Letter from Hon Secretary's Desk

Dear friends,

Greetings.

What started as just a cluster of atypical pneumonia in Wuhan, China during December last year, turned out to be a major health disaster affecting the whole world. With infection spreading like wild fire, it has brought even the rich western countries to their knees because of unimaginable economic, social and health related issues.

Fearing the worst, our government has also rightly chosen hard measures like complete lockdown and social distancing to contain the spread of infection. Across the world, scores of health care professionals succumbed to the onslaught of Covid-19 infection. Scarcity of personal protective equipments and absence of proper safety guidelines have been the major challenge for our medical fraternity

Our President, Dr.Ramen Goel, has masterminded the formation of IAGES Covid 19 Task force with following clear objectives to ease the burden on the shoulder of our government.

- To identify the suppliers of PPE, N95 masks, body bags etc
- To provide initial supply of PPE to needy Covid designated institutions on priority basis to ensure safety of HCP
- To encourage IAGES scientific committee to come out with Covid 19 surgery and endoscopy practice recommendations
- To host Webinars on common issues expected during Covid 19 pandemic, for the benefit of both surgical and medical fraternity
- To allocate corpus amount of Rs. 10 lakh to start with for the relief efforts
- To initiate efforts to find suitable donors to help us with the efforts of supplying PPE to even larger number of needy institutions in the coming months.

With collective efforts of our EC members and others, we have been able to achieve most of these objectives to our satisfaction. But we do realize that we have miles to go, before we sleep.

Together We Can.

Dr. Easwaramoorthy

Hon Secretary

Summary of IAGES Covid 19 Task Force Relief Efforts

Journey so far & Challenges ahead...

IAGES Covid Task Force Core Group Members

President: Dr.Ramen Goel

Hon Secretary: Dr.S.Easwaramoorthy

In charge: Prof Subhash Khanna

Members:

• Dr.Sayandev Dasgupta

Dr.Sunil Popat

Dr.Satyapriya De Sarkar

• Dr.C.R.Das

Dr.Achal Gupta

Dr.Meenakshi Sharma

Dr.Jaya Maheswari

• Dr.K.Govidnaraj

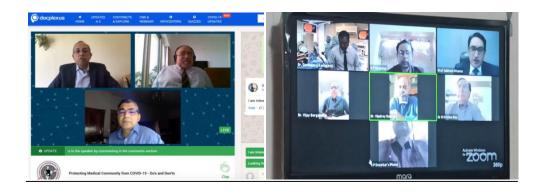
Dr.Suviraj John

Dr.Jaydeep Palep

Dr.Deep Goel

1. List of 10 IAGES covid 19 Webinars

IAGES has completed series of 10 webinars in April with last one on the 3rd of May to create Covid-19 awareness amongst surgical and medical fraternity.



IAGES COVID WEBINAR FOR SURGICAL FRATERNITY

S.No	Date	Topic	Moderator	Panel List
				Dr Arupabha Datta
	3.4.20	Appendicectomy & Cholecystectomy during Covid Pandemic	Dr Sunil Popat	Dr Ajay Agarwal
				Dr M G Bhat
1				Dr V Venkatesh
				Dr C R Das
				Dr Ashwin Thangavelu
		Hernia Surgery in Covid Pandemic	Dr Ramesh Agarwalla	Dr Suresh Deshpande
				Dr Ramesh Punjani
				Dr Meenakshi Sharma
2	10.4.20			Dr Amitabh Goel
				Dr T Sivakumar
				Dr Elbert Khiangte
	17.4.20		Dr S Easwaramoorthy	Dr Subhash khanna
				Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar
		Endoscopy during Covid Pandemic		Dr K Govindaraj
3				Dr Vipul Roy Rathod
				Dr B Krishna Rau
				Dr Vijay Borgaonkar
	24.4.20	Oncology in Covid Pandemic	Dr Randeep Wadhawan	Dr Ajay Kriplani
				Dr John Thanakumar
				Dr Rajesh Bhojwani
4				Dr C Selvasekar
				Dr Anil Heroor
				Dr Suviraj John
	1.5.20	Bariatrics & Covid Pandemic	Dr Ramen Goel Dr Amrit Nasta	Dr Sumeet Shah
				Dr Jaydeep Palep
_				Dr Arun Prasad
5				Dr Praveen Raj
				Dr Sandeep Agarwal
				Dr S K Ajaiyakumar

IAGES COVID WEBINAR FOR MEDICAL FRATERNITY

S.No	Date	Торіс	Moderator	Panel List
	4.4.20	Protecting Medical Community From COVID-19 – Do's and Don'ts	Dr.Ramen Goel	Dr Behram Pardiwala
1				Prof Pawanindra Lal
	12.4.20	Practice Guidelines During COVID-19 Pandemic	Dr M Kanagavel	Dr GV Rao
2				Dr Sayandev Dasgupta
				Dr Pala Rajesh
				Dr Hemalatha Varadhan
				Dr AS Valan
				Prof S Ragunandan
				Dr Vijayakumar Velu
				Dr Ramen Goel
				Dr Pradeep Chowbey
		Down with The Crown!	_	Dr Todd Heniford
3	19.4.20	Pushing Forward	Dr Sarfaraz Baig	Dr Neil Smart
				Dr Anuradha Agarwal
				Dr Abhishek Kumar
	26.4.20		Dr Deep Goel	Dr Ramen Goel
		Untangling The Corona Web		Dr A Zameer Pasha
				Dr Niru Kumar
				Dr KK Aggarwal
4				Dr Chand Wattal
				Dr S K Mehra
				Dr Sandeep Budhiraja
				Dr Kavi Arya
	3.5.20	The Covid and Us; Behold and Future	Dr Jaya Maheswari	Dr Ramen Goel
				Dr Vinoth Kumar Singhal
				Dr Sachin Jhanwar
5				Dr Pankaj Anand
				Dr Rimmi Shekhawat
				Dr Ganni Bhaskar Rao
				Dr Murthy Nyasavajjala

2. List of documents with IAGES Covid-19 Guidelines

SURGICAL PRACTICE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MINIMAL ACCESS SURGEONS IN COVID 19 ERA

INTER SOCIETY GUIDELINES

Amit Srivastava, Bhupinder Singh Pathania, Easwaramoorthy Sundaram, Kalpesh V Jani, Kanagavel Manickavasagam, Krishna Asuri, Pawanindra Lal, Ramen G Goel, Tamonas Chaudhari, Virinder Kumar Bansal

The Inter Society Group

(AMASI IAGES SELSI)

IAGES COVID-19 Endoscopy Recommendations

Easwaramoorthy Sundaram, Kanagavel Manickavasagam, Ramen Goel, Subhash Khanna, Kanagaraj Govindaraj,

Krishna Rau Bhimanakunte, SatyapriyaDeSarkar, Vijay Borgoankar, VipulroyRathod

Covid-19 Endoscopy Recommendations from Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons

Recommendations for Covid Care

Dr Ramen Goel, Dr S Easawarmoorthy, Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar

Based on inputs from Dr Subhash Khanna, Guwahati, Assam Dr Ganni Bhaskar Rao, Rajahmundry, Andhra Pradesh Dr S K Ajaiyakumar, Trivandrum, Kerala

IAGES Survey on Impact of Covid 19 on Surgical Practice

(Awaiting publication)

3. Supply of Personal Protective equipments

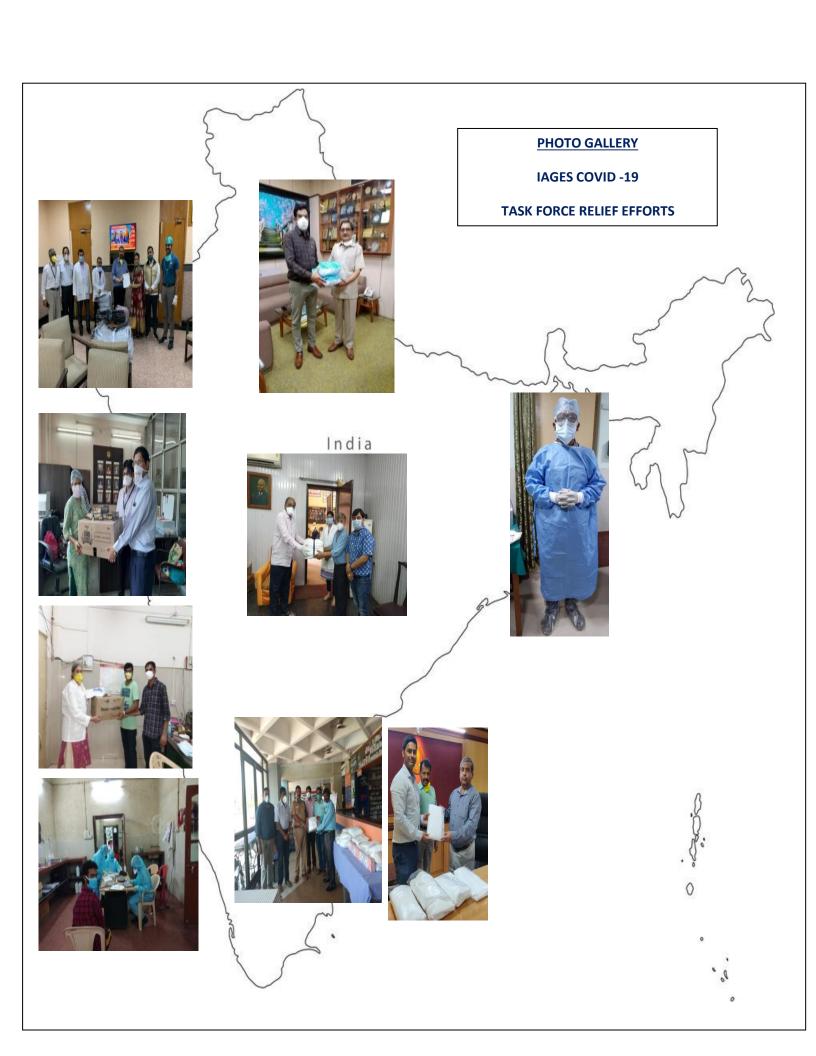
With help and expertise of Dr.Suviraj John, we have designed the online requisition form through https://forms.gle/XJsGgueQPUGoJCUKA so our IAGES Covid Task Force can quickly evaluate and try to arrange initial supply of PPE or masks on priority basis.

Simultaneously we have gathered the supplier's list for quick supply of quality PPE and masks to needy places on priority basis

List of institutions benefited by the initial supply of PPE/Masks/Body bags from IAGES

(See Photo gallery)

1	Dr.Satyapriya handed over 25 PPE to Kolkatta Medical College			
2	Dr.Easwaramoorthy distributed 100 PPE, Boxes of Gloves to			
	Erode Medical college through DSP Mr.Rajkumar			
3	Dr.Ashwin Thangavelu donating 150 PPE to ESI Medical college,			
	Coimbatore			
4	Dr.Jaydeep Palep donated 100 PPE to Kasturba hospital Mumbai			
5	Dr.Jaydeep Palep donated PPE to Sion hospital, Mumbai			
6	Dr.Jaydeep Palep handed over PPE To Dr.Charu Deshpande, Nair			
	hospital, Mumbai			
7	Supply of 100 body bags to Dr.Sudhir Bhandari, SMS hospital			
	Jaipur by Dr.Jaya Maheswari			
8	Dr.Achal Gupta donating 100 dead bags to Prof Iyangar, Dean ,GR			
	medical college, Gwalior			
9	Dr.Sandeep Agarwal donating 100 PPE to Dr.K.Sharma, AIIMS,			
	Delhi			



4. List of N 95 mask and PPE Suppliers

Hansraj Nayyar	Mumbai	9326672042
Careon healthcare	Kochi	7559900009
Makers Asylum pvt.ltd Richa Shrivastava	Mumbai	7032920057
Acuron Products	Mumbai	26238081/26248081
Protect Plus Jayesh Sheth	Mumbai	9820043274
Deven	Ahmedabad	9320114107, 9820714107
Nandish	Mumbai	9224343023
Nitesh	Mumbai	9930999336
Ravi Kothavade	Pune	9822088057
Nilesh Surgical	Mumbai	9820331367
Bulk MRO	Mumbai	3020301307
Bizongo: Ramchandra Chaudhary	Mumbai	9821350652
		33233333
Bioneon diagnostics pvt ltd	Noida	0120-4155005
Arjoon Medical	Mumbai	9004997777
Mr. Prakash	Mumbai	9833439079
Esskay surgicals/ maharashtra surgicals	Karnataka	9320024275
Chirag Surgicals	Mumbai	9867934512
Mr. Prasadh	Coimbatore	9524664646
Senthil	impel marketing	8754400500
Mr Griffin nasco	Erode	9842722170
D & U HEAL THAGE Pvt. Ltd. S	Ahmedabad	9725504471
M/s. VCARE MEDIPLAST PRIVATE LIMITED (MPPHSCL		
government of Madhya Pradesh Undertaking		97550 07679
Medical Equipment		9344055554
- Modaldar Equipment	<u> </u>	3311033331
Naveen Matto	Delhi	9818766488
Shri Maya Associates, Lashkar	Gwalior	8817104944
Mafatlal Ind Pvt Ltd, ms Smitha Jhanwar		9702027502
T. Pradeep Kumar, JSP trading Ltd	Chennai	7358472685
Nitesh Gawri, Disha Trends	Ghaziabad	7799911444
Britta Freymann. Supplier in the Netherlands, Manufacturer in	Manufacturer in	
China	China	61416421006
C.Vasukidevi, Pepaa products private limited, 2/220H,		
Venkateswara Gardens, Theethipalayam Theethipalayam Coimbatore Tamil Nadu 641010. www.pepaa.co	Supplier	9108155374
Simon SUN, Shanghai Legend Medical & Technology Co., Ltd.; 1st	Заррпет	9100133374
floor, Block 6, 1525 Minqiang Road, Songjiang; www.		
legendmed.com	Shanghai, PRC	8613764929651
Sterimac Lifecare Private limited	Ahmedabad	079 2644 6106

5. List of Donation received so far towards our Covid19 relief efforts

- IAGES has earmarked Rs 10 lakh rupees to utilize for free initial supply of PPE and designated treatment hospitals across the country on priority basis through the efforts of Covid task force core Members and already supplied more than 10 places in all 5 zones of IAGES due to untiring efforts by its members.
- Indo UK Surgicon has been cancelled due to UK lockdown and international travel Members consented to donate the registration amount of Rs.25000/- each towards Covid 19 relief efforts
 - Dr.Venkatesh
 - Dr.Sunil Popat
 - Dr.Easwaramoorthy
 - Dr.Govindaraj
 - Dr.Sivakumar
 - Dr.Ramen Goel
 - Mr.Kothari from Hongkong, Friend of Dr.Govindaraj has donated Rs.25000/-
 - Dr.M.G. Bhat and Dr. Neerja Takkar have each contributed Rs 5000/-
 - Dr Narendra Lohokare donated Rs:10,000/-
 - MobiusFoundation, Delhi has donated Rs.4.46lakhs through Dr.Deep Goel's effort
 - Dr.Zameer Pasha, Dr.Sivakumar, Dr.Ajaiyakumar and several of our esteemed mer Commendable relief efforts to our needy people

Appeal to Our members

Thanks to your support and encouragement, IAGES has been very active with Covid 19 relief efforts to safeguard the health of our fellow HCP.

Kindly contribute liberally to help us to continue with our social responsibilities to combat the covid- 19 pandemic.

Account details are given to facilitate online transaction. Kindly help us to save the life of HCP.

Account : Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endosurgeons

Bank name - Union Bank of India, Agripada, Mumbai Account Number – 315401010050525

IFSC - UBIN0531545

Let us stay positive. Stay safe.

Better days are ahead.

Yours sincerely

Dr.Ramen Goel Dr.S.Easwaramoorthy Dr.Satyapriya DeSarkar

President Hon Secretary Hon Treasurer