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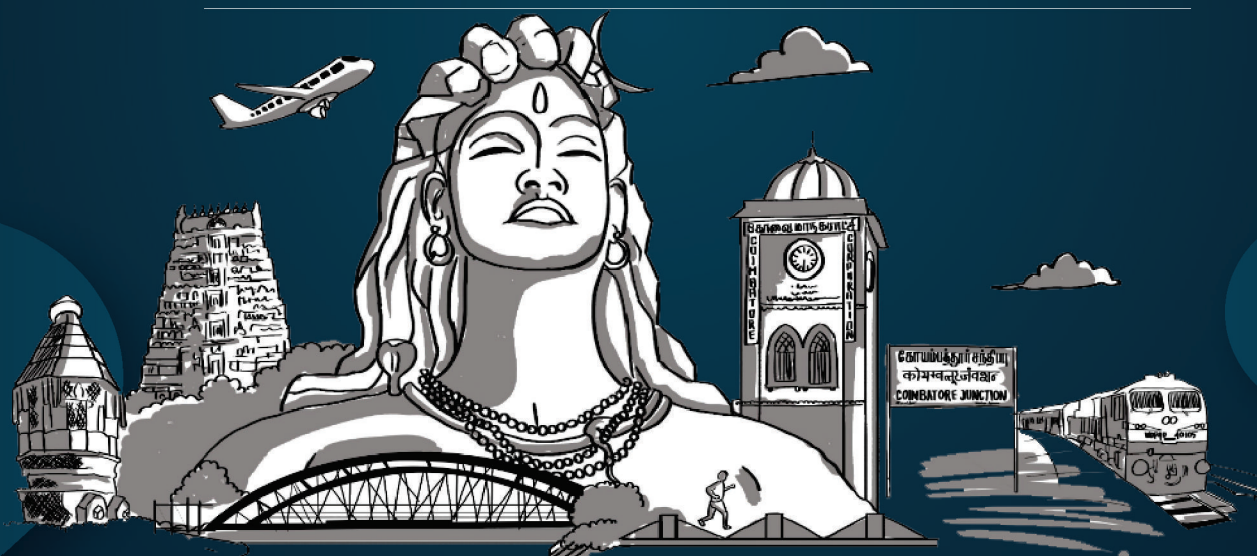
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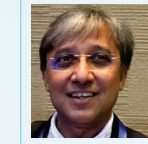
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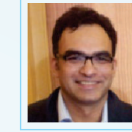
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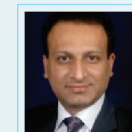
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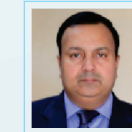
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M e s s a g e f r o m
FOUNDER PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Members IAGES,

This Newsletter covers a strange, bizarre, frightening year not only for us,

but for the entire world, a year never seen before in living memory. The trials and tribulations of 2020 have strained and tested every person, every organization, every association. I had feared that IAGES, like so many other organizations would flounder under the fury of the pandemic.

But our Past President Dr. Raman Goel, and the ENTIRE TEAM, the Secretary, Treasurer and all Members of the EC. faced every situation to prove that over 27 years IAGES has grown to be a strong and resilient body. The Team of 2020 did much more. With their ingenious and continuous activities, they achieved great heights. Just as the strongest steel is forged in the fiercest furnace, they put IAGES through all the hindrances, trauma, constraints of Covid and made our Association -

stronger, more energetic and viable body.

Not to forget the several other surgeons and Associations who put their shoulder to the wheel and contributed magnificently,

particularly in the India - UK joint extravaganza! All have worked not for personal acknowledgement, but for IAGES, Indian Surgery, all need to be commended and congratulated.

Wish **Dr. Sunil Popat and his Team**, and **every single Member of IAGES** all the very best.

Warm regards,
TEHEMTON E. UDWADIA
Former President - IAGES

From the

PRESIDENT'S DESK

YEAR 2020 was a Challenge

individually, socially and for the association as well.

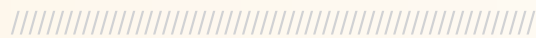
We are saddened by tragic loss of lives of our members, their family members and countrymen. They are in our prayers and may God bless their soul.

As I took over as President of the most prestigious Indian minimal access surgery association in February 2020 at Guwahati, there was no inkling of impending clouds of uncertainty. However, I am glad that members of my Executive Committee quickly rose to the occasion to re-orient academic activities and moved to help physician colleagues through knowledge sharing and philanthropic support.



During this year, IAGES has moved beyond re-certification programs(fellowship courses) to promotion of research culture amongst our members through awards for recognition of quality research and by starting IAGES Research Academy. Collaborative multi centric trials are a precursor to national registries for quality determination.

I believe this activity will define IAGES contribution for years ahead. challenge - 2020 proved to be a year of collaborations - with national associations like FICCI, OSSI, AMASI, SELSI, CRSA, ACRSI etc for various academic activities.



Moving beyond national boundaries, collaboration with **international associations -IFSES, ELSA, ESES, KSELS, SELSB of Bangladesh, MAS of Maldives, SSP of Pakistan, Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh(RCSEd), ALSGBI & BOMSS of UK** etc has shown strength of collective effort.



We are looking forward to welcome you, in post vaccination era, at first on-site national conference of an association, IAGES2021 in May 2021 at Coimbatore. Organizing and scientific committee are working hard to ensure a memorable meeting for all participants.



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Friends, it has been an absolute honour and pleasure to work for you through this global crisis.

I shall remain accessible to you always,

Dr RAMEN GYANENDRA GOEL

President
Indian Association of GastroIntestinal
and EndoSurgeons



PRESIDENT (2021-22) MESSAGE

It is indeed a great pleasure and privilege to write to you as President of the most prestigious laparoscopic surgeons' organisation.

IAGES is in its 28th year of existence and it is my great honour to be 17th IAGES President.

IAGES is a very vibrant organisation of about 8000 Surgeons having many academic activities. Due to Covid Pandemic, last Year there were plenty of Online academic activities. As the COVID Numbers are reducing and with availability of Vaccine, it seems that this year IAGES will be able to do Onsite Academic Activities. Apart from FIAGES and EFIAGES, this year We plan to do FALS in various sub specialities such as Upper GI, Hernia, ColoRectal, Bariatrics, Robotics etc. There is planning for Advanced Endoscopy Fellowship Course - FAGIE also. IAGES Fellowship Boards are working hard to work out best programs for You.

Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy is the landmark Laparoscopic Surgery which made all the difference and is one of the most commonly done laparoscopic surgery.

There are some serious complications of Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy which need to be prevented. To generate more awareness about Safe Lap Chole and impart adequate skills for the same, IAGES is starting Safe Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy Task Force. This Task Force will organise several Skill Courses / Single Theme Conferences for Safe Lap Chole. The sole intention will be to help surgeons prevent Complications of Lap Chole particularly Bile Duct Injury.

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Such programs will be carried out in different parts of the Country to spread the knowledge and skills.

Laparoscopic Hernia Surgery is done in India since more than 22 years. However till today more than 80% of Hernias are operated by Open Method.

The advantages of Laparoscopic Hernia Surgeries are not reaching to all Patients of the Country because of the technical difficulty and longer learning curve. IAGES is starting Laparoscopic Hernia Surgery Task Force to tide over this problem and train more and more surgeons in Laparoscopic Hernia Surgery.

This Task Force will supervise the execution of various Laparoscopic Hernia Programs across the Country. This program will concentrate teaching and training Surgeons for Laparoscopic Inguinal &

During the year, IAGES will organise many Online Programs like IAGES Prime Time, Master Class, Digital CME etc. IAGES also arrange Online Paper Publishing Courses for the members to help them present their vast clinical data and experience. Web Programs have opened up borders of areas and countries and International programs can be done easily.

This academic year We shall have 2 IAGES National Congresses. Our February 2021 Congress in Coimbatore, is postponed to May 2021 for better Onsite participation from Surgeons. February 2022 IAGES National Congress will be held in Rajahmundry, Andhrapradesh at GSL Medical College.

IAGES Members are blessed with this unique opportunity to learn, teach, present and share their unique surgical work during these events. It will also be an opportunity to catch up on the friendships and fellowships we dearly missed last year due to Pandemic Situation.

JMAS, the flagship journal of IAGES is now Digital and the link is mailed regularly to Members by the publisher.

You can also access it from Webpage iages.in. JMAS is having very good impact factor and provides variety of articles and information. If you have any difficulty in receiving JMAS, You can write to IAGES Honorary Secretary or the publisher.

IAGES has announced various Travelling Fellowships, Research Awards etc., the information related to that will be shared on the IAGES Website.

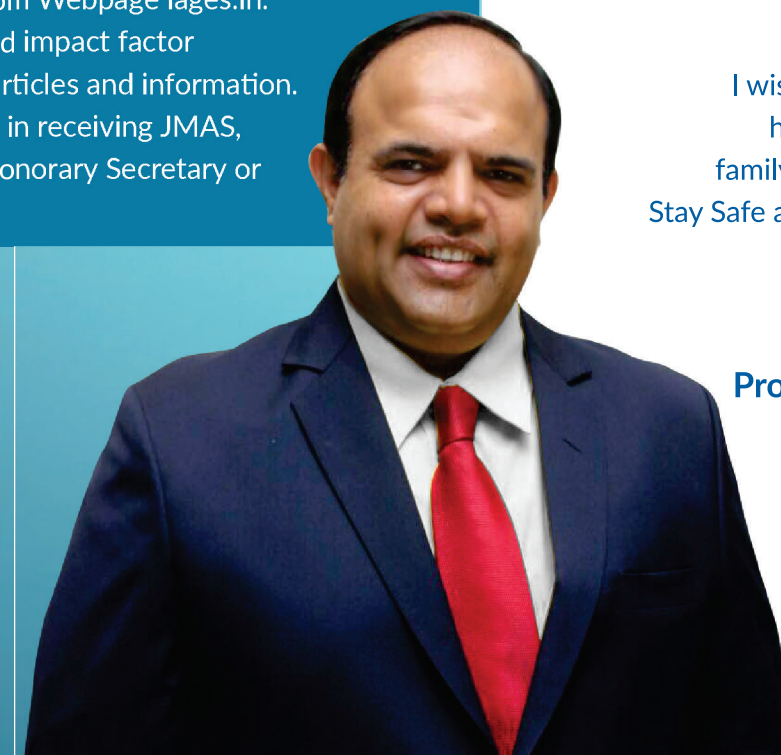
Honorary Secretary's office will gladly assist You if you have any queries in this regard. IAGES Website is very informative and updated regularly.

It provides relevant information from time to time. Very soon You will have IAGES Mobile App giving you all these details and more at the click of button on your mobile. IAGES updates its Membership Data regularly. Please do inform Honorary Secretary's office if you have any change of Number or Email.

Friends, I thank you all for giving me this opportunity to serve the IAGES. Let us All Rise beyond the horizon and work together to achieve unseen heights in the fields of Laparoscopic & Endoscopic Surgeries. Let us provide the best Laparoscopic / Endoscopic Surgical Solutions to our beloved patients.

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I wish very best of health and happiness to you and your family all through out the year. Stay Safe and Take due precautions.



Thanks & Regards,
Prof Dr SUNIL D POPAT
President - IAGES
Chairman - GI &
Laparoscopic Surgery
Nidhi Hospital, Ahmedabad



Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons

What an year 2021 has been...
Pandemic...

Catastrophic loss of surgical lives and crumbling economics...

Never thought before fear of survival...

Aspirations and executions which have never stopped came to a standstill..

The IAGES under the dynamic thought process and inclusive national leadership team under Dr Ramen Goel, President of the IAGES converted crisis into a brilliant opportunity to educate, update, publish, research, identify, recognise and celebrate the academic achievements, social commitments

executed, shared responsibilities, create international relationships, modify the regular academic activities to online system, create new arms for IAGES activities, strengthening the pillars created by eminent leaders, a robust platform for the future is perfectly in place to grow upon..

Team IAGES has yet another time reiterated the status of an enviable enigma amongst the surgical fraternity.

Long live **IAGES!**

On behalf of all of you

Dr M KANAGAVEL
Editor - IAGES TIMES
The official Newsletter of the IAGES



IAGES TIMES EDITORIAL DESK

by Dr Kanagavel

CHIEF ADVISOR DESK

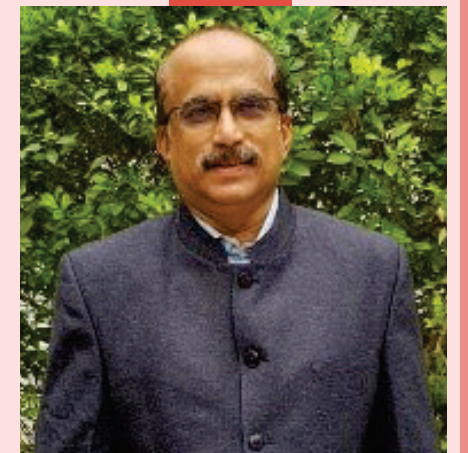
My pleasure to wish everyone of you a very Happy and Healthy New Year in 2021.

One has to take life as it comes, as we well learnt from 2020 with many a lock-out, mask and social distance, setting members apart. We still lost a number of esteemed, valuable colleagues to the pandemic.

We hope that 2021 with the advent of vaccines, would prove different with physical meetings. Be it as it may, we look back at the year past with many virtual meetings with abundant academic activities.

“ **Let us look ahead at 2021,**
taking nothing for granted,
while exercising caution.

It will soon be time for change of guard from Ramen Goel to Sunil Poppat, the rest of the EC remaining the same. While on behalf of us I thank Ramen for all his effective virtual programs, let us look forward to Sunil for his continuation of the same as well as new ones.



Again, wishing each and everyone to you and your families the best of season's greetings,

Dr JOHN AC THANAKUMAR
Chief Advisor





MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF TRUSTEE

Happy to note IAGES is coming out with yet another edition of the official newsletter IAGES Times for the year 2020.

This year of CORONA pandemic has posed real challenges for IAGES both on academic and professional grounds.

I congratulate the President, Dr Ramen Goel and Secretary, Dr S Easwaramoorthy along with the dynamic team of Various board convenors and EC members for utilising the technology to maintain the flow of various activities of the IAGES.



It is my pleasure to welcome the new members who have joined the 8000 member strong IAGES family during 2020.

It is heartening to note the flagship fellowship programs of the IAGES viz. FIAGES, EFIAGES and FALS courses have gone totally online this year.

I congratulate the new fellows and encourage them to take active part in various academic initiatives of the IAGES.

I am sure the incoming President Dr Sunil D Popat and his team will take IAGES to more heights through their various innovative academic initiatives. I wish him all

the very best for a successful tenure as a President of this prestigious association.

Dr V VENKATESH
Chief Trustee - IAGES

Message from CHIEF EDITOR, JMAS

I bring greetings to the entire IAGES fraternity and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year from Journal of Minimal Access Surgery (JMAS).

We are very proud of the rapid advances made by JMAS over the past 16 years since inception. The journal was conceptualized from the foresight and vision of our founding President Prof. Tehemton Udwadia. JMAS gained prominence and an international presence due to diligence and persistent efforts from Dr. Deepraj Bhandarkar, whose efforts have resulted in current Impact factor of 1.1 for the journal.

This year, we invited applications and through a transparent and systematic process by a Selection Board, now have a new editorial board in place.

As we turn the corner from a difficult and challenging year, we look forward

to the New Year with great expectations and hope.

At JMAS, we have dedicated ourselves with renewed vigour and enthusiasm to channelize our great professional expertise to produce scientific articles of merit and distinction. Our aim and vision is to create a culture and environment wherein our surgical fraternity is guided and encouraged to write and publish effectively. We plan to conduct **Basic Medical Writing (BMW)** courses several times a year at teaching institutes in the country and even beyond.



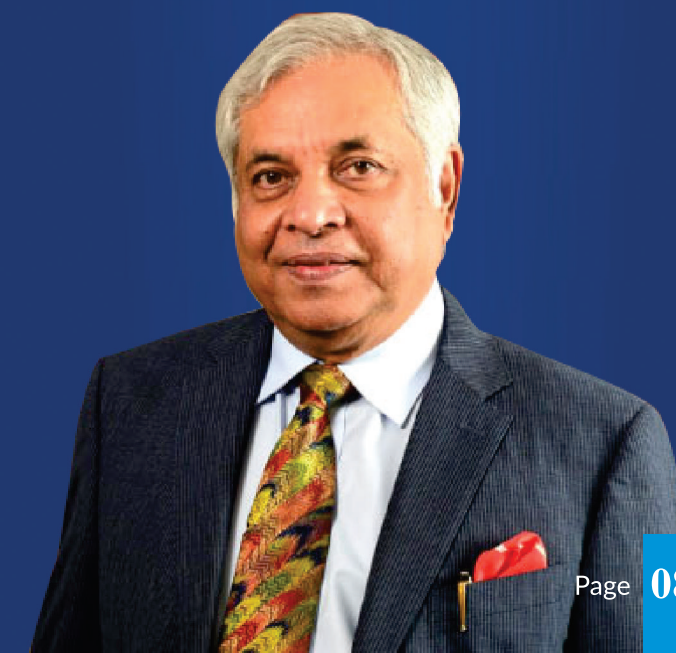
We'll definitely win, don't give up hope



Our vision and plan for JMAS is to establish an internationally reputed journal that is financially secure, professionally independent and an effective showcase for our surgical expertise.

With warm regards
Dr. PRADEEP CHOWBEY

Chief Editor - JMAS
Chairman - Institute of Minimal Access, Metabolic & Bariatric Surgery,
Max Super-Speciality Hospital, Saket, New Delhi



Report on IAGES ACTIVITY 2020-21



<https://youtu.be/4LK2-gVEIIA>

Dear Member, please listen to the Video presentation by Hon Secretary on IAGES Activity 2020-21 by scanning the QR code or the YouTube link given here.

Dear Senior Colleagues & My Dear Friends,

Warm greetings from the turmeric city.

Thanks a lot for your unstinted support and blessings for very eventful year of academic activities amidst the ravaging COVID-19 pandemic.

Whether the lock down could flatten the pandemic curve during initial 4 months, it certainly couldn't flatten our enthusiasm and efforts in continuing with academic and social activities.

- IAGES Covid Task Force relief efforts were initiated by our President and subsequently guided by Prof Subhash Khanna and successfully executed by so many of our EC members and friends to reach out to needy

institutions with PPE, Masks and Body bags. Special thanks to Dr.Deep Goel, Dr.Zameer Pasha for facilitating huge Rotary Matching Grant through Rotary club of Delhi Premier.

- Thanks to inputs from our Academic council ably guided by Dr.Sayandev Dasgupta along with our dedicated panel of speakers, we came out with 10 Covid Webinars and 5 master classes and several International collaborative webinars with well renowned faculty across the globe through **Docplexus & Mediknit online platform** with viewership in thousands each time. Even now, we all could witness these webinars both through IAGES website and IAGES YouTube channel.



HONORARY SECRETARY'S DESK

Dr S EASWARAMOORTHY

Another landmark event of this year is signing of MOU with Bangladesh (SELSB), Pakistan, Maldives Surgical associations and bringing them as our collaborative associations with mutual benefits to the members. Knowledge shared is knowledge gained.

IAGES FELLOWSHIP

Programs

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In record time, we were able to conceptualize and launch various IAGES Flagship Fellowship programs thanks to input from Dr.Raj Palaniappan and all the 3 Board conveners and admirable support from Mediknit to record and launch Online FIAGES, Online EFIAGES and online FALS in 5 different subspeciality . Here are key 6 steps to receive fellowship during annual conference.

- 01- Be or become a member of IAGES / Collaborating associations.
- 02- Register thorough www.iages.in & start attending Online video lecture modules (30 modules) with interactive Q & A session through Email / WhatsApp groups for 1 month duration.
- 03- Submission of Online log book to become eligible for assessment under Non-exam or Exam category
- 04- Participate in the Online Fellowship Assessment
 - Interview alone for Non-Exam category.
 - Examination category
 - Online 100 question MCQ assessment
 - Online viva on Cognitive and Technical skills in MAS
- 05- Pre conference work shop for fellowship candidates with lap trainers/Endoscopic simulators
- 06- Register to attend annual Conference & Convocation to participate and receive fellowships along with friends and family.

- Around 320 members have taken up online fellowship courses since June 2020.

FIAGES	130	Colorectal	32	FALS Bariatric	
EFIAGES	91	FALS Upper GI	14	surgery	10
FALS	100	FALS Hernia	20	FALS Oncology	24

- It is gratifying to note that 14 surgeons from SELSB have also joined in our fellowship courses, all of them under examination category.
- All the FIAGES and EFIAGES fellowship candidates received complimentary copy of text book of laparoscopy/Endoscopy as course materials
- We shall strive to continue this online fellowship program for foreseeable future as it is slowly but surely becoming well sought-after learning platform amidst young surgeons.

Since June till November, we had very vibrant academic calendar with recording and launching of all our fellowship courses and drafting and successfully hosting **INDO UK SURGICON, 1st Major virtual international MAS Conference.**

UK SURGICON

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Under the dynamic leadership of Dr. Ramen Goel, we had a wonderful 2-day virtual midterm conference, executed well with text book precision. Thanks to Dr.Pawanindra Lal and team Indo UK Surgicon 2020, we had a path breaking scientific event and had won thousands of hearts across the globe including the acknowledgment from President & VP of RCS Edinburgh and hence paving the way for more academic collaborations with RCS Edinburgh and several other international surgical associations in the coming years.

IAGES PRIME TIME

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It has become a regular fortnightly academic event amidst doctors across the world, bringing Experts in the field of MAS & Living Surgical Legends on to this global virtual platform. We thank Dr.Kanagavel and all the faculty and friends who contributed immensely for success of this ongoing blockbuster event.

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IAGESKonnnect

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IAGESKonnnect has become the face of IAGES to showcase all our social, cultural and academic contributions on various platform through Face book group, Twitter Instagram and YouTube channel. We thank Dr.Sarfraz Baig, Dr.Jaydeep Palep , Dr.Sumeet Shah for their timely innovative thoughtful inputs.

IAGES MEMBERSHIPS & UPDATES

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In spite of Covid pandemic, thanks to all our online fellowship programs and academic activities, we had constant trickle of membership registration. At present, we have

Total members(as on 30/01/21)	7850
New members during year 2020-21	170

Membership data have been updated till 30.10.20 by sending google form reminders to all our members and hence now nearly 1300 members were able to update their personal details

IAGES RESEARCH COUNCIL

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IAGES Research Council is another mammoth step this year to encourage more research works amongst us with our Trustee, Dr.Ramesh Agarwalla leading from front.

Research committee has now come out with launch of 3 research projects namely Outcome of laparoscopic cholecystectomy, Surgery in Covid recovered patients and Prospective analysis of Ventral hernia data by Dr. Pinky Thaper, Dr.Rajesh Bhojwani and Dr.Sarfraz Baig respectively.

We look for active participation by all our members and others in this unique mission of our President to make us all publish and flourish.

Thanks to IAGES JMAS Selection panel, JMAS EB selection process was very smooth and transparent. We are glad to witness now the new JMAS EB, working efficiently like a well-oiled machine under the able guidance of Dr.Pradeep Chowbey, Editor in Chief, to continue the arduous task singlehandedly managed by Dr.Deepraj Bhadarkar for last 15 years.

Since November till date, we have been busy under **the academic council to fulfil the proposed academic initiatives spelt out by Our President in Feb 2020 @ Guwahati**, namely

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- IAGES Best Researcher Awards 2020
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- IAGES Best Postgraduate Thesis Awards
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- IAGES Award for Best Original Research publication in JMAS
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- Travelling Fellowships
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- IAGES awards for best video and oral abstracts during midterm and annual conferences. (We have already given 10 cash awards during Indo UK mid-term conference and you will find the details of winners in the newsletter)

We thank our academic council members especially Dr.Sayandev Dasgupta and Dr.Deep Goel and Dr.Ramesh Punjani for their immense contribution to achieve what we conceived in Feb 2020.

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- Our President will announce the proud winners for all these coveted awards in due course.
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- We thank all our esteemed EC members for their time and commitment to be faculty for all our online fellowship programs and webinars and now for last 1 month helping us in online viva assessment of fellowship candidates

IAGES Mobile App

This has been the focus of our work in the last month with immeasurable input from Dr.Suviraj John, working round the clock with Mr.Nishanth from Winnova to make it a reality and I am sure that it would be a real beauty. Now IAGES is just a click away in your mobile phone with instant connect to all academic actions across the globe.

IAGES-Omnicuris Online CME

Thanks to our President, we have signed MOU with Omnicuris with the aim of offering periodic Online CME in MAS with issue of Credit hours from respective medical councils for doctors. Our President, Hon secretary, President Elect, IPP were the speakers for the 2 hour long first CME on recent advances in Gastroenterology which was attended by nearly 1400 delegates across

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I sincerely thank our President for the confidence and giving full freedom to express and execute.

It has truly been a great learning experience for many of us.

- I thank Dr.Satyapriya De Sarkar for all his help and understanding as we have been working in tandem in this covid times amidst high tides.

- Our sincere thanks to President of SELSB (Bangladesh) and Pakistan and Maldives Surgical associations for their unstinted support in various academic activities.
- Our thanks and appreciation to our academic partners namely Docplexus, Mediknit and Omnicuris for helping us in launching various online academic programs successfully.
- I thank our manager Mr.Rajaram for all his valuable input and dozens of Google forms and hundreds of whatsapp adverts for popularizing IAGES activities
- I put in record great help from my wife, Mrs.Ramaprabha for smooth communication with all the faculty and members throughout the year through academics.iages@gmail.com
- IAGES 2021 @ Coimbatore is just around the corner. Please register in large numbers for this first major MAS Conference in India-Post Covid Disruption and enjoy the academic delights and Kongu hospitality
- Our incoming President Dr.Sunil Popat is sure to come out with lot more of novel ideas and hence we are certain to take our IAGES to even greater heights with another vibrant academic year 2021-22.

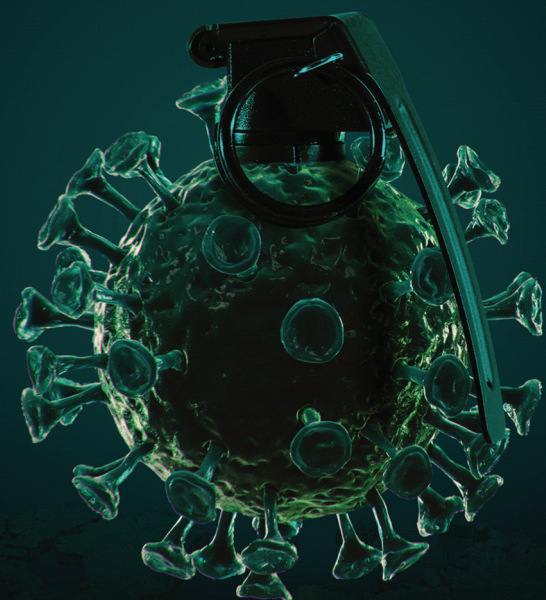
I conclude my report thanking Grace of God and all of you for the relentless support, love & guidance.

Long Live IAGES.

Affectionately yours
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Hon. Secretary IAGES

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TREASURER'S REPORT —



STAY SAFE

Our tremendously successful Indo-UK annual meet 2020 with The Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh also helped our finances. Many of our EC members donated their refund money to the accounts of IAGES since Covid-19 forced the physical meet at Edinburgh to be cancelled and the registration fees refunded.

Dr. Deep Goel generated significant donations from the corporate sector. The Rotary Club allotted huge amount of money to be spent in different programmes on Covid-19 in consultation with IAGES members in different cities of India. This fund remains with Rotary club and they are spending the amount in batches involving our eminent

In short, though IAGES made substantial donations throughout India for social causes and spent generously towards numerous academic awards for medical students as well as senior research workers, we could save considerably and increase our reserves.

My tasks throughout the overwhelming Covid-19 era seemed insurmountable but now we are stronger as a team under the leadership of our president and our hon. Secretary. We have made a successful journey, which proves that together we can do.

I wish all members a safe 2021 in the hope that we will face all new challenges together.

Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar
Treasurer - IAGES



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Surgical practice recommendations for minimal access surgeons during COVID 19 pandemic - Indian inter-society directives

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Impact of COVID-19 on General Surgical Practice in India

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FIAGES REPORT

FIAGES is the flagship course of IAGES and ever since its inception has grown every year in popularity. It's the right way to get into the world of laparoscopic surgery and gives one the right adequate knowledge as well as the big advantage of having senior mentors and peers to help one in the journey of Minimal Access Surgery.

Attending the course has been known to be the starting point of not only membership of IAGES but also lifelong associations with like-minded friends.

2020 the year of CoVid-19, Shut down all events

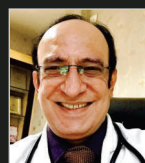
Even during the Covid era, FIAGES continued virtually with great reviews from the delegates.

The leadership of IAGES took up the challenge of continuing with the fellowship online. The leading Faculty in the country recorded the lectures and prepared MCQs. There were a total of 31 lectures and 4 panel discussions. The registered delegates were given access to the platform to listen to the lectures sequentially, answer MCQs at the end of it and then move on to the next lecture. The delegate could ask questions at the end of every lecture, which were then conveyed to the Faculty for the answer.

The Online MCQs examination was done on the 22nd of January and vivas were then taken on the 1st and 2nd of February.

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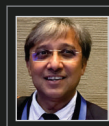


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FALS REPORT

2020 - 2021

Dr ARUN PRASAD
Chairman FALS Board
IAGES

With the unprecedented medical emergency by the Corona virus, IAGES academic program took a big hit.

However under the leadership of Dr Ramen Goel and the IAGES team, there was a new concept that emerged. This was in the form of an online and virtual training program.

Fellowship in ADVANCED LAPAROSCOPIC SURGERY

was spearheaded by a team consisting of

Dr Randeep Wadhawan
Dr Manish Bajjal, Dr Easwaramoorthy
Dr Arun Prasad and Dr Ramen Goel.

Dr ARUN PRASAD
MS, FACS, FRCS, FALS, FMBS
Apollo Hospitals, New Delhi
India

The course modules were made and online classes were recorded. Exams are planned from the last week of January with online theory exams followed by online vivas to end up by early February.

- ▶ From 15th September Onwards FALS Colorectal
- ▶ From 15th October Onwards FALS Upper GI
- ▶ From 15th November Onwards FALS Hernia
- ▶ From 15th January FALS Bariatric
- ▶ From 15th January FALS Oncology

There was a good response from surgeons across the country

We FALS schedule was as follows..

We hope that this unique experiment will inspire future FALS courses and open up new vistas of hybrid courses.

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Dr Manish Bajjal



EFIAGES & FAGIE

This is the greatest imitative started by IAGES to train General Surgeons in the field of Diagnostic and Therapeutic Endoscopy.

This was started under the able guidance of our father of Endoscopy Prof. Dr. B.K. Rau. So far this EFIAGES course has enabled IAGES to train hundreds of General Surgeons from nuke and corner of our country, to train from the basis of Endoscopy up to Advanced Therapeutic Endoscopylike:

- ERCP
- Stenting
- Endoscopy Ultra Sound

Each year various zones have been conducting EFIAGES and FAGIE courses which have been so popular and rekindled the urge among General Surgeons to learn the art of Endoscopy with strict

guidance and mentorship from leaders of Endoscopy, as faculty not only from our IAGES manifold but also from various International masters.

This platform offered by IAGES for Endoscopy Fellowship has helped surgeons to have a certified course by a prestigious body like IAGES in the field of Endoscopy so that this gives them a platform of confidence and helps them during period of crisis in their surgical practice.

This year being a year of so much negativity due to the pandemic, onsite courses became impossible but IAGES jumped into digital platform and became the 1st organization in the county to start online EFIAGES and FIAGES -

ENDOSCOPY Board Report



courses which has been very well received even during this time of crisis. IAGES is planning for a great annual event along with hands on training for these on line

candidates in the coming annual congress in Coimbatore this May 2021.

As a Convener of Endoscopy for IAGES I, strongly recommend..[contd.]

surgeons to take up Endoscopy Fellowship courses both basic and advanced and utilize this opportunity to the maximum.

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So far in the year 2020 - 2021 we have had 101 candidates for the EFIAGES course who got registered.

We started the digital platform for the EFIAGES course in the month of August 2020.

We have had 6 batches and 101 have attended out of which 92 candidates were exam category and 9 candidates were non exam category.

IAGES is happy to have world class faculty in Endoscopy from IAGES team itself under the able leadership of

Prof. Dr. B.K. Rau, Dr. A. Zameer Pasha, Dr. Ganni Bhaskara Rao, Dr. Subhash Khanna, Dr. Ramen Goel, Dr. Vijay Borgaonkar, Dr. S. Easwaramoorthy, Dr. K. Govindaraj, Dr. Satish Midha, Dr. Sayandev Das Gupta, Dr. Sunil Popat, Dr. Satyapriya De Sarkar, Dr. V. Venkatesh, Dr. Abhay Dalvi, Dr. Sunil Kumar, Dr. T. Sivakumar, Dr. Ashwin Masurkar, Dr. M. Kanagavel, Dr. John Thanakumar.

LONG LIVE IAGES!

Dr K. GOVINDARAJ

M.S.,FRCS(Glasg),FACS,FIAGES.,EFIAGES(Hon), FAGIE(Hon)FICS., DIP. M.I.S. (France), DIPLAP (Germany).

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Program Report For IAGES PRIMETIME

Dr M Kanagavel | Convenor

This is a unique and first of its kind initiative by the Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons during 2020.

Two eminent legendary surgeons are reminisced by senior surgeons of their thoughts and achievements in their surgical career. The state of art techniques are also show cased.

We have had eminent national and international experts for this program. This program happens every fortnight from 9 pm onwards. We thank Docplexus team for hosting this important program.

We thank the following eminent surgeons who contributed for the IAGES Primetime.

Date	Topics	Faculty	Scan the QR Code to Watch
30th Aug 2020	Pearls of wisdom POEM – The State of Art in Achalasia cardia	Dr T E Udwadia Prof Hashiro Innoue Host : Dr Ramen Goel	
13th Sep 2020	Man, Myth, Legend Laparoscopic Hiatal Hernia Surgery – Current Scenario	Dr B Krishna Rau Dr Ajay Kriplani Host : Dr K Govindaraj	
27th Sep 2020	Evolution of MIS Training Legends in Conversation	Sir Alfred Cuschieri Dr T E Udwadia Hosts : Dr Ramen Goel, Dr Pawanindra Lal	
11th Oct 2020	Laparoscopic Hernia Surgery Legend in conversation	Dr J B Agarwal Dr V N Shrikande Host : Dr Ramen Goel	
25th Oct 2020	Antireflux surgery – Lessons learnt over 4000 operations Legend in conversation	Dr David I Watson Host : Dr Sunil D Popat Dr S Vittal Host: Dr S Easwaramoorthy	

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8th Nov 2020	Legend in conversation Evolution of bariatric surgery	Dr Mathias Fobi Host : Dr Jaydeep palep	
22nd Nov 2020	Legend in conversation	Dr Davide Lomanto Host : Dr Ramesh Agarwalla Dr M C Misra Host : Dr Sandeep Agarwal	
13th Dec 2020	Reminisce with the legends MIS Endocrine Surgery	Dr Pradeep Chowbey Host : Dr Deep Goel Dr Michelle Gagner Host : Dr Subhash Khanna	
27th Dec 2020	Reminisce with the legends Intracorporeal colonic anastomosis – Has its time come?	Prof Barry Salky Prof C Palanivelu Hosts : Prof Abhay Dalvi, Dr Ramen Goel	
10th Jan 2021	Advancing surgical education in India The current Indian system and its validity in 2021	Dr Abhijit Sheth Dr Pawanindralal Host : Dr Ramen Goel	
24th Jan 2021	40 years of progress in peritoneal metastases Medical Ethics in clinical practice	Dr Paul Sugarbaker Host : Dr B S Somashekhar Dr B N Gangadhar Host : Dr Ramen Goel	
7th Feb 2021	Opportunity in the midst of adversity	Dr Ramen Goel, Dr TE Udwadia Dr SN Shrikande, Dr B Krishna Rau Dr Davide Lomanto Host: Dr S Easwaramoorthy, Ms Ramaprabha Easwaramoorthy	

IAGES BEST RESEARCHER AWARD-2020



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LIST OF TOP 5 PAPERS

- ▶ Assessing validity of existing fistula-in-ano classifications in a cohort of 848 operated and MRI-assessed anal fistula patients.
- ▶ Management of complex cryptoglandular anal fistulas : challenges and solutions
- ▶ Patient's preference should be given importance while deciding procedure to treat pilonidal sinus disease.
- ▶ Standardizing the steps of fistulotomy to maximize the cure rate and minimize incontinence risk in anal fistula
- ▶ Conservative Management (LOOP) of Bleeding Hemorrhoids causing severe anemia - Avoidance of Blood Transfusion & High-Risk Emergency Surgery



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- ▶ Safety and Efficacy of Bariatric Surgery in Advanced Liver Fibrosis
- ▶ Impact of bariatric surgery on carotid intima-medial thickness and cardiovascular risk results of a prospective study
- ▶ Should surveillance Endoscopy Be Routine After One Anastomosis Gastric Bypass to Detect Marginal Ulcers. Initial Outcomes in a tertiary Referral Centre
- ▶ Bariatric Surgery in Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD) - Impact Assessment using Paired Liver Biopsy and Fibroscan
- ▶ Outcome of Bariatric surgery on Hypothyroidism : Experience from aTertiary Care Centre in India



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LIST OF TOP 5 PAPERS

- ▶ Management options for post-esophagectomy chylothorax
- ▶ Bacterial flora in the bile : Clinical implications and sensitivity pattern from a tertiary care centre.
- ▶ Laparoscopic retrieval of impacted and broken dormia basket using a novel approach
- ▶ Thoracoscopic - Assisted Esophagectomy for Corrosive-Induced Esophageal stricture
- ▶ Impact of lymph node staging systems in predicting outcome in patients with ampullary cancer



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- ▶ Randomized controlled Trial Comparing the outcomes of Enhanced Recovery. After Surgery and standard Recovery Pathways in Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy.
- ▶ Is Laparoscopic Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass Still the Gold Standard procedure for Indians? Mid-to Long-Term Outcomes from a Tertiary Care Center.
- ▶ Is the Current Micro-nutrient supplementation Adequate in preventing Deficiencies in Indian Patients? Short and Mid-Term Comparison of Sleeve Gastroectomy and Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass.
- ▶ Is there a role for upper gastrointestinal contrast study to predict the outcomes of sleeve gastroectomy? Lessons learnt from a prospective study.
- ▶ Relevance of Posterior Gastric Vessel in Bariatric Surgery.

TOP 3 SELECTED JMAS ARTICLES LIST

Article No	Title	Author(S)	Contact Address & Email ID
1	A Prospective randomized controlled trial comparing conventional Intuitive® Procedure card recommended port placement with the modified Indian (Manipal) technique.	SP Somashekher, AY Deshpande, KR Ashwin, R Gangasani, R Kumar	Dr AY Deshpande 81, Professors Colony, Hanuman Nagar, Nagpur -400 009, Maharashtra, India. email: drabhnav3885@gmail.com
2	Subxiphoid robotic extended thymectomy - The first Indian report	Belal Bin Asaf, Harsh Vardhan Puri, Sukhram Bishnoi, Navdeep Singh Nanda, Mohan Venkatesh Pulle, Arvind Kumar	Dr Belal Bin Asaf Room No. 2328, Institute of Robotic Surgery, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi, India. email: asafbelal@gmail.com
3	Transfascial suture versus tack fixation of mesh in totally extra peritoneal repair of inguinal hernia: A prospective comparative study	Awanish Kumar, Ajay Kumar Pal, Anuraag Choudhary, Akshay Anand, Abhinav Arun Sonkar, Harvinder Singh Pahwa	Dr Ajay Kumar Pal Department of Surgery, King George Medical University, Lucknow - 226 003, Uttar Pradesh, India email: akpal.jnmc@yahoo.com

5 BEST PG THESIS AWARDEE DETAILS 2021

S.No.	Name & Place	Topic	Mentor & Phone Number
1	Dr. Devender Singh Haryana	A Prospective Randomised Controlled Study To Compare Antral Resection Versus Antral Preservation During Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy For Morbidly Obese	Dr. Sandeep Aggarwal 9810235580
2	Dr. Prasanna Ramana Arumugaswamy New Delhi	To Study The Effect Of Bariatric Surgery On Urinary Incontinence In Obese Individuals	Prof. Dr. Sandeep Aggarwal 9810235580
3	Dr. Washim Firoz Khan New Delhi	Ergonomic Analysis Of Muscle Activity During Laparoscopy And Influence Of Training	Prof. Virinder Kumar Bansal 9810348479
4	Dr. Asmita Sen Kolkata	Role Of Indocyanine Green Dye In Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy	Dr Ajay H Bhandarwar 9869039609
5	Dr. Sathya Pramod Inavolu Hyderabad.	Comparative Study Of Short Term Outcomes Of Laparoscopic And Robotic Pancreaticoduodenectomy	Senthilnathan Palanisamy 9842210173

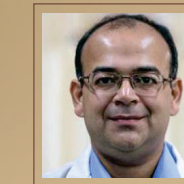
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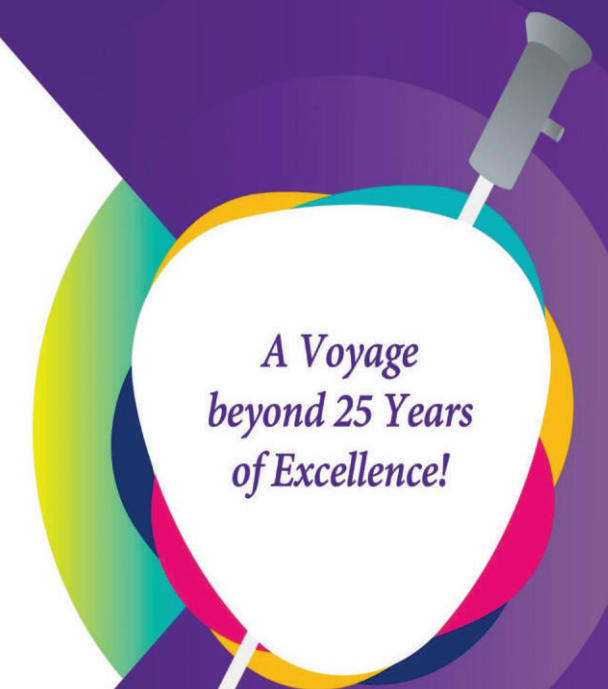
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Awards And Grants

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IAGES Online Master Class year 2020

Academic Initiatives of IAGES 2020

Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons launched five new training and research opportunities through awards and Grants as enumerated beneath

10 TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIPS

Members can receive 'Travelling Fellowships' of Rs 1, 00,000 each for training at any IAGES recognized training centre for a minimum duration of 6 weeks.

- In view of Covid 19 pandemic, members were not able to apply and go to any travelling fellowship for the year 2020

3 ORIGINAL RESEARCH PUBLICATION AWARDS

IAGES members to be awarded Rs 1, 00,000 each.

- With the help of Dr. Deepraj Bhandarkar and JMAS EB members, we have scrutinized and chosen 3 best JMAS original papers for the award for the year 2020 and awards will be given during 18th Annual Congress at Coimbatore.

5 BEST RESEARCHER AWARDS

Members are eligible to receive one of the 5 'Best Researcher Awards' for quality publications in any journal with award of Rs 1, 00,000 each.

- 22 IAGES members have applied with abstracts and list of their publication for the year 2020 and Academic council

members have held several meetings to finalize the list of 5 Best Researcher award for 2020

6 BEST ABSTRACT AWARDS

Members would be eligible to receive one of the 6 'Best Abstract Awards' (Rs: 50,000 each) for the best oral, poster or video presentation in annual or midterm conference of IAGES.

- Best paper and poster awards were given during INDO UK SURGICON 2020 (Mid-term conference) and winners received appreciation certificates and sum of Rs 20,000/- each

- Best abstract awards to be offered during the 18th annual conference for the best oral, poster and video presentation

5 RESEARCH GRANTS FOR PG THESIS

Surgical postgraduates (MS/DNB) will be eligible to apply for one of 5 'Research Grants for PG Thesis' (Each Rs of 1, 00,000) for Minimal Access Surgery relevant topics.

The details of application process was notified to all the postgraduates across the country (MS/DNB) and the shortlisted 19 applications were thoroughly scrutinized and online interview is planned to choose the best 5 PG thesis suitable of the IAGES Research Grant for the year 2020

**Dr SAYANDEV
DASGUPTA**

Imm Past President IAGES
Chairman Academic Council





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IAGES Master Class 2

On 28th June 2020

Complications in
MINIMAL ACCESS SURGERY

LAP ACCESS SURGERY	HERNIA SURGERY	BOWEL SURGERY	SOLID ORGAN SURGERY
Expert Panelists Dr Zameer Pasha Dr Arupabha Datta	Expert Panelists Dr Pradeep Chowbey Dr Subhash Agarwal	Expert Panelists Dr Ramen Goel Dr Sunil Popat	Expert Panelists Dr Abhay Dhalvi Dr V Venkatesh
Moderator Dr Pawanindra Lal	Moderator Dr Ashwin Thangavelu	Moderator Dr Jaydeep Palep	Moderator Dr Tarun Mittal

Co-Ordinators - Dr Sayandev DasGupta | Dr Deep Goel





IAGES MASTER Class 3

Jul - 19

Laparoscopic Surprises

Course Correction

ANATOMICAL SURPRISES

Expert Panelists

Dr Ajay Kriplani
Dr Ashish Vashistha
Dr Praveen Raj
Dr John Thanakumar

Moderator

Dr Ajay Agarwal

PATHOLOGICAL SURPRISES

Expert Panelists

Dr B. Krishna Rau
Dr Sumeet Sha
Dr Arun Prasad
Dr K. Govindraj

Moderator

Dr S. K. Ajaiya Kumar

INTERESTING CASES

Expert Panelists

Dr Bhaskar Ganni
Dr M. G. Bhat
Dr Sarfaraz Baig
Dr Manish Baijal

Moderator

Dr Suviraj John

Virtual workshop on Tips & Tricks of Laparoscopic Suturing Knotting Suturing

Trainer

Dr Sayandev Dasgupta
Dr Ramesh Punjani

Expertise

Dr Madhu Prakash
Karanwa

President IAGES
Dr Ramen Goel

Secretary IAGES
Dr S Easwaramoorthy

Chairman Academic
Council
Dr Sayandev DasGupta



Class 4

Live on August 16 | 4:00 pm

Endoscopy for Laparoscopic Surgeons

FRIEND OR FOE

Panel on Endoscopic Rescue

Expert Panelists

Prof. Dr B. Krishna Rau
Dr Amol Bapaye
Dr Vipul Rathod

Moderator

Dr Ramen Goel
Dr Vijay Borgaonkar

Endoscopy & Laparoscopy Interface

Expert Panelists

Prof Subhash Khanna
Dr D.V. Rao
Dr Roy Patnakar

Moderator

Dr Vipul Rathod
Dr Satish Midha
Dr Pramod Shinde

EndoTherapy for Surgeons

Expert Panelists

Dr Sunil Popat
Dr K. Govindraj

Moderator

Dr Navaneetha Krishnan
Dr Sunil Kumar
Dr Ganni Bhaskara Rao

How to Clean Endoscope & Accessories?

Expert Panelists

Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar
Dr Siva Kumar

Moderator

Dr S Easwaramoorthy

Panel on Surgical Rescue

Expert Panelists

Dr Pawanindra Lal
Dr Randeep Wadhavan
Dr Baiju Senadhipan

Expert Panelists

Dr Deep Goel

Class 5

Live on September 20 | 4:00 pm

Thoracoscopy for General Surgeons

Laying the foundation

Expert Panelists

Dr Anjali Patil
Dr Ali Zamir Khan
Dr Zignesh Gandhi

Getting Started

Expert Panelists

Dr Narendra Aggarwal
Prof Bhabatosh Biswas

Thoracoscopic Video Lectures : Lung

Expert Panelists

Dr Amol Bhanushali
Prof. George Karimundacka
Dr Bhushan Thombare

Thoracoscopic Video Lectures : Non-Lung

Expert Panelists

Dr Sabita Jiwnani
Dr Arun Prasad
Dr Shilpa Gandhi

Panel on Complications of Thoracoscopic Surgery

Expert Panelists

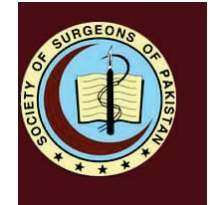
Dr John AC Thanakumar
Dr Amitab Goel
All Faculty

Moderator

Dr Jayashree Todkar



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ACADEMY OF SURGICAL RESEARCH

The Indian Association of Gastrointestinal
Endo Surgeons

IAGES – ASR is the brainchild of President Dr Ramen Goel. It promotes the advancement of professional and academic standards, education and research in the field of minimal surgery and allied sciences.

The IAGES - ASR interfaces with surgeons, medical and scientific organizations in establishing and reviewing ethics, theories, practices and research pertaining to surgery and promotion of the results for clinical application.

MISSION

The IAGES-ASR fosters interdisciplinary transfer of ideas and theories by offering a common platform through which the reporting of valid surgical research efforts is a reality.

The group comprises of
13 MEMBERS

Dr Ramesh Agarwalla is the Chairman and Dr M Kanagavel and Dr Sandeep Agarwal are the conveners.

The other members are Dr Kamal Mahawar, Dr Ashwini Dalal, Dr Jaydeep Palep, Dr Kaushik Bhattacharya, Dr Pawanindra Lal, Dr Rajesh Bhojwani, Dr Ramen Goel, Dr Sayandev Dasgupta, Dr S Easwarmoorthy and Dr Sudhir Kalhan.

The incoming Presidents will be a member of this group.

The IAGES - ASR

is founded to

Encourage, foster, promote, and advance professional and academic standards, education, research, and development in the arts and sciences of clinical and experimental surgery.

Promote, initiate, support, and accomplish academic and practical educational programs, cooperative research, and development in clinical and experimental surgery in the public interest.

Cooperate with medical organizations, other scientific organizations, government agencies, and other interested parties in establishing, reviewing, and evaluating ethics, theories, practices, and research pertaining to surgical research and promotion of the product of surgical research for clinical application.

Encourage the advancement of the field of surgery in all aspects, including research, education, and critical promotion of research products for clinical applications.



CORE ACTIVITIES

- Initiation of standard research activity.
- Sustainable models creation and implementation.
- Integration and centralisation of data.
- Partnering and empowerment / enablement of inter-institutional collaborative network.
- Standardisation of reporting databases.
- Integrative approaches to enable research publication in high impact factor journals.
- Support network for resource challenged centres in technical, analytical and outcome parameters.
- Validation and credentialing of data.
- Monitoring the quality of surgical research outcomes.
- Partnering with scientific committee to enable need based INDIAN guidelines.
- Research methodology – Enablement and Empowerment of Indian Surgeons to learn the right technique.
- Creation of Time Based Online / Virtual / Physical learning programmes on various aspects of research methodology.
- Exploring upcoming research avenues and sharing of path breaking research outcomes.

Three studies have been initiated

01

Evaluation of 30-day Morbidity and Mortality of laparoscopic cholecystectomy in India - A Multicenter prospective observational cohort study

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

Dr Pinky Thapar -Jupiter Hospital
This study started on 9th December 2020

02

IAGES study on current trends in ventral hernia practices in India- a prospective multicentre collaborative study.

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS

Dr Sarfaraz Baig, Dr Ramen Goel
Dr Ramesh Agarwalla
This study started on 21st January 2021

03

A national multi-center observational case control study on the 30-day morbidity and mortality of abdominal surgical procedures in patients recovered from SARS recovered from SARS CoV-2 infection: IAGES Collaborative Study

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

Dr Rajesh Bhojwani
This study started on 9th December 2020

KEY INVESTIGATORS

Rajesh Bhojwani, Ramen Goel, Kamal Mahawar, Brinderjeet Kaur, Rateesh Sareen, Subhash Mishra, Amrit Nasta
The CTRI registration has been done and this study will start soon. There is lot of enthusiasm among Surgeons in India and they are actively participating in these studies

Dr RAMESH AGARWALLA
Chairman - IAGES

IAGES - COVID

Task Force Contribution report

I sincerely thank our President Dr. Ramen Goel for making me National Convener of IAGES COVID Task FORCE and entrusting me with the responsibility of looking after the needs of our members and colleagues during this pandemic Covid- 19 probably one of the most trying times of our life.

While all the EC members were working on their own in different part of the country but Dr. Ramen Goel felt that we should all unitedly fight this unknown enemy of ours under the banner of IAGES. Infact he came up with a statement and a write up clarifying IAGES stand in the [expreshealthcare.in](#) where he clearly mentioned that any effort on the part of IAGES and any members of IAGES is not to compete with anyone but rather reach the masses in anticipation that their might be bureaucratic delay in the Government supplies.

I am pleased to write the summary of the work done by the representatives of various zones of IAGES.

I am thankful to Dr. Suviraj John who immediately after receiving a request from the EC swung into action and did create various online google forms to update the member requests for covid support as that was an enormous task.

The South zone did commendable job during the Carona Pandemic under the dynamic leaders led by Trustee Dr. Zameer Pasha and V.P Dr. S.Govindraj.

Dr. ZameerPasha did contribute 200 PPE kits to Trichy Government Medical College and Madurai Medical College respectively. Around 5000, 3M masks to both medical colleges were also individually distributed.

Dr.Zameer Pasha and Dr. Govindraj organized 200 litres of hand sanitizers from Kothari Sugars: 1,00,000 3M masks and 500 face shields from trichy to Dr.Sivakumar, Honorable EC Member from Nagercoil. Dr. Sivakumar had donated from his personal ability for the above mentioned cause. He has organized the distribution of the protection gear through the Indian Medical Association branches of Nagercoil and Kanyakumari.



Dr.Zameer Pasha donated PPEs to Trichy & Madurai Medical Colleges.

Dr. Sivakumar distributing protective gear to IMA Nagercoil & Kanyakumari.

Dr. Zameer Pasha on behalf of Rotary District 3000 also helped commissioning disinfectant tunnels in Uzhavar, Sandhai and Rettai, Vaikal Bazaar for public safety.

Dr.G.Viswanathan Speciality Hospitals was designated as one of the private sector hospitals for isolation of suspected COVID cases. Viswanath Hospital did set aside 30 beds and 2 ventilators for the same. Dr. Govindraj also contribute Rs.25,000 towards the IAGES -COVID relief fund.

Honorary Secretary Dr. Eswaramoorthy was instrumental in organizing educational programmes for Post Graduate and interns of IRT Perundurai Government Medical College in the safe use of PPE and



dealing with emergencies during COVID times. He also donated around 100 PPE kits to IRT Perundurai Medical College.

EC member Dr.Ashwin Thangavelu along with Dr.L.P.Thangavelu and other IAGES members had donated 120 PPE kits to Coimbatore Govt. Medical College and another 100 PPE kits were also donated by them for the corporation workers to Mr.Rajamani, the District Collector.



Dr.L.P Thangavelu and Dr Ashwin donating PPEs to the Collector, Coimbatore District.

Dr. Ashwin donating PPEs to the Dean, Coimbatore Medical College

Dr.Ajay Kumar the Honorable EC member from Trivandrum has deputed nursing staff and students from his hospital and nursing college at the Kerala- TN border check points.



Dr. Ajay Kumar being appreciated by the Kanyakumari District Collector

Around 300 kg of fruits and refreshments was distributed to 15 police stations at the Kerala -TN border which greatly appreciated by the collector. Free tele consultation was also offered to 2500 quarantined people. He also offered one floor of his hospital and the staff hostel for isolation.

Dr. Kanagavel, the dynamic EC member from Chennai has spearheaded the programme of donating funds to the local metropolitan medical colleges along with the local IMA members.

He had organized an amount of Rs. 2 lakhs as donation towards the cause till the reports last received by me.



Provided hospital staff for screening at the Kerala- TN border check points.

Dr.Praveen Raj Honorable EC member along with the Round Table Coimbatore has donated generously to the Home Guards. Protective gear – masks and caps, food & refreshments were provided to the 300 Home Guards who along with the

local police helped in doing door to door survey and tracing contact survey.



Dr. Rajavel one of the IAGES member along with his Round



Table team had given 100 PPE to Tanjore and Trichy Medical Colleges. He has also given an interview in the local cable channel regarding the importance of **wearing masks and basic precautions against COVID to the general public.**

Dr. Ganni Bhaskara Rao took the lead and initiated a move to generate a huge amount of **Rs 2 crore from the members of the private medical college** and Dental college management Association of Rajahmundry and donated the amount to the Honourable Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh Sri Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy.

COVID REPORT

The Central Zone

The central zone was led by of the patients, Dr. Achal Gupta also donated 100 dead body covers specially designed for covid cadavers to the Dean of G.R Medical College, Guwalior.

Apart from the routine involvement in providing self service to the covid care

of the patients, Dr. Achal Gupta also donated 100 dead body covers specially designed for covid cadavers to the Dean of G.R Medical College, Guwalior.

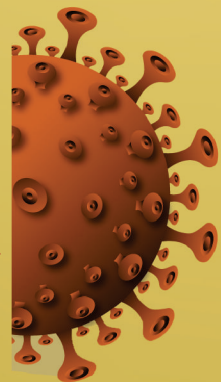


The East Zone: The fight against corona virus was led by me, Treasurer Dr. Satyapriya De Sarker, V.P.C.R Das and both the EC members, Dr. Elbert Khiangte and Dr. Arupabha Dutta.

I was invited in the middle of March by the Honourable health minister Sri H.B Sarma as one of the experts in planning strategy to fight jointly with both the private hospitals and govt joining hands.



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Report



Through my various write ups and newspaper publications and TV interviews I did come forward with various suggestions and information about the deadly virus with our joint effort and Assam model. We could keep ourself safe for nearly 3 months till the first week of April when we got the first case in the northeast India.

I was also selected by the state Government as one of the experts of "Arogya Nidhi" to formulate the suggestions for best utilisation of nearly 125 crore of funds collected under this scheme for best utilization to fight covid.

I did offer my second unit Swagat Endolaparoscopic Surgical Research Institute at Shantipur, Guwahati as Covid Dedicated unit and my team helped treating 102 patients during the pandemic.

Dr. Satyapriya De Sarkar our Hony. Treasurer was very active during the covid and did donate 100 PPE and 100 N 95 masks to the largest covid hospital in west Bengal, the Calcutta Medical College and that too in April 2020 itself. He did also on behalf of IAGES donate 150 face shields to the GMCH.

E C member Dr.Arupabha Dutta rose to the occasion and did donate 100 PPE kits to the Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh on behalf of IAGES.

The West Zone War

The West zone war was led by our president elect Dr. Sunil D Popat himself when his only hospital "Nidhi Hospital" was designated as "Covid Hospital". He offered his whole team for covid service and all routine work was stopped. The Niodhi Hospital under his leadership did treat over 1000 cases successfully till very recently when it was declared a non covid facility.



President Takes the lead.

The North Zone

Dr. Jaya Maheshwari took the lead and distributed 100 dead body covers to the SMS Medical College Jaipur within a day of getting a request from them. Her gesture was well appreciated by the Principal Cum Superintendent Dr. Sudhir Bhandan.



The first phase of covid in India is almost coming to an end but it is not a time to relax as we donot know the nature & virulence of the second wave.

IAGES is also prepared to support the members further if needed including in the vaccination drive for the members.



How Assam prepared its war against corona

Prof Subhash Khanna



Meeting of Trustee Prof. Subhash Khanna with Honorable Health Minister, Assam Sri Himanta Biswa Sarma in the initial phase of planning war against Covid pandemic.



First COVID relief materials 100 PPE & 100 N 95 masks given to Largest Covid hospital in WB Calcutta Medical College April. 150 face shields to CMCH in the 1st week of June.



Rotary Service in Corona Disaster! On behalf of Rotary District 3000, disinfectant tunnels commissioned in Uzhavar Santhai & Rettai Vaikkal Bazaar for public safety! Our small effort for Breaking Corona Chain!

Dr Zameer Pasha the IAGES Rotary warrior.

Let God give more strength to the IAGES in the coming days.

Long Live IAGES
Prof. Subhash Khanna
Trustee IAGES
15th January 2021

IAGES GUWAHATI 2020 REPORT



The 17th IAGES Congress was held at the Srimanta Sankaradeva International Auditorium, Guwahati, from 6th – 9th of February 2020. This was the first National meet of IAGES in the Northeast India. The decision to hold the event outside a hotel was taken by the Organizing Committee.

On 6th February, Pre-Congress Hands on Courses were held, where more than 100 Post Graduate Students along with other delegates participated. Five different courses ran into three different halls parallelly. The course coordinators along with Senior Faculty members provided Hands on Training to the delegates. Endotrainers, Upper GI, Colonoscopy and ERCP models were provided for Hands on Training. The highlight of the Pre Congress Course was the introduction of “Hands on Robotic Course” and Introduction of “TEMS (Essentials of Trans Anal & Microsurgery)”.

On 6th February Evening, the first EC meeting of 2019-2020 took place at Hotel Taj Vivanta followed by the Faculty Dinner.

On 7th February, the main conference began with the Live Operating Workshop at Swagat Super Speciality Surgical Institute, Guwahati. About 22 different cases including Basic & Advanced Laparoscopic Surgeries were transmitted live to the main Hall A at Srimanta Sankaradeva International Auditorium, Guwahati.

Apart from routine cases Endoscopic Sleeve Gastroplasty, Roux En-Y bypass, ERCP and Spy Cholangioscopy were also demonstrated. More than 1200 delegates had registered for the conference. This is placed on record since the 2012 Ahmedabad congress this is the first highly attended IAGES conference. Live transmission of Robotic LAR and Esophagectomy Surgery was done from Galaxy Hospital, Pune.

On the same evening, the Inaugural Function took place. Prof. Jagdish Mukhi, the Honorable Governor of Assam was the Chief Guest of the Ceremony. All the Overseas Faculty and Senior National Faculty were also felicitated by Dr. Swagata Khanna along with Prof. Mukhi. Apart from the Chief Guest, Prof. Aurora De Pryor, President SAGES and Sri Justice Ujjal Bhuyan, Judge of Bombay High Court and Prof. Tan Arulampalam were the “Guests of Honors” during the Ceremony.

The second volume of the book “Recent Advances in Minimal Access Surgery” edited by Prof. Subhash Khanna was also released by the Honorable Governor of Assam. A Souvenir was also released on the occasion by the SAGES President Prof. Aurora De Pryor. The Souvenir editor Prof. Dipak Sarma presented a copy to all dignitaries. The Inaugural Function was followed by the dinner at the venue.

On 8th & 9th February, the Scientific Programme including Didactic Sessions, Invited Lectures, Orations, Free Papers, Videos and Panel Discussions were held in all the four halls parallelly. There were Award Papers, Award Videos, Free Paper & E-Poster Sessions which had cash prizes along with certificates.

The highlight of the congress were Sessions on Emerging Technology, Endoquiz, Invited Guest lectures and the Panels Discussions on Complications Endosurgeons of Hernias and Medicolegal issues.

The following Orations were also delivered on the 3rd day of the Conference:

- Presidential Oration by Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta.
- Prof. T. E. Udawadia Oration (Founder President) by SAGES President - Prof. Aurora D. Pryor
- Prof. B. K Rau Oration by Prof. Tan Arulampalam, Hony Treasurer of ALSGBI

On 9th February, the “Convocation Ceremony” was held in the main Hall A of Srimanta Sankaradeva International Auditorium. Surgeons who had completed their FIAGES, E-FIAGES & FALS, FAGIE Courses

during the year 2019-20 were awarded fellowships. More than 450 Surgeons were the part of the Convocation Ceremony & were later enrolled as new members of IAGES. The Vice Chancellor of Srimanta Sankaradeva University of Medical Science, Prof. Dipika Deka granted the occasion as the Chief Guest.

On the 9th February Morning, the first EC meeting under the presidency of Dr Ramen Goel was held at Rudrasagar Hall of Hotel Taj Vivanta. In a highly attended meeting the in rising president gave an outline of his vision and events for the year 2020-2021.

“Concluding the convocation, the Valedictory Function took place which marked the end of the congress. Prof. Subhash Khanna and Prof. M. Zaman Ahmed being the Organizing Secretary and Organizing Chairman of the Congress thanked all the team members including both the EC and Local OC members including Dr. Elbert Khiangte, Dr. R C Brahma and Dr. Aruprabha Dutta apart from all the Assam State chapter members including Prof. Jishan Ahmed and Dr. Sarbeswar Bora and all others for their immense support and contribution in the grand success of the congress.

All the delegates & faculty including International & National along with their spouses had a good time and enjoyed the local hospitality of the TEAM Guwahati.

We wish to meet up soon in the future.

Long Live IAGES Congress

Prof. SUBHASH KHANNA
Organizing Secretary
IAGES 2020

Prof M. ZAMAN AHMED
Organizing Chairman
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Guwahati Memories



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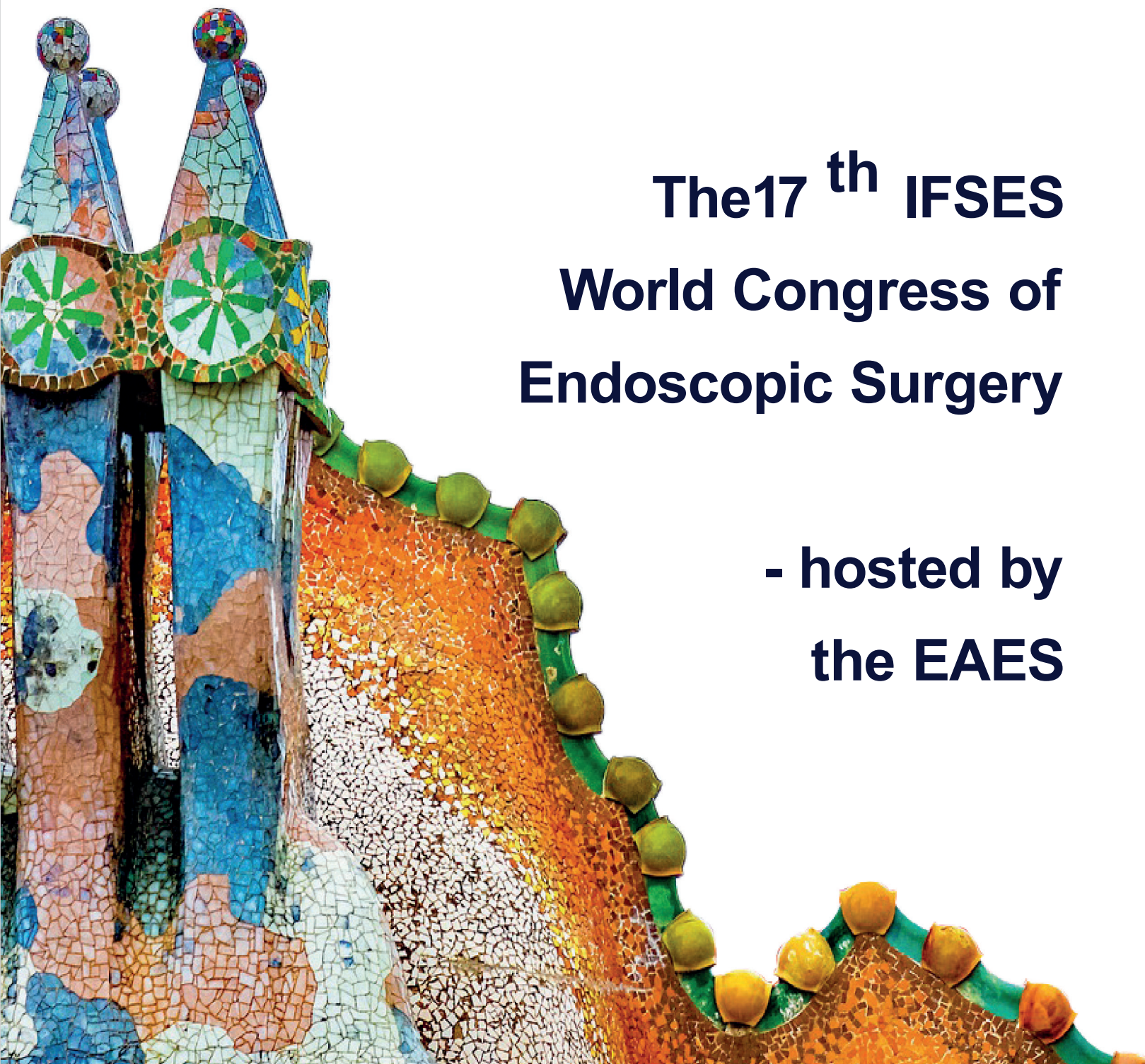


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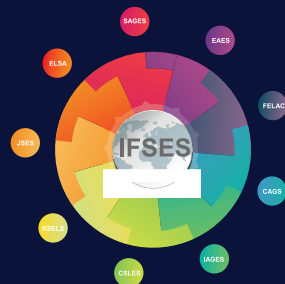
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INDO-UK-SURGICON

3rd International Annual Conference IAGES RCSED Collaborative Meeting

Midterm Virtual Conference

Theme Of The Conference Frontiers Of Excellence In Mas

The midterm virtual conference and the 3rd International Annual Conference IAGES RCSED Collaborative Meeting, the INDO-UK-SURGICON 2020 was held from 15th and 16th October 2020. The theme of the conference was Frontiers of Excellence in MAS.

The two days event covered various important topics in UGI, Hepato-Biliary, Bariatric, Colorectal, Robotic and solid organ surgery. A galaxy of speakers from India, UK, USA and other parts of the world participated and contributed their experience covering important topics with interactive discussions.

Conference Highlights

The conference had 250+ Eminent National & International leaders in MAS as faculty. The conference was held in 4 Parallel Halls for 2 Days. It had eight dedicated specialties with more than 32 hours of high quality academics with extensive coverage of diverse topics.

The conference was inaugurated by

The Honourable Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare Shri Dr Harshvardhan.

The program was graced by the leadership of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Prof Mile Griffin, President, Prof PB Rajesh, Vice President and other office bearers.

Prof Sir Alfred Cuschieri honoured us with his presence and gave a valedictory talk on Assessment of Surgical proficiency and technical competence.

The conference was attended by 2000+ delegates across the globe.

The following societies endorsed the conference as an official academic activity

- Society of endo laparoscopic surgeons of Bangladesh
- Surgical society of Pakistan
- Obesity surgery society of India
- Clinical robotic surgery association of India

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