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President's Message



Dr. Subramania Iyer
President - APSI

Distinguished Senior Colleagues
and Members of the APSI,

It is with great pleasure that I write this in the second newsletter of our term of the office. Many things have happened in this period, which is good for the future of our association. I would like to bring to your attention few of the important developments.

The executive committee met in Munnar for a lengthy discussion on various matters important to the Association. We took many decisions giving due consideration to the suggestions from the general body as well as the past presidents meeting. The formation of a legal cell, redesigning of the website, submitting a unified curriculum for plastic surgery training to the apex bodies, doing proactive actions to tackle the undesirable way of encroaching by other specialties in the domains of plastic surgery, appointing a national scientific board to help the APSICON organizing committee to provide faculty talent from across the country and bringing out a vision document for next five years to

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Secretary's Message



Dr. Parag Sahasrabudhe
Hon. Secretary - APSI

Dear Esteemed Members of APSI,

It is my privilege and honour to present to you the August 2017 Newsletter.

The work for new website of the association has started and the committee is working hard to revamp our association's website.

The MCH curriculum was prepared and circulated by email to all APSI members. Suggestions received have been communicated to the curriculum committee and the committee will soon finalise the same.

Some modifications in the election process have been approved by the EC and the same shall be implemented from this year onwards, the details of which were published in April newsletter and are being republished in this newsletter.

Our concern regarding the Dental council issue has been communicated to the MCI and DGHS at Delhi. We have received acknowledgement from MCI office.

Membership Certificates & ID cards have been sent to the members whose Life membership was approved by GB in 2016.

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President's Message *(from page 1)*

the association has all been implemented or in the process of implementation. The website has been constructed under the leadership of our secretary and with help from numerous members. We hope to launch it officially in the next APSICON in Kochi. The legal cell has had informal discussions on how to move forwards and will come with concrete suggestions by the next meeting. The curriculum committee headed by Dr. Dinesh Kadam has prepared one, which is exemplary and all-inclusive which will be sent across to all concerned. The committee under the leadership of Dr. Satish Bhat has had submitted the objectionable matters in the dental curriculum to the Dental and Medical councils and has shown its impact to some extent. The national scientific board has been constituted and has already rendered great help to the scientific committee of the APSICON chaired by Prof. Nandakumar. The committee headed by myself and comprising of Dr. Mukund Thatte and Dr. Raja Sabapathy is earnestly into discussions for preparing the vision document.

The American Society of Plastic surgeons have expressed interest in working closely with us in avenues of education and training. We have begun initial discussions and a delegation led by Dr. Gregory Evans and Dr. Arun Gosain are coming for a leadership summit meeting to be held at the time of APSICON to take it further. We will inform you about the progress and details of the proposals

during the deliberations in the national meeting.

It was very heartening to see a large amount of activities in relation to the National plastic surgery day this year. These definitely help to improve the profile of our specialty in the country. Please start planning now itself for the next year!

We lost few senior members of our association leaving back big voids difficult to be filled. On behalf of all of you, I would like to offer our heartfelt condolences to the family members.

The preparations for the upcoming national meeting are in full swing. We have a galaxy of speakers from outside the country. We are trying to get more new faces from the national scene, who are doing great but unnoticed work in remote areas as faculty members. We hope that the academic program will help to achieve the theme objective of the meeting 'Reclaiming Lost Bastions and Conquering New Domains'. An excellent social program is also being planned. Please do consider spending some extra days with your family in Kerala during that period to unwind, but of course making sure that this does not affect your participation in the academic activities fully.

Let me end this letter offering you a warm welcome to Kochi in November.

Yours Sincerely

Dr. Subramania Iyer
President, APSI

Secretary's Message *(from page 1)*

The proposed changes in the byelaws of the association have been circulated again with this newsletter.

The National Plastic Surgery Day was celebrated across the country. You must have received greetings by email on behalf of the President and the Executive Council. Many members have communicated to me their reports. The details of which are published in this newsletter.

The preparations for APSICON 2017 are in full swing

and I request the members to register as early as possible if you have not done it already.

I would like to thank all the members of the Association and the members of the Executive Council for their cooperation. I would like to thank President Dr. Iyer and the Trustees of the Association for their constant guidance and support.

Yours Sincerely

Dr. Parag Sahasrabudhe
Hon. Secretary, APSI



Dr. Manokaran
Awarded FRCS
at RPCS Glasgow Convocation



Dr. Raja Sabapathy
Hon. Fellowship, FRCS (Glasg.)
Hon. Membership, BSSH



Dr. V. Bhattacharya
Delivered Prestigious Dr. P.J. Deshpande
Oration during Shalyacon 2017

RECENTLY CONCLUDED CONFERENCES



The Dept. of Plastic Surgery AFMC & Command Hospital, Pune organized a Professional Development Programme under the aegis of APSI on 27th & 28th May 2017. Subject was 'Flaps in Plastic Surgery'. Regional, National & International figures, Dr. R.B. Ahuja, Dr. Gautam Biswas, Dr. R.K. Sharma, Dr. Sandeep Sebastin (Singapore), Dr. H. Venkatramani, Dr. Baliarsing, Dr. Surajit Bhattacharya, among others, were preset.

Skype & Team Viewer were used to good effect in conducting the CME. Internet, with ample bandwidth, ensured that Prof V. Bhattacharya was able to discuss and demonstrate microcirculation in flaps from Varanasi, Dr. Hari Venkatramani discussed the finer technical points of Toe Transfer from Coimbatore and Dr. G.

Karthikeyan gave an elegant demonstration of the PIA flap from Chennai. Prof. R.K. Sharma from Chandigarh demonstrated and discussed Scalp Flaps. The CME concluded with a thought provoking talk by Dr. Surajit Bhattacharya through Skype titled 'What They Did Not Teach Me In Medical College'.

UPCOMING COURSES & CONFERENCES



ISSHCON2017 MUMBAI



41st Annual Conference of Indian Society for Surgery of the Hand (ISSH)

Co-hosted by Singapore Society for Hand Surgery (SSH)

Dates: 21st, 22nd & 23rd September, 2017 Venue: Hotel JW Marriott, Juhu, Mumbai - 400049.

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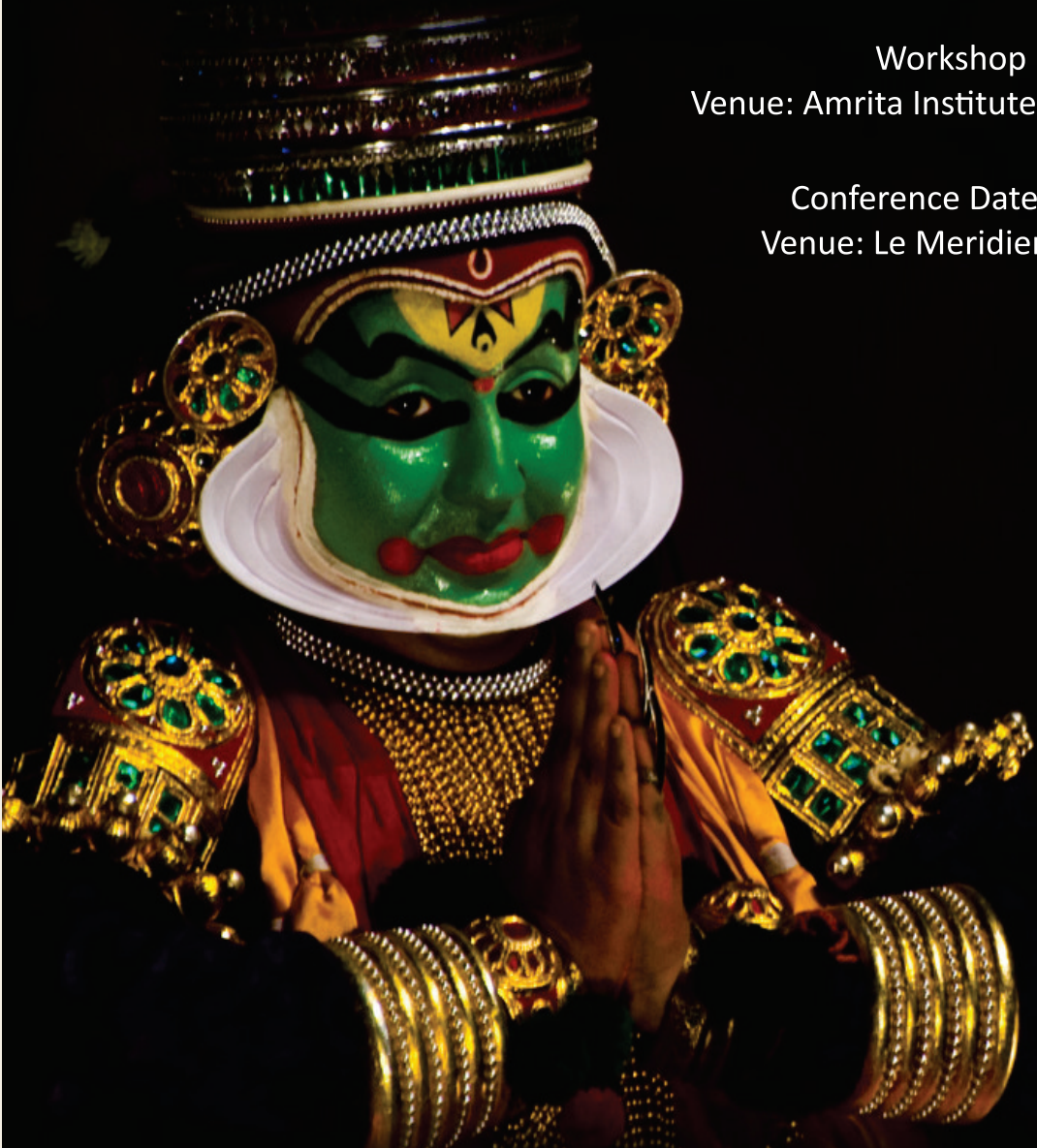
52nd

Annual Conference of Association of Plastic Surgeons of India

Reclaiming Lost Bastions | Conquering New Domains

Workshop Date: 15th November
Venue: Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences

Conference Date: 16th -19th November
Venue: Le Meridien Convention Centre



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Kochi - the Queen of Arabian Sea and Kerala - 'Gods own country', is gearing up to welcome you all for the 52nd Annual Conference of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India - Samhita Apsicon 2017.

The organising committee comprising of – Senior Members of Cochin association of Plastic Surgeons and members of Kerala Plastic Surgery Association, have been on the job of preparing for this meeting for the past few months now. We assure that you will have a feast of academic activities mixed with cultural extravaganzas and memorable social events.

The video workshop is being held at Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences and the main meeting is to be held at Le Meridian convention centre, the video workshop this time has been designed to be unique, by trying to show as many as (108 videos), we plan to have a plenary session where videos on common interesting topics will be shown in the morning and in afternoon we break away for videos of sub-specialty. The organising committee has sent mails to many of you inviting submissions, we are still open to accept any number of videos. At the end we hope to make a compilation of videos and make it available to all the delegates.

The main conference is spread over 4 days - First day will be the start of the CME, we have distinguished faculty from all over the world attending this meeting and considering the theme - "Reclaiming Lost Bastions and Conquering New Domains". We have tried to include best of the brains of Plastic Surgery to suit this theme. We have given emphasis to newer techniques which can be implemented in our practice as well as given importance to areas where we could do much more than what we are doing now.

The international faculty includes many prominent Plastic Surgeons from around the world, whose details have been given in this newsletter. Apart from

this we expect to have who is who in Plastic Surgery in India, contributing as faculty members, also this time we have tried to make national scientific advisory board with Plastic Surgeons from all zones of the country to suggest to us budding hidden talents in our vast specialty, to be given an opportunity to present their work which till now may not have got the desired acknowledgment. We are continuing to have a session of innovations, which was very well received last year.

The abstract submission dates are fast approaching we request all members of the fraternity and trainees to send as many abstracts, video presentations and posters both for award category and general category.

We are planning to have a great feast of cultural extravaganza, during both Inaugural Meeting and President's Dinner. Noted Carnatic Violinist Shri L. Subramaniam has graciously agreed to perform for us specially on the inaugural day. The second day of the conference we plan to have a dinner, in the picturesque Bolgati palace ground in full view of the Arabian Sea and famed Kochi back waters, cuisine from all over the country and art from all corners of Kerala will be presented to you, banquet is planned in the Crowne plaza hotel.

Kerala is noted for its natural beauty spots where you can relax and unwind. So we welcome you and your family to spare few days extra and enjoy the scenic beauty of Kerala. It ranges from staying in the house boats, having Ayurvedic massages, enjoy splendour of sea, in lush beaches and enjoy the beauty and serenity of Munnar. We are making special arrangements for welcoming your family and seeing them off..

Please log on to **www.apsicon2017.com** for more details and information. Thank you.



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Registration Category

Category	Delegate Fees	Trainees	Accompanying Person
Early Bird Till 15 March 2017	INR 10000	INR 8000	INR 8000
Regular Registration Till 30 September 2017	INR 12000	INR 9000	INR 8000
Regular Registration Till 10 November 2017	INR 13000	INR 10000	INR 9000
On Spot	INR 15000	INR 12000	INR 10000

Attractive Accommodation Packages will be available on website soon. Registered delegate will be intimated directly

Registration Inclusions

- 40 Hrs of Lectures and Discussions on Contemporary Plastic Surgery Topics with Participation from the Best and the Brightest National and International Experts
- **5 Lunches (15 - 19 Nov), 2 Dinners (16 & 17 Nov) and 10 Tea/Coffee Breaks**
- Entry to Scientific Hall and Exhibition Area
- Conference Kit (including Bag, Badge, Certificate, Note Pad and Pen)

Accommodation Package

Package at Venue Hotel Le-Meridien, Kochi

Accommodation Package for 3 Nights and 4 Days (Check in : 16 Nov - Check out 19 Nov)			
Rooms Category	Room Type		
	Twin Sharing per person	Single	Double
Deluxe Room (Main Block)	INR 13500	INR 25500	INR 27000
Club Room (Main Block)	INR 14250	INR 27000	INR 28500
Classic / Superior Room (Tower Block) (3 minute boat transfer from the main block)	INR 12000	INR 21000	INR 24000

**Banquet Included
in Early Bird
Registration**

Package available for 4 Nights & 5 Nights. For Registration & Accommodation Booking log on to www.apsicon2017.com

Conference Team

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Cochin Association of Plastic Surgeons

Hosted by

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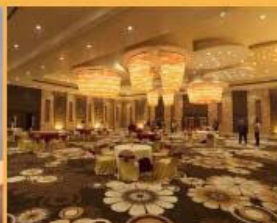
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21st – 25th November, 2018



GOLDEN BLOSSOM
IMPERIAL RESORTS

Faizabad Road, Lucknow



Bangor, ME



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	Members	Trainee	Accompanying Person
Conference	12,000	8,000	8,000
APSI Accredited Course	3,000		

Duration of Stay	Twin Sharing (per person)	Non-Sharing Double
4 Nights/5Days	8,000	16,000
5 Nights/6 Days	10,000	20,000



Jucknow



Dr. K.S. Shekar Endowment Plastic Surgeon of the Year 2017

Dr. C.P. Swahney



Dr. C.P. Swahney a, graduate of the famous Amritsar Medical College, joined the Department of Plastic Surgery at PGI, Chandigarh, in 1966, as a Senior Lecturer around the time when Prof. C. Balakrishnan also joined the department as Professor and Head. Dr. Swahney assumed the role of the Head of the Department in 1980, after retirement of Dr. Balakrishnan. The department reached even greater heights during his leadership. He has been a very good researcher, great clinician and an excellent teacher. He has published more than 60 original articles in the peer reviewed Journals and is recognized for his original thinking. His thoughtful exposition of the triangular flap technique was published in the PRS and this contribution has been specially mentioned in the Millard's magnum opus "Cleft Craft". His wide range of surgical interests included temporomandibular joint ankylosis, acute burns, post burn reconstructions of face and hand. He is a master surgeon and all of us have witnessed his excellent exposition of plastic surgery techniques in reconstruction of nose, cleft lip and palate and post burn deformities. His tissue handling and surgical dissection is a visual

treat and it was a real bliss to see him execute the artistry in the operating room.

He has always been a great teacher and all his students very fondly remember his tutorials and planning sessions. He was a hard taskmaster but had a very soft interior. He would see to it that his students always got the best in life.

You would all agree that Dr. Swahney is one of the few Plastic Surgeons who have never missed any conference of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India in the last 50 years or so. He continues to be as dashing and elegant even at 87 years of age. All of you must have noticed that he is still very active, agile and attentive in the deliberations and activities of the association. He retired from the PGI in 1990 and has kept himself busy with the private practice and has updated himself with the new developments in aesthetic and reconstructive surgery.

He has been a real hero to a generation of Plastic Surgeons and would continue to inspire the younger lot with his unflinching urge to learn and teach.

We feel he is a very worthy recipient of the award.

DGIMER Sawhney *Outstanding Teacher of the Year 2017* **Dr. V. Bhattacharya**



- Remained Senior Professor & Head of the Department of Plastic Surgery, Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.
- Unanimously Elected as the President of The Association of Plastic Surgeons of India in 2008.
- Awards Received: 29. Publications Published: 153 Research: Third person to have Ph. D. in Plastic Surgery in the Country. Supervised M.S. Thesis: 47. Supervised M.Ch. Dissertation: 32. Research Experience: 40 years. Special Training in Aesthetic Surgery and Maxillofacial trauma. Delivered Guest Lecture: 97. Delivered Prestigious Orations: 18. Papers Presented in Conference: 341. Conferences Attended: 226. Workshops Attended: 85. Performed Live Operative Demonstration in National Conferences: 08. Membership of Academic Bodies: 14.
- Delivered Dr. P.J. Deshpande Memorial Oration during "Shalyacon 2017".
- Awarded Col. Sangham Lal Memorial Oration of National Academy of Medical Sciences (India) for the year 2016.
- Delivered Das-Halim Oration in May, 2015
- Awarded Fellow of National Academy of Medical Sciences, FAMS in October, 2014.
- Became Reviewer of Journal "BURN", UK, in 2014
- Nominated on Plastic Surgery Editorial Advisory board of 'Meditube.com' India's first Doctor to Doctor TV, in 2013.
- Nominated Member of the Board of Trustees of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India in 2012.
- Became Reviewer of The International Journal of Lower Extremity Wounds, UK, 2012.
- Became member of the Editorial Board of International Journal of Burns and Trauma in 2011.
- Became Reviewer of International Journal of Medicine and Medical Sciences (IJMMS) in 2011.
- Delivered the most prestigious 'Sir Harold Gillies Oration' at Annual Conference of APSI in 2010.
- "Sushruta, The Father of Plastic Surgery", Documentary Film by Bhattacharya, V. and others, was shown during the Inaugural function of the 15th World Congress of the International Confederation for Plastic Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery in 2009.
- Member of National Board of Journal of Society for Wound Care & Research, 2009.
- Member of the Editorial Advisory Board of Indian Journal of Plastic Surgery since 2009.
- Member of the Editorial Advisory Board of the Journal of Plastic Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery (JPRAS) (U.K.) in 2008.
- Became an International Reviewer for:
 - a) Journal of Clinical Rehabilitative Tissue Engineering Research, 2008.
 - b) Journal of Clinical Anatomy, 2008.
 - c) Journal of Clinical Rehabilitative Tissue Engineering Research, 2007.
 - d) Indian Journal of Plastic Surgery, 2006.
- Delivered M.M. Mukherjee Oration of Association of Plastic Surgeons of India in 2006.
- Invited as Faculty to deliver Guest Lecture at the 9th Asian-Pacific Congress of the International Confederation of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery in 2005.
- Awarded Dr. V. Mahadevan Best Research Award of International College of Surgeons, 2004.
- Delivered the Dr. H. Lalmohan Memorial Oration in 2004.
- Delivered Sam. C. Bose Oration in 2004.
- Ethicon Visiting Professor of Association of Plastic Surgeons of India – 2003.
- Hari Om Ashram Prerit Dr. S. Rangachari Research Award of the Association of Surgeons of India – 1997.
- Harbanse Lal Orator of Association of Surgeons of India – 1997.
- Peet Prize of Association of Plastic Surgeons of India for the best research presentation – 1996.
- Awarded Ph.D. in Plastic Surgery – 1994 (Third recipient in the country).
- ETHICON National Cosmetic Surgery Fellowship of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India – 1993 (First to receive in the country).
- Kilner Award of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India for original research – 1991.
- Gold Medal for best paper the National Conference of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India, 1991.
- Gold Medal for best paper in Indian Journal of Surgery – 1989. ETHICON Traveling Fellowship of Association of Plastic Surgeons of India – 1982.
- ETHICON Sushruta Society Travelling Fellowship of the Association of Plastic Surgeons of India – 1979.

And more...

Plastic Surgery Day

Glimpses

Mumbai, Maharashtra



Department of Plastic and Reconstructive surgery, Tata Memorial Hospital organized 'National Plastic Surgery Awareness Week' from 17th to 21st July 2017. Each day focused on a separate sub specialty of plastic surgery. Senior Plastic Surgeons like Dr. Lakshyajit Dhami, Dr. Mukund Thatte, Dr. Sanjay Vaidya, Dr. Nitin Mokal, Dr. Samir Kumta, Dr. Sunil Keswani, Dr. Rajesh Rajput and Dr. Vinay Kant Shankhdhar graced the event with their presence, giving an insight from their vast experience. Nursing staff and NGO's involved in care of cancer patients were felicitated on this occasion. ONCORECON workshop was conducted from 17th to 21st July 2017. The 3 modules consisted of lectures about workhorse flaps used for reconstruction, peri operative intensive care management, radiotherapy post reconstruction and speech therapy; live surgical demonstration of various flaps used for head and neck, breast and limb reconstruction and a day long cadaver dissection workshop.



Agartala, Tripura



A Public Awareness Program on First Aid and Prevention of Burns for non-professional staff and students and a Training Program on Essential Burn Care for doctors and nurses of Tripura Medical College, Agartala were organized by Burn Care Foundation (a social unit of NRM CARE Hospital, Guwahati). Dr. B.P. Sarma, Dr. N. Sarma, Dr. Kabita S. Choudhury & Ms. Namita Gogoi were the faculties. 150 & 72 participants were there in the two days programs.

Ludhiana, Punjab



Dept. of Plastic Surgery, DMC & Hospital and Ludhiana Asso. of Plastic Surgeons celebrated Plastic Surgery Day at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Gobind Nagar. Dr. Sanjeev Uppal, HOD, Plastic Surgery, DMCH, delivered a talk on First Aid in Burns and Accidental Injuries. Later the team comprising of Dr. Bhupinder Singla, Dr. Karan B Singh, Dr. Vikas Jain and Dr. Maninder Kaur conducted a Quiz on First Aid.




Chennai, Tamil Nadu

SIMS HOSPITAL, Chennai
joins hands with **ATIJEEVAN FOUNDATION** to conduct
COMPREHENSIVE SPECIALISED CAMP
FOR BURN SURVIVORS

ON
NATIONAL
PLASTIC
SURGERY
DAY
15 JULY, 2017




Gulbarga, Karnataka

Basaveshwar Hospital conducted day long events. A book, titled “You Be The Game Changer” (A public Awareness Guid On Trauma Care), by Dr. Amaresh Biradar, Plastic Surgeon, was also released by Dean MRMC, Dr. S.R. Harwal, Council Member, HKE Society, Dr. S.B. Kamareddy, Med. Supritendent Dr. Sharangouda Patil, Dr. R.B. Dhaded, Dr. R.G. Devani, Dr. V.B. Biradar & Dr. Kiran Deshmukh. It was followed by an awareness talk that highlighted the importance and recent advances in plastic surgery, especially Hand Surgery, Burn Reconstruction, Maxillo Facial Surgery, Reconstructive Microsurgery.



Bhubaneswar, Odisha

Department of Burns & Plastic Surgery, AIIMS, Bhubaneswar organised two day NABI CME on the theme “Awareness and Care of Burn Injuries”. An exclusive awareness programme for nursing faculty and students and was attended by more than 200 delegates. The full day extensive CME on different aspects of Burns, its prevention and management was attended by Plastic Surgeons, General Surgeons, Physiotherapists and Nursing staff. Dr. Rajeev Ahuja, Imm. Past President ISBN, Dr. Seema Rekha Devi, Hon. President, NABI and Dr. Sujata Sarabahi, Hon. Secretary, NABI, were Guests of Honour. Dr. Gitanjali B., Director, AIIMS, Bhubaneswar, was the Chief Guest.



Dr.Sasikumar Muthu
Ms Mch Plastic & Cosmetic Surgeon

Thank You
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event

Celebrating
National Plastic
Surgeon Day

Plastic Surgery day observed

STAFF REPORTER
CHENNAI
PEARL Health, a multi-speciality clinic focusing on cosmetic and reconstructive treatment commemorated National Plastic Surgery Day, which falls on July 15, on Wednesday. Two patients who could not afford surgery were treated free of cost, said a release.

Chennai, Tamil Nadu

For more info, log on to pearlhealth.in

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Chennai Mobile 09600039000

Glimpses

Plastic
Surgery
Day



Aurangabad, Maharashtra

Bembde Hospital, Aurangabad, did free consultation camp for plastic surgery patients and activities to create awareness about free cleft surgery under Smile Train project, importance of skin donation, preservation and transportation of amputated parts to enable a Plastic surgeon to perform Replantation of hands, thumb, fingers, legs, scalp, etc.

Plastic Surgery Day

Glimpses

Karnal, Haryana

SONI BURNS & PLASTIC SURGERY CENTRE
in Association with **94.5 MY FM KARNAL**
Celebrates
NATIONAL PLASTIC SURGERY DAY
on saturday 15 July 2017 10 am to 1 pm

Highlights

- ★ Free OPD Consultation
- ★ Interaction with - RJ VIKKY (Host- Dil Chahta Hai) - RJ INDU (Host- Salam Karnal)
- ★ Interesting Games with RJ INDU
- ★ Attractive Prizes
- ★ One Lucky Patient will get Free Surgery

Nagpur, Maharashtra



GMC, Nagpur, conducted Inter-collegiate Quiz on Plastic Surgery Day in the presence of Dr. Bhartendu Swain & Dean Dr. A. Niswade. Four teams participated.

Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra

Rotary IN ASSOCIATION WITH **Rotary**
ROTARY CLUB KHARGHAR MIDTOWN ROTARY CLUB PANVEL INDUSTRIAL TOWN

(15th JULY-2017) On National plastic Surgery Day
FREE PLASTIC SURGERY CAMP
मोफत प्लास्टिक सर्जरी शिवीर
DATES: 15,16 & 17 JULY

Following

Cleft Lip Burn Contracture Facial Birth marks

Operative Camp, in association with Rotary Club of Kharghar Midtown & RC Industrial Town, Panvel, was organised. Camp was conducted at Artius Plastic & Cosmetic Surgery Center, Kharghar. Dr. Nitin Mokul & Dr. Sagar Gundewar were the treating surgeons.

Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

smith&nephew

'CME on Wound Dressings'
Theme: Strengthening the core
On
NATIONAL PLASTIC SURGERY DAY
Venue: Mini-Auditorium, SGPGIMS, Lucknow

Saturday, July 15, 2017

Organised by
DEPARTMENT OF PLASTIC SURGERY AND BURNS,
Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Lucknow, India

Pune, Maharashtra



Plastic Surgery Day was celebrated at the B.J. Medical College & Sassoon General Hospitals, Pune

PGIMER-Sawhney Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award

Prof. C.P. Sawhney, has donated amount of rupees 4 lakhs to start an award to be known as “PGIMER - Sawhney Outstanding Teacher of the Year” award that shall be given to one of the teachers of plastic surgery.

From the savings of APSICON 2014, Rs. 11 lakhs have been added to this corpus.

Members are requested to submit nominations for the teachers.

Please email to drsharmark@gmail.com before 30th September 2017.

Eligibility:

1. A younger surgeon below 65 years of age
 2. Should be within 5 years of superannuation
 3. Should be a full member of APSI
 4. Should be a skillful professional actively involved in teaching and training of Plastic Surgeons
- Competence and expertise will be the sole criterion.

If there are two candidates of equal competence, senior person will be given due consideration

Sponsorship:

1. Any Full member of APSI can sponsor

Selection committee:

4. Chairman: Dr. C P Sawhney
5. Member Secretary: Dr. Ramesh Sharma.
He shall assume the role of Chairman in the absence of Dr. Sawhney
6. Current President of APSI shall be ex-officio member
7. The chairman and the member secretary can co-opt one or more members as per their discretion

Presentation of Award:

Award shall be presented during the main Inaugural ceremony of the annual APSICON. The award will carry a certificate, medal and cash reward.

APSI – Plastic Surgeon for the Year Award

The Dr. K.S. Shekar endowment

Members can nominate by sending proposal in a prescribed form to The President of the year. Forms can be obtained by email to the secretary. The proposal

must reach the President by 15th September, 2017. Please email to secretary.apsi@gmail.com to obtain the proposal form.



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GST and the Plastic Surgeon

Dr. Sandeep Sharma



We Are the Chosen ones!!

Plastic surgery is the only branch of medicine singled out for GST. The rest of the medical fraternity is spared. I will not dwell into the politics of the decision. Suffice to say that this tax is here to stay. So the earlier we understand it the better.

Cosmetic surgery, sale of medicines, medical equipments and other rental income from commercial property attract GST. So even if 1% of your income is from these sources and your aggregate annual income crosses Rupees 20 lakhs (bank and market investment excluded) you need a GST number and have to collect GST.

There are significant differences between service tax and its new avatar GST.

Which Medical Services attract GST?

All cosmetic activities including consultation, procedures and surgeries

Who pays GST?

All those who earn from cosmetic activities i.e. - Doctors (any speciality) day centres and hospitals.

What are the inclusion criteria? who needs GSTIN number?

Anyone with income greater than 20 lacs per annum and any portion of this income generated from 'cosmetic' activity.

e.g. If income rupees 19 lacs from reconstructive surgery and 1 lakh from cosmetic then you need a GSTIN number and have to collect GST

When do I apply for GST number?

Within 30 days of gross income crossing the 20 lakh threshold.

Understanding the basics of GST

There are two types of transactions

1. B2B and 2. B2C.

B2B transaction means, the person supplying the goods or service is registered with the GST department and the person receiving the goods or services is also registered with the GST department.

B2C transaction means, the person supplying the goods or services is registered with the GST department and the person receiving the goods or services is not registered with the GST department, i.e. he is a consumer of the goods or services.

In the B2B the first B charges GST and passes on to the government. The second B will then make a further sale and charge GST which he will offset against the GST credit the government will give for the GST already paid on this item. Thus typically the price stays the same or is reduced

to the extent of the tax paid while procuring the goods or services.

In B2C, B charges GST but C does not get any benefit or credit as C is the end user in the chain. Thus the burden is shifted to the end user.

Our transactions are mainly B2C. Thus, we will upload the GST amount collected and will be eligible for input credit of the items for which we paid GST at purchase. To avail this benefit we should make sure that the vendors who supply us have our GSTIN number which should be mentioned in the tax invoices they raise. (In the present tax dispensation, the credit would be available online only through the supplier when he uploads the invoice details of the goods/services purchased by us, therefore it is imperative for us to ensure that the GSTIN number is correctly mentioned in the invoice).

How does paying the GST system work?

The details (invoice wise/ consolidated) for each month shall be furnished between the 1st and 10th day of the following month. The window closes on 10th. Between 11th and 15th of the following month the details of the purchase bills is required to be furnished.

As you would have given your GSTIN number to your supplier, the system would thus verify/cross check this. It would calculate automatically and generate the net tax amount you would have to pay. This computation would be done on the 16th and 17th of each month. This would also be the time for us to match our purchase to what is reflected on the system and if there is anything mismatch, this is the window to rectify it. 17th to 20th is the window to pay this net Tax amount i.e. furnish monthly return with payment of tax.

Summary of schedule of timelines

1st - 10th - GSTR 1- invoices

11th -15th - GSTR 2- purchase bills-auto-populated (mostly)

16th -17th - matching & computation - auto-population (mostly)

17th - 20th - GSTR 3 - monthly return- auto populated (mostly)

Which are the input credit items?

Medical and surgical goods, phone bills, travel fare, Hotel stay (within state only)

Please note interstate Hotel stays not eligible for GST credits.

Which are the excluded items?

Restaurant bills, interstate Hotel stay, interest rate construction repair and maintenance (if the expense of such repairs are not capitalised in the books of accounts)

What is different now?

In this new system of monthly e-filing we also have to enter our non taxable income. This is so that the input credit could be availed in the same ratio as to the taxable and non-taxable income. Thus this blocks the current practice of later adjustments. However, we get 100% input credit for items used exclusively for cosmetic surgery example lasers, Botox, fillers

How to decide cosmetic vs. non cosmetic?

What if part is cosmetic and part is non Cosmetic?

What if laser or Botox is done for not cosmetic indications?

The decision is to be taken circumstantially and the records so as to prove this, should be created and preserved as the assessing authorities are invariably non medical.

Penalties and appeal process

Unlike Income Tax, GST has two levels – 1. inspection 2. search. Both these have to be authorised by a joint commissioner or an officer about that level. If in doubt about the authenticity of the visiting team, its best to personally contact the concerned authority and confirm. This is suggested in the light of cases of fraud by fake inspectors reported in the media. When an inspection is sought they are only authorised to examine the documents requested in the letter. They cannot search the premises.

What if we miss the upload deadlines?

It can be done at a later date with a small penalty

As these activities are online, can a small business do itself or is an accountant mandatory?

You can fill the tax online yourself.

What is a reverse charge under GST?

It is a mechanism of self invoicing in cases of purchase of goods or services from an unregistered vendor. Thus you can raise a self invoice. However we have exemption of purchases up to 5000 rupees per day. When using exemptions make sure to keep the history records for 5 years. Records may be kept in hard and soft copy.

What are the rates of GST applicable to us?

It is 18%. GST is collected in 2 heads- CGST 9% and SGST also 9%, making a total of 18% GST. Both these go to two different authorities (centre and state) so we are required to split and pay accordingly.

Who pays IGST?

IGST or integrated GST is for those operating and providing services interstate. It is the sum of CGST and SGST making a total of 18 %.

Do salaried employees pay GST?

No, services provided by employee to employer is exempted.

I am a plastic surgeon providing services in corporate hospital on a fee-for-service basis. What should I do?

For any cosmetic surgery done in a corporate hospital, we bill the hospital for our services plus 18%GST (9% CGST and 9% SGST), The hospital will bill the patient plus GST. So both, we and the hospital will upload the collected GST amount between 1st-10th of each month. The system will automatically show our collection as input credit on the hospital statement on the 11th. They will have 11th to 15th to verify this. The difference will also be displayed and this amount the hospital will have to deposit (net banking or cheque deposit) between the 17th and 20th.

How do I get a GSTIN number?

Getting GST is an online easy process taking less than 1 hour if you have your facts handy. The GSTIN is emailed and smsed within 3 days (don't need a CA)

What about Packages?

When giving packages a common rate will apply as there are different rates for different goods and services.

So the rate of the primary/core service will apply...in our case cosmetic surgery-18%. In other cases (eg bundled goods/medicines) the highest rate will apply to the package. So often it may make sense to have more than one bill. However, note that artificially divided invoices are not viewed favourably.

Cases for which you pay GST are ok. But do have good evidence/explanation in the notes (including OPD notes) of the cases which you claim are non GST. Keep these records for at least 5 years.

GST is a comprehensive tax replacing many taxes. It may initially seem intimidating. The message was that GST, as applicable to us, is not as difficult or complicated as is being made out by the accountants. In fact we can do it ourselves thus saving time, money and stress. But, yes, it will require the discipline of allocating 40 to 60 minutes each month. This time is what you would need to allocate anyway, whether it is the accountant or yourself doing the due diligence.

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NOTE: The above are the excerpts and understanding of GST as applicable to plastic surgeons compiled after interacting with Mr Sanjay Saraswat, Master Trainer, from the Training Institute of the Department of Customs and Central Excise (GST), Vadodara. His talk shall be uploaded on YouTube after due permissions have been granted.

Notice for General Body Meeting

The General Body meeting shall be held on 18th November, 2017, 6:00 p.m. at venue of conference, Hotel Le Meridian, Kochi.

The following shall be the agenda:-

1. Opening remarks by the president.
2. Reading the notice of the meeting.
3. Condolences to deceased members.
4. Laurels
5. Confirmation of the minutes of the last general body meeting held at Mumbai
(Already circulated along with Newsletter Vol. 76 of April 2017)
6. Secretary's report.
7. Editor's report and accounts for 2016-2017.
8. Treasurer's report and Accounts for 2016-2017.
9. Accounts- Year Ending 31st March 2017.
10. Trustee's report for the year 2016-2017.
11. Matters arising out of executive council meetings held on 11.03.2017 and 15.11.17.
13. New memberships & distribution of certificates.
14. Results of awards:
Peet Prize, APSI best paper (Junior), Dr. S. K. Bhatnagar Quiz, Dr. Sam and Mrs. Saroja Bose Research and Audit paper, Kamath best poster, McNeil best audio-visual, R.N. Sinha best paper, NH Antia best publication, Armed Forces Best report, etc.
15. Elections to the following posts:
 - a) President - One (for 2018)
 - b) Vice President - One (for 2018)
 - c) Hon. Treasurer - One (for 2018-2020)
 - d) Hon. Editor - One (for 2018-2020)
 - e) Executive members - Three (for 2018-2020)
16. Remarks by the incoming President, and outline of activities and 53rd APSICON-2018
17. Welcoming the new President Elect and permission for Bank Accounts for APSICON 2019
18. Any other matter with permission of the chair.
19. Thanks to the chair.

New Scheme of Election

- i) Two Election Officers shall be appointed by the President for supervision of election process.
- ii) Nominations, duly proposed and seconded by members, can be submitted to Secretary, on the day of Charles Pinto CME and day one of conference i.e. 16th and 17th November 2017 till noon 12.00 hours.

Application forms for the same shall be available with the Secretary. Candidates can write to secretary.apsi@gmail.com for the same.

- iii) Scrutiny of nominations shall be done between 12 noon - 1 p.m. on day one of conference
- iv) The list shall be displayed on the notice board by 1 p.m. on the same day

v) Withdrawal shall be permitted till 2 p.m. on same day

- vi) The final list of contestants will be put on after 2 p.m. on day one of conference.
- vii) The candidates contesting for post of Vice president will be given time of 3 minutes to express their

thoughts from the podium at a separate session after 2 p.m. during the conference on day one. No questions will be allowed from the floor. No PowerPoint presentation is allowed

- viii) Ballot paper shall be distributed and submitted between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 18th November, 2017.

The candidates contesting elections should not campaign near the election booths. If found doing so they will be debarred from contesting the elections

- ix) Counting shall be done 4 p.m. onwards.

Once the counting has started no ballot papers shall be issued.

Two members nominated by the President with the help of the Secretary and Treasurer of APSI shall scrutinize the list of delegates for their good standing. The result shall be declared at appropriate time during the general body meeting, on 18th November 2017

Members are requested to take note of this scheme and make it convenient to visit the election polling booth at specified time to be able to cast their vote.

Proposed Changes in Association Byelaws

Following changes are proposed in the bylaws of the association as discussed in the General Body Meeting in 2016.

Existing	Proposed
2. The local organising secretary shall be responsible for the administration and financial conduct of the conference and shall be authorised to open and access regional account of APSI by the resolution of the council.	2. The President for the year shall be responsible for the administration and financial conduct of the conference and shall be authorised to open and access regional account of APSI by the resolution of the council.
3. The Local organising secretary shall have power to organise and constitute various committees for the proper conduct of the conference.	3. The President for the year shall have power to organise and constitute various committees for the proper conduct of the conference.
4. It shall be the task of local organising secretary to ensure that the conference is founded on basis of self sufficiency and the APSI will not make good any losses sustained.	4. It shall be the task of President for the year to ensure that the conference is founded on basis of self sufficiency and the APSI will not make good any losses sustained.
5. All the surplus funds of the regional account shall vest in APSI. The council shall however give due weightage to the wishes of local organising committee and the local organising secretary to the utilisation of such surpluses.	5. All the surplus funds of the regional account shall vest in APSI. The council shall however give due weightage to the wishes of President for the year to the utilisation of such surpluses.

New additions to be made in bylaws:

- The responsibility of payment of Service Tax / any other applicable taxes related to APSICON lies with President for that year. In case of requirement of additional payment for any tax and or penalty imposed post facto, related to APSICON, President APSI, who conducted APSICON will be responsible. He may be allowed to pay the money from surplus from the conference if any. In case, the amount to be paid towards the Tax is more than surplus from the conference, President APSI for that year will have to pay the amount. APSI Treasury will not be responsible for payment of service/ any other applicable tax, for APSICON at any given time. APSI will not be responsible for any Financial, Tax related or Legal issues related to APSICON. It will be sole responsibility of the President APSI.

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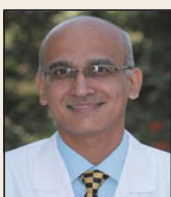
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Sad Demise



Dr. K.S. Goleria

On the morning of 19 June 2017, at 3.29 am, a brilliant star in the Galaxy of Plastic Surgery was subsumed in “The Anant.” Dr. K.S. Goleria’s time on this planet ended. An exceptional plastic surgeon rested his scalpel for the final time.

Former Hon. Professor and Head of Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the G S Medical College and KEM Hospital, Dr. K.S. Goleria nurtured the department for years. A Unique combination of three giants, KSG, CVM and SRT iconised the Department of Plastic Surgery at the Seth G S Medical College, Mumbai.

His passion for Craniofacial surgery is well known. Single handed he built this speciality in India and took it to great heights.

The Ramakrishna Mission Hospital in Khar and the Sushrusha Hospital in Dadar also benefitted immensely from his shrewd and selfless administrator-ship. He helped both hospitals to tide over legal and economic crisis and established them as centres of excellence, where economically weaker patients will get state of the art care.

His contribution to the well being of The Association of Plastic Surgeons of India, {APSI} is huge. His trusteeship saw the association grow to a robust and economically sound organisation that it is today. His deft handling of the affairs of the association helped us whither many a storms.

He shaped the careers of many students, trained them to take on life. They are spread across India and the entire globe. His positivity was infectious and he lit up the most depressed minds with ease.

He believed that a teachers responsibility begins after his student passes the exam and starts to practice his craft. The success and failure in life reflects on the teaching imparted. A true Guru and a Guide!

K.S. Goleria is a legend, and legends never die! He will be with us always in his teachings. This is not a time to mourn, but a time to celebrate a life so well lived! Long Live Sir!