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President's Message

Dear Members,

It is said that Time and Tide wait for none. The Year 2014 is also fast heading towards completion, and it is probably the right time to reflect on our achievements. At individual level each one of us must be having many credits to share but as a fraternity I feel that we have covered two major milestones. I mentioned about the 'Chennai Declaration' In our last communication – an important commitment that can prevent our wheels of progress from going back to the pre antibiotic era. The second is the WHO declaration on 27th March, 2014 certifying India to be a 'Polio-free' country.



The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) was started in 1988 and was to be completed by 2000, but even today three countries Nigeria, Afghanistan and Pakistan continue to be endemic. India is fortunate that due to united, committed, concerted and stringent efforts at all points, it has completed this herculean task and has managed to remain case free since 13th January 2011. However, there is no scope for complacency. Already some countries and recent reports from Syria have recorded re-establishment of transmission. With the virus lurking in the house of our nearest neighbor, we have to be very vigilant about its cross border entry. While the National and Global agencies are formulating the strategies for restraining the virus in the post eradication era, the National Task Force on Laboratory Containment of Wild Polio Virus is working on the modalities of ensuring that the virus is not retained in any form in any of the laboratories in the country. The identified 50 high risk laboratories are being issued guidelines on how to dispose off the potentially hazardous material present. No doubt, ensuring this is not going to be an easy task. The recent discovery of small pox virus sitting in a forgotten corner of a store house in Bathesda, Maryland and belonging to FDA Laboratory, should act as a warning for all of us! Our nation at this stage certainly can not afford any leak of polio virus from anywhere in the country and our diagnostic & research laboratories including vaccine manufacturing units have to be particularly cautious. True Polio Eradication is zero transmission of not only the wild polio viruses but also vaccine polio viruses. Should any laboratory be permitted to store the Wild Polio Virus is another major question facing the country. We on our part must co-operate and remain updated. I suggest that for more information on Global Action Plan for Laboratory Containment of

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Wild Polio virus and Polio Eradication, we all should visit the WHO site on <http://www.polioeradication.org>.

Looking at our Associations achievements during the year I can again count two milestones. First and foremost I have the pleasure to inform that our journal in 2013 has scored an impact factor of 1.03. It clearly demonstrates that our journal is getting much desired recognition at the International level. This should motivate us to send more of our quality articles to IJMM and also cite references from it. On behalf of us, I wish to congratulate Dr. Arti Kapil and her team for getting us this honour. An equally creditable is the establishment of much desired EQAS Laboratory for North & North East region at Sir Gangaram Hospital, Delhi for which we all need to congratulate Dr Chand Wattal. I understand that as many as 340 or more laboratories have already registered with him. This, I presume, would greatly reduce the future burden on the existing EQAS Laboratory at Chennai which all these years, has been functioning under Dr H N Madhavan as advisor and Dr Mary Jesudeson & Dr K Lilly Therese as Co-ordinators. IAMM - EQAS Laboratory was first established at CMC, Vellore in 1993 and all these years, these Laboratories have done commendable work for us. We are fortunate that the Association has many volunteers who have been shouldering and are willing to shoulder various responsibilities in conducting the Association work and taking it forward. In these last 38 years our Association has grown and built an independent identity of importance for itself both at the National and International level. Even the government seeks our advice and expertise. Though Non Communicable Diseases are coming up and drawing much attention, infectious diseases are going to stay since the living organisms will continue to pose challenges. It is well acknowledged that advances in research in infectious diseases has benefited the human community more than any other achievement in medical science.

As this is my last communication as President, I take this opportunity to thank one and all for their support and good wishes, particularly the EC members and the office bearers. I want to put on record my appreciation for Dr Mahantesh Nagamoti, Secretary IAMM who has shouldered the major burden of the Association with great zeal and enthusiasm. I am looking forward to meeting many of you at Jaipur in October and wish the Chairperson, Dr. R K Maheshwari and Organizing Secretary, Dr Bharti Malhotra, all the success for the forth coming event.

With Best wishes

Yours sincerely
Dr. Pratibha Narang
President, IAMM

From Secretary's Desk.....

Respected Members,

Wish you belated 'Happy Teacher's Day'.

The 38th IAMM conference is fast approaching. Hope you all are gearing up for this big event. Dr Bharti Malhotra and her team have left no stone unturned in making all the arrangements for this conference. I invite each one of you to participate in large numbers and make it a grand success. I am sure your visit to this historic place is going to be a fruitful and a memorable experience.

Further, I also request you to attend the General Body meeting and enrich the discussion with your valuable suggestions. Agenda for the said meeting are included in this news bulletin.

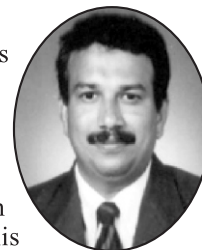
Looking forward to meeting you all at SMS Jaipur.

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FORTH COMING EVENTS

1. IAMM TN chapter – MARC 2014 28th to 30th Nov 2014. Contact Dr Uma Sekar Prof & Head Micro Director SRMC Chennai -16.
E-mail: anupmalakra@gmail.com
2. XVIII IAMMAP chapter Conference 2015 (6th - 8th Feb 2015). Contact ;Dr B. Anuradha Prof & Head Dept of Micro Mamata Medical College Khammam (Telangana)
E-mail: basavaraju_a@yahoo.com
3. IAMM KC- II quarterly meet. CME on "Lab Perspectives in Bacterial Diarrhoea" on 20th Sept 2014. Venue; Microbiology Department, JSS medical College, JSS University Mysore-15. Contact Person; Dr Madhuri Kulkarni Prof Head Microbiology
E-mail: quarterlymeetjss@gmail.com
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4. Maharashtra Chapter Conference of Indian Association of Medical Microbiologists to be held at Nagpur from 19th to 21st September 2014 'The Nagpur Ashok Hotel', Nagpur Contact Person; Dr. Yagnesh Thakar Organizing Secretary.
www.mahamicrocon2014.org



38th MICROCON, 2014



Scientific Program- 15th - 19th October, 2014

Theme: Syndromic & Integrative Approach - The Way Ahead

15th Oct. 2014 Pre Conference Workshops – (Eleven)

16th Oct. Pre Conference Interactive workshops (02)

Preconference CME Syndromic Approach to Common Infections

INAUGURATION

Venue: B.M.Birla Auditorium, Jaipur.

Time

16th October 2014

05.00 PM – 07.30 PM	Inaugural function
05.00 PM - 05.05 PM	Inviting the dignitaries to the dias
05.05 PM - 05.10 PM	Presentation of Bouquet
05.10 PM - 05.20 PM	Saraswati Vandana
05.20 PM - 05.25 PM	Welcome address Dr. Rakesh Maheshwari Organising Chairperson MICROCON 2014
05.25 PM - 05.30 PM	Welcome address Dr. Subhash Nepalia Principal & Controlle MICROCON 2014
05.30 PM - 05.35 PM	lighting of the lamp
05.35 PM - 05. 45 PM	IAMM report Dr Mahantesh B Nagmoti Secretary IAMM
05.45 PM - 06.05 PM	IAMM award function
06.05 PM - 06.15 PM	Address by Dr. Pratibha Narang President IAMM
06.15 PM - 06.30 PM	Key note address by Guest of Honour Dr. VM Katoch Secretary Department of Health Research Government of India
06.30 PM - 06.35 PM	Release of Souvenir
06.35 PM - 06.50 PM	Address by Chief Guest
06.50 PM - 07.20 PM	Honouring the Past Presidents of IAMM
07.20 PM - 07.25 PM	Vote of thanks: Dr. Bharti Malhotra Organising Secretary MICROCON 2014
07.25 PM - 07.30 PM	Playing of national anthem
07.30 PM - 08.30 PM	Dinner

17th October 2014

Hall A

08.00 AM - 08.30 AM	Registration
08.30 AM - 09.45 AM	(Late) Dr. KB Sharma Memorial IAMM Junior Best Paper Award Session
Co ordinator	Dr. MB Nagamoti Secretary IAMM, & Prof Micro JN Medical College KLE University Belgaum
09.45 AM - 10.00 AM	Tea/Coffee Break
10.00 AM - 10.30 AM	Presidential oration Dr. Pratibha Narang President IAMM
Chairperson	Dr. Reba Kanungo Past President IAMM
10.30 AM - 11.00 AM	SC Agarwal oration Dr. KN Prasad, Lucknow
11.00 AM - 12.00 PM	Student symposium exanthematous febrile viral illness outbreaks Dr. GS Vijay Kumar,
12.00 AM - 01.00 PM	Acute encephalitis syndrome-
01.10 PM - 02.00 PM	Lunch Break
02.00 PM - 02.45 PM	Integrated Symposium – MALDI-Tof and Emerging technologies for Resistance Testing
02.45 PM - 03.45 PM	ICMR Antimicrobial resistance surveillance network-
03.45 PM - 05.15 PM	Plenary session on Antibiotic stewardship –National and International perspectives
05.15 PM - 05 .30 PM	Tea/Coffee Break
05.30 PM - 07 .30 PM	ASM panel discussion - Safe, Secure and Sustainable Laboratory Design
07.30 PM Onwards	RAJASTHANI NIGHT (DRESS CODE RAJASTHANI)

Hall B

12.00 PM - 01.00 PM	Integrated Symposium Sepsis Management –
01.00 PM - 02.00 PM	Lunch Break
02.00 PM - 03.30 PM	HIV session
05.15 PM - 06.15 PM	Executive council meeting board room

Hall C
 12.00 PM - 01.00 PM Symposium An update on Anaerobic infections: Children of lesser God!
 01.00 PM - 02.00 PM Lunch Break
 02.00 PM - 03.30 PM Emerging molecular technologies session I Symposium- Syndromic approach to molecular diagnosis of infections – multiplex PCR to fast track the diagnosis –
18th October 2014

Hall A
 08.00 AM - 08.30 AM Registration
 08.30 AM - 09.45 AM IAMM quiz
 09.45 AM - 10.00 AM Tea/Coffee Break
 10.00 AM - 12.00 PM IAMM symposium Role of Medical Microbiologist in public health
 11.45 AM - 12.00 PM Discussion

12.00 PM - 01.00 PM General Body Meeting

01.00 PM - 02.00 PM Lunch Break
 Virology Session 1
 02.00 PM - 03.10 PM DHR Viral Research and Diagnostic laboratories network -
 03.10 PM - 04.10 PM Virology session II
 4.10 pm - 5.10 pm Emerging molecular technologies session II
 05.00 PM - 05.20 PM Tea/Coffee Break
 05.20 PM - 06.20 PM Human Microbiome

18th October 2014

Hall B
 02.00 PM - 03.00 PM Human Papilloma Virus - HPV session
 03.00 PM - 04.10 PM Emerging molecular technologies II
 04.10 PM - 05.15 PM Virology session III

Hall C
 02.00 PM - 03.00 PM Mycology session I
 03.00 PM - 06.00 PM Clinical Case discussion
 Time Day two MICROCON 2014 - 18 th October 2014 Oral Room - 3
 02.00 PM - 06.00 PM Skill enhancement Session I
 02.30 PM Onwards Oral Papers

7 PM ONWARDS BANQUET - DANCE & DINNER BY BIOMEUREX



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AND MANY MORE

19th October 2014

Hall A
 08.30 AM - 09.30 AM Symposium on fungal infections
 09.30 AM - 09.45 AM Tea/Coffee Break
 09.45 AM - 10.45 AM WHO panel discussion on TB
 10.45 AM - 12.20 PM TB diagnosis & research in India and abroad

Hall B
 08.30 AM - 09.30 AM Parasitology session
 09.35 AM - 09.45 AM Tea/Coffee Break
 09.45 AM - 01.10 PM Bacteriology session

Hall C
 08.00 AM - 09.30 AM Skill enhancement session I
 09.00 AM - 09.30 AM Oral Papers
 09.30 AM - 09.45 AM Tea/Coffee Break
 09.45 AM - 01.30 PM Bacteriology Oral Presentation Papers

01.30 PM - 02.00 PM Hall A Valedictory function

News from Local Chapters

Karnataka Chapter; The IAMM Karnataka Chapter was held on 21.06.2014 at VIMS Bellary under the leadership of Dr Mariraj J and Dr Krishna S. The theme of the CME Programme was on Bacterial Pulmonary Infections. Various renowned faculties from Karnataka delivered the guest lectures and interacted with 380 delegates. In the afternoon slide demonstration was arranged in the Department of Microbiology. Six papers /posters were presented in the CME.

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Secretary's Request

- ☛ Award winners to update the year and name of the award
- ☛ State chapter Secretaries to update the information.

Dear Members,
Please circulate this News letter with your colleagues and Members

Notice for the General Body Meeting SMS Jaipur

Venue : Hall A Birla Auditorium, Jaipur.

Date; 18th Oct. 2014

Dear Members,

General Body meeting will be held during National Conference of IAMM on 18th Oct. 2014 between 12 noon and 1.30 pm. Please note the timings and make it convenient to attend the same.

Agenda

1. To confirm the GB meeting held at NIMS, Hyderabad.
2. Action taken on the minutes of the GB Meeting
3. Secretary's annual report- Dr MB Nagamoti
4. Editors report and statements of accounts- Dr Arti Kapil
5. Presentation of annual statements of accounts by Treasurer- Dr DK Mendiratta.
6. Report of IAMM EQAS programme by Co-Ordinator
 - a) South Centre (Chennai) Prof HN Madhavan & Dr Lilly Therese
 - b) North Centre (New Delhi) EQAS centre report – Dr Chand Wattal
7. Selection of topic a) IAMM symposium for 38th IAMM b) Student Symposium.
8. Announcement of Venue for the 38th IAMM conference.
9. Decision of Various awards (2014)
 - Dr SC Agarwal oration award
 - Dr HI Jhala award
 - IAMM Endowment oration award
 - Dr UC Chaturvedi life time achievement award
10. Election of office bearers;
 - President of the IAMM 2015
11. Any other matter with permission from chair.

Dr Mahantesh B Nagamoti
Secretary IAMM

**The Executive Council of IAMM
Wishes all Members a Happy
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