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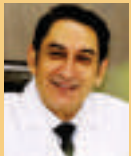


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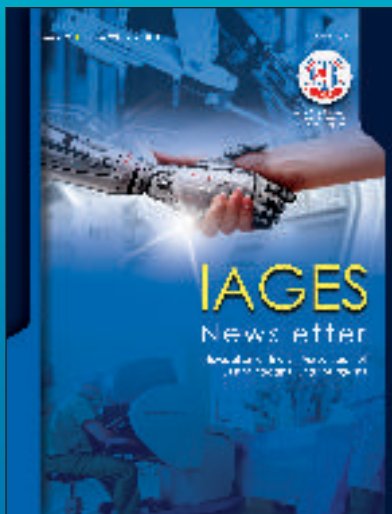
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## Message from Founder President



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Dear colleagues,

Our IAGES President Dr. Subhash Khanna completes his year in Office at Bhubneshwar next month. Dr. Khanna and his Team have seen hectic, constructive activity in terms of multiple FIAGES and FALS events spread all over the Country, constant news messages and bulletins, and personal interventions. He as also very much his entire Team need to be congratulated on a year well spent!

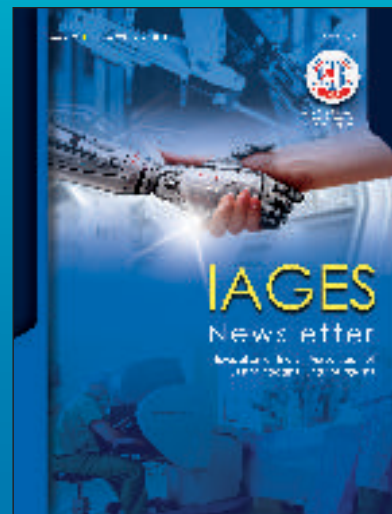
This year we meet for IAGES 2019 Bhubneshwar in the city of temples and culture. The energy, activity and enthusiasm of Dr. C. R. Das, Chairman and specially of Dr. Sreejoy Patnaik, Organizing Secretary, will certainly ensure a unique, memorable and outstanding Conference. We will be assured of an excellent Scientific Program, warm and friendly hospitality, a cultural treat and an ideal opportunity for Fellowship, friendship and happy intermingling of all our delegates from all over the Country.

I had felt that the North East had not been fully integrated into IAGES. Now the integration is more than complete, with three continuous years of active leadership confined to the North East. IAGES is an All India Organization and needs to move to other areas of the Country for continuous integration.

Look forward to meeting you all in a few days.

Warm regards,  
**Tehemton E. Udwadia**

## From the President's Desk



Dear IAGESIANS,

Heartiest wishes and season's greetings to you and your family members. I shall always consider myself to be lucky to have won the heart and confidence of many of the IAGES members who elected me uncontested to lead this prestigious association founded by our legendary forefathers, Padmabhusan Prof. T.E Udawadia, Prof B. K Rau and many others, each one of whom have become trendsetters in their own field.

I must share with all my member colleagues that this will remain the most memorable and sweetest part of my career and my life and also a great learning experience working with so many extraordinary talented members around the country.

Hailing from a small place, I tried to give my best to the association and I was ably supported by a strong team of EC and senior members.

All throughout my tenure I had put emphasis on academics and my effort was always to reach rural surgeons and add new dimension to our prestigious association.

**The introduction of Advance Endoscopy Fellowship course, the FALS, FIAGES and EFIAGES courses, the release of the text book of "Comprehensive Laparoscopic Surgery", the Indo-Maldives conference, the national Mentorship programme and the new concept of a periodical, "Recent Advances in Minimal Access Surgery" and the introduction of a combo FIAGES and Endoscopy FIAGES in the same venue at Coimbatore this year are all testimony to the fact that IAGES is for the future generation surgeons and also that IAGES is the name for innovating ideas and change.**

I thank all the conveners who took a lot of efforts to come up with wonderful ideas and concepts and added flavour to the IAGES with various newer programmes. I could also see during my tenure many young leaders in the making, they are young & full of energy and enthusiasm and I am sure they would keep the IAGES flag flying high.

Dr. Sreejoy Patnaik and Dr. C.R. Das and whole team at Bhubaneswar is working tirelessly to make Bhubaneswar IAGES 2019, a conference worth attending.

The scientific programme has been very well crafted and designed and apart from that the whole galaxy of faculty shall be there from all over the world to share their knowledge and experience with you. I wish the team Bhubaneswar all my best. I thank the whole EC and the dynamic Hon. Secretary Dr. Sunil Popat, treasurer Dr. Ramen Goel and incoming President Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta for all their help and support and I am sure the new team under the leadership of Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta shall reach greater heights in the days to come.

Dear members, as you all know in IAGES we have reached the present status where others are trying to follow our ideals and this has only been possible due to the enthusiasm, energy and passion of my predecessors and I tried my best to follow these principles to fit in their big shoes.

I take this opportunity to invite you all to Guwahati, the venue for IAGES 2020.

Hoping to see you all at Bhubaneswar.

Long live IAGES

**Prof Subhash Khanna, President, IAGES**

### Prof Subhash Khanna

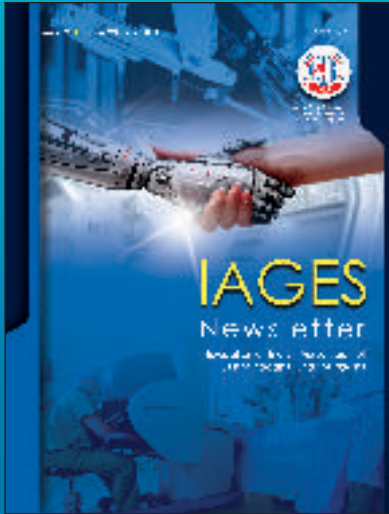
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## From the Honorary Secretary

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

Wishing You and Your Family Members a very Happy and Prosperous New Year 2019. With your love, affection and support, IAGES is marching ahead. Since February 2018, We have added more than 600 New Members to IAGES. In Addition to Numerical Growth IAGES has also expanded its Academic Activities.]

In November 2018, We had a wonderful FIAGES Program at Trichy organised by Dr Rajawel, Dr Govind Raj and Dr Zameer Pasha. Both Academics and Fellowship were stupendous and many New Members were added to IAGES and IAGES2019.

In Mid November We had a wonderful FIAGES at Pune organised under the leadership of Dr Jayshree Todkar. Faculties and Delegates all were unanimous in praising the efforts of Local Organizing Committee for a very successful FIAGES program. Many New Members embraced IAGES for their MIS Training and Fellowship.

Yet Another successful event in Maharashtra was EFIAGES at Nashik in November 2018, Under the leadership of Dr Promod Shinde and Dr Advay Aher. It is very encouraging to see that IAGES organised Endoscopy Fellowships have become very popular among the Surgeons. In these days, Role of Surgeon has increased in Therapeutic Endoscopy and Bariatric Endotherapy. IAGES is very pleased to provide Endoscopy Training to its members.

FALS Colorectal was organised at Gurugram/Delhi by Dr Ajay Kriplani and his team. It was a very successful event with many senior GI Surgeons participating. The Rich Scientific Program included Entire gamot of Ano-Rectal and Colo-Rectal Disorders and their Solutions. The Academics and Fellowship reached to its peak.

Mid-December Show another Milestone achieved in IAGES. First time in the history of IAGES a Cruise Conference was planned and executed successfully. IAGES Silver Jubilee Celebration Cruise Conference was planned in association with Maldives Association of Surgeons. The 3 Day event 12 - 14 December was organised under the leadership of Dr Ramen Goel, on board Costa Cruise. This was one of the greatest example of IAGES bringing Members' Families together on one platform. With Grand Success of this event it is quite obvious that we shall see many such innovative IAGES programmes in time to come.

IAGES continues to provide the best academic programmes for its members. Yet another "New" was COMBO FIAGES & EFIAGES at Coimbatore. Under the leadership of Dr L P Thangavelu, Dr Ashwin Thangavelu, Dr John Thanakumar, Dr Venkatesh and their team a combination of FIAGES & EFIAGES were organised at Coimbatore, recently in first week of January 2019. Both events were very successful and oversubscribed. With a Galaxy of IAGES Faculties Coimbatore FIAGES - EFIAGES surpassed many old records and created history. Simultaneous Academic Programs ran smoothly with very memorable and productive workshops for the Delegates. Almost 100 New Members added during this event.

Friends, IAGES President Election is ongoing on Association's website [iages.in](http://iages.in). If you have not voted yet, then please spare your valuable few minutes for this humble duty.

As we are approaching our IAGES National Congress at Bhubneshwar during 7-9 February 2019, You will see the peak of Academics and Fellowship during this event. Dr C R Das , Dr Seejoy Patnaik and their team has worked hard to showcase a wonderful Annual Congress of IAGES. Under the leadership of President Dr Subhash Khanna and IAGES Executive Committee this will be an unforgettable event. Friends, those of you who have done Fellowships during the year, make sure You register for the Conference and Convocation in time to have the life time remembrance of your achievements. Looking forward to see you in IAGES 2019 at Bhubneshwar.

Yours Sincerely

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## From the Hony Treasurer



Dear IAGESians,

With every passing year my conviction, that IAGES is the most academic, transparent and democratic association is further reinforced. In last 3 years of my treasurer term, I witnessed passionate working of 3 presidents closely. It is amazing how much time, energy and effort goes into improving the association working, without any personal gains . This culture of selfless dedication towards academic upliftment of surgeons is an inheritance from our founding fathers and subsequent leadership of IAGES. Every EC member is fortunate to learn by closely appreciating excellence in practice.

I am grateful to organisers of each event for maintaining financial transparency and help in keeping accounts updated of an association with over 600 new members, over 25 academic events, quarterly dispatch of an indexed journal and a flawless despatch of a book to over 6500 members. A heartfelt appreciation to each of our members for their patience and understanding of work done by their elected representatives.

We look forward with anticipation to further growth of our association under Dr Sayandev Dasgupta, our new President. I wish him and IAGES a happy and academic 2019. Hoping to see you all at Bhubaneshwar soon,

**Dr Ramen Goel**  
Hon Treasurer, IAGES

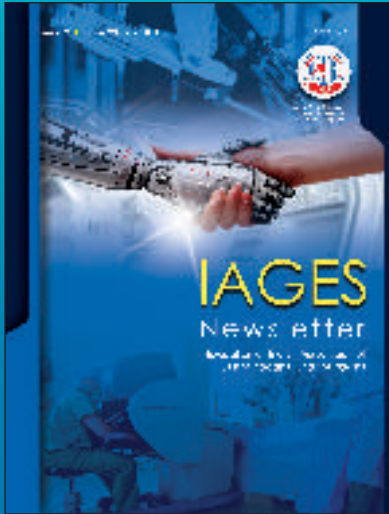


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Dear Hon'ble Trustees, Seniors, Colleagues and Friends,

2018-19 has been a great year for IAGES. The President Dr. Subhash Khanna, Hon Secretary Dr. Sunil Popat, Hon Treasurer Dr. Ramen Goel along with all the EC Members have done a wonderful job which will remain a landmark in the history of IAGES. We had a wide variety of academic activities including FIAGES, FALS, E-FIAGES, FAGIE and several other programs all of which were tremendous successes. We had the first ever combined FIAGES and E-FIAGES courses running concurrently at Coimbatore with separate set of candidates for each course and a combined set of faculty. It was a novel idea which went off flawlessly.

We again had another first in December 2018, the mid-term cruise conference with Maldivian Association of Surgeons. This was a fantastic experience with a huge participation and everyone enjoyed it immensely. The informal atmosphere during the academic programs and the enjoyment of the cruise mingled seamlessly.

We are all geared up for the big event in Bhubaneswar, i.e our annual conference. Dr. Sreejoy Patnaik and Dr. CR Das with their team guided by our President Dr. Subhash Khanna have worked tirelessly throughout the year to make it memorable for you. Odisha is a great place to visit and I hope you have utilized this opportunity to enjoy the art in the ancient temples and the wonderful beaches.

For the coming year we have lined up a variety of academic activities. Besides the usual ones we have plans to hold introductory programs on Robotics and the role of Artificial Intelligence in MIS which will again be for the first time in keeping with modern times.

We will also have a mid-term in an equally exotic setting as the cruise. Dr. Subhash Khanna and myself have already started working on the annual conference in Guwahati in 2020. That again will be a most memorable event which we can promise.

Wishing you and your Family a very Happy & Prosperous 2019,

**Dr. Sayandev Das Gupta**  
President Elect

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From the  
Imm Past President



Dear Family of IAGES,  
Greetings from your IPP Zameer!  
Your President Subhash & Your Secretary Sunil have done incredibly wonderful tasks in the current year with great enthusiasm & zeal!  
The courses both FIAGES & EFIAGES have been their hallmark success & pride!  
We as Seniors are very happy & Proud that IAGES is in capable hands & we appreciate & applaud them & the EC Members their commitment & involvement in all their endeavors & successful performance!  
Our Best Wishes & Blessings always with our successors in their ventures for the posterity!  
Again wishing you all a great IAGES Meet at Bhubaneswar!

Yours in IAGES

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Minimal Access Surgery Guidelines and Recommendations “Revision – Update”



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# Events

Single Theme  
“Colonoscopy workshop” at  
SANJIBAN Hospital Uluberia, Howrah  
16th March, 2018

Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar  
Organizing Secretary



IAGES with WB ASI organised a single theme “Colonoscopy” Workshop at SANJIBAN Hospital Uluberia, Howrah district WB. Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar single handedly organised the workshop. Prof Gautam Chatterjee, HOD CMCH. Gastro-Surgery, Dr Dipankar Roy, Dr Soumik Ghosh teachers of Gastro-Surgery dept CMCH were other faculties along with Course director Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar who is also VP East Zone IAGES. 20 PGT’s & Jr teachers of CMCH , Asansol Hospital, Chuchira hospital, Burdwan MCH, RGKar MCH , National MCH Joined as delegates & attended 4 basic classes, participated in 8 live diagnostic & therapeutic Colonoscopies, trained on Simulators. Training ended with a great “Endoscopy Quiz ” with Dr De Sarkar as Quiz Master which everyone liked very much. Flex showing pics of all

faculties, IAGES Prez & Secretary were displayed very prominently at different places. Two Kolkata MCH HODs have already requested us to do workshop at their respective colleges based on the very positive feedback’s by the delegates.



## MAS Guidelines & Recommendations- Revision Update on 17th-18th March 2018

Dr. Pradeep Chowbey  
Chairman



This report captures two day programme, 17th-18th March 2018 of presentations and interactive dialogue at the First Meeting- Minimal Access Surgery Guidelines and Recommendations "Revision – Update". The event brought together some 65 experts across the country from the field of Minimal Access Surgery. Minimal access surgery has grown roots far and wide and we are fortunate to be in the midst of what promises to be an era that transformed surgical practice.

In 2000, a set of recommendatory guidelines for introduction and safe practice of Minimal Access Surgery in India were prepared by Indian Association Of Gastrointestinal Endosurgeons (IAGES) . These guidelines were prepared on request of Ministry Of Health, Indian Council Of Medical Research (ICMR), Indian Medical Association and Medical Council Of India (MCI). It was on Monday the 15th July,2002 at Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi where the first Minimal Access Surgery Guidelines and Recommendations book was released by former President Of India Shri K.R Narayanan.

The conference began with welcome address by Dr. Pradeep Chowbey Chairman, Minimal Institute Of Metabolic Access and Bariatric Surgery, Max Super Speciality Hospital, Saket, New Delhi. Dr. Pradeep Chowbey highlighted, in past three decades, Minimal Access Surgery has taken a giant leap and is reflected in the new concepts of surgical delivery across the world. The new revolution has taken place and we are in the phase of Renaissance – A period of new growth in Minimal Access Surgery in the

country. He concluded saying this academic venture is our unwavering commitment to create an inspiring environment for the surgeons to keep abreast of knowledge and skills in minimal access surgery for the benefit of patients.

The two day session continued with interactive discussions, presentations. The guidelines were distributed among 65 experts. Guidelines describe the current, best possible standard in diagnostics and therapy. In this context, guidelines were evidence based and were formulated by panel of experts who were able to grade the recommendations (level of evidence) according to established criteria of evidence-based medicine (EBM). The fundamental proposal for reliable guidelines is the availability of quality published studies ranking high in the classification of the EBM. We created 17 groups to discuss 17 topics. One group Coordinator for each group consisting of 3-5 members to address one specific chapter was assigned. Group Coordinator of each group delivered their presentations which was followed by discussions among all the 65 experts to formulate the revised Minimal Access Surgery Guidelines and Recommendations.

This national platform provided a valuable networking opportunity and set the stage for further cooperation among all the stalwarts in the field of minimal access surgery across India to formulate the revised Minimal Access Surgery Guidelines and Recommendations. This meeting gave a new horizon for minimal access surgery and aimed to open new gates of opportunities for novice laparoscopic surgeons.



## MAS Guidelines & Recommendations- Revision Update



## Laparoscopic knotting and Endosuturing Course, Gwalior

29th April, 2018 at G.R. Medical College



**Dr. Achal Gupta**  
Organizing secretary

Department of surgery under the aegis of IAGES organised laparoscopic Knotting and Endosuturing course on 29th April, 2018 at Physiology lecture hall and B. D. Chaurasia Anatomy dissection hall in G. R. Medical College, Gwalior.

In this course 5 National and 4 Local faculties and 60 delegates participated. The national faculties were Dr. Subhash Agarwal, Vice President North Zone, iAGES, Dr. Amitabh Goel Vice President Central Zone IAGES, Dr. Achal Gupta and Dr. S. P. Singh EC Central Zone and Dr. Ashish Hira Kanti from West Bengal . Their lectures were highly appreciated by the audience.

The inaugural function was held in Physiology lecture theatre. Chief guest of the function were Dr. S. N. Iyengar, Dean G. R. Medical College, Gwalior and it was presided over by Dr. J. S. Sikarwar, Joint Director & Superintendent, J. A. Group of Hospitals, Gwalior. It was chaired by Dr. Achal

Gupta & Dr. Rajesh Prajapati, Organizing secretary gave vote of thanks.

Inaugural function was followed by hands on training on Endotainers and Suturing stations & in all there were 10 stations for endotraining and 2 stations for stapling. Participants were given training of extracorporeal Knotting, intracorporeal suturing. Participants were given training of extracorporeal Knotting, intracorporeal suturing and knotting & stapling approximation of wet tissue. All these were demonstrated by the eminent faculty and practiced by the delegates.

After the completion of the course a quiz was organized by Dr. M. M. Mudgal and Dr. Mukesh Bhadouria got the highest mark. Later certificates were distributed to all the faculties & Delegates.



**FIAGES Erode, 2018**  
30th- 31st March & 1st April, 2018



**Dr. S. Easwaramoorthy**  
Organizing Secretary



FIAGES course was successfully conducted at Lotus hospital, Erode, Tamil Nadu on March 30, 31 and April 1st 2018 under the leadership of Prof Subhash Khanna and Dr.Sunil Popat

120 delegates and 20 faculties participated in this 3 day academic feast where in 93 candidates appeared for fellowship (Exam category: 91 & Non exam category: 2 ).

Following faculty were present for the successful conduct of the course.

- Prof Subhash Khanna, President IAGES
- Dr. Sunil Popat, Hon Secretary
- Dr.Satish Midha, FIAGES Convener
- Dr. Meenakshi Sharma, Co Convener
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- Dr. T. Sivakumar, member
- Dr. M. Kanagavel, Member
- Dr. S. Sendhil Kumar, member
- Dr.Ashwin Thangavel, member

### Highlights of the course

- We have designed and given FIAGES course logbook for every fellowship candidates and encouraged them to maintain their attendance in an innovative way of collecting and sticking stickers as 'IAGES' and 'Stars'. They were also able to take notes during lecture modules and live surgery modules. Their assignments in the lab trainer session were also clearly outlined in the logbook with necessary background theory on knotting and suturing.
- Each lecture module was preceded by couple of pre-test questions to set the stage for further discussion. At the end of each lecture we posted a post test for them to answer.
- Knotting and suturing was demonstrated on the main stage with the help of lap trainer which ensured that all the fellowship candidates are motivated enough to go back to the lap trainers in the afternoon compulsory session to continue their practice.
- Panel Discussion on 'Complications of Lap Cholecystectomy' moderated by Dr.Sunil Popat and 'Medicolegal aspects of Laparoscopic Surgery by

Dr.M.G.Bhat were both well received by all and appreciated by every one.

- All fellowship candidates were provided with 'Smart Listeners card' to write down the answers for all the post test questions and also to give their verdict on the quality of each lecture presentation. Top 2 smart listeners were given appreciation prizes on day 3.
- Smooth conduct of course was possible with creation of 'Candidate and Faculty' WhatsApp groups and disseminating important messages well in advance.
- Early bird registration, sticking to Timer and co operation of faculty all ensured we were able to start and finish the programme on time on all 3 days.
- We had Jacobaeus lecture hall. Prof Udwardia faculty lounge, Phillip Preview room, Kelling's Kitchen, Lister's lap trainer centre and Semm Stalls, Erich Exhibition hall and Raoul radiology corner and Prof BKR reception Desk and so on to remember and honour all the stalwarts in the field of laparoscopy.
- We projected five interesting radiology images each day (CT, MRI) at Raoul Radiology Corner for 3 consecutive days. Total of 15 cases were discussed and appreciation prizes were given to the top scorers.
- Multimedia quiz on world of laparoscopy and General Knowledge was well received and the prizes were given to all winners.
- We introduced 'FIAGES Gold' & FIAGES silver for the first and second rank fellowship candidates issuing 2 gm gold coin and 10gm silver coin respectively.
- History of Laparoscopy was covered by displaying posters of all the famous personalities in the 'Hall of Fame' dining hall namely 'Kelly's Kitchen'.
- At Banquet we received our guests in Tamil traditional dresses (Dhoti/Saree) and cultural program were mostly done by the faculty and delegates. We had games like tug of war, mud pot breaking, horse dancing, LED dance and silambam etc to enthrall all of our guests.
- On Day 3, we had 10 live surgeries performed namely, Lap cholecystectomies, Lap fundoplication, TEP, TAPP and Lap Heller's myotomy and Lap CBD exploration.
- We also had endoscopy and ERCP cases for benefit of all delegates and to stress the importance of endoscopy in the era of laparoscopy.
- We had a colourful valedictory function and prize distribution ceremony at 2pm on day 3 with the entire faculty and most of candidates present.
- All the candidates were given attendance certificate, and Top 10 Video lecture DVD after returning the Feedback questionnaire.
- All the fellowship candidates were motivated to register for the forthcoming annual conference and convocation at Bhavaneshwar in Feb 2019.
- Overall, everybody liked the content and conduct of course and it was great feeling to see the FIAGES flag flying high with so many satisfying faces.



Audited account statement is getting prepared.

We thank Dr.E.K.Sagadhevan, Managing Director Lotus hospital for making all the arrangements at the venue to make it a great grand event. We thank all the sponsors for their support and staffs of Lotus hospital for their tireless work and excellent hospitality and Thangam catering for their sumptuous food.

We express our heartfelt thanks to our President , Hon secretary and the whole IAGES family for giving us the

privilege and pleasure of hosting this edition of FIAGES at Erode and also guiding and supporting us for successful conduct of the course.

Long Live IAGES.

Thank you

**Dr. K.M. Abul Hasan**  
Organizing Chairman

**Dr. S. Easwaramoorthy**  
Organizing Secretary



## A one day Endoscopy workshop in Midnapore on the 11th may 2018



**Dr Tapan Kr Biswas**  
Organising Chairman

Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar conducted a one day Endoscopy workshop in Midnapore as course coordinator on the 11th may 2018 under aegis of IAGES & ASI WB. 40 doctors attended the live workshop cum CME. Dr Tapan Kr Biswas was the organising chairman & Dr Tapas Francis Biswas,

Dr Kausik Roy, Dr Soumik Ghosh as faculties. 7 live cases were done. First time in history any live Endoscopy workshop is conducted in Midnapur. Great enthusiasm was seen among delegates and also faculty.



## SAGES- 2018, Seattle, USA

The 16th World congress of Endoscopic Surgery was held from 11th to 14th April at the Washington convention centre, Seattle USA. A large contingent of IAGES members attended the meet and many of them contributed and presented their work. Both President Dr. Subhash Khanna and Advisor Dr. Ajay Kriplani represented as IAGES Board

of Governors in the annual meeting and we were also special invitees in the dinner hosted to honour and felicitate the 3 founder Presidents of IFSES. A request and a bid was made by President, IAGES Dr. Subhash Khanna and Dr. Kriplani to host world congress in India in 2024.





## The IAGES Endosuturing and Knotting Course Jaipur 27th May, 2018



**Dr Jaya Maheshwari**  
Organising Secretary



The IAGES Endosuturing and Knotting Course Jaipur was held in The Holiday inn Hotel jointly organised by Jyoti Hospital and the dept. of Surgery SMS Medical College. The organising chairman Dr R K Jenaw, Head of Dept. of Surgey, organising President Dr Laxman Agarwal, Organising Vice President Dr K M Garg graced the event and shared their knowledge to the delegates. The course was blessed with the presence of the President IAGES, Prof. Subhash Khanna, The President Elect Dr Sayandev Das Gupta, Dr Subhash Agarwal ,Dr Meenakshi and the endotrainer of fame Dr Ashish Kanti Hira.

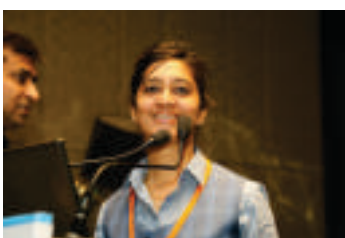
Reaching more then 70 delegates including the local faculty the attraction of the day was the J&J bus which was equipped with 17 endotrainers and experienced technicians. The course was well appreciated by delegates and was credited 2 points by RMC.

The delegates enjoyed the practise sessions so much that we gave them free practise for next 3 days in the bus which was to be parked in the premises of SMS Hospital.

My sincere thanks to the IAGES family for having supported me in organising the event in the meticulous way ,My thanks also to Dr R K Jenaw ,Dr Laxman Agarwal ,Dr K M Garg who always supported me with their kind words putting all of energy and enthusiasm in me. Dr Jeevan Kankaria and Dr Rajesh Sharma as co organising sec of the event always stood by me and helped in running the actual show flawlessly.

IAGES rocked the summers in the Pink city!

**Dr Jaya Maheshwari**, Organising Secretary  
Khamma gani.



**Workshop on Laparoscopic Suturing WBASI & IAGES**  
27th May, 2018



**Dr. Ramesh Agarwalla**  
Organising Secretary



## LAPAROSCOPIC SUTURING WORKSHOP ON SIMULATOR AND ENDOTRAINER



*Organised by*  
**WBASI & IAGES**

**Date : 27<sup>th</sup> MAY, SUNDAY**  
**Venue: Fortis Hospital, Anandapur (near Ruby Hospital)**

**OVERSEAS FACULTY**



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SECRETARY, IAGES



**FAGIE 2018- Guwahati**  
**22nd- 24th June, 2018**  
**The First National Fellowship in**  
**Advanced G.I. Endoscopy**



**Dr Subhash Khanna**  
Organising Chairman



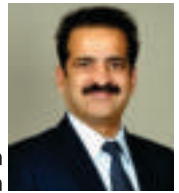
For the 1st time in the history of IAGES and under the leadership of the President Prof Dr Subhash Khanna and at the initiative of Prof B. Krishna Rau & Dr S. Easwaramoorthy, the 1st National Fellowship Course in Advanced G.I Endoscopy was held at Guwahati from 22nd June till 24th June 2018, Guwahati. Swagat Super Speciality Surgical Institute in association with IAGES organized the said Programme . Where 60 delegates registered for the fellowship and the course was offered by eminent surgeons from pan India namely Prof B. Krishna Rau, Dr S. Easwaramoorthy, Dr Dinesh Kini, Dr K. Govindaraj, Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar, Dr Satish Midha, Dr Sunil Popat, Dr Amitava Goswami and Dr S. Patanaik. Apart from the course convener Dr Subhash Khanna, Hotel Raddisson Blu was the venue for the DIDACTIC session on the 1st day and the fellowship course was inaugurated on the 1st day in the evening by Sri Pijush Hazarika ,Honble Minister of Health, Govt. of Assam, and Chief Secy Govt. of Assam, Mrs T.Y. Das was the Guest of honour. In the inaugural Ceremony a "Manual of Endoscopy" was also released which was edited by Prof Subhash Khanna & co

edited by Dr S. Easwaramoorthy. Sufficient numbers of Simulators were also arranged by the organizing committee so as to facilitate the delegates to have proper hands on training under the guidance of the above mentioned Faculty and apart from that easily animated models, sybionix virtual reality G.I mentors were also available for the hands on training during the course.

The 2nd & 3rd day course was held at Swagat Super Speciality Surgical Institute where around 15 difficult cases were demonstrated and the delegates could attend the cases in batches with their own faculty. The significance of the three day course was that of live telecast of difficult surgery procedure namely POEM, endoscopic cystogastrostomy and GERD-X endoscopic fundoplication were demonstrated live from AIG hospital Hyderabad by Dr Mohan Ramchandari and other faculty .The course ended with on a high note and river cruise Banquet was also arranged on the second day after the hectic academic day which was thoroughly enjoyed by all the delegates and faculties.



**Best Metasurg 2018**  
15th-16th June, 2018 at Pune



**Dr. Shashank Shah**  
Organising Chairman



# Master Class in Laparoscopy

Krishnagiri, 24th June, 2018

Dr Kalai Sevan, MBBS, DNB (CMC Vellore) Consultant Laparoscopic & GI Surgeon, Selvam Health Care, 7/3, 3rd Cross, Co-operative Colony, Krishnagiri organized a state level conference under the IAGES (Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo-Surgeons) with the theme "MASTER CLASS IN LAPAROSCOPY" which was held on 24/06/2018 at Hotel ALPS, Krishnagiri Tamil Nadu. This was a one day conference basically showing Master videos from the stalwart across the country. The conference started at 9:30

pm with each session 30 minutes for the speaker followed by 10 minutes of discussion.

84 delegates practicing General Surgeons, Postgraduates and Surgical Gastroenterologist from across south India attended the conference. South indian cuisine was served for lunch and high tea. The Programme was interactive. 1st topic started with lighting the Kuthuvilaku a south Indian tradition and ended with the National anthem.





# FIAGES Mathura

29th June -1st July 2018



**Dr Ajay Agarwal**  
Organising Secretary



**The FIAGES Mathura programme was held from 29th June-1st July, 2018 at. Nayati Super Specialty Hospital, Mathura. The organizers made it a point to make it a memorable event for many years to come.**

Organisers- Dr Achal Gupta (Co-chairman), Dr Yogesh Agarwala (Chairman), Dr Ajay Agarwal (Organising Secretary), Dr Surendra Sharma (Joint Organising Secretary)  
Event was attended by 115 Surgeons from all over India. Which includes:-

FIAGES Candidates- 68, PG Candidates- 10, Faculty- 37  
In this three day event lectures were conducted on first two days. On last day live operative workshop was conducted, with live telecast of eleven laparoscopic surgeries.



## The 3rd Annual IEF Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery Update, Mumbai



**Dr Nidhi Khandelwal**  
Organising Secretary



The 3rd Annual IEF Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery Update, endorsed by IAGES and OSSSI was held at Nanavati Super Speciality Hospital, Mumbai. The conference was organized by Dr Jaydeep H Palep, Organizing Chairman, and Dr Nidhi Khandelwal, Organizing Secretary. The conference was attended by more than 100 surgeons from all over the country, and more than 40 renowned national Bariatric Surgeons including Dr Subhash Khanna and Dr

Sunil Popat were part of the esteemed faculty. 4 live bariatric surgeries were demonstrated on day 1, one each by Dr C-K Huang (President and Founder Chairman, IEF, from Taiwan), Dr Kazunori Kasama (Tokyo, Japan), Dr Praveen Raj and Dr Jaydeep Palep. The second day had a lively mix of talks by pioneers such as Dr Dhorepatil, Dr Huang and Dr Kasama, and panel discussions covering each aspect of Bariatric Surgery for beginners.

## Operative Workshop- Basic to Advance Minimal Access Surgery, Indore 8th July, 2018



**Dr. Apurva Chaudhary**  
Organising Secretary



A Live Operative Workshop on Basic to Advanced Minimal Access Surgery was organised on 8th July 2018 at Hotel Best Western Plus, Indore under the aegis of IAGES, M.P. ASI and ASI Indore city Chapter. The organizing chairman was Dr. Amitabh Goel, the organizing secretary was Dr. Apurva Chaudhary and the organizing Joint Secretary was Dr. Rajiv Jain.

The invited guest IAGES faculties were Dr. Sunil Popat [Ahmadabad], Dr. Rajesh Khullar [Delhi], Dr. Deepraj Bhandarkar [Mumbai] and Dr. Shweta Raje [Mumbai]. These faculties performed surgeries in Indore while Dr. Raman Goel performed surgery in Mumbai and live transmission was done at Indore.

The workshop was attended by 125 surgeons from Indore, Khandwa, Ujjain, Harda and other nearby places.

S.N.	OPERATING SURGEON	NAME OF SURGERY
1.	Dr. Sunil Popat	Achalasia Cardia
2.	Dr. Sunil Popat	Achalasia Cardia
3.	Dr. Sunil Popat	Lap Fundoplication
4.	Dr. Deepaj Bhambharwar	Lap Fundoplication
5.	Dr. Rajesh Khullar	TEP
6.	Dr. Rajesh Khullar	Lap Ventral Hernia
7.	Dr. Shweta Raje	Lap Ovarian Cyst
8.	Dr. Rajesh Khullar	Mini PCNL
9.	Dr. Ashok Ladhe	STAR
10.	Dr. Ashok Ladhe	Stapler Haemorrhoidopexy
11.	Dr. Amitabh Goel	TAPP
12.	Dr. Amitabh Goel	Lap Appendicectomy
13.	Dr. Amitabh Goel	Lap Appendicectomy
14.	Dr. Jhaan Goel	Lap Sleeve Gastrectomy (Live transmission from Mumbai)

One day prior to workshop i.e. on 7th July evening, the Inaugural function of workshop was held at Hotel Crown Palace which was attended by all IAGES faculties and ASI

Indore city chapter members. Dr. Sunil Popat was the Guest of Honour and Dr. Rajesh Khullar was chief guest in this function. In the function, the guest faculties of IAGES were felicitated and they give their presentations on different topics like paraesophageal hernias, Obesity etc.

On 8th July, the Surgeries were done at Sahaj Hospital and the live audio visual transmission was done at the workshop venue, Hotel Best western. Eminent IAGES faculties and senior Surgeons from Indore performed 14 surgeries and detailed discussion was done and all doubts and queries of delegates were answered and clarified. The operative session of Workshop was started at 8:30 am morning and continued till 6 pm evening.

The whole operative workshop was conducted in 4 sessions which were moderated by many senior surgeons from Indore. All delegates appreciated the lives surgeries, interaction with the operating faculties, quality of audio-visual transmission, the food and hospitality of venue. All delegates were awarded with certificate of participation.



**The Minimal Access Surgical Clinics 2018 | GI Surgery**  
**Process Driven Endo-Surgical Education - The Hour has Come!**  
 Saturday, August 04, 2018 | Gurugram, NCR  
 Institute of Minimal Access, Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi



**Dr. Parveen Bhatia**  
Organising Chairman



**Dr. Suviraj John**  
Organising Secretary



The GastroIntestinal System is a major surgical domain in Minimal Access Surgery. The volume and pace of scientific discovery in this arena often challenges established surgical dogma. This constant deluge of information can have an unsettling effect on the surgeon. Professional safety in such an environment is best preserved by the critique of the clinic where fundamentals are reiterated, and so-called progress is

soundly questioned. The 'Minimal Access Surgical Clinics' was designed around this academic rigour. The agenda for the clinic was sourced and short-listed from a national survey of practicing surgeons. Leading national and international faculty were then invited to address the clinical contentions that seize current surgical practice.

The first edition, the 'Minimal Access Surgical Clinics 2018 | GI

Surgery was conducted on August 04, 2018 at the Olympus Centre of Excellence, Gurugram, NCR. The 'Clinic' was organised by the Institute of Minimal Access, Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi under the aegis of the Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons (IAGES) and the Delhi State Chapter of Association of Surgeons of India. It was also supported by the academic initiative of the nascent Association of Board Certified Minimal Access Surgeons (ABMAS).

This cognitive fiesta at the happening locale of Gurugram was designed as an education-intensive, high faculty-delegation event to create best impact. The high-value nature of the clinic resulted in registrations exceeding twice the planned limit. Full faculty attendance, a jam-packed hall, cutting edge presentations and a sharp routine heightened the academic excitement. A radical initiative of the clinic has been the launch of a comprehensive repository of minimal access GI surgical Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPG) from national and

international societies, which can be found on the CPG page [www.masc.net.in/cpg/](http://www.masc.net.in/cpg/). CPGs currently have huge professional, legal and regulatory implications and it is our ardent belief that greater awareness of these will drive safe and successful clinical care and research in India. The time for process-driven surgical education has undeniably arrived! The complete clinic media will be available at [www.masc.net.in](http://www.masc.net.in). We look forward to seeing you at 'MAS Clinics 2019'. Kindly visit [www.masc.net.in](http://www.masc.net.in) for the next clinic date and details.

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**3rd FELLOWSHIP COURSE IN BARIATRIC AND METABOLIC SURGERY (FALS)-2018**  
9th to 11th August 2018, Ahmedabad

**Dr. Sanjay Patolia**  
Organising Secretary

**Dr. Mahendra Narwaria**  
Organising chairman

3rd FELLOWSHIP COURSE IN BARIATRIC AND METABOLIC SURGERY (FALS)-2018 program was jointly organized by Asian Bariatric under the guidance of Dr. Mahendra Narwaria (Organizing Chairman) and Dr. Sanjay Patolia (Organizing Secretary) from 9th to 11th August 2018 at Hotel Novotel, Ahmedabad under the leadership of the president of IAGES Prof. Dr. Subhash Khana. The conference was attended by 53 faculties both of national and international cadre.

There were a total of 113 delegates out of which 40 appeared for fellowship in Advance laparoscopic Bariatric surgery

Course Exam category and 23 appeared for Non Exam Category. 50 surgeons registered for CME WORKSHOP. This prestigious venue had enlighten the attendees with knowledge in the field of upcoming sub-specialty of Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery by many eminent surgeons.

A series of educative and informative lectures were delivered by eminent speakers covering all aspects of Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery.

There was live 3D transmission of 12 different types of Bariatric surgeries performed during the conference.



# FALS HPB 2018 HYDERABAD

16th to the 18th of August 2018



**Dr. K. S. Lakshmi**  
Organising Secretary



The 2nd Fellowship Course in advanced laproscopic surgery in HPB and Spleen. This course was conducted from the 16th to the 18th of August 2018. A total of 11 candidates in the non-examination category (who all passed) and 15 in the examination criteria amongst whom 14 cleared. We also had 4 non-fellowship candidates who attended the course. The course and its content was appreciated by all. The initial two days comprised of video based didactic lectures with a

healthy discussion between the participants and the speakers. A special video transmission of a lap bisegmentectomy by Prof Ho-Seong Han, Seoul National University Bundang Hospital, South Korea was appreciated by all and happened on the 17th of August. The last day of the course comprised of master videos on Lap HPB surgery and the candidates cleared all their doubts regarding the procedures and participated in healthy discussions.



## IAGES Midterm CME 2018, Shillong 15th September 2018

**Prof. Dr. N.Topno**  
Organising Chairman



The programme started with a welcome address by the Organizing Chairman, Prof. Dr. N.Topno followed by speeches from the chief guest Shri A.L. Hek, Honourable Minister of Health & Family Welfare, Meghalaya and the guest of honour Prof. Dr. D.M. Thappa, Director, NEIGRIHMS

The programme was formally inaugurated by lighting of the lamp by the Chief Guest, President of IAGES among many other esteemed Executive Committee Members of the IAGES.

The programme saw a good response from the audience in terms of number as well as post-session interaction with the speakers.

The programme was rich covering various aspects of modern day laparoscopy and robotics and the participants belonging to all North Eastern States were fully satisfied with the quality time each faculty spent with them in in-depth discussion and clarifying doubts about the problems faced by both seasoned and upcoming endo-laparoscopic surgeons of the region.

Senior surgeons from Meghalaya and other North Eastern States were also present and shared valuable solutions in tackling unique problems encountered in this part of the country.

The participants benefited immensely from tips and tricks of

the trade shared by eminent faculties of IAGES through their vast and up to date knowledge and experience.

The good amenities and perfect ambience along with convenient location and excellent hospitality offered by the State Convention Centre was a delightful treat of its own. The programme concluded with a banquet at State Convention Centre, Pine Wood Hotel, Shillong.

The Surgery Department NEIGRIHMS expresses its deep gratitude to the President of IAGES, Dr. Subhash Khanna for his generosity in providing us the opportunity to co-host such an academic feast.

We wish each and every faculty and participant good success in their continued journey in the field of endo-laparoscopy and we look forward to further programmes with IAGES to enlightened young minds and give the right orientation and guidance to upcoming endo-laparoscopic surgeons of North Eastern India.



## IAGES 2nd EC Meeting 2018, Shillong 14th September, 2018



## Fellowship Programme of IAGES, Bhagalpur 31 August, 1st and 2nd September 2018

Fellowship programme of IAGES was held at Bhagalpur on 31 Aug 1st and 2nd September 2018. It was a successful event with 99 delegates, 46 in Exam, 32 in Non exam and 21 in CME. 70 of these delegates registered for Bhubeneshwar. Held in the usual format, the delegates attended diligently and found the lectures very informative and useful.

The hosts were Dr. Vijay Mittal Patna and Dr. Mrityunjay Bhagalpur. Dr. Meenakshi conducted the exams very efficiently. The course was graced by Dr. Ramesh Agarwalla, Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta, Dr. Satyapriya Desarkar, Dr. Lakshmi Konakumari and Dr. Deep Goel among others.





## FALS Hernia 2018, Ahmedabad 26th to 28th October, 2018



**Dr. Sunil Popat**  
Organising Secretary



FALS Hernia 2018 was organised at Ahmedabad from 26-28 October, by Dr Sunil Popat, Dr Bharat Shah and their team along with Nidhi Hospital and Ahmedabad Surgeons Association.

FALS Hernia Ahmedabad was attended by about 120 leading Surgeons, out of that 40 were faculties. Leading Hernia Surgeons from across the Country were present as Distinguished Faculties. Fellows and Delegates came from across India, from Kashmir to Kerala and from Meghalaya to Gujarat. A Hernia Surgeon from Nepal also participated

for FALS.

The event was organised in Hotel Hyatt Regency, Ahmedabad with wonderful arrangements under one roof. The Audio Visual Services were provided by

Mr Anand from Video line, Coimbatore. The Program started on time on 26th and all the Lectures and Panel Discussions during first 2 days were completed on time. For the first time, Open House, Hernia Quiz And Breakfast Sessions were introduced in FALS Hernia Course. They were very much appreciated by the Delegates and



Faculties. On the third day of the Course, 28 October, There was a Live Operating Workshop transmitted from Nidhi Hospital. TAPP, TEP, eTEP, Open Ventral Hernia with Bilateral TAR and Para stomal Hernias were Demonstrated by eminent faculties. Hernia Quiz was wonderfully conducted by Dr C S Rajan and Dr Suviraj John. First 3 Teams were awarded Trophies and Prizes. The noteworthy facets of the Course were Time Management And Academic Discussions which were appreciated by one and all.

All the Faculties were felicitated in a unique way on stage during Inauguration Ceremony with Shawl & Memento by

the President Dr Subhash Khanna & Organizing Chairman Dr Sunil Popat. FALS Course Convenor Dr H P Garg conducted the Exams in a very professional way.

All in all it was a very successful FALS Hernia Course for the Fellows and Delegates. This Academic activity of IAGES has become very popular and Surgeons across the Country are very pleased to attend and participate in this program. The Organizing Team is thankful to IAGES, Nidhi Hospital & Ahmedabad Surgeons Association for having the opportunity and Collaboration for this unique course.





**FIAGES, Trichy- 2018**  
 9th-11th November, 2018



**Dr K. Govindaraj**  
 Organising Chairman



**Dr Rajavel Kannaiyan**  
 Organising Secretary



It was a great pleasure in hosting this wonderful fellowship course in Trichy, TamilNadu. Trichy has been always a notable center in the IAGES history with our pioneer leader Dr Zameer Pasha - the immediate past president of IAGES, who is our patron, Dr K. Govindaraj, E.C. Member and every dynamic representative of IAGES from South of India being our Chairman, Also the conference was hosted by a dynamic team of Surgeons from Trichy, including Dr Jhonston, Dr Karunaharan, Dr Parthasarathy, Dr Kaarthesan, Dr Dharmarajan, Dr Thulasi, Dr Pragasam, Dr Laxminarayanan, Dr AnandaKannan, Dr Ramesh, Dr Anuj, Dr Arthy and Dr Bharath. The conference was organised by Velan Speciality Hospitals, Jail Corner, Trichy. The Venue was SRM Hotels, Trichy. The fellowship course had total no of 78 registrations for the fellowship course alone followed by was conducted in the new pattern which was given by the Committee. Started with the address by the IAGES President Dr Subhash Khanna and the Incoming President Dr Sayandev Das Gupta.

Followed by the CME presentations on various topics, the agenda is attached as follows. We had our inauguration event by the 1st day after noon, Chief Guest was Mrs Karin Stoll, The Consul General from the German Consulate, Chennai. Guest of Honour was Dr B.Krishna Rau, in presence of esteemed dignitaries from the IAGES President IAGES Dr Subhash Khanna, President Elect Dr Sayandev DasGupta, Immediate Past President Dr Zameer Pasha, Hon Secretary, Dr Sunil Popat, FIAGES Board Convenor Dr Satis Midha, South Zone Vice President Dr Easwaramoorthy, EC Member and Conference Chairman Dr K.Govindaraj and Conference Secretary Dr Rajavel Kannaiyan. In the Inauguration there was an unveil of the IGELS (Indo German Endo Laprascopic

Society) Plaque which is a society formed between Trichy surgeons and Friberg university as a knowledge sharing platform, done by Mrs Karin Stoll, in presence of all the esteemed delegates.

In the Event Dr Subhash Khanna was felicitated by organising team for getting the B.C. Roy Award a prestigious award for a practicing doctor in India. Following the inauguration the CME programmes continued on day 1 and ended with Gala Dinner, On Day 2 There were display of Live Surgical cases from Velan Speciality Hospitals to the venue, the cases were as follows Dr Ashwin Masurkar operated on a TAPP Hernia Repair. Dr Siva demonstrated on a Laparoscopic Umbilical Hernia Repair. Dr Sunil Popat Demonstrated on a Lap Fundo Plication. Dr Satis Midha and Dr Jhon Thanakumar demonstrated on a Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy Dr Viswanath Pai Demonstrated on a Laparoscopic Anterior Resection for Rectal Prolapse.

Thus the Live Surgery demonstration was over followed by hands on training for the delegates at the venue. The Participants had ample and enough hands on and Meet the professors session with all the stalwarts of IAGES which was the major attraction of the event. Following which we had the examination sessions which was conducted as 2 phases as the theory exams were held on day 2 and the practical exams with viva was on the day 3 with the log books revision Thus the 3 day Gala event concluded with an interactive session with all the eminent surgeons and the participants. We from the organising committee are really thankful to the IAGES for letting us do such a prestigious event in Trichy, and we are hopeful of conducting more IAGES events in Trichy,





**FIAGES, Pune 2018**  
16th- 18th November, 2018

**Dr. Jayshree Todkar**  
Organising Chairman



FIAGES@Pune 2018 was conducted at Hotel President in collaboration with J T Foundation, Sahyadri Hospitals, Pune and IAGES West Zone. West Zone Vice President Dr Jayashree Todkar was the course coordinator. The course was conducted on 16th November 2018 to 18th November 2018 in the given structured manner of two days of lecture series, interactive sessions of faculty and delegates and hands on endotrainer session and one day of live operative workshop. Exam was conducted for delegates on 2nd and 3rd day. This course was attended by 44 faculties from across India and number of delegates who attended course was 113. Out of this 89 were for fellowship exam. 76 in exam category and 10 in non exam category also 3 students from previous FIAGES course appeared for exam.

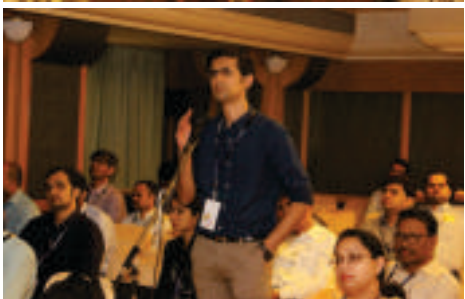
This programme was the initiation of new era in the history of

FIAGES, it was the first time the executive council of FIAGES had decided to go ahead with waiving off of 2 years post MS / DNB as the condition for applying for Fellowship exam. This programme was marked by a live workshop of very interesting cases where basic laparoscopic cholecystectomy and dissection of calot's triangle was demonstrated methodically by Dr Jayashree Todkar, TAPP repair of the inguinal hernia was demonstrated by Dr Satish Midha, Convener, FIAGES . Dr Jaydeep Palep showed a very interesting case with a Large Ventral Incisional Hernia, post ulcer surgery in an old lady previous laparotomy done 25 years back. Dr Ashwin Masurkar demonstrated Laparoscopic Rives Stoppa repair in patient with ventral hernia. Dr Jayashree Todkar also demonstrated a Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy in a superobese patient during which various stapling techniques, optimal use of

energy source, various suturing techniques, reinforcements etc. was demonstrated for delegates. In this course we also added step by step liver dissection course for the delegates which was conducted by Dr Bipin Vibhute.

In this course of FIAGES all the students who appeared for exam had expressed great satisfaction in structured training programme, choice of faculty and the topics discussed. All the exam going delegates cleared in the exam in a very good

manner. On the first day for the FIAGES Inauguration Dr Charudutta Apte, Managing Director, Sahyadri Hospitals was the chief guest and during this ceremony all the faculties were felicitated. The programme also had good highlights like relaxing musical evening on 2nd day in which delegates and faculty participated actively and contributed to the musical evening.



# EFIAGES NASHIK-2016

on 23rd ,25th & 26th November 2018



**Dr. Pramod Shinde**  
Organizing Chairman, EFIAGES)



For The 1st in Maharashtra, 5th National EFIAGES Course At HCG Manavata , Nashik

**Date:** 23rd, 25th & 26th November 2018

**TIME:** 9am to 6pm

**Venue :** HCG Manavata Cancer Centre, Nashik

Delegates registered for EFIAGES

Examination category : 53 candidates

Non Examination category: 31 candidates

Total No. of Delegates : 96 candidates

MMC Credit points –

Delegates – 4

Faculty - 1

Observer - 5

Inauguration: Dr. Vinayak Nagesh Shrikhande  
Founder President of Indian Chapter of the International  
Hepato Pancreato Biliary Association

### Faculty :

Dr. Subhash Khanna (President, IAGES)

Dr. Sunil Popat ( Secretary, IAGES)

Dr. Ramen Goel (Treasurer, IAGES)

Dr. B. Krishna Rau ( Chief Advisor, IAGES)

Dr. S.Easwaramoorthy ( EFIAGES Board Convenor, IAGES)

Dr. Pramod Shinde (Organizing Chairman, EFIAGES)

Dr. Mandar Doiphode, Dr. Ramesh Patil, Dr. Satish Midha,

Dr. S.P.Bhandari, Dr. Amol Bapaye, Dr. Advay Aher



# IAGES Silver Jubilee Cruise Conference



**Dr Ramen Goel**  
Organising Chairman



In a first of its kind conference, around 250 participants signed up for this remarkable IAGES conference held onboard cruiseliner Costa Neo-Riviera to Maldives. A warm and traditional welcome at Kochi port set the tone of the sojourn. As the ship sailed through the setting sun, the founders and past leaders of IAGES including founder secretary Dr J. B. Agrawal & past presidents Dr B Krishna Rau, Dr John Thanakumar, Dr V Venkatesh, Dr Zameer Pasha & Dr Ramesh Agarwalla, were felicitated for their stellar contribution towards the organization. President Dr Subhash Khanna, Hon Secretary Dr Sunil Papat and Organising Chairman Dr Ramen Goel presented the specially crafted certificates and cruise souvenirs. The keynote speech by Dr Arun Jamkar, former vice chancellor of Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, on 'Artificial Intelligence in surgery' was engrossing.

On the second day, participants spent time exploring the ship and its amenities. During the master videos and free paper sessions the hall was full with participants in spite of all the entertainment options in the ship. It was different to see the surgeons in casual attire.

A dinner was hosted by the Captain of the ship for the IAGES

participants. He graciously spent the entire evening conversing and moving between the tables. Each one enthusiastically caught these memorable moments on their phones.

On the final day once the ship reached Maldives, people disembarked to go on excursion tours around the city, on submarine or to the picturesque island resorts.

In the evening surgeons from Maldives Association of Surgeons (MAS) boarded the cruise for a joint session with IAGES. President of MAS, Dr Mohammed Solih & secretary Dr Ahmed Nishan spoke about Maldives and also requested for long term training opportunities in India. The panel discussion on 'How it is to be a surgeon's spouse' was deftly conducted by Dr Mitali Agrawalla & Dr Swagatha Khanna. The extravaganza concluded with performances from local Maldivian artists. Participants profusely thanked Dr Ramen Goel, organizer of the cruise for memorable moments and confirmed their participation for next year's overseas/cruise conference.

After swift disembarkation, most participants stayed back in picturesque Maldivian resorts for a once in a lifetime experience.





**Dr Ashwin Thangavelu**  
Organising Secretary



**Dr LP Thangavelu**  
Organising Chairman

## FIAGES and EFIAGES, Coimbatore January 4,5 & 6 of 2019

For the first time in the history of IAGES, FIAGES and EFIAGES were conducted together successfully at Coimbatore on January 4, 5 & 6 of 2019. The programs saw a huge turnout of 210 delegates from all across India and abroad. FIAGES program had 150 delegates and EFIAGES program had 60 delegates. More than 60 faculties participated in the programs. Live surgeries were transmitted from Ashwin

Hospital in which Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy, TAPP, TEP and IPOM were demonstrated. More than 40 endoscopic procedures and 15 colonoscopies were performed in 2 days. Live transmission of Endoscopic dilatation, endoscopic stenting, endoscopic glue injection, ERCP stenting, Spy glass cholangioscopy and ERCP stenting of hepatic duct for Cholangiocarcinoma were transmitted.





# ACHIEVEMENTS

# IAGES

## Newsletter

Newsletter of Indian Association of  
Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons



Highest awards instituted by the  
Medical Council of India



Dear Dr. Subhash Khanna,

I, on behalf of the Management Committee of Dr. B. C. Roy National Award Fund Society and on my own behalf, am pleased to inform you that you have been selected for the prestigious Dr. B. C. Roy National Award for the year 2017 in the category of "Eminent Medical Teacher", which you rightly and richly deserve.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations and compliments to you for the same.

In this context, you are requested to submit your brief profile in letter format in hard as well as soft copy and also a passport size photograph to Dr. Beena Rayan, Member Secretary or Mr. Rajiv Kumar, Assistant Secretary, Medical Council of India, Dwarka, New Delhi, as early as possible, for the purposes of Souvenir.

Yours sincerely,

  
Dr. Anshu Mittal

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## B. C. Roy Awardee, 2017



**Prof. Subhash Khanna**

### Proud moment for IAGES

Prof. Subhash Khanna, President, IAGES has been selected for the Prestigious **Dr. B. C. Roy Award** for the year 2017 in category "Eminent Medical Teacher"

# Achievements



**Dr Ramesh Agarwalla**  
Convenor - International  
affairs IAGES

## **IAGES is now a partner Institution with Royal College of England for I.S.T.P**

IAGES become a partner institution with the Royal College of Surgeons of England for International Surgical Training programme for next two years. Dr. Ramesh Agarwalla was recently appointed International convenor to look into various collaboration for International surgical training as he has been working on this partnership for quit sometime. Under this partnership IAGES can recommend IAGES members for 2 year training in a Surgical specialty in England.



## Certificate of Registration

This is to certify that  
**Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons  
(IAGES)**

Is a registered Partner Institution of the

**Royal College of Surgeons of England  
International Surgical Training Programme**

Valid from  
March 2018 – March 2020



**Dr Abhay N Dalvi**

Dr. Abhay Dalvi being felicitated after delivering a brilliant oration titled "The unsung heros" in Pune.



Padmashree Dr N Zaman Oration of ASACON 2018 delivered by Dr Abhay Dalvi at Tinsukia.

# Achievements



Dr A Zameer Pasha



Dr Zameer Pasha receives Excellence in Laparoscopy award on 20th April from Venus international foundation.



Dr. J. Pandiaraja

Dr. J. Pandiaraja get Sushruta Award (An ancient Indian Surgeon) for young medical achiever by iERP Awards 2018 at New Delhi.



Dr. Ajaya Kumar SK

Dr. Ajaya Kumar SK Selected to deliver the most prestigious **"Raghavachari Oration 2019"** by the Association of Surgeons of India, Kerala Chapter.

# Achievements



Dr. K. Govindaraj



Proud moment for IAGES as EC member Dr. K. Govindaraj bagged Times Achievers Award by Times of India as Best Hospital! Awarded in Chennai by Dr. Radhakrishnan, Health Secretary of Tamilnadu state government!



Dr K Govindaraj delivered the invited oration in TN&P Asicon 2018, Annual Conference held at Thekkady in August, 2018



Dr Sameer Nayak



Moment Of prestige and glory for Dr Sameer Nayak a dynamic IAGES member receiving the "Fellowship of European board of surgery" as the one and only Indian.

# Achievements



Dr Subhash Khanna



Dr Subhash Khanna delivered the 3rd Prof Umesh C . Goswami Memorial Lecture on "Recent Emerging Trend In surgery for improving Healthcare" The Oration was organized by Prof U.C. Goswami memorial Committee at Gauhati University. The programme was held at Gauhati University and attended by nearly 200 faculty, research scholars and invited guest of various Departments of the University.

Dr John Thanakumar delivered Dr Mathias Oration on "Memorable Moments in my Journey as Laparoscopic Surgeon" in Annual Conference of Association of Surgeons of India, 11th August, 2018



Dr John Thanakumar

"FLEXISURGE" Laparoscopic Instrument innovated by Dr Suresh Deshpande in association with BETIC, IIT, Bombay been observed and admired by PM Narendra Modi. A great proud moment.



Dr Suresh Deshpande

# Achievements



Dr. Ashwin Thangavelu

Dr. Ashwin Thangavelu presented a video in the HSI national conference at Chennai about e-TEP TAR for large incisional hernia in the video session and this was adjudged as the best video.



Dr Sunil Kumar



Dr Sunil Kumar receiving Excellence award of National Board of Examinations from the hands of Vice President India.



*The NBE (National Board of Examinations) Award 2014 given to Dr. Sunil Kumar. Currently the Head Consultant in Surgery at the Tata Main Hospital (Kolkata). Dr. Sunil Kumar is a distinguished surgeon, academic, researcher and teacher. A Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons from Edinburgh and London. Dr. Sunil Kumar worked at the Luck General Infirmary, St. James Hospital, and Hull Royal Infirmary before returning to his motherland in 2005. He joined the Tata Main Hospital as a senior surgeon and became the head, Department of Surgery in 2008.*



Dr Sunil D Popat



Dr Sunil D Popat, Ahmedabad is honoured with Honorary Visiting Professorship of Surgical Gastroenterology at GSL Medical College & General Hospital, Rajamahendravaram, Andhra Pradesh.

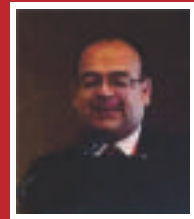


Dr Jayshree Todkar

Dr Jayshree Todkar authored book "Obesity Mantra" and the book was launched by Dr D Y Patil, Past Governor Tripura & Bihar.



# Achievements



Dr Sumeet Shah

Dr Sumeet Shah have been awarded Honorary membership of the Romanian Association of Abdominal wall surgery in a recent held conference at SIBI .



Prof. Dr. Rajesh Ch. Shah

Prof. RC Shah organised the 4th Annual Conference of Indian Medicolegal of Ethics Association at Ahmedabad.



Dr. J. Pandiaraja

Dr J. Pandiaraja get RULA Award for contribution of research in Gastrointestinal Surgery, which is accredited by World Research Council and United Medical Council.

# Achievements



Dr. Dipak Sarma

Dr Dipak Sarma receives the Award of Excellence from International Journal of Health Research.



Dr. Subhash Khanna

Delivered Prof. Chandramohan Anderson oration of the Chennai of Association of Surgeon of India at the Ramachandra Institute for higher education and research at Chennai. Honoured by the President ASI Dr. Dilip Gode.



Dr Abhay Dalvi



Dr Ashwin Masurkar

Presentations by IAGES senior members as Faculty at Asia Pacific Hernia Society in Dubai 29th Nov 1 December



Dr Arun Prasad

Dr Arun Prasad invited as Faculty at Duke University USA





# Achievements

Under the leadership of Dr Sarfaraz Baig the Bellevue clinic kolkata has now been recommended as center of excellence for Bariatric and metabolic surgery in India.



Dr Sarfaraz Baig

Dr. Deepraj Bhandakar contributed the chapter "Para-oesophageal Hernia" to the book "Contemporary Surgery" published by the Association of Surgeons of India.



Dr. Deepraj Bhandakar

Prof Jishan Ahmed elected President of Association of Surgeons of Assam- 2018 (Assam Chapter ASI)



Dr. Jishan Ahmed

# Obituary

*antakaale cha maameva smaranmuktvaa kalevaramh |  
yah prayaati samadbhaavam yaati naastyatra samshayah ||*



"He who departs from the body, thinking of Me alone, even at the time of death, will definitely reach Me".

We personally and on behalf of the entire members of IAGES family offer our sincere condolence on the untimely and sad demise of Dr Gargi Bandopadhyay an active IAGES member, a dedicated surgeon and a gentle disciplined lady administrator. We stand by the family members at this hour of crisis and grief. The sloka from Bhagavad Gita says "antakaale cha maameva smaranmuktvaa kalevaramh | yah prayaati samadbhaavam yaati naastyatra samshayah ||" We sincerely pray God almighty that our friend Dr. Gargi may rest in the arms of the Almighty and rest in peace.

We fondly remember her participations in the academic forum and her interest in academic platform will ever be remembered for times to come.. Her demise is a irreplaceable blow to all of us.

Praying that her soul be at peace in her heavenly abode...

**Prof Dr. Subhash Khanna**  
President, IAGES

**Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta**  
President Elect, IAGES

## IAGES Endorsed Training Centres

The following is the updated list of IAGES Accredited **training centers**.

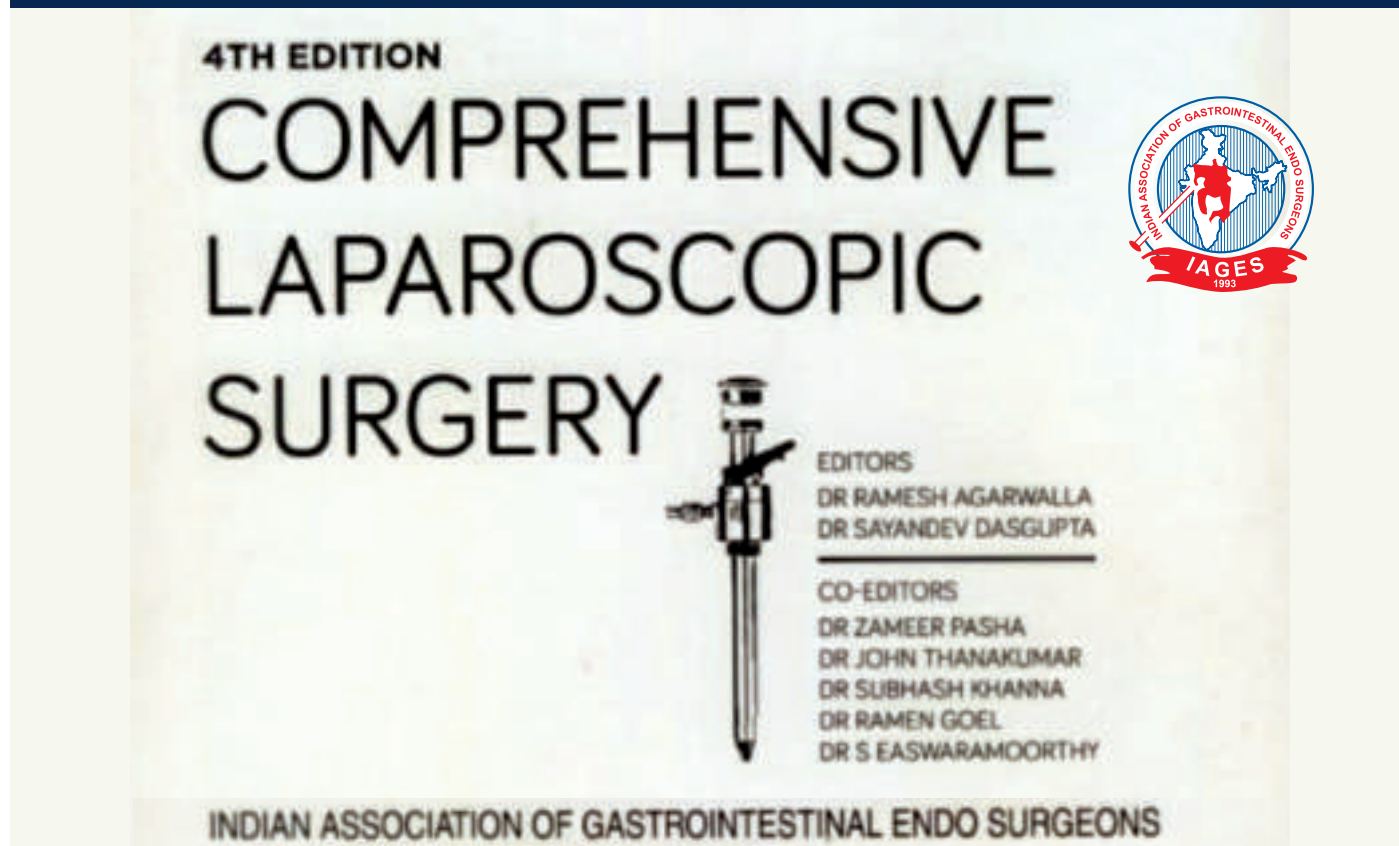
- 1. S. C. B Medical College**  
Dr. Manash Ranjan Sahoo
- 2. Center of Excellence for Minimal Access Surgery Training (CEMAST)**  
Prof. Tehemton E. Udawadia
- 3. Swagat Endolaparoscopic Surgical Research Institute,**  
Prof Subhash Khanna
- 4. Bangalore Endoscopic Surgery Training Institute & Research Centre**  
Dr Makam Ramesh
- 5. Laparoscopic Surgery & Endoscopy Training Center**  
Dr. Sunil D Popat
- 6. GSL SMART LAB**  
Prof. Ganni Bhaskara Rao
- 7. Keizen Hospital**  
Dr. K.S Patel
- 8. Saraswathy Hospital Parassala, TVH**  
Dr. S.K Ajayakumar
- 9. Siva Hospital, Tamilnadu**  
Dr. T. Siva
- 10. Ramkrishna Care Hospital, Raipur**  
Dr. Sandeep Dave

**Dr. Sunil Popat**, Hony. Secretary

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**Prof. Subhash Khanna**, President, IAGES 2018-19

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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given for  
General Body Meeting of IAGES Indian Association of Gastro Intestinal Endo-Surgeons  
to be held on 8th February,2019 at 7.00p.m. during the XVIth National Congress  
at SOA University Conventional Hall, Bhubaneswar

### Agenda

1. Meeting Called to Order and Welcome by President
2. Roll call
3. Condolences if any
4. Confirmation of the minutes of GB Meeting at Raipur on 08/02/2018 and any other matter arising out of it.
5. Honorary Secretary's Report
6. Honorary Treasure's Report
7. Appointment of the Auditors for the year 2019-2020
8. Report on 2020 IAGES at Guwahati
9. Selection of Venue for IAGES 2021
10. Implementation of Digitalization of JMAS and any related matters
11. Election for the JMAS Editors And Committee Members
12. Declaration of the Results for Election of President by Election Commissioner Dr Sayandev Dasgupta
13. Any other Matters with permission of the chair
14. Handover of the charges to the incoming President
15. Vote of Thanks

All Members are requested to attend.

Yours Sincerely

Dr. Sunil D. Popal  
Honorary Secretary  
IAGES

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Recent Advances in Minimal Access Surgery

Editor  
**Subhash Khanna**

The inaugural edition of IAGES "**RECENT ADVANCES IN MINIMAL ACCESS SURGERY**" shall be released at Bhubaneswar. The first 100 registered delegates for IAGES 2020 Guwahati, shall also get a complimentary copy of the book from IAGES 2020 stall.

## Guidelines for IAGES Travelling Fellowship

- 1) Can only be availed by IAGES member
- 2) Age limit -Nil
- 3) Total 10 Fellowships are awarded – 5 for Basic & 5 for Advanced Training
- 4) Candidate will spend 2-3 weeks at the centre of his choice
- 5) Travel, Food & Accommodation TO BE TAKEN CARE OF BY CANDIDATE
- 6) Fellowship amount--Rs 20,000/- Detailed Report (along with log book : surgeries attended etc) to be submitted to the PRESIDENT & SECRETARY after the completion of Fellowship. A certificate of attendance given by the Centre is to be attached with the report.
- 7) The candidate should procure a report from the CENTRE and submit the REPORT to the OFFICE.
- 8) CERTIFICATE of the FELLOWSHIP will be given at National CONGRESS
- 9) Aspiring CANDIDATE to APPLY (e-mail : [lap.ramesh@gmail.com](mailto:lap.ramesh@gmail.com)) to the President along with the acceptance letter by the Centre of his choice
- 10) The PRESIDENT shall Confirm & Convey it to the candidate & Treasurer so as to release the money marking a copy to Secretary.

# Upcoming Event



# FIAGES 2019

BAREILLY

29, 30 & 31 March 2019



**Organized by**

**Department of Surgery**

**Shri Ram Murti Smarak Institute of Medical Sciences, Bareilly**

**Under the aegis of**

**Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endosurgeons**

**on 29, 30 & 31 March 2019**

**Venue - Auditorium, Medical College, SRMSIMS**

# IAGES 2019 Bhubaneswar – Ready to Welcome Delegates



Expanding New Horizons & Meeting New Challenges

2019 IAGES BHUBANESHWAR

16<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress of Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endosurgeons

7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
SOA (Siliksha 'O' Anusandhan) University, Campus 2  
Bhubaneswar

6<sup>th</sup> February, Wednesday  
Pre Congress Training Program

➤ Announcement Brochure



## MILESTONES

### IAGES 2019 BHUBANESWAR



**Dr. C R Das**  
Organising Chairman



**Dr. Sreejoy Pattnaik**  
Organising Secretary

**6th February 2019**  
09:00am to 06:30pm - Pre - congress course  
7pm - EC Meeting (Hotel Mayfair Lagoon)

**7th February 2019**  
08:00am to 05:00pm - Live Operative Workshop  
12:00pm to 01:00pm - Special Session on Evolution of Minimal  
Invasive Surgery  
07:00pm onwards - Inaugural Function followed by dinner (SOA  
Campus-2)

**8th February 2019**  
08:00am to 07:00pm - Scientific Sessions  
07:00pm - General Body Meeting  
08:00pm onwards Cultural Night & Banquet Dinner

**9th February 2019**  
08:00am EC Meeting (Hotel Mayfair Lagoon)  
08:00am to 01:00pm - Scientific Sessions  
01:00pm to 03:00pm - Convocation & Valedictory Function

# IAGES 2020 Organising Committee, Welcomes you to Gateway of North East India



**Prof. Mufiduz Zaman Ahmed**  
Organizing Chairman  
IAGES- 2020



**Dr. Subhash Khanna**  
Organizing Secretary,  
IAGES 2020  
President, IAGES, 2018-19

Dear Colleague,

It is our honour and privilege to invite you to the 17th Annual Conference of Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons to be held from 7th – 9th February 2020 at Guwahati. This is the first time that such a mega event will be held in the North East India. The North East has been less explored but it is a beautiful part of the country with warm hearted wonderful people.

Guwahati, "The Gateway to the NorthEast India", is the largest city in Assam and Northeast India, a major riverine port city and one of the fastest growing cities in India also declared to be a Smart city. It is situated between the banks of the Brahmaputra River and the foothills of the Shillong plateau. The ancient cities of Pragjyotishpura (Guwahati) and Durjaya (North Guwahati) were the capitals of the ancient state of Kamrupa under the Varman and Pala dynasties. Many ancient Hindu temples are in the city, giving it the name "City of Temples". The Kamakhya temple in Guwahati is a popular temple dedicated to revered goddess Kamakhya, its beautiful architecture and the plethora of temples in its complex. The Guwahati region hosts diverse wildlife including rare animals such as Asian elephants, pythons, tigers, rhinoceros, gaurs, primate species, and endangered birds

The conference will be attended by over 2000 delegates including invited galaxy of National & International surgeons, laparoscopic surgeons, Gastro Intestinal surgeons and PG students. Nearly 200-250 National & International faculties will share their knowledge & experience in the conference.

We are going to organize a conference so interesting that you will remember and cherish every moment of it for the rest of your life. We will have pre-conference workshops, lectures on current practices and newer horizons in MAS, to keep you engrossed. Leading national and international faculty will be attending to enlighten everyone, and of course the cultural events will captivate you.

We welcome you with open arms. We hope you will come in large numbers. We assure you that you will return satisfied. We look forward to receiving you in Guwahati for IAGES 2020.

So friends, please block your calendar and do not missthe extravaganza of technology and newer trends.

Long live IAGES,