

# INDIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION



**PRIORITY IN RURAL HEALTHCARE & DIGNITY OF PROFESSION** 

#### **ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT & HONORARY SECRETARIES GENERAL**





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



Dear Colleagues and Leaders of IMA,

Warm greetings from Indian Medical Association HQs!

I profusely thank you all for your continuous proactive role in upkeeping the image and functioning of IMA.

IMA has entered a new phase of cooperation and persuasion, instead of confrontation let us try the path of negotiations. We are doing lots of effective political liasoning at Delhi to solve our main issues and I am sure will be able to solve them in the coming months. We met many important Ministers and all of them agreed to solve our problems. But for this we need a united IMA, that is the strength of IMA.

The month of March has been very eventful with number of activities in IMA HQs as well as in various branches.

On the occasion of World Kidney Day, IMA HQs organized KIDNEYCON-2022 – National Conference on Kidney Diseases on 5th and 6th March 2022 at IMA House, New Delhi. Nearly 5000 members participated in virtual platform as well as in physical form. The Conference was inaugurated by Dr. Ketan Desai, Chief Patron, IMA in the presence of National President Dr.Sahajanand Prasad Singh and Hony, Secretary General Dr. Jayesh Lele of the Indian Medical Association, Dr Vinay Aggarwal, Past National President, IMA and others. The Conference was organized by Dr. Shitij Bali, Hony Asstt. Secretary, IMA and Dr. Garima Aggarwal, Organizing Secretaries, IMA KIDNEYCON – 2022 and addressed by eminent Nephrologists and Urologists.

IMA Women Doctors Wing observed International Women's Day on 8th March 2022 where eminent speakers spoke about the various topics like Youthful Aspirations for leadership, Domesticity V/s Profession etc. The Lead Oration – Model Women Leadership was presented by Dr. Heidi Stensmyrn, President, WMA in the presence of Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh, National President, IMA, and Dr. Jayesh Lele, Honorary Secretary General, IMA. The meeting was organized and conducted under the guidance of Dr. Meena Wankhedkar, Chairperson, IMA Standing Committee for WDW with the support of Dr. Kavitha Ravi, Hony. Secretary, and Dr. Neeta Biyani, National Coordinator, IMA WDW

World TB Day was observed on 24.3.2022. About 60 young doctors participated in the meeting held at IMA HQs, New Delhi. The Symposium was inaugurated by National President, IMA Dr Sahajanand Prasad Singh and addressed by Dr Vinay Aggarwal, Past National President, IMA Dr, Santanu Sen, Past National Presidents, IMA, Dr. Anil Goyal, Hony. Finance Secretary, IMA, Dr Narendra Saini, Dr. Parul Vadgama, Dr. Oommen George, Sandeep Misra and Dr. Sreejith N. Kumar. The meeting was organized and conducted under the guidance of Dr. R.V. Asokan, Chairman, IMA Standing Committee for IMA End TB Initiative with the support of Dr Kamlesh Saini, Convener, IMA End TB Initiative.

We also met many important Ministers and all of them agreed to solve our various issues like CPA, Central Law against violence in healthcare establishments and doctors, Death due to medical negligence, Mixopathy, Ukraine Issue, Charak Shapath, Covid-19 Vaccine Booster Dose and CHS Doctors issue regarding enhancement of age of retirement etc

I am looking forward to meet many of you in our forthcoming CWC meeting to be held at Panchkula (Haryana) on April 16-17, 2022.

Long live IMA!!



Dear Members,

It gives me immense pleasure to inform you that 227th meeting of the Central Working Committee of Indian Medical Association is scheduled to be held at Panchkula, Haryana on April 16-17, 2022 (Saturday and Sunday).

IMA organized "IMA KIDNEYCON-2022", a kidney disease focussed National Conference (hybrid) with eminent Nephrologists and Urologists and Kidney disease experts from around the country on March 5 & 6, 2022 at IMA Hqs., New Delhi under the able leadership of Dr. Vinay Aggarwal, Past National President, IMA and Dr. Shitij Bali, Hony Asstt. Secretary, IMA and Dr. Garima Aggarwal, Organizing Secretaries, IMA KIDNEYCON – 2022. IMA Women Doctors Wing observed International Women's Day on 8th March 2022. The meeting was organized and conducted under the guidance of Dr. Meena Wankhedkar, Chairperson, IMA Standing Committee for WDW with the support of Dr. Kavitha Ravi, Hony. Secretary, and Dr. Neeta Biyani, National Coordinator, IMA WDW. The Lead Oration – Model Women Leadership was presented by Dr. Heidi Stensmyrn, President, WMA in the presence of Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh, National President, IMA, and Dr. Jayesh Lele, Honorary Secretary General, IMA. World TB Day was observed on 24.3.2022. About 60 young doctors participated in the meeting held at IMA HQs, New Delhi. The meeting was organized and conducted under the guidance of Dr. R.V. Asokan, Chairman, IMA Standing Committee for IMA End TB Initiative with the support of Dr Kamlesh Saini, Convener, IMA End TB Initiative

In the month of March, IMA delegation met many important Ministers under the able leadership of Dr Sahajanand Prasad Singh, National President, IMA and all of them agreed to solve our various issues like CPA, Central Law against violence in healthcare establishments and doctors, Death due to medical negligence, Mixopathy, Ukraine Issue, Charak Shapath, Covid-19 Vaccine Booster Dose and CHS Doctors issue regarding enhancement of age of retirement etc.

I take this opportunity to appeal to all our members to work with new vigor, passion and involvement to make sure our dreams, objectives and goals are achieved with our dedicated and sincere coordinated efforts.

The final Constitution of IMA CGP, JDN, MSN and Service Doctors' Wing have been uploaded on IMA Website as well as the hard-copy of the Constitution duly signed and stamped sent to the Chairman and Secretary of the concerned Wings.

I am looking forward to get your continuous support and hand holding in all our endeavors.

Eager to meet you all at 227th CWC meet at Panchkula, Haryana.

Long Live IMA!

### J. m. Lele

Dr Jayesh Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA

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25.2.2022

#### EMAIL FROM IMA REG PLIGHT OF MEDICAL STUDENTS STRANDED IN UKRAINE

То

Shri Narendra Modi Ji Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.

Subject:

Respected Sir,

As you are aware that thousands of Indian students pursuing their medical studies are stranded in Ukraine. Most of them cannot afford the escalated costs of air travel. Even those affording cannot travel due to the adverse conditions there. Even the day-to-day rations are dwindling, creating severe hardships for their survival.

Their parents here are anxious and worried about safety and well-being of their children.

IMA is well aware of the various efforts taken by our Union Government to get back Indian citizens. We sincerely and humbly appeal to your good self to give priority to our young students and bring them back as soon as possible.

We request further to the Government to help them financially and make all possible efforts to get them out.

A dedicated Helpdesk for medical students should also be created.

Thanking you in anticipation

With regards,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh National President, IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA

Copy to:

Shri Mansukh Mandaviya Ji, Hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India

Shri Subrahmanyam Jaishankar Ji, Hon'ble Minister of External Affairs, Government

25.2.2022

#### **REQUEST TO OBSERVE NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION DAY (NID) ON 27.2.2022**

То

The Presidents and Hony. Secretaries All State/Local Branches of IMA

Dear Sir

Greetings from Indian Medical Association HQs!

The Pulse Polio Initiative was started with an objective of achieving hundred per cent coverage under Oral Polio Vaccine. It aimed to immunize children through improved social mobilization, plan mopup operations in areas where poliovirus has almost disappeared and maintain high level of morale among the public.

Over the last decade, the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) made steady progress on the path to eradication. Wild poliovirus types 2 and 3 (WPV2 and WPV3) were declared eradicated in 2015 and 2019, respectively the World Health Organization (WHO) South-East Asia Region was declared free of poliovirus in 2014. Still, we are in eradication of WPV1.

The next National Immunization Day (NID) is being observed on 27th February 2022.

We request all our State/Local Branches to support NID (Pulse Polio 2022) on 27th February 2022.

Together we stand to make our country polio free.

Regards

Yours sincerely,

Dr Jayesh Lele Hony. Secretary General, IMA

Copy to: National President, IMA

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5.3.2022

#### **GUIDELINES FOR REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN MEDICAL GRADUATES**

To,

Dr. Aruna V. Vanikar President, Under Graduate Medical Education Board (UGMED)

Respected Madam,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association HQs!

With reference to aforesaid subject and on perusal of the circular quoted in reference above I feel it imperative to bring it to your knowledge and notice that Para 5 of the said Circular reads as under:

"5. In addition to the above, it has further been observed that there are also some Foreign Medical Graduates with incomplete internship due to such compelling situation which is beyond their control such as Pandemic COVID-19 and War etc. Considering the agony & stress faced by these foreign medical graduates, their application to complete the remaining part of the internship in India is considered eligible. Accordingly, the same may be processed by the State Medical Councils provided that the candidate must have cleared FMGE before applying for the completion of internship in India".

The consideration that is being placed across in terms of the aforesaid para of the circular is contextually right with reference to unavoidable situation and circumstances. But what merits consideration is that the permissibility cannot be for the 'remaining part of the internship' in as much as that internship is a period for the learner passing the graduate medical examination for one year (12 months) for hands on training on the competencies under supervision with a temporary registration with the concerned State Medical Council, which upon satisfactory completion of 12 months rotating internship he or she is eligible to seek the permanent registration with the concerned State Medical Council on clearance of the licentiate examination.

It is pertinent to note that equivalence of completed internship as against the remainder to be completed in the Indian context at a medical college in India by the concerned Foreign Medical Graduate would be tough and difficult to work out and more so the whole purpose of internship would be defeated in as much as that the intern has to be oriented with the competencies prescribed by the Graduate Medical Education Regulation and performance thereto under supervision whereby he or she efficaciously practices the same on full-fledged registration by the concerned State Medical Council. Any breach on the said count in any manner would be counterproductive entailing serious consequences in terms of extension of genuine and required healthcare by the registered medical practitioner to the people at large.

As such, it be cleared that any and every Foreign Medical Graduate will have to undergo one year rotatory internship in a teaching hospital attached to a medical college duly permitted / approved / recognized by the National Medical Commission and only satisfactory completion thereto would entitle him or her to the regular registration with the concerned State Medical Council as the case may be, which is warranted for the purposes of extension of legitimately entitled healthcare to the people by the registered medical practitioner.

There cannot be and should not be any place for any modality of half baking on the said count so as to ensure that Pandora's box is not opened out of any inadvertence or for want of diligence as the case may be.

Indian Medical Association has deep concern and anguish over the said para-No. 5 in the Circular for the reasons cited herein above, hence this communication.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh National President, IMA Dr. Jayesh Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA



To,

Shri Narendra Modi JI, Hon'ble Prime Minister,

Hon'ble Sir,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association Hqs!

Firstly, let me congratulate you on behalf of Indian Medical Association for thumping victory in the Assembly Elections of the four States.

We also appreciate your active guidance and leadership in the critical phase of covid pandemic in last two years. IMA has been always working with the Government shoulder to shoulder, in this regard, in the interest of the public at large.

May I take this opportunity to request you humbly to give us few minutes as the courtesy call for your blessings and direction to our organization.

Our team of seven Office-bearers will be ready at a short notice.

With regards,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh National President, IMA

15.3.2022

14.03.2022

#### IMA WELCOMES THE GOVERNMENT'S MOVE TO INTRODUCE COVID VACCINATION FOR CHILDREN IN THE AGE GROUP OF 12 – 14 YEARS

To,

Shri Narendra Modi ji Hon'ble Prime Minister of India

Hon'ble Sir,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association HQs.!

IMA whole heartedly congratulates and welcomes the Government's move to introduce Covid Vaccination for children in the age group of 12 – 14 years from Wednesday i.e. 16-3-2022.

Sir, because of your efforts and timely intervention, the country has sailed through Covid Pandemic in last two years. Your encouragement for indigenous vaccines has made all the difference. The new Vaccine Corbevax – is likely to save the children if the Covid Pandemic continues. Even otherwise vaccination will increase the immunity in the younger population to combat the disease.

Indian Medical Association will actively involve in propagating the Vaccination Programme and also in implementing the same.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh

National President, IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA

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7-3-2022

#### COMMENTS TO CPCB FOR BIOMEDICAL RULES

То

Mr V P Yadav AD & DH, WM-I Division, CPCB, New Delhi

Dear Sir,

Greetings from IMA HQs.!

Please refer to your letter no F.No.B-31011/BMW(4507/6.7.III)/2021/WM-I dated Nov 30th 2021, we had already communicated to you regarding these issues vide our letter nos IMA/HSG/189/30-33 dated 7th December 2021. We are again replying specifically in response to the above letter.

Changes proposed in Biomedical waste Rules 2016

A. "Liquid waste Parameters"

Note-

- 1. Above limits are applicable to the occupiers of Health Care Facilities (bedded) which are either connected with sewerage network without terminal sewage treatment plant or not connected to public sewers.
- 2. For discharge into public sewers with terminal facilities, the general standards as notified under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) shall be applicable.
- 3. Health Care Facilities having less than ten beds shall have to install Sewage Treatment Plant by the 31st December, 2019.
- 4. Non-bedded occupiers shall dispose infectious liquid wastes only after treatment by disinfection as per Schedule II (6) of the principal rules.".

Should be replaced with:

"Liquid waste Parameters"

Note-

1. Above limits are applicable only to the occupiers of Health Care Facilities (bedded) which are either connected with sewerage network without terminal sewage treatment plant or not connected to public sewers.

- 2. Non-bedded occupiers shall dispose infectious liquid wastes only after treatment by disinfection as per Schedule II (6) of the principal rules.".
- B. "Website requirements"
- "4. (n) maintain and update on day to day basis the bio-medical waste management register and display the monthly record on its website according to the bio-medical waste generated in terms of category and colour coding as specified in Schedule I"

Should be replaced with:

- "4. (n) maintain and update on day-to-day basis the bio-medical waste management register and upload the monthly record on the website of CPCB according to the bio-medical waste generated in terms of category and colour coding as specified in Schedule I, either manually or automatically through Barcode labelling"
- "4. (p) all the health care facilities (any number of beds) shall make available the annual report on its web-site within a period of two years from the date of publication of Bio-Medical Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2018"

Should be replaced with

- "4. (p) all the health care facilities (any number of beds) shall make available the annual report on the web-site of CPCB whenever it becomes operational."
- "4. (I) shall display details of authorisation, treatment, annual report etc. on its web-site"

Should be replaced with

- "4. (I) shall upload data on the website of CPCB as asked for from time to time."
- "13. (4) The Annual Reports shall also be available online on the websites of Occupiers, State Pollution Control Boards and Central Pollution Control Board."

Should be replaced with

"13. (4) The Annual Reports shall also be available online on the website of Central Pollution Control Board."

In FORM-II, "1. (vi) Website Address," should be deleted.

In FORM-IV, "(vii) URL of Website," should be deleted.

Hoping that you will take an early action in this direction.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh National President, IMA Dr. Jayesh Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA

14.03.2022

#### EMAIL FROM INDIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION - SEEKING APPOINTMENT

To,

Shri Amit Shah

Hon'ble Union Home Minister Government of India North Block, New Delhi-110001

Shri J.P. Nadda Ji President, Bhartiya Janta Party & Member of Rajya Sabha BJP Central Office 6-A, Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Marg, New Delhi-110002

Hon'ble Sir,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association Hqs!

Firstly, let me congratulate you on behalf of Indian Medical Association for thumping victory in the Assembly Elections of the four States. I am sure your efforts and dedication will steer our country in proper directions.

As you are already aware that Indian Medical Association has been closely working with the Government during the critical time of covid pandemic in the last 2 years and will continue to support the efforts of the Government in improving the healthcare services in the country.

May I take this opportunity to request you to spare a few minutes to discuss the issues related with our medical profession where your guidance is required.

Our team will be ready to meet you at a short notice as per your convenience.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh National President, IMA

14.03.2022

#### EMAIL FROM INDIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION - SEEKING APPOINTMENT

To,

Shri Ram Nath Kovind Ji Hon'ble President of India Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi, 110004

Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu Ji Hon'ble Vice President of India Vice-President's Secretariat, 6, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi - 110011

Hon'ble Sir,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association Hqs!

IMA, is the largest Professional Association of Modern Medical Professionals since its inception from 1928, by Indian doctors. Dr. K. S. Ray, Sir Nil Ratan Sircar, Dr. B. C. Roy, Dr. M. A. Ansari, Col. Bhola Nath, Major M. G. Naidu, Dr. B.N. Vyas, Dr. D. Silva, Dr. N. A. Ghosh, Dr. D. A. Chakravarthi, Dr. Viswanathan, and Capt. B. V. Mukherjee had actively participated in the struggle for Independence of the country. The Organization was established to full fill its objectives of Promotion and Advancement of Medical and allied sciences, improvement of public Health and Medical Education in India and the maintenance of honour and dignity of medical profession. Today we have 3,50,000 doctors as members in 1750 branches across the country.

Indian Medical Association has been working closely with the Government for issues related to public health and improvement in healthcare services. In the last 2 years of covid pandemic where the entire country was in turmoil, Indian Medical Association stood firmly with the Government in implementing the guidelines issued by the Government from time to time. IMA has also taken active part in providing emergency services to the covid population and also implementing vaccination against covid.

There are some important issues related to medical profession. We need the support of the Government to solve such issues at the earliest.

May I take this opportunity to request you spare few minutes for considering the important issues related to our medical profession.

Our team will be ready to meet you at a short notice as per your convenience. With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh National President, IMA

5.3.2022

#### PRESS RELEASE

INDIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION is organising a National conference on Kidney Diseases on 5th & 6th March 2022 at its HQs in Delhi to increase awareness with experts from all over India on the occasion of "World Kidney Day". The theme of the conference is "Kidney Health for All".

It is estimated that over 90 crore people around the world suffer from kidney disease. 1 out of every 10 adults may have kidney disease, and if left untreated, the disease can be deadly. In India, with the growing number of people affected by Diabetes and Hypertension, Kidney diseases are also rising as a consequence. Kidney disease related deaths continue to increase yearly and is projected to be the 5th leading cause of death by 2040.

As of today, unfortunately, a Kidney Disease knowledge gap exists even among healthcare professionals. On the occasion of World Kidney Day, which is a global annual event aimed at raising awareness on kidney diseases, the importance of our kidneys to our overall health and to reduce the frequency and impact of kidney disease, the Indian Medical Association organising a national medical conference IMA KIDNEYCON 2022 on 5th and 6th March 2022. In this conference eminent nephrologists, urologists and kidney disease experts from around the country will discuss various aspects of Kidney diseases.

The conference will highlight how kidney diseases can present with a variety of ways and are often diagnosed very late due to lack of awareness among people and doctors. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle, reducing salt intake, weight loss, avoiding over the counter medicationslike pain killers, drinking sufficient amounts of water, controlling sugars and blood pressureare some ways to prevent kidney disease. The importance of regular testing of blood and urine for high-risk patients like those suffering from diabetes and hypertension to detect kidney disease. Sudden or acute kidney damage that can happen due to medications, infections, dehydration and even with complicated pregnancies. A special session will be organised to discuss the latest advances in managing hypertension or high blood pressure. Doctors will emphasise on the importance of a proper diet in patients suffering from kidney disease. Treatment of kidney failure can be in the form of dialysis or transplantation. A large number of patients in India suffer from kidney failure, also known as End stage renal disease (ESRD) on regular dialysis and are in the waiting list to get kidney transplants. A panel discussion with eminent transplant experts will discuss various options for kidney transplant available in India for patients. IMA stresses on the importance of pledging organs and encouraging organ donation which will save multiple lives.

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh National President, IMA Dr. Jayesh Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA



14.03.2022

#### APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSAL TO ENHANCE THE RETIREMENT AGE OF CHS DOCTORS FROM 62 TO 65 YEARS OF AGE AND ALLOWING TO HOLD ADMINISTRATIVE POST TILL 65 YEARS OF HIS/HER AGE.

To,

Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya Ji Honorable Union Minister Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Government of India

Respected Sir,

The doctors of the Central Health Services, presently retires at 62 years of age, except in all such cases where they exercise the option on being posted to a non-administrative post beyond 62 years. In this context, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare is considering a proposal to enhance the retirement age of CHS doctors to 65 years from the current 62 years. It is also, accordingly, proposed to do away with the "option form" and allow such doctors to hold administrative posts till 65 years as being practiced in AIIMS, PGI Chandigarh, JIPMER Pondicherry and other state Government Hospitals. The draft cabinet note (attached as enclosure) has been circulated in this regard to various ministries. The advanced cabinet note has already been approved by the Honorable Prime Minister Office.

This proposal is being awaited in the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare to be sent to the Union Cabinet for the final approval. So, we request you to please approve this proposal and send it to the union cabinet. This approval will benefits lacs of Senior Government Doctors working across the country and will improve the patient care services across the country.

Thanking you and with kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Prasad Singh National President, IMA Dr. Jayesh Lele Honorary Secretary General, IMA

19.03.2022

#### "BLOOD DONATION CAMPS"

То

All State Presidents & Hony. State Secretaries of IMA All Presidents and Hony. Secretary of IMA Local Branches

Dear Doctor,

Greetings from Indian Medical Association (Hqs.)!

"Blood Donation is a noble cause. IMA Headquarters is very keen that all IMA Branches should conduct Blood Donation camps and Awareness programmes. It can be done in their premises, colleges, institutions and hospitals and can combine with NGOs like Rotary, Lions, Jaycees, Lodge, Round Table, NCC, and NSS, etc.

To encourage such yeomen service IMA Head Quarters has decided to award the IMA Branches which have collected maximum number of blood in this year.

All the Branches are requested to conduct regular Blood Donation Camps and send monthly report with Blood Bank Medical Officer's certificate to:-

- 1. The Office of the Honorary Secretary General, IMA H.Q, New Delhi hsg@ima-india.org
- 2. Your State Office.
- 3. Dr. S.S. Sukumar, Chairman, IMA Standing Committee for Blood Donation, IMA Head Quarters, New Delhi - sssukumar@gmail.com

Please send the February month report.

Usually we start reporting from 30th January (Gandhi Memorial Day) to November 14th (World Diabeties Day) so that the Headquarters can calculate about the no of units of blood collected by our Local IMA Branches.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Sahajanand Pd. Singh National President IMA

Dr. Jayesh Lele Hony. Secretary General IMA Dr. S. S. Sukumar Chairman IMA Standing Committee for Blood Donation M: 9443066111 9842766111 Email Id: sssukumar@gmail.com

#### INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY on MARCH 8,2022

National IMA WDW celebrated IWD 2022 by organising a Symposium on \*"EMPOWERED WOMEN LEADERSHIP IN MEDICAL PROFESSION IN INDIA" \* on Zoom.

The vital aspects pertaining to Women Empowerment were taken up for intricate discussion threadbare by leading lady professionals in the country and abroad, and thus, it was the real observance of the commemorable day. "Empowering Women" amounts to empowering mankind and humanity alike. Gender equality in India although guaranteed by the Constitution continues to remain a far cry. Implementing equality is a social and economic challenge before the society as a whole. Hence the symposium was organised on the topic.

President of the World Medical Association, Dr Heidi Stensmyren was the Lead Orator.Eminent women doctors from different fields spoke on topics related to the subject of the symposium. Chairperson Dr Meena Wankhedkar and Renowned Academician Dr Vedprakash Mishra presented the Prologue and Epilogue respectively.

The NP Dr Sahajanand Prasad Singh, HSG Dr Jayesh Lele, Past National Presidents, National and State Leaders of IMA and the various wings were present to grace the occasion.

The webinar was well attended with 356 participants.

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY CELEBRATIONS WERE HELD IN ALL THE STATE AND LOCAL WDW BRANCHES- in consonance with the theme campaign, **BREAK THE BIAS**.



#### **GLIMPSES**

#### NATIONAL PRESIDENT, IMA ADDRESS ON THE OCCASION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Good afternoon all the beautiful and brainy ladies.

Wishing you all a very happy international woman's day.

Honourable president of world medical Association Dr Heidi, our mentor, guide and past president of wma Dr Ketan desai sir, Hsg dr lele, national chairperson of ima women drs wing dr meena madam, co chairpersons dr neelam madam dr Bharti, secretary dr Kavita madam, coordinator dr neeta and the learned faculty for today's symposium our guide dr vedprakash mishra sir, past national president of FOGSI dr Shanta Kumari madam, young energetic dr Erika patel, past chairpersons of wdw the dynamic dr mona madam and Yeshoda madam and all the other office bearers of ima wdw, all other women leaders and delegates I welcome you all on behalf of Indian medical Association.

I congratulate the entire team of ima wdw for arranging this symposium on the excellent and much needed topic of "Empowered Women Leadership in Medical Profession in India"

The topics and speakers selected are very relevant and I am sure at the end of this symposium we will not only be enlightened but we will get a definitive direction on way ahead.

The theme for campaign of this year's women's day is "**Break the Bias**"

We all male leaders should follow this theme and remove all biases towards our sisters. Women play a very important role in the life of any man. From mother to sister to wife to daughter or daughter in law or grand daughters.

Man is incomplete with out woman.

In medical profession also we see maximum women work force. We need to take note of it and promote them in all possible ways. They are very sincere and hardworking. In IMA also we are seeing that there are many upcoming dynamic women leaders. They need to be nurtured and promoted. They don't need any special favours or reservations but it is important that they should not be discriminated because they are women. They manage their families, professional duties and still find time energy to work efficiently for IMA. We all should always remember this facts.

I as national president promise to all women leaders that you will get all possible help in organising your various activities. Whatever problems you will have ,me and my team at headquarters will always there to solve them.

I also appeal to all my state and local leaders to do the same.

Once again I welcome you all and wish this program a grand success.



#### **BRANCH ACTIVITIES**



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			BRANCH ACTIVITIES	
STATE	BRANCH	TYPE OF EVENT	EVENT	DATE
Kerala	Desinganad	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "DIABETES- RECENT UPDATES" by Dr. Karamchand B, Consultant Internal Medicine, Taluk Hospital, Kottarakkara.	15-Feb-22
Kerala	Desinganad	Class	An online class was conducted on "Menstrual Hygiene Awareness for Teenagers" by Dr. Sandhya R, Deputy DMO Kollam, in association with JCI Sasthamcotta at Brook International School, Rajagiri Sasthamcotta.	15-Feb-22
Kerala	Kannur	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Making Sense of EEG" by Dr. Sreejith Peediackal, Consultant Neurologist Aster MIMS Hospital, Kannur.	17-Feb-22
Kerala	Perinthalmanna	Awareness Programme	An awareness class was Conducted and doubt clearence session on cancer. Speakers were Dr. Rahul, and Dr. Kochu s Mani. Sessio was only for ladies. Well attended and well appreciated session under SWEAYAM.	17-Feb-22
Kerala	Nemom	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Oral Semaglutide: the new Oral GLP1 analogue". Dr.Samuel Koshy, the State Presidnet inaugurated. Dr.A.Marthanda Pillai was the Chief Guest. Dr.Babu Raveendran, Dr.Gopi kumar, Dr.Joseph Benaven, Dr.Sasidharan, Dr.Lalith Sundaram and many other IMA leaders and stalwarts participated in the inaugural session and the ensuring CME which was attended by doctors from all over the country and was a huge success.	18-Feb-22
Kerala	Nedumangad	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Mind Your Mind" by Dr.Sagar.T, Consultant Psychiatrist and Unit Chief Mental Health Centre Perrorkada	19-Feb-22
Kerala	Vadakara	Training Programme	IMA Vadakara in association with ANGELS Vadakara and DIAMOND HEALTH CARE Vadakara conducted training in basic life support and trauma care	20-Feb-22
Kerala	Nedumangad	Seminar	IMA Nedumangad and MPH in association with Iqbal College,Peringamala conducted a seminar on Lifestyle Diseases. Seminar was presided by Major Dr.U.Abdul Khalam,Principal Iqbal College.Class was taken by Dr.Anju K Kanmani,Pediatrician,Taluk Hospital,Vithura.	21-Feb-22
Kerala	Nemom	Talk	Dr. Anil Kumar TV, Senior Consultant Neurologist delivered a talk on "Epilepsy" the fact file" virtually in connection with the International Epilepsy Day.	21-Feb-22
Kerala	Kodungallur	Class	Dr Krishna had taken class on menstrual hygiene & menstrual cup for the 10th standard students in KVHS Eriyad	22-Feb-22
Kerala	Koyilandy	СМЕ	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Scope of interventional pediatric cardiology" by M M KAMRAN R (Consultant interventional pediatric cardiologist MICC). "Current status of pediatric cardiac surgery" by Dr. Janeel.M(Consultant pediatric cardiac surgeon).	22-Feb-22



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Tamilnadu	Attur	Awareness Programme	IMA WDW Atture was conducted "Swayam Project and Mission Pink Health Programme" in Bharathiyar matriculation higher Secondary School. 150 girls were benefitted.	22-Feb-22
Kerala	Desinganad	Class	An online class was conducted on Menstrual Hygiene and awareness on Menstrual cup by Dr. Reena N R, consultant gynaecologist THQH, Kottarakara, in association with JCI Ashtamudi Lake City Kollam at Govt. Vanitha ITI Kollam.	23-Feb-22
Kerala	Vadakara	Meeting	A meeting was conducted at PARCO hospital vadakara with newly joined doctors for membership promotion.Dr PC Haridas,Dr M Muraleedharan,Dr Muhammad Mullakkas and Dr Vysakh explained about IMA, it's functions and schemes.Need for IMA membership was highlighted.	23-Feb-22
Kerala	Kollam	Meeting	A District committee meeting on elimination of HIV by 2025 was organised. The Speaker was the Project Director Dr.R. Ramesh of KSACS. Dr.Anitha Balakrishnan(Joint Secretary South Zone) attended the meeting.	23-Feb-22
Kerala	Kondotty	CME	A CME was conducted on the Topic of "Endocrine Aspects of Hypertension" by Dr. Naseer Ali, MD, DM, Consultant Endocrinologist, Mithra, Calilcut	24-Feb-22
Kerala	Kannur	СМЕ	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Plasmapheresis-Use in Viper Envenomation & Other Clinical Situations" by Dr. Tom Jose Kakkanattu, Consultant Nephrologist, Sreechand Hospital, Kannur	24-Feb-22
Kerala	Vadakara	Talk	An awareness talk video was published to the parents and children of Chemmarathur West LP school and Sree Narayana LP school, Vatakara. The talk was presented by Dr. Anshad KP (Consultant Paediatrician, Asha hospital, Vatakara). Highlighted the importance of Anemia correction.	24-Feb-22
Kerala	Tiruarangadi	Day	National girl child day was observed under WDW Tiruarangadi. Dr Rakhi Sagar conducted a seminar on health and future of girl child at PTMYHSS Cherur. Dr Wahida Begum gave a talk on adolescence and menstrual hygiene at MKH orphanage auditorium	
Kerala	Thrissur	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Changing concepts in management of Acute cholecystitis and colorectal cancer" by Dr. Prakash K, Surgical Gastroenterologist, ASTER Medicity, Cochin.	24-Feb-22
Tamilnadu	Salem	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Cardiac Cases and Emergency- What can be done" by Dr. A. Nagoor Meeran, MD, DNB, Interventional Cardiologist	25-Feb-22
Tamilnadu	Salem	CME	A CME was conducted on the topic of "Cardiac Surgery- Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" by Dr. G. Chandrashekar, MS, MCH.	25-Feb-22

Kerala	Nemom	Awareness Programme	IMA Nemom, conducted an awareness session, physically, for high school girl students of St.Mary's School Papanamcode on "Menstrual health and Health problems of females" under the Mission Pink Health project. Dr.Chandini Devi conducted the interactive session. Dr. Leena Ratnam coordinated the session. Principal Sr.Ancy George inaugurated. Winners of the "Essay writing competition " conducted in connection with the "National Day of Girl Child" in the school were distributed prizes in the school assembly.	25-Feb-22
Tamilnadu	Attur	CME	A CME was condcuted on the topics of "Cardiac Cases and Emergency - What can be done" by Dr. A. Nagoor Meeran, MD, DNB, Interventional Cardiologist, Sri Gokulam Hospital, Salem. "Cardiac Surgery- Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow by Dr. G. Chandrashekar, MD, DNB, Interventional Cardiologist, Sri Gokulam Hospital, Salem.	25-Feb-22
Kerala	Neyyttinkara	Meeting	The monthly meet of IMA Neyyatinkara Branch was conducted as a physical meet at RB Place Hotel, Neyyatinkara at 8:00 pm.The Guest speaker of the programme was Dr Remyasri, Consultant Nephrologist, Saraswathy hospital, Parassala.The Meeting started with Silent Prayer. The Flag Salutation was done by Dr Vimal, SWC memeber ,IMA NeyyatinkraWelcome address and Presidential address was done by President Dr S K Ajiayakumar.It was followed by presentation of minutes by Secretary, Dr Varun R V.The minutes were passed.Activities of the month were presented by Secretary.	26-Feb-22
Kerala	Nemom	Camp	The first comprehensive medical camp for the members of IMA Nemom Branch was conducted on 27th February 2022 at the IMA State HQ building at Anayara. Dr.A.Marthanda Pillai, Past National President inaugurated the camp. Specialists of Medicine, Surgery, Gynaecology, Orthopaedics, ENT and Dentistry examined the members and all the basic investigations were also arranged. Dr.V.Mohanan Nair, vice President (SZ) was the Guest. 20 members underwent the clinical examinations and investigations.	27-Feb-22
Kerala	Vadakara	Camp	A Pulse Polio immunisation camp was organised	27-Feb-22
Kerala	Thríssur	Camp	A Blood Donation Camp was organised at Lions Club Vatanappilly. Collected 30 unit blood during the camp	27-Feb-22
Maharashtra	Dhule	Camp	IMA Dhule celebrated the World Women's Day by arranging the Blood Donation Camp on 8th March 2022(as per directives from IMA HQ) in collaboration with Shree Bhausaheb Hire Govt. Medical College. IMA Dhule contributed 36 bottles.	08-Mar-22

#### **REPORT OF IMA KIDNEYCON-2022**

#### Dear Friends

IMA KIDNEYCON, Indian Medical Association's national kidney conference (hybrid) with the theme'KIDNEY HEALTH FOR ALL' was successfully organized on March 5 -6, 2022 at IMA HQs, New Delhi. The Conference was inaugurated by Dr Ketan Desai, Former President WMA, MCI and IMA in presence of Dr Sahajanand Prasad Singh, National President and Dr Jayesh Lele, Hony. Secretary General IMA. The conference had a packed house at IMA auditorium and was watched by over 2000 delegates online on both days.

Nationally renowned Nephrologists, Urologists and Transplant Surgeons participated as Faculty in the conference.

We had a continuous stream of questions and queries from interested delegates watching the conference online from around the country and in person.

Eminent Nephrologists from all over the country - spoke on several important issues like - how to diagnose kidney disease, different causes of acute kidney injury and newer advances in treating hypertension. Prominent urologists spoke about important diseases like Kidney stones, UTI and Prostate. Session on Chronic kidney disease and dialysis was well appreciated. The highlight of the Conference was a special panel on kidney transplantation where the country's leading transplant experts discussed various ways of opting for a kidney transplant, the issues related with it and discussed the ways to encourage organ donation.

Indian Medical Association is committed to the cause continued medical education and increasing awareness on primary prevention of kidney disease and increasing organ donations.

Dr Umesh Khanna asorganising Chairman and Dr Garima Aggarwal & Dr Shitij Bali as Organising Secretaries along with the entire organising team of IMA worked extremely hard to execute this academic feast.

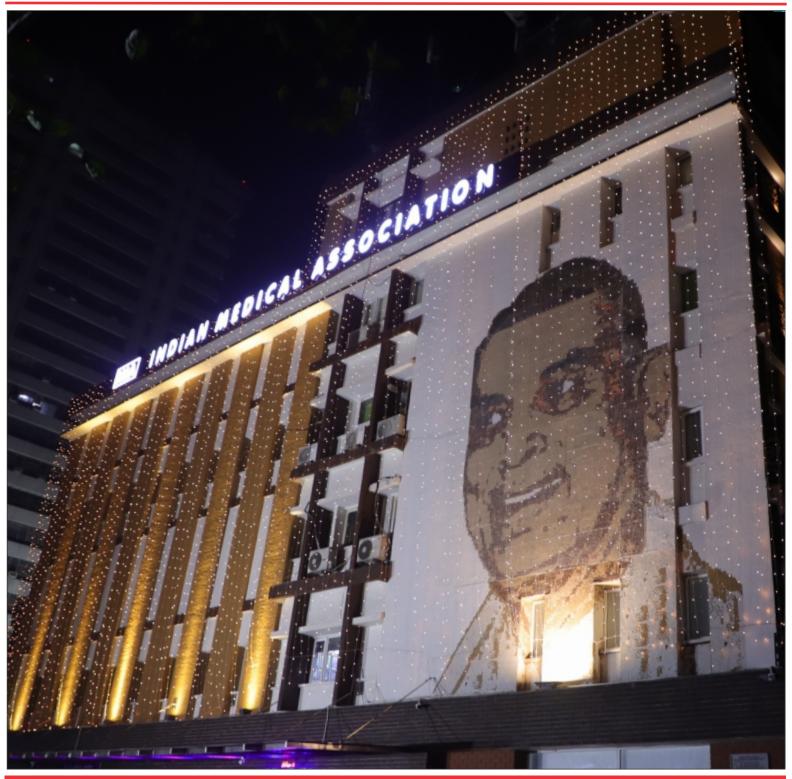
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