningful manner so as to entitle them with esteem dignity, self respect and well deserved honor.

Covid 19 has taught us many lessons. IMA needs to adopt to the NEW NORMAL way of functioning. Digitalization , newer platforms of communication and effective but judicious use of social media is the key, which would be evolved through structured time bound plans with appropriate budgetary outlay. Modern medical professionals and HCWs both from government and private sectors have given supreme sacrifices fighting Covid-19. Their dependents must be given benefits of insurance scheme (50 Lakhs) under PM Garib Kalyan Yojna.

Steps will be taken for increasing productivity and welfare of our own staff members by invocation of appropriate and commensurate capacity building initiatives and corresponding measures thereto.

IMA will be celebrating its centenary year in 2028. We need to start planning for a grand yearlong celebration right from now, so as to commemorate it in a mode and manner which would be inspiring in nature and reflecting in character. By 2028 I propose that IMA AKN Sinha Institute shall be elevated as a Deemed University with all academic works done by other wings under it. I with pleasure announce that a IMA Centenary Committee will be formed under our supreme leader Dr. Desai sir .

Friends I appeal to you all to join hands and work for IMA whole heartedly. There is so much work to be done in IMA that we need several hands to cater to the same rather than it turning out to be a monopoly of few. I urge upon all of you just to tell us your field of interest, we will not only entrust that responsibility but also empower you as I trust and belief in more the merrier approach.



I would fail in my duties if I will not thank my entire organizing team of IMA NATCON 2021 and IMA Bihar State Branch particularly Dr. A. N. Roy, Gaya, Dr. (Capt.) V. S. Singh, Dr. Manju Gita Mishra, Dr. G. K. Thakur, Dr. Satyajit Kumar Singh, Dr. Binay Karak, Dr. Ajay Kumar, Dr. Sunil Kumar, Dr. D. P. Singh, Bhagalpur, Dr. Basant Singh, Patna, Dr. Rajiva Ranjan, Dr. Bimal Kumar Karak, Dr. Shivendra Kumar Sinha, Dr. Brajnandan Kumar, Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Dr. Manwendra Kumar, Dr. Vidyapati Choudhary (PMCH), Dr. I. S. Thakur (PMCH), Dr. Binod Kumar Singh (NMCH), Dr. N. R. Biswas (IGIMS), Dr. Manish Mandal (IGIMS), Dr. Harihar Dikshit (IGIMS), Dr. P. K. Singh (AIIMS), Dr. U. S. Bhadani (AIIMS), Dr. Sanjeev Kumar (AIIMS), Dr. C. M. Singh (AIIMS), Dr. Ashutosh Sharan, Motihari, Dr. Mukesh Kumar, Purnea, Dr. D. Ram, Purnea, Dr. Sudhanshu, Purnea, Dr. A. K. Arun, Nawadah, Dr. Sujit Kumar, Biharsharif, Dr. Shyam Narain Pd., Biharsharif, Dr. U. S. Arun, Gaya, Dr. Dineshwar Singh, Bhabhua, Dr. Santosh Kumar Singh, Bhabhua, Shri Gopal Narain Singh, (MP), Sasaram, Dr. Faiyaz Ahmed, Madhubani, Dr. Ahmad Ashfaq Karim, Katihar, Dr. Ranjana Jha, Katihar, Dr. Sanjay Singh, Bhagalpur, Dr. Sandeep Lal, Bhagalpur, Dr. Hem Shankar Sharma, Bhagalpur, Dr. Shyam Sundar Singh, Lakhisarai, Dr. Anil Kumar Singh, Jamui, Dr. Raman Kumar Verma, Darbhanga, Dr. S. P. Singh, Darbhanga, Dr. Hari Damodar Singh, Darbhanga, Dr. Shaligram Vishwakarma, Chhapra, Dr. M. P. Singh, Sheikhpura, Dr. K. M. Prasad Singh, Barbiga, Dr. K. Purushottam, Sheikhpura, Dr. Lalit Kumar Singh, Dr. Nalini Ranjan, Begusarai, Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Begusarai, Dr. Deepak Kumar Singh, Begusarai, Jamui, Dr. K. S. Jha, Bettiah, Dr. Mohanish, Bettiah, Dr. Barun Kumar, Sitamarhi, Dr. Yugal Kishore Pd., Sitamarhi, Dr. Jai Shankar, Sitamarhi, Dr. B. P. Singh, Gopalganj, Dr. Ichchhit Bharat, Kishanganj, Dr. Prem Shankar, Khagaria and all the contributors, faculty and sponsors who have catered to this espoused cause in their own way whereby it has seen the light of the day. They have worked tirelessly for last few months to make this event a grand success and your stay comfortable. The entire credit is to the team and it is my responsibility that if there are any lacunae, the onus thereto is mine for which I seek an humble excuse with total humility. Hopefully you will excuse me for them.

This conference would not have been successful without the Dr. N. V. Kamat (Principal Advisor, IMA HQ) and supporting staffs of IMA New Delhi namely Meena Singh, Sanjiv Dogra, Bimal, Neeru, Rakhi, Daya Bhandari, Mr. Paul, A. K. Pandey, Anand Bakshi, Sachin, Anand Gautam, Monika, Binod Jha and others.

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Last but not least I must thank my wife Smt. Veena Singh, my sons Dr. Pranay Kumar and Dr. Rishabh Kumar and their spouses Dr. Vandana Sharma and Dr. Anshu Priya for being understanding as it is their rightful time which they allowed me to avail for this task, hence I salute their benevolence and realistic magnanimous understanding.

**Thank you Sir, Madam, Thank you one and all!**

**JAI HIND!**

**LONG LIVE IMA!**

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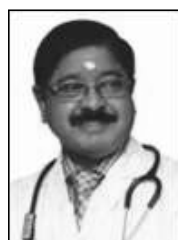
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**IMA welcomes  
the verdict of the Apex Court resolving the NEET  
counselling issue amicably, keeping the national interest on  
priority. With this, over 45000 doctors will be made  
available to deal with the COVID 19 third wave.**

**Dr. Sahajanand Pd. Singh**  
National President, IMA

**Dr. Jayesh Lele**  
Hony. Secy. General, IMA

## **Hon'ble Supreme Court of India's Interim Order dated 7.01.2022**

The Court passed an interim order with the following directions:

- 1. We accept the recommendations of the Pandey committee that the criteria which has been stipulate in OM 2019 (for EWS) be used for 2021-2022 in order to ensure that the admission process is not dislocated.*
- 2. Counselling on the basis of NEET PG 2021 and NEET UG 2021 shall be conducted by giving effect to the resolution as provided by the notice dated 29 July 2021 including the 27% reservation for OBC category and 10% reservation for EWS category in the All India Quota seats.*
- 3. The criteria for determination of the EWS notified by OM 2019 shall be used for identifying the EWS category who appeared for Neet UG and Neet PG 2021 examinations.*
- 4. The validity of the criteria determined by the Pandey committee for identifying the EWS prospectively for the future be subject to the final results of the petitions.*
- 5. The petition shall be listed for final hearing on the validity of the EWS criteria as recommended by the Pandey committee in the third week of March 2022.*



To,

Shri Amit Shah  
Honourable Minister of Home Affairs  
Government of India

Shri Mansukh Mandaviya  
Honourable Minister of Health & Family Welfare  
Government of India

Shri Nisith Pramanik  
Honourable Minister of State (Home)  
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Shri Dharmendra S. Gangwar,  
Home Secretary (BM),  
Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India

**Sub: a. Issue of delayed admission to medical post graduate courses.  
b. Central law against violence in healthcare establishment and Doctors.**

Dear Sir,

Admissions to medical PG courses has been indefinitely delayed and more than a year has passed without admitting a single candidate to medical post graduate courses. As you are already aware this is due to setting up EWS quota for medical postgraduate courses and subsequent court interventions.

Medical postgraduate training is an important factor in healthcare delivery. Without timely and appropriate postgraduate training quality healthcare cannot be imparted to the deserving population. Moreover, during their period of training, they form a major work force in delivering medical care, especially in tertiary centres. During the COVID pandemic also, their services were of paramount importance.

It has also been very painful to note that the striking junior doctors were subjected to harassment and assault by the police in the capital city. This police action has occurred when the doctors of the country were demanding for a central law to protect them from hospital violence.

In this context we request urgent intervention by the government to:

1. In view of past problems faced in the "Management of COVID 19" and "increasing Omicron cases", early intervention to conduct counselling for postgraduate courses and start admissions for the batches for the last year as well as the current year.
2. To bring a central law against violence in healthcare in lines with the draft law published by the government in 2019 and the provisions in epidemic diseases act amendment 2020.

We request your good self for an early intervention and urgent action.

Thanking you,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh  
National President, IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele  
Honorary Secretary General, IMA





31.12.2021

**PRESS RELEASE**

Sub: Indian Medical Association appeals to Hon'ble Health Minister to resolve the delay in NEET PG Course Counseling.

A delegation led by National President, IMA, Dr Sahajanand Prasad Singh alongwith other Office Bearers met with Hon'ble Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare Shri Mansukh Mandaviya on 30th December, 2021 to resolve the issue of delayed admission into the PG Medical Courses.

IMA has expressed its anguish on police action on a peaceful demand of doctors for their right cause. Thousands of young doctors are waiting for over a year to enter into the PG Medical Courses which were delayed due to Covid Pandemic.

IMA has also appealed to the Hon'ble Health Minister and Hon'ble Home Minister to unconditionally withdraw the FIR lodged against the striking junior doctors.

In the present scenario, when 3rd wave of COVID is raising its head with Omicron variant, it is all the more important to enhance the existing medical manpower in different hospitals. It is unfortunate that resident doctors are forced to go on strike inspite of their significant contribution during the COVID pandemic even while preparing for NEET PG Exams. We are hopeful that with the assurance given by the Hon'ble Union Health Minister, the above issue will be resolved soon.

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh  
National President, IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele  
Honorary Secretary General, IMA





05.01.2022

**PRESS RELEASE**

Around 2000 doctors died during the second wave of COVID. The mortality rate in the country was around 1.5% among the general population and around 2-3% among healthcare workers. According to this estimate, corona occurred in about 100,000 doctors.

Mortality in the third wave is expected to be low but the Omicron variant is 5.4 times more infectious than the delta variant and due to the high exposure of Healthcare to Covid patients in clinics and hospitals, doctors are expected to have 5 to 10 times more Covid infections than the general public. In many big medical colleges/hospitals of the country have large number of medical staff, especially doctors, have been found infected. So that the health infrastructure can crumble due to the shortage of sick doctors.

In such a situation, the Indian Medical Association (HQs.) wants to suggest to the State Governments or the Central Government associated with the concerned medical college, so that the safety of doctors from infection can be ensured to a great extent, because doctors are the backbone of Indian health services in the pandemic.

1. The Covid duty of resident doctors should not exceed 8 hours per day and 7 days, after which there should be a quarantine of 10 to 14 days in the accommodation prescribed by the hospital.
2. There should also be a provision for taking care of their mental health.
3. In the event of a Covid duty doctor becoming ill, government/private hospitals should be admitted to the respective hospital at the earliest.
4. In case of untimely death, the status of covid martyr and compensation as well as, case wise assistance should be arranged.

Don't panic, Be alert.

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh  
National President, IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele  
Honorary Secretary General, IMA





07.01.2022

**PRESS RELEASE****Initiative of National President IMA bears fruits in National Interest**

Immediately on assuming the charge of National President IMA on 28th December, 2021 Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh rushed to New Delhi to meet the agitating resident doctors in regard to their demand seeking commencement of the Counseling process for admission to Postgraduate Courses in the stream of Medical Sciences, which were held back for its pending consideration before the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

The National President along with Hony. Secretary General, Dr Jayesh Lele and Hony. Finance Secretary, Dr Anil Goyal and the representatives of Junior Doctors Network in the form of a delegation called on Hon'ble Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare, and effectively put across to him the importance, significance and relevance of placing an Affidavit in the ongoing petition before the Hon'ble Supreme Court by the Govt. of India bringing out the immediate need of commencement of the Postgraduate Counseling for Postgraduate Admissions for various pressing reasons including the academic year 2021-22 should not be reduced down to a Zero year for admissions to Postgraduate Courses resulting in irreparable prejudice to the lacks of aspirants and consequential loss of precious one year to them. He also emphasized the immediate requirement of the enrolled Postgraduate students across the country as the available trained health manpower in various teaching hospitals in the country to take up the challenge of medical care in the context of Covid pandemic and third wave thereto in vogue engulfing in a huge manner.

Consequent upon the same the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare filed a detailed Affidavit before the Hon'ble Supreme Court cataloging various reasons including all those that were advocated by the National President leading the delegation and presenting the detailed memorandum thereto.

It is heartening to note that the said initiative duly responded by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India has paid dividends in terms of Hon'ble Supreme Court in terms of its pronouncement today dated 7th January, 2022 has paved the way for commencement of the counseling for admissions to postgraduate courses in terms of the notification made by the competent authority in July, 2021, which brings out a huge sigh of relief for all the junior doctors in the country and also to the healthcare delivery system in the country in this hour of poignant need.

National President has also complimented the Junior Doctors Network for their unity and solidarity in bringing out the attention of the competent authorities to acute focus and has expressed his satisfaction at the desired outcome to his initiative bearing fruits in such an evident manner and has thanked them for honoring his word of withdrawing the agitation on his request.

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh  
National President, IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele  
Honorary Secretary General, IMA



To,  
Shri Mansukh Mandaviya  
Hon'ble Minister of Health & Family Welfare  
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare  
Government of India

**Sub: SEEKING YOUR PROMPT ATTENTION IN CONFERRING PENDING DR. B.C. ROY AWARDS**

Respected Sir,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association!

This is in continuation of our request to the Chairman, National Medical Commission through our letter dated 31.7.2021 requesting him to take prompt attention in conferring the pending Dr. B.C. Roy Awards for the last four years. (Copy enclosed).

This is just to remind you that in order to commemorate the fond memory of legendary Freedom Fighter and Bharat Ratna Late Dr. B. C. Roy, an Endowment Trust came to be constituted whereunder the Awards in different categories have been worked out. Honourable Prime Minister on Doctors' Day address highlighted the altruistic contributions of Dr. B. C. Roy, in whose remembrance the Doctors' Day is celebrated, and in his honour, the meritorious services of doctors are awarded.

In terms of the composition prescribed for the said Endowment Fund, President, Medical Council of India (Ex-Officio) and Secretary, Medical Council of India (Ex-officio) are the Chairman and Secretary of the said Endowment. However, the Indian Medical Council Act having been repealed by the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 and in terms therein National Medical Commission having been put into operation, the Chairman of the National Medical Commission and Secretary thereto are the Ex-Officio President and Secretary of the B. C. Roy Memorial Endowment Fund with Life Members in other categories thereto.

The doctors eligible for this award were annually selected by the Endowment Fund Committee and the selected doctors were bestowed with this title by His excellency the President of India.

In terms of the prescribed procedure, the Awards have been conferred by the Medical Council of India till the year 2017, however, since the supersession of the Medical Council of India in September, 2018 that came to be replaced by the Board of Governors and finally constituting the National Medical Commission in terms of National Medical Commission Act, 2019 in the year 2020, till date the said awards have not been conferred. Resultantly, as on date, the awards for four years which are required to be conferred annually have accumulated and are pending per se as it is.

The reasons for no initiative by the concerned including the present National Medical Commission is difficult to swallow and hard to digest because apart from the fact that the deserving are not being awarded by the prestigious award, but in a way even the very purpose of the creation of the Endowment Fund and thereby catering to the cause of commemoration of the memory of greatest modern medicine professional of India is also kept in limbo which is not only tragic but is heavily unfortunate too.

Hence, in the interest of all concerned including a humble salutation to the commemorative memory of Late Dr. B. C. Roy, Indian Medical Association beseech the proactive initiation from the Chairman, National Medical Commission and the concerned authorities at its earliest, kindly call for nomination and award this privileged and prestigious award for our medical fraternity.

In this Covid-19 Pandemic, the services of these doctors were well appreciated and they need recognition. During this Covid pandemic, the entire fraternity, right from the day one had involved in the war against corona from the front line to save millions of people from the clutches of severe covid-19. Many of our doctors, during the 1st and 2nd wave of Covid-19 Pandemic, have sacrificed their lives while serving the citizens of this country.

In the present scenario, when 3rd wave of COVID is raising its head with Omicron variant, it is all the more important to enhance their morale. It is our duty to propagate the legacy of Dr. B.C. Roy and annual bestowment of these title to our colleagues which will be a good step.

In view of the above, we request your kindness to ask the concerned authorities in the National Medical Commission to initiate the said procedure of conferment of awards for all the 3 pending years including the present year on Doctor's Day in 2022. For this act of kindness, we shall remain grateful.

Thanking you and with kind regards,  
Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh  
National President, IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele  
Honorary Secretary General, IMA



13.1.20211

To,  
Shri Mansukh Mandaviya,  
Hon'ble Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare,  
Government of India, Nirman Bhawan,  
New Delhi-110011

**SUBJECT: -REGARDING DISCUSSION IN THE MEETING CONVENED BY THE HON. MINISTER WITH THE EXPERT DOCTORS WITH REPRESENTATION OF IMA THEREAT ON 11TH JANUARY, 2022 AT 11.30 A.M.**

Respected Sir,

In continuation of the observations of the undersigned that were made in his capacity as the National President Indian Medical Association on behalf of IMA, I am pleased to pen down following lines for your consideration and required action thereon.

It is brought out in terms of the scientific evidence through various scientific studies that Omicron variant of Covid-19 causes milder disease which is specially evident from the studies made at Denmark, Scotland and South Africa respectively. Resultantly it is also observed that the same has resulting in lesser need for –

- a) Hospitalization
- b) Oxygen requirement
- c) Intensive Care Units

It is also fortified in terms of the reduction in Global Fatality Rate which as of now is less than 1%.

I also intend to bring to your knowledge and notice that research studies extensively carried out in Denmark have brought out that two doses of Pfizer vaccine has resulted in only 20% of effectivity in preventing Omicron however, booster dose of Pfizer vaccine results in generation of 80% effectivity. This is attributable to augmentation of neutralization efficiency invoked by the booster dose.

It is worthwhile to note that Denmark is the country where as of now 80% of the total population is double vaccinated and 50% of the population has received booster dose (Preventive Dose). It is also brought out categorically through various scientific research studies that past infection does not rendered any type of protection against Omicron infection. The reinfection rate of Omicron is palpably 5.4 times more than the Delta variant and their lies the real threat.

In the context of aforesaid scientific data it is worthwhile to note that two important things emerged out of it with reference to effective Covid management specially with reference to Omicron variant and they are :

1. It be propagated across with focus and intensity that 'if you get flu like symptoms assumed that you have Covid unless proven otherwise by RTPCR Test'. This will go a long over in tiding over the tackling efficacy against Omicron as a realistic awareness slogan.
2. In view of the efficacy as is evident by the Booster (Preventive Dose) of Pfizer Vaccine in terms of the studies referred to above and the same vaccine is in vogue in India the intensity of vaccination for third dose must be promoted and augmented in a very strong manner.

I thought it imperative to bring out these suggestions for your kind consideration to be appropriately availed in larger National and public interest with reference to effective and efficacious Covid Management with reference to Omicron variant.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh  
National President, IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele  
Honorary Secretary General, IMA



**MEGAFEST- 2021**

The Mega Online Cultural Festival by IMA HQ Cultural Committee

IMA HQ Cultural Committee launched 2 Pan India Competitions for the 1st time for IMA members & MSN / JDN Members! IMA SARGAM - The first Pan India Singing Competition was launched with much fanfare on 1st September 2021, whereas IMA'S DANCING SUPERSTARS – The 1st mega Pan India Dance competition was launched on 26th September 2021.

Nearly 500 members had sent their entries from all over India for the qualifying round of IMA SARGAM. There were 4 rounds with different themes and qualifying criteria at each round. Following number of participants qualified at each further round by the panel of eminent Judges of IMA SARGAM: For Zonal Semi Finals – 345; For All India Semi Finals – 171; For Grand Finale – 45.

For IMA'S DANCING SUPERSTARS, participation was invited under any of the three categories - Solo, Couple or Group – for the qualifying round. Total 150 entries were received Pan India under various categories. Of these, 54 solo entries, 14 Couple entries and 11 Group entries qualified for the Final round as judged by panel of Eminent judges.

**MEGAFEST 2021:** The mega finale of IMA SARGAM and IMA's DANCING SUPERSTARS was held online, on 17th, 18th and 19th December, where the entries of Finalists of IMA SARGAM and IMA's DANCING SUPERSTARS were telecasted and the winners were announced!

The program was inaugurated online on 17th December 2021 by the then National President Dr J.A.Jayalal, HSG Dr Jayesh Lele and was graced by presence of National Leaders; Past HSG Dr R.V.Asokan, Hon Finance secretary Dr Anil Goyal, IMA HBI HQ Chairman Dr Sharad Agarwal and IMA HBI HQ Hon Sec Dr Mangesh Pate. Inaugural video was made showcasing activities of IMA HQ Cultural committee and to welcome all esteemed guests. The video can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/wfBbyEGRCYY>

Over 3 days, i.e. 17th, 18th and 19th December, pre-recorded Performances of all finalists of IMA SARGAM and IDS were displayed on zoom and the program was premiered simultaneously on IMA HQ Cultural committee's You tube channel – IMA's Vibrant Doctors! The program had an excellent viewership daily on zoom as well on You tube!

The prize distribution ceremony was held online on 19th December 2021, where initially the entire judging process was explained followed by announcement of winners' names under various categories for IMA SARGAM & IMA's DANCING SUPERSTARS.





## WORDS OF APPRECIATION FOR MEGAFEST 2021



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The winners announced under various categories of IMA SARGAM and IMA's DANCING SUPERSTARS are as follows:

IMA SARGAM - WINNERS (MALE)			
1st	Dr Nigil Cletus	IMA Cochin	Kerala
2nd	Dr Suresh Iyer	IMA Nagpur	Maharashtra
3rd	Dr Mahesh Mehra	IMA Kamal	IMA haryana
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Abhishek Rao Kordcal	IMA Udupi	Karnataka
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Praveen Sebastian	IMA Poonamallee High Road	Tamil Nadu
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr.Bavaharan Rajalingam	IMA Tiruchirapalli	TamilNadu
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Satish Bhat	IMA Cochin	Kerala
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Sagar Kakatkar	IMA Nashik	Maharashtra
Cultural Committee Special Appreciation	Dr Firdaus Dekhaiya	IMA Bhavnagar	Gujarat
Cultural Committee Special Appreciation	Dr Niishikant Likhande	IMA Nagpur	Maharaashtra
Cultural Committee Special Appreciation	Dr Devojit Sarma	Jorhat	Assam
IMA SARGAM - WINNERS (FEMALE)			
1st	Dr Priyadarsini.M	IMA Thiruvananthapuram	Kerala
2nd	Dr Kshama Aghor	IMA Nashik	Maharashtra
3rd	Dr Krishna Menon	IMA Kodungallur	Kerala
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Anvitha L Joshi	IMA Shivamogga	Karnataka
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Shruthi T	IMA Trivandrum	Kerala
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Richa Nigam	IMA Vidisha	Madhya Pradesh
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Antara Mathur	IMA Aligarh	Uttar Pradesh
Judges' special Appreciation	Dr Athira Siddharth	IMA Marthandam	Tamil Nadu
Cultural Committee Special Appreciation	Dr Aswini Navaratna Sashi	IMA Kozhikode	Kerala
Cultural Committee Special Appreciation	Dr.S.Janani	IMA Chennai South	IMA Tamil Nadu
IMA SARGAM - Young Talent			
Female Category - 1st	Pramatha P Dixit	MSN Bangalore	Karnataka
Female Category - 2nd	Ritika Chatterjee	MSN Delhi	Delhi
Male Category - 1st	Aryan Nikhilbhai Vora	MSN Jamnagar	Gujarat
Male Category - 2nd	Roshan Chauhan	MSN Vadodara	Gujarat
Cultural Committee Special Appreciation	Dr Saloni Kucheria	JDN Madhya Pradesh	Madhya Pradesh
Cultural Committee Special Appreciation	Prafull Agrawal	MSN Jamnagar	Gujarat
Cultural Committee Special Appreciation	Soniya pandurang patil	MSN Mumbai	Maharashtra
IDS WINNERS SOLO (FEMALE)			
1st	Dr Saranya G Krishnan	IMA Trivandrum	Kerala
2nd	Dr Sikkiri Deepthi	IMA Rajanna Siricilla	Telangana
3rd	Dr Reeshma Jose	IMA Kunnamkulam	Kerala
Judges Special Appreciation	Dr Shilpa Date	IMA Sangli	Maharashtra
Judges Special Appreciation	Dr K Mohana Pramila	IMA Ambattur Avadi	Tamil nadu
Judges Special Appreciation	Dr Mona Badani	IMA Mumbai west	Maharashtra
Judges Special Appreciation	Dr Sunita Dhakare	IMA Guna	Madhya Pradesh
Judges Special Appreciation	Dr Vaishnavi Patil	Thane	Maharashtra
IDS WINNERS SOLO (MALE)			
1st	Dr Momocha Thangjam	IMA Manipur	Manipur
2nd	Dr.Shijin Mohammed B.L.	IMA Kovalam	Kerala
Cultural committee Appreciation	Dr Mukesh Kumar P	IMA Namakkal	Tamil Nadu
IDS WINNERS - COUPLE			
1st	Dr Kukku Biju, Dr Saranya Krishnan	IMA Thiruvanthapuram	Kerala
2nd	Dr Kanimozhi, Dr Uma	IMA Rasipuram	Tamil Nadu
2nd	Dr Savita Neelaragi, Dr Sanjay Neeralagi	IMA Hubli	Karnataka
3rd	Dr Poonam Subramanian, Dr Subramaniam Natarajan	IMA Thane	Maharashtra
Judges Special Appreciation	Dr Sanjana Bagadi, Dr Sandesh Bagadi	IMA Kolhapur	Kolhapur
Judges Special Appreciation	Dr.Mohini Ashok Ganu, Dr Rajashri Sawant	IMA Latur	Maharashtra
Judges Special Appreciation	Dr S. Deepthi, Dr V Anil Kumar	IMA Rajanna Siricilla	Telangana





IDS WINNERS - GROUP				
1st	Trimurthy Group	Dr Kukku Biju, Dr Kavitha Devin,	IMA Thiruvananthapuram	Kerala
2nd	ANOBS Group	Dr Babitha M C, Dr Impana K, Dr Sahana H, Dr Seema V Bhat	IMA Hassan	Karnataka
3rd	Ocean Pearls Group	Dr.Indira Pai Shanbhag Dr.Rajalaxmi Dr. Archana Bhakta Dr.Anjali Mundkur Dr.Amna Shetty Dr.Rajeshwari Bhat Dr.Shruthi Yadagudde	IMA Udupi Karavalli	Karnataka
Judges Special Appreciation	DocVision5 Group	Dr.Suchitra R, Dr.Rani Prasad, Dr.Sheela Srinivasan Dr.Avani Pillai Dr.Michelle Aline Antony	IMA Cochin	Kerala
Judges Special Appreciation	Gomathi Dance Group	Dr. Vijaya S Dr. Anitha V Dr. Soumya Y J Dr. Harini Dr. Sushma Dr. Rashmi S P	IMA Chikkaballapura	Karnataka
Judges Special Appreciation	ABCD 1 Group	Dr Abha Sharma Dr Nirupama Goyal Dr Niti Aggrwal Dr Madhu Batta	IMA East Delhi Medical Branch	Delhi

INSPIRATIONAL PARTICIPATION IMA SARGAM		
Dr Devojit Sarma	IMA Jorhat	Assam
Dr Pradeep Rajderkar	IMA Nagpur	Maharashtra
Dr Rajshekhar Sinhasan	IMA Chembur	Maharashtra
Dr Shailendra Chourishi	IMA Ratlam	Madhya Pradesh
Dr Geetha Gururao	IMA Bangalore	Karnataka
Dr Pydah Janaki	IMA Kakinada	IMA AP State
Dr Amit rastogi	IMA Moradabad	Uttar pradesh
Dr Madhavareddy Botla	IMA Vijayawada	Andhra Pradesh
Dr Ananth K Prabhu	IMA Karkala	Karnataka
Dr K.Vijaya Lakshmi	IMA Vijayawada	Andhra Pradesh
Dr Sunil Paranjpe	IMA Mumbai West	Maharashtra
Dr Jitesh Mehta	IMA Mumbai	Maharashtra
Dr Hitesh Vyas	IMA Ahmedabad	Gujarat
Dr Nitin Kanade	IMA Nashik	Maharashtra
Dr Pankaj Sondarva	IMA Ahmedabad	Gujarat
Dr Prakash B Ambhore	IMA Mumbai West	Maharashtra
Dr Asha Thakre	IMA Amravati	Maharashtra
Dr Dilip Kumar Jha	IMA Dhanbad	Jharkhand
Dr BK Sharma	IMA Faridabad	Haryana
Dr Harkanwaljit Singh	IMA Hoshiarpur	Punjab
Dr C Raja Ravi Varma	IMA Poonamalle High Road Branch	Tamil Nadu
Dr Mukund Ganeriwal	IMA Nagpur	Maharashtra
Dr Anil Avhad	IMA Mumbai	Maharashtra
INSPIRATIONAL PARTICIPATION IMA's DANCING SUPERSTARS		
Dr. Sushma Chawla	IMA Jalandhar	Punjab
Dr Naresh Taneja	East Delhi Medical Branch	Delhi
Dr Madhu Batta	East Delhi Medical Branch	Delhi
Dr Anita Verma	East Delhi Medical Branch	Delhi
Aruna Kundu	IMA Faridabad	Haryana
Dr Maharishi Girishchandra	IMA Surat	Gujarat
Dr.Mohini Ashok Ganu	IMA Latur	Maharashtra



## BRANCH ACTIVITIES





STATE	BRANCH	TYPE OF EVENT	EVENT	DATE
Kerala	Malappuram	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Heart Failure – A review" by Dr. Gagan Velyudhan, Consultant cardiologist from Karunya Hrudayalaya – Dist. Coop Hospital, Malappuram	16-Dec-21
Kerala	Muvattupuzha	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Pituitary tumours" by Dr Jagath Lal Gangadharan, Senior consultant and HOD Neurosurgery and Nuclear Medicine procedures in routine clinical practice by Dr Vijay Harish Somasundaram, Consultant Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging, Rajagiri Hospital, Aluva. 52 participants were there. Other association matters were discussed.	16-Dec-21
Kerala	Kottakkal	CME	A CME was conducted on the topics of "Recent Advances in Oncology" by Dr. Shoufeej PM, Consultant Oncologist, "An Overview of clinical utility of PET in current Oncology practice" by Dr. Shelvin Kumar, Consultant Nuclear Medicine	16-Dec-21
Kerala	Cochin	Walkathon	A walkathon was organised and public awareness talks was given. Pamphlets and stickers on the theme was presented to the public and both private and public transport drivers.	16-Dec-21
Kerala	Malappuram	Meeting	Branch President Dr. Mohammed Hassan and Secretary Dr. Daber Pareed attended north zone meeting for branch president and secretaries, to discuss various schemes of IMA.	17-Dec-21
Kerala	Kozhikode	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Organ Transplantation" for Nursing Students. Inaugurated by Dr. VG Pradeep Kumar, Org. Chairman. Talk by Miss. Anif Mijo, Deputy Manager, Multi Organ Transplant MIMS, Dr. Mohammed Aslam, Senior Consultant Urologist and Transplant Surgeon, Iqraa Hospital and Miss. Sojiya, Head Nurse, Post Transplant Unit, Iqraa Hospital.	17-Dec-21
Karnataka	Sirsi	Camp	A Blood donation camp was conducted at PGH IMA life line blood bank by IMA members on the occasion of 101 th birthday of late Dr A N Patwardhan. 21 doctors donated blood of which 3 were lady doctors.	17-Dec-21
Kerala	Kazhakuttam	Webinar	WDW member, Dr. Zinia Nujum, Associate Professor Community Medicine, GMC Kollam organised under Regional PEID Cell in GMC Kollam a webinar on "Rapid updates -1: What we know & don't know about Omicron". The webinar was inaugurated by Dr. Asha Thomas I.A.S., ACS, Dept of H & FW(DME), other dignitaries were present and the speaker.	18-Dec-21





Kerala	Tellichery	Workshop	Thalassery Taluk level workshop organized by Child Rights Commissioner Adv. Manoj Kumar and district educational officer for 70 school principals under Thalassery taluk was held at IMA Hall. CRC Manoj gave the keynote address.	18-Dec-21
Kerala	Kozhikode	Camp	An Ophthalmology Medical Camp was conducted for Public at CIGI Chevayur in association with Corporation Ward No 21 and Mobile Ophthalmology Unit, Govt. Medical College, Kozhikode. Camp inaugurated by Dr. KM Muneer MLA. Dr. B. Venugopalan, Dr. Sankar Mahadevan, Dr. PN Ajitha, Dr. KV Raju, Dr. PT Jyothi and Dr. Sandhya Somasundaran attended the function.	19-Dec-21
Kerala	Kozhikode	CME	A CME was conducted on the topics of "Biologics in Rheumatoid Arthritis" by Dr. Hafiz Muhammed VK, "Cost effective management of Rheumatoid Arthritis" by Dr. Ramesh Bhasi, "Cryoablation a game changer in the management of Atrial Fibrillation" by Dr. Arun Gopi, "Infertility – Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow" by Dr. Kunhimoideen "Monoclonal Antibodies" by Dr. Anoop Kumar AS, "Recent Update in Renal Transplantation" by Dr. Aravind Krishnakumar.	19-Dec-21
Assam	Cachar	Camp	A screening camp for Cervical Cancer held in Bhorakhai Tea estate, Cachar, organised by WDW IMA Cachar Branch. It was a successful camp attended by Dr. Bijoylakshmi Das, Dr. Bandana Das, Dr. Monika Deb, Dr. Devanjana Dutta Majumder and Dr. Sarmistha Bhattacharjee.	19-Dec-21
Kerala	Tellichery	Class	An awareness Class was organised on Adolescent emotional and Psychological aspects by Dr. Sajeev Kumar. Book on Suicide Prevention by Dr. Sajeev Kumar P B released by CRC Chairman.	19-Dec-21
Kerala	Trivandrum	Class	Dr Prasanth CV took awareness class to police cadets at police training college, Trivandrum	20-Dec-21
Kerala	Kazhakkuttam	Webinar	Few webinars were organised for health awareness in association with UBA cell, Govt. College for women, Thiruvananthapuram on the topic "Menstrual hygiene and Dental hygiene". Our chief guest was Dr. Chithra S. I.A.S., Labour Commissioner, Project director for vaccine production in Kerala, Key note address was given by Dr. Chandini Sam, Principal, Govt. College for women, Thiruvananthapuram ; Moderator was our IMA, Kazhakoottam Secretary, Dr. Kalpana Gopan, MD & Consultant Gynaecologist, Susrutha Medical Centre, Pothencode; Speakers were Dr. Thanooja S., Associate Professor Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Govt. Medical College, Kollam and Dr. Reshmi J., Asst Professor, Govt. Dental College, Thiruvananthapuram.	21-Dec-21
Karnataka	IMA WDW	CME	A CME was conducted on the topics of "Surgical Management of Carcinoma Breast" by Dr Karthik , Surgical Oncologist and systemic options of neo adjuvant and adjuvant therapy in Carcinoma Breast by Dr Nishitha Shetty, Medical Oncologist	21-Dec-21



Kerala	Malappuram	Meeting	Branch President Dr. Mohammed Hassan, secretary Dr. Daber Pareed and our senior leader Dr. K.A. Pareed attended District committee meeting to discuss Membership improvement, conducting state programs and Life support. State president, Dr. Samuel Koshy (President – IMA KSB) addressed the gathering.	22-Dec-21
Kerala	Cochin	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "oncology". The GB honoured the WIMA group for winning the special appreciation award at the IMA Megafest.	22-Dec-21
Kerala	Trivandrum	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Newer Regional Anesthesia techniques- game changer in intra and post operative pain management" by Dr Sajeesh G , HOD, dept of anesthesiology, NEYYAR Medicity.	23-Dec-21
Telangana	Neelagiri	Camp	A Cancer screening camp was organised by "American Telugu association".	23-Dec-21
Karnataka	Sirsi	Talk	Dr Shanta Bhat gave health awareness talk at Telang High school. This program was conducted by IMA WDW in association with Swantana Mahila Vedike as part of their "Arivu abhiyana". Around 120 students participated.	24-Dec-21
Kerala	Tellichery	Training Programme	IMA Thalassery along with Staff Council General Hospital, Thalassery conducted a Emergency Life Support Training Programme for the staff of Casualty, Operation Theatre and ICU. Class was taken by Dr.Pushparaj S R.	25-Dec-21
Jharkhand	IMA WDW	Camp	An eye check-up camp was organised by Prayas Society of IMA WDW, Jharkhand	26-Dec-21
Telangana	Neelagiri	Awareness Programme	A Gynec & Cancer, CA Cervix & CA Breast & HPV Vaccination Awareness program was organised by Dr Rajeswari Praveen	28-Dec-21
Kerala	Nedumangad	Talk	IMA Nedumangad and MPH conducted a health talk at the Govt College, Nedumangad as a part of NSS programme in the college.	29-Dec-21
Kerala	Thrissur	Camp	A blood donation camp was conducted at Musthafa Smaraka Swathanthra Divers Samithy. Collected 30 unit blood during the camp.	29-Dec-21
Karnataka	Sirsi	Talk	Dr Suman Hegde gave health awareness talk on menstrual hygiene to girl students of No. 2 school and distributed biodegradable ecofriendly sanitary napkins in association with IMA WDW and Innerwheel club under project UDAAN	29-Dec-21
Karnataka	Sirsi	Awareness Programme	Breast cancer awareness programme was conducted by WDW IMA in Ganesh Nagar Sirsi, in association with Lions club, A N patwardhan foundation and Mahila Mandal of Ganesh Nagar.	30-Dec-21
Karnataka	IMA WDW	Awareness Programme	IMA WDW KSB organised an awareness programme on the topic of "Case Presentations in Obstetrics and Gynaecology" for MBBS students from all over Karnataka.	06-Jan-22

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**PARAMEDICAL COURSES**

Indian Medical Association conducts the following Paramedical courses:

1. Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology
2. Diploma in X-RAY/IMAGING Technology
3. Diploma in O.T. Technician
4. Diploma in Medical Record Technology
5. Diploma in Cardiac Technology
6. Diploma in Dialysis Technician
7. Certificate Course in Blood Bank Technology
8. Certificate Course in CT
9. Certificate Course in MRI
10. Certificate Course in CT and MRI
11. Certificate Course in Phlebotomy Technician

**Duration :** Two years for Diploma courses. Six months and one year for Certificate courses.

**Eligibility Criteria :** (i) 10+2 with 40% with science stream (**Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, Agriculture, etc.**) for Diploma courses.

(ii) 10+2 from any other stream with minimum 50% of aggregate marks with an undertaking / Affidavit from the students.

For certificate in Blood bank course, eligibility criteria is DMLT, B.Sc. MLT, B.Sc (Micro). For CT and MRI courses, eligibility criteria is two or three years Degree/Diploma in Radiography with internship. for Phlebotomy course eligibility criteria is 10 +2 science stream with 40 % marks.

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