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## Message from Founder President



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**1** 993 to 2018 makes IAGES 25 years old. We have arrived to full adulthood, sustaining allthrough our fundamental values – democratic functioning, respect and affection for each other’s commitment to spread the advance of Minimal Access Surgery to every part of India, so that the benefits of this patient friendly revolution can reach all people in all places to spread education and guidelines to ensure patient safety. As long as we remain honest to these values, IAGES will continue to grow not only in numbers but as a committed body to ensure surgical skills.

## From the President's Desk



**D**earest IAGES Family.

Heartiest wishes and season greetings. May the almighty Shower His choicest Bountiful Blessings on each & everyone of us. IAGES has made long and large strides in the part two and a half decades since its inception by our legendary founder forefathers starting from Padmbhushan. Professor Emeritus Tehemton Udwardia, Professor Emeritus B. Krishna Rao and the list includes the who's who of minimal Invasive surgery of not only India but the entire universe.

And now to march ahead, we have youthful leaders with verve, vigour and vitality to lead IAGES to scale newer heights with our flag flying high in the comity of nations. The culmination of our Silver Jubilee Year is in Raipur on Feb 8,9 & 10,18.

The Terrific Trio of Dr. Sandeep Dave, Dr. Subhash Aggarwal and Dr. Siddharth Tamasker have left no stone unturned to make this event a phenomenal success with an academic feast beyond compare & their awesome hospitality a gourmet's galore. Since this weekend is a special one, please do make with all your family members. An event to Renowned Speakers, exhaustive panels, comprehensive live workshops and enter training cultural programs are arranged only for you.

May I, & my team of Tremendous Tireless Dynamic personalities starting from Dr. Sayandev Das Gupta, Dr. Ramen Goel, Dr. Subhash Khanna and entire galaxy of Past Presidents and Trustees, looking forward to interacting with you all, at Raipur.

Again wishing you all a peaceful, successful, healthy, prosperous New Year.

Yours in IAGES

**Prof. Dr. A. Zameer Pasha**

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## From the Honorary Secretary

**D**ear Trustees, Seniors, my Colleagues and Friends,

It has been a wonderful 2 years serving our beloved Association as Hon Secretary. There were a lot of changes which were brought during this period for the smooth functioning of the office and for the future office bearers. All paper trail has been digitized and the entire office is now in a laptop with a portable hard disk backup. All old and new application forms are now retrievable with a click. New membership is now online with online payment. All members now get a Membership Card with their name, membership number and picture printed on it, which I hope is a treasure. All new members are also getting a Membership Certificate. Old unclaimed and previously undelivered IAGES Certificates have been sorted and delivered.

When I took over office, I received 3 huge packing boxes full of documents along with other books and papers from my predecessor. I will just hand over a laptop and a portable harddisk to my successor. Life becomes much easier for every one when newer technologies are adopted - just as we adopted laparoscopy.

The all new edition of Basic Laparoscopic Surgery is being now distributed amongst all members. Everyone will get it by post. The relentless work by our editors and contributors made it possible and this book will now be the standard text for the new generation laparoscopic surgeons and also a reference for senior surgeons.

IAGES spread its wings and flew to Colombo, Sri Lanka, to hold the midterm conference. This was the first time ever that an IAGES meet was held abroad. Kudos to our President for the initiative. Now, surgical communities of our neighboring nations are reaching out to us for guidance and leadership in teaching and training – which is what IAGES is all about.

The advanced laparoscopy surgery courses in different sub-specialties have been a big hit as were the endoscopy courses. The quest for knowledge is there and we are there to quench the thirst.

There is a lot of work still to be done, and I leave it to my successors to take our beloved Association to greater heights. I have done whatever I could to the best of my abilities and I sincerely apologize for any lapses. I assure you that they were never intentional.

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Jai Hind !!

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## From the Hony Treasurer



## F<sup>riends</sup>

IAGES has entered a new phase with regular educational activities (FIAGES, FALS & e FIAGES), complete digitisation of records and regularization of accounts. With the new EC ready to take over under President elect Dr Subhash Khanna, an aggressive academic schedule is planned to help share knowledge and empower more surgeons across the country.

India is in a unique position to offer training opportunities to surgeons from middle east, far east and Africa. IAGES with laparoscopy pioneers should rise to the occasion for inclusive growth of specialty care.

Looking forward to see you all during national conference at Raipur,

Thanking You,

**Dr. Ramen Goel**



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## From the President Elect -IAGES (2017)

Dear friends in IAGES,

Greetings from the President Elect's office.

At the outset let me thank you all for your love and support shown to me by electing me uncontested to the post of President of our prestigious association IAGES.

As an academic organization focusing on research, innovation and training young surgeons, IAGES has progressed by leaps and boundsover the past few years. We are all witness to the recent surge in academic and scientific activities of the IAGES.

The FALS courses in different specialties, the ever increasing demand for FIAGES courses, the new addition of endoscopy FIAGES courses and the monthly e-newsletters have all added a new glamour and value to the activities of the association.

I seek the blessings of all Trustees and past presidents of IAGES, and the support of all members to help me and the newly elected EC scale newer heights.

I wish Dr. Sandeep Dave, Dr. Subhash Agarwal and Dr. Siddhartha Tamaskar all my best wishes for the annual conference at Raipur and hope all their untiring efforts bear fruitful reward.

I wish the incoming EC as well as all IAGES members a very productive and enriching new academic year ahead.

Long Live IAGES.

**Prof. Subhash Khanna**

President elect- IAGES

**Prof Subhash Khanna**

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## From the Imm Past President



**M**y dear Honorable members of IAGES, Seniors, Trustees and friends,

We have had an exciting and fruitful year full of academic activities under the leadership of our dynamic President Dr Zameer Pasha. For the first time we have moved outside India and had a very successful Midterm conference at Colombo under the leadership of Dr K Govindraj

The IAGES family is growing and going from strength to strength. All the courses and academic activities have been well organised and attended.

We all are looking forward to our Annual Conference at Raipur from 7th to 10th February 2018. The scientific committee under the leadership of our President Dr Zameer Pasha has put an exciting scientific extravaganza.

My tenure as Immediate Past President has been very active and exciting. I have enjoyed myself as an active member of this team.

I end my term as the Immediate Past President of this great association after the National Congress at Raipur. I wish our incoming President Dr Subhas Khanna all the best for the coming year and will be working actively with the new team. Looking forward to seeing you all at Raipur.

Long live IAGES

Thanking you,

Dr. Ramesh Agarwalla  
Imm Past President



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# IAGESCON 2017 HYDERABAD



**Dr. K. Lakshmi**  
Organising Secretary



THE 14TH NATIONAL CONGRESS OF INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF GASTROINTESTINAL ENDOSCOPIC SURGEONS(IAGES 2017) was held at Hyderabad International Convention Center, from 9th Feb to 11th February, 2017.

The conference displayed the state of art Technology to the Young Surgeons, who had come from all over the country. With more than 1250 registrations this conference is the highest attended annual IAGES Conference so far.

The Scientific programs, live operative workshops including transmission from South Korea and hospitality has touched the highest of standards in quality and grandeur. The mega event under the leadership of Dr. K. Ravindranath, Chief Patron for IAGES-2017 and Dr. K. Lakshmi, Organising Secretary and Co-ordinating secretary Dr. Bharath Kumar Nara comprised of live operating workshop, key note lectures, orations, panel discussions, debates, and has carved out for itself an important place in the history of IAGES.

President IAGES-2017, Dr. Ramesh Agarwalla and Secretary Dr. Sayandev Das Gupta have acknowledged the immense contribution by various EC Members by felicitating them during the conference, Padma Bhushan Professor Emeritus, Dr. T. Udwadia has presided over the inaugural function and along with Dr. Babutosh Biswas, Vice Chancellor of Health University, West Bengal. The function commenced with a beautiful prayer song and lightening of lamp, followed by talks given by the dignitaries.

The evening become more memorable with the scintillating music and colourful cultural programs followed by Banquet.

On the 2nd day of conference the family of IAGES has celebrated the achievement of Padma Bhushan to Prof. Dr. T. Udwadia, who is also the funder president of the Organization IAGES. The entertainment programs with Gala Banquet has erased out the stress in the delegates and the given them ever lasting memories.

IAGES has conducted various fellowship programmes throughout the year 2016 to 2017 at various centres. The last day concluded with a grand ceremony of convocation, where the surgeons were awarded fellowships in FALS and FIAGES.

The 3 day conference will be remembered for ever in the memories of the delegates attended.

# THE GRAND INAUGURAL CEREMONY : HICC HYDERABAD



National Anthem



National Anthem



Health Minister Telangana addressing the audience



Prof T E Udwadia Honored



Traditional Hyderabadi Dance Performed to perfection



The Sand Show depicted Founder President Prof T E Udwadia



The Cultural Programme



The Sand Show depicted Founder President Prof T E Udwadia

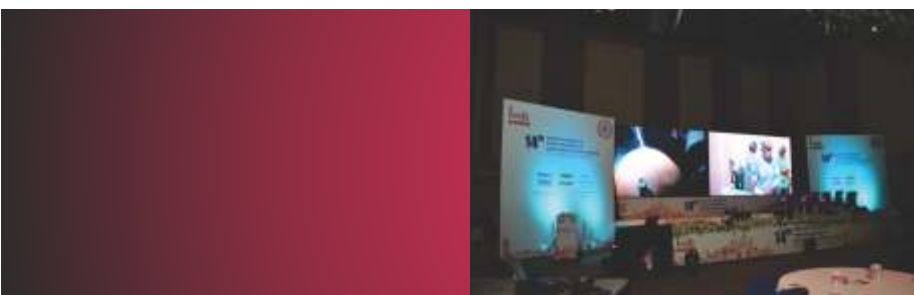
# THE IAGES ACTIVITIES 2016 - DISPLAY AT VENUE



# VENUE AND PREPARATIONS



Minutes before the Workshop



The Final touches

# GENERAL BODY MEETING : A FULL HOUSE AND A HASSLE FREE MEETINGS DID SHOWCASE THE CAMARADERIE OF IAGES FAMILY



The GB meeting called to order



Founder President making a point



Immediate President Dr Abhay Dalvi



President Dr Ramesh Agarwalla  
addresses the GB



Treasurer Dr Ramen Goel presenting his report



The incoming President Dr Zameer Pasha  
taking over charge



Dr Subhash Khanna withdraws and  
Bubaneswar gets the IAGES 2019 Conference



Chief Trustee Dr Kuldeep Singh  
addresses the GB



Dr Subhash Khanna elected uncontested  
President Elect (2017)



# THE GRAND CONVOCATION OVER 1000 NEW FELLOWS CROWNED- WITH FIAGES, EFIAGES AND FALS



# CONVOCAATION ENDS WITH NATIONAL ANTHEM



# THE SPEAKERS AND ORATORS



# THE SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS



# THE SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS



# The Scientific Sessions



# The Speakers & Orators



# The Special Moments - IAGESCON 2017





# The Special Moments - IAGESCON 2017



# Moments - IAGESCON 2017

## The Special



# PRESIDENTIAL ORATION

AT THE 14TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF GASTROINTESTINAL ENDOSURGEONS  
ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 2017 AT HYDERABAD

**Dr Ramesh Agarwalla**, MBBS(Hons), MS, FRCS(Edin), FIAGES, FAIS, FALS  
President IAGES 2016-2017



## Two and half decades of surgical practice -The journey

The President, Dr Ramesh Agarwalla spoke very passionately on variety of topics close to his heart and shared his experience of last two and half decades. He spoke about Lessons learnt in Surgery, his experience of private practice, the need of learning the art of communication in the present scenario. His passion for teaching, examiner ship of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, social work and his participation in a surgical camp in the interior of Barabanki for more than 25 years were inspiring. He shared his secret of success-strong family ties, prayers, immense faith in God, and team work

His commitment to IAGES was exemplary. 2016-2017 was a historic and magic year for IAGES, the Year of his historic Presidency.

“We had a historic year with 35 academic activities which were well organised, attended and liked.

### For the first time:

- Monthly e Newsletter, IAGES TIMES
- Endoscopic course for Surgeons at Erode
- Speciality FALS -Bariatric, hernia, colorectal, HPB
- Midterm conference at Kanya Kumari after a decade

- Membership cards

- Digitalisation of membership form and records, making it a paperless association

- More than 1000 new members

- Streamlining of accounts and filing of returns till 2015-2016

This has all been possible because of the relentless work done by the entire team. Members have spontaneously come forward to conduct activities in their areas and have travelled far and wide as faculty to share their knowledge with the delegates of these courses.

Words fail me. I do not know how to express my gratitude to all of you for making this year glorious and historic. IAGES is on a roller coaster and all the members and executives are charged and excited. I have really enjoyed this journey and also enjoyed working with all of you. You have given me one of the most memorable periods of my life.”

Every event organised in 2016 -2017 under his leadership was highlighted with pictures of the event and his gratitude to one and all.

This Presidential oration was different, dealt with many aspects of his journey and very inspiring.

# DR B KRISHNA RAU ORATION

AT THE  
14TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF GASTROINTESTINAL ENDO SURGEONS ON  
10TH FEBRUARY, 2017 AT HYDERABAD.



Orator : Dr. Francis Seow Choen, Colorectal Centre Singapore

Topic: Critical Issues in Pouch Anal Anastomosis during Total Proctocolectomy using MIS



ORATOR : Dr Francis Seow Choen Lap colorectal

# Dr T E Udwardia Oration

at the  
14th Annual Conference of Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons on  
10th February, 2017 at Hyderabad



## L. Michael Brunt, MD

Professor of Surgery

Chief, Section of Minimally Invasive Surgery

Director, MIS Fellowship

Director, Washington University Institute for Minimally Invasive Surgery

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Safety in Laparoscopic cholecystectomy

Professor L Michael Brunt spoke in details the need for safety while performing the most commonly done laparoscopic procedure, Laparoscopic cholecystectomy. The consequences of bile duct injury are disastrous for the patient, his family and the Surgeon. All precautions should be taken to prevent this mishap. He elaborately outlined the risk factors, how to identify them and the measures to be taken to prevent this complication. He spoke about the task force they have put in place to educate Surgeons to prevent such injuries.

The delegates were captivated by his talk and remained glued to their seats



**Dr. Subhash Khanna**  
Organising Chairman

## 2ND ENDOSCOPY -FIAGES- GUWAHATI 2017

### President MCI inaugurates the 2nd National EFIAGES-2017 Guwahati

The 2nd National G. I Endoscopy FIAGES was held at Guwahati from 5th – 7th May 2017. More than 70 surgeons from different parts of the country registered for the course and altogether 100 delegates attended the programme.

The inaugural function was held on the opening day at Hotel Radisson Blu and for the first time in the history of IAGES. President, Medical Council of India (MCI) Dr. Jayashree Mehta and Secretary, MCI, Dr. Reena Nayyar attended the inaugural ceremony and addressed the gathering as Chief Guest and Guest of Honour respectively. Dr. U. C. Sharma, Vice Chancellor of Srimanta Sankaradeva University of Health Sciences, apart from President IAGES Dr. Zameer Pasha and Immediate Past President Dr. Ramesh Agarwalla also addressed the delegates.

Whereas the didactic sessions were held on the 5th of May at Hotel Radisson Blu, the practical's were held on the 6th and 7th of May at the auditorium of Swagat Super Speciality Surgical Institute, Maligaon.

The senior surgeon members who are doing therapeutic endoscopy were evaluated on 7th May 2017 by a panel of experts comprising IAGES members. Surgeons from Delhi, Sikkim, Kolkata, Bangalore, Orissa, West Bengal, Pune, Tamil Nadu, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya attended the programme to

obtain fellowship. Apart from Prof. Subhash Khanna, the other faculty included Dr. B. Krishna Rau, Dr. Easwaramoorthy, Dr. Zameer Pasha (President IAGES), Dr. Sayan Dev Dasgupta, Dr. K. Gobindraj, Dr. Satyapriya De Sarkar, Dr. Vipul Roy Rathod, Dr. Satish Midha, Dr. Amitava Goswami, Dr. Navaneetha Krishnan and Dr. Siddhartha Phukan.

Apart from diagnostic endoscopy and colonoscopy, the other procedures that were demonstrated included ERCP, endoscopic procedures for removal of foreign body, endoscopy for internal bleeding and also endoscopic Intragastic balloon.

The new procedure of Spyglass for removal of difficult stones from biliary tree was also demonstrated.

“Lapguru” took the initiative of web telecasting Live the programme on its portals.

Dr. Subhash Khanna, President elect IAGES and also the Organising Chairman while addressing the delegates made a special mention of the efforts of Prof. B. Krishna Rau and Dr. Easrawamoorthy and mentioned that such a course shall change the way surgeons do endoscopic procedures and endoscopy soon shall be an integral part of surgical curriculum. The formal vote of thanks was offered by Dr. Dipak Sarmah, Org. Secretary. The course ended on the 7th May with a valedictory function and certificate distribution ceremony.

# EFIAGES- GUWAHATI 2017



# COLONOSCOPY ONE DAY HANDS ON WORKSHOP - KOLKATA



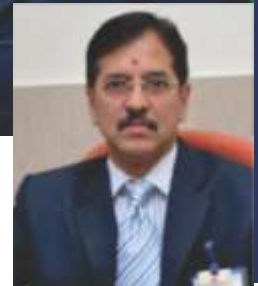
**Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar**  
Organising Chairman

First ever Colonoscopy , single theme workshop was held in Calcutta Medical College one of the first medical college in Asia for the surgeons in the Gastro - Surgery department . Our National president Dr Zameer Pasha, Gen Secretary Dr Sayan Deb Dasgupta. VC of WB Medical University along with other faculties inaugurated the workshop. Our East zone VP Dr Satyapriya De Sarkar organised the whole show with help of Prof Gautam Chatterjee HOD of Gastro- surgery CMCH & Dr Dipankar Roy consultant in Gastro- Surgery Dept. Dr Gobindraj . Convener of next EFIAGES spoke on NBI in Colonoscopy. Prof K N Das, prof Gargi Banerjee. Prof Bitan Chatterjee, prof Debabrata Kundu Prof Sukumar Maity & other HOD & Prof of different medical colleges attended our workshop. Dr De Sarkar & others performed 10 diagnostic & therapeutic colonoscopic procedures in live workshop, trainees (20) got trained in Colonoscopy simulator. 1&1/2 day workshop was widely covered by WB Media & very much appreciated by VC WB Medical University & surgical community of WB





# INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF GASTROINTESTINAL ENDO SURGEONS FALS HERNIA 2017



**Prof K Balaji Singh**  
Organising Chairman

## Report of the Second Fellowship in Advanced Laparoscopic Abdominal Wall Hernia Surgery

The 2nd FALS HERNIA course was held at Sri Ramachandra University, Chennai under the aegis of Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons. For the first time in FALS Course International Live Operative Workshop was transmitted from Spain, Europe and International Panel Discussion was organised with five universities across the United States of America.

The fellowship program was held under the Patronage of Shri V R Venkataachalam, Chancellor, Sri Ramachandra University. Prof K Balaji Singh was the Organising Chairman, Dr M Kanagavel was the Organising Secretary, Dr Naveen Alexander was the Joint Secretary and Dr Rajiv Raj was the Treasurer. Dr H P Garg, the Chief Convenor of the FALS Board, guided us through all the aspects of planning, academics and execution of this advanced course. The President Dr A Zameer Pasha, Immediate Past President Dr Ramesh Agarwalla, Secretary Dr Sayandevas Gupta and Treasurer Dr Ramen Goel, All the office bearers, VP South zone and EC members helped us to conduct a flawless program.

Our Sincere thanks to Prof B Krishna Rau Sir, Dr Pradeep Chowbey Sir and Dr Ajay Kriplani Sir for helping us to fine tune the program.

More than 104 candidates participated in this International event. A total of 64 candidates participated in the fellowship. More than 40 non-fellowship candidates took part in the deliberations. About 32 faculty of National Repute and 7 International faculty had scientific contributions on diverse advanced topics on various aspects of Abdominal Wall Hernia.

The program was planned to have groin hernia topics on day 1, abdominal wall hernia on day 2 and live workshop on day 3. There was live workshop from Spain on Groin hernia on day 1 and Lumbar Hernia on day 2.

Invoking the blessings of divinity, the course started with a brief introduction by Dr HP Garg. Dr Sayandevas Gupta outlined the course plan and the academic planning for the event. The following expert faculty shared their valuable experience on various topics. Dr T Sivakumar, Dr Deepraj Bhandarkar, Dr Ashwin Masurkar, Dr Prabhu Radhan, Dr Chandru, Dr Aparna Deshpande, Dr Sayandev Das Gupta, Dr Amitabh Goel, Dr Lakshmi Kona Kumari, Prof Rafellas Villalobos, Dr MP Desarda, Dr Ganesh Shenoy, Dr John Thanakumar, Dr J S Rajkumar, Dr P K Reddy, Dr Rajesh Khullar, Dr B K Rau, Dr A Ravi, Dr Zameer Pasha and Dr L P Thangavelu.

Live surgery demonstration of TEP Procedure was done by Prof Rafael Villalobos Mori, Chief of the Abdominal Wall Surgery Unit of the Arnau de Vilanova University Hospital & University of Lleida, Catalonia, Spain on day 1.

The inauguration program of the FALS HERNIA 2017 was held at Hotel Radisson Blu, City Center, Chennai. The Honourable Chancellor of Sri Ramachandra University, Sri VR Venkataachalam honoured is with his presence and inaugurated the program formally. The entire office bearer team of IAGES was present during the inauguration. The event had a theme cultural event by the Bollywood and Tollywood fame Smt Kala Master and her team. The team enthralled the audience with their scintillating performance of precision and harmony.

Day 2 was dedicated for ventral hernia. Expert faculty delivered lectures on the the important topics. The following faculty participated in the deliberations. Dr Naveen Alexander, Dr Vijay Mittal, Dr V Venkatesh, Dr K Balaji Singh, Dr AK Kriplani, Dr Pramod Shinde, Dr M Kanagavel, Dr Pradeep Chowbey , Dr A K Kriplani, Dr Abhay Dalvi, Dr Ramesh Agarwalla, Dr Zameer Pasha, Dr Ramen Goel and Dr K Balaji Singh.

Live surgery demonstration of Laparoscopic Lumbar Hernia Repair was done by Prof Rafael Villalobos Mori, Chief of the Abdominal Wall Surgery Unit of the Arnau de Vilanova University Hospital & University of Lleida, Catalonia, Spain on day 2.

The Obesity – Hernia Connect, International Telepanel Discussion was moderated by Dr Ramen Goel under the Chairmanship of Dr A Zameer Pasha, Dr Pradeep Chowbey and Dr A K Kriplani. The panellist were from five different universities situated across the United States of America. We whole heartedly thank the following International faculty for their valuable scientific contribution.

Dr Vasanth Stalin Director of Bariatric Surgery/ Clerkship Director for Surgery, Central Michigan University, USA

Dr Mujahid Abbas Assistant professor of surgery at Case Western Reserve university Cleveland, Ohio and Director of bariatric surgery at UH Parma medical center, USA

Dr Samer Kais, Director of Trauma Surgery and Chief of Surgery, St. Mary's of Michigan, USA

Dr Fady Moustarah, Senior Consultant, Bariatric Surgery, Covenant Healthcare at St. Mary's of Michigan, USA

Dr Maher Ghanem, Professor of General Surgery, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA, USA

The entire spectrum of issues governing the obesity complicating hernia were deliberated and discussed by

the National and International Faculty and was ably moderated by Dr Ramen Goel.

Our thanks are due to Prof S M Chandramohan, President ESOINDIA for the excellent planning, meticulous coordination and flawless execution of the international events.

Our thanks to the team under the dynamic leadership of Prof K Selvakumar, Chairman, Telemedicine and Senior Networking Engineer, Mr Sathish Kumar for the smooth and successful conduct of the International live transmission.

The theory exams were conducted with help from the Examination Unit of Sri Ramachandra University on day 2. The viva for non exam candidates were conducted on day 2.

Day 2 concluded with a faculty dinner at Ponnis Grand Inn, Ayyappanthangal, Chennai.

Day 3 witnessed the surgical expertise from the learned faculty. More than eight cases were performed to educate the fellowship participants. The highlight of the workshop were Subcostal Henia, Dual Ventral Hernia, Pfanensteil hernia, TEP in recurrence, Bilateral TEP and Bilateral TAPP procedures.

The Viva voce for the exam category candidates were conducted on day 3 along with the operative workshop.

We would like to place on record that the event was conducted efficiently under the dynamic leadership of Prof K Balaji Singh and his team of Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Proefssors, Postgraduates and Department Secretaries of General Surgery Department. They took care of the planning, promotion, documentation, live photography, hospitality, faculty coordination ground and air transport, printing, registration, accommodation, food and beverages, media, networking, industry coordination and housekeeping.

Our appreciation are due the International Academic Unit of Prof Rafael Villalobos Mori, Chief of the Abdominal Wall Surgery Unit of the Arnau de Vilanova University Hospital & University of Lleida, Catalonia, Spain for their generous grant towards the expenses incurred for live surgery and transmission from the Spanish side.

Thanks are due to Johnson and Johnson Endosurgery Division and Medtronic for their support to this event. Our thanks are due to the Medical professionals, Ward Managers, Nursing Profesionals and more so the operated patients and their families for their 24X7 support before, during and after the event.

Thanks are due to the AV team for precise telecast of the live surgery from the OR and the impeccable audio visual services for the entire academic activity.

# FALS HERNIA - 2017



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# THE IAGES ENDOSUTURING AND KNOTTING COURSE (4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017, JAYPUR)



**Dr Jaya Maheshwari**  
Organising Secretary

A unique course, structured so as to impart best of teaching in laparoscopic suturing, THE IAGES endosuturing and knotting course, happened on 4 June, THE RADISSONS in the pink city. As unique an idea of such course by the prestigious association of the IAGES,, it received an overwhelming response from not only the city itself but the Rajasthan and the neighbouring states. The delegates crossing 70 and more included the surgeons and the gynecologists. The faculty included the hon. sec of IAGES dr sayandev das gupta, dr ashish kanti hira, dr subhash aggarwal, and dr Meenakshi.

The organizing sec of the course Dr Jaya maheshwari was supported by the SMS medical college faculty, DR R K JENAW, DR laxman agarwal, dr a k mathur ,dr d k Jindel ,dr prabha om in the event and local faculty participated in huge numbers. The day started with presentations on various aspects of endosuturing and

knotting, followed by hands on training on endotainers. Delegates could be seen enjoying the practice sessions on More than 20 endotainers, and interacting with the faculty. What was striking was the faculty themselves enjoying exercises on the endotainers. The day ended with certification of the delegates. Heartiest thanks to the president IAGES Dr Zameer Pasha, who although could not come but supported us throughout, humble thanks also to IPP Dr Ramesh agarwalla and Dr Subhash Khanna who blessed us with much needed advices,, and also great thanks to the Hon Sec Dr sayandev das gupta, DR subhash agarwalla and DR Meenakshi for blessing us with their presence on the day of the event.

Long Live IAGES

**Dr. Jaya Maheshwari**



# FIAGES MADURAI 2017, 16TH-18TH JUNE, 2017



**Dr. Navaneeth Krishnan**  
Organising Chairman

Dear member of IAGES,

I am happy to inform you that we have conducted FIAGES basic course successfully in Madurai from 16th to 18th June, 2017. At this juncture, I want to state the following statistics to parent body.

Total no of registration of Delegates : 280 nos

Fellowship : 57 nos - Exam category : 39 - Non Exam category : 18

We have conducted Basic Course with Office bearers of IAGES along with local faculties.

1. Immediate Past President 2. President 3. President Elect 4. Honorary Secretary 5. Treasurer

Of IAGES were present on all days.

On first two days all theory Topics were covered. Endotrainer session was also conducted on both days.

On the 3rd day Live Workshop was conducted at Govt. Rajaji Hospital attached to Madurai Medical College, Madurai. 18 surgeries were successfully demonstrated including, Diagnostic, Laparoscopy, Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy, Laparoscopic Appendicectomy, Laparoscopic Varicocelelectomy, Laparoscopic Inguinal Hernia, Laparoscopic Ventral Hernia Repair, Laparoscopic Biliary Mapping, Laparoscopic Hysterectomy and Video Assisted Thoracoscopic Surgery.

Quiz programme was also conducted for postgraduates and prizes were awarded.

With best wishes

**Dr. S. R. Dhamotharan**, Prof. of Surgery/ Organising Secretary- FIAGES 2017

## REPORT OF FIAGES 2017 THIRUVANANTHAPURAM



**Dr. S K Ajaykumar**  
Organising Secretary



FIAGES, the skilled course conducted by the Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons (IAGES) was organised by Saraswathy Hospital, Parassala, Thiruvananthapuram with Dr.S.K. Ajaiyakumar as Organizing Secretary, Dr.S. Dilip Kumar as Organizing Chairman, Dr. Jayan Stephen as Organizing Treasurer, Dr. Merlin Sheema and Mr. Rajesh Kumar as Co-ordinators.

The first two days ie, didactic lectures were conducted in Isola Di Cocco Beach resort, Poovar, Thiruvananthapuram. Almost all faculties as well as the residential candidates resided in the resort. There were a total of 140 candidates, 99 in the exam category and 41 in the non exam category.

On the first day, the programme started with prayer followed by the talk by Dr. Sayandev Das Gupta on Introduction to the course and the History of Laparoscopy. The theory session went on as per the teaching module of FIAGES. The prominent speakers were Dr. B Krishna Rao, Dr. V Venkatesh, Dr. SP De

Sarkar, Dr. Navaneethkrishnan, Dr. Vijay Mittal, Dr. Aswin Masurkar and Dr. Sivakumar T. There was a panel discussion on Complications of Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy moderated by Dr. Balashanmugam. The first day ended with the Meet the Professor and Endotrainer session at 5:30pm. Dr. Shivakumar T (Gall Bladder), Dr. Aswin Masurkar (Hernia), Dr. Subhash Khanna (Basics and Appendix) took part in this session. Endo Training session was monitored by Dr. Dilip Kumar, Dr. Jayan Stephen, Dr. Shafi Ali Khan, Dr. SK Ajaiyakumar. At 7:30 pm there was a faculty dinner which was conducted in the resort board room where all the faculties with family had good relaxation and lively fellowship.

On the 2nd day ie; 22/07/2017, programme started at 8:00am with the Meet the Professor session with Dr. Balashanmugam for Stomach and Colon, Dr. Easwaramoorthy on How to walk towards advanced from basic procedures, Dr. SK Ajaiyakumar on Bariatric Surgery. The day's theory session started with Dr. Satish Midha's talk on Prosthetic materials followed by Dr.



Ramesh Agarwalla, Dr. John Thanakumar, Dr. Lakshmi Kumari Kona, Dr. Abhay Dalvy, Dr. LP Thangavelu, Dr. Ramen Goel, Dr. Subhash Khanna and Dr. Aswin Masurkar. Dr. Ramesh Agarwalla moderated a panel discussion on Complications of Laparoscopic Hernia Surgery.

The inaugural ceremony started at 5:30pm. Hon'ble Governor, Justice P Sathasivam inaugurated the event by lighting the lamp. In his inaugural address, he praised IAGES for conducting a course which updates the skills and knowledge of Laparoscopic surgeons in India. He stressed the importance of Laparoscopic surgery and its rising demand in the country. On the dias were Dr. Zameer Pasha, President IAGES (Keynote address), Dr. Sayandev Das Gupta, Honorary Secretary IAGES (Felicitation), Dr. Ramen Goel, Honorary Treasurer IAGES, (Felicitation), Dr. SK Ajaiyakumar, Organizing Secretary (Welcome Speech), Dr. S Dilip Kumar,

Organizing Chairman (Presidential Address) and Dr. Bindu MG, Managing Director, Saraswathy Hospital honoured the governor by giving a memento. Padmashri, Dr. K P Haridas, who started Laparoscopy in Trivandrum, Dr. M Samanda Bhadrans, retired professor, Govt. Medical College, Trivandrum, a well known medical teacher, Dr. N Raveendran, retired Joint Director, Tamil Nadu medical services, a renowned anesthesiologist for his contributions to the growth of his fraternity in Trivandrum and neighbouring district were honoured by the governor. Dr. Jayan Stephen gave the vote of thanks.

It was followed by Gala dinner in which around 300 participants were there. It included variety entertainment programs which showcased cultural diversity of Kerala.

On the third day, ie; 23/07/2017, live workshop was conducted in Saraswathy Hospital. There were 3 operating tables working simultaneously and dual projection on screen in the auditorium. 15 cases were performed which included Appendix, Gall bladder, TEPP, TAPP, Umbilical Hernia, Inisional Hernia, Retropey, Sleeve Gastrectomy and Minigastric bypass. The operating faculties were Dr. Ramen Goel. Dr. Sathish Midha, Dr. John Thanakumar, Dr. Sivakumar T, Dr. S K Ajaiyakumar, Dr.S Dilip Kumar and Dr. Jayan Stephen. Interview for the exam and non exam category began at 10:00 am under the leadership of Dr. Sayandev Das Gupta, Organizing Secretary, other examiners were Dr. Ramen Goel, Dr. Sathish Midha, Dr. Achal Gupta, Dr. Subhash Agarwal, Dr. Easwaramoorthy. Dr. Sathish Midha, FIAGES Convener coordinated the examination proceedings. The mark list and candidate details were handed over to him.

By 6:00pm, the live workshop came to an end. It was followed by Valedictory function which was presided by Dr. Sivakumar T, EC member. Dr. K Mohandas, HOD, Govt Medical College, Trivandrum gave away the mementos and praised each team member for their hardwork and commitment. Dr. SK Ajaiyakumar gave the vote of thanks and thus the FIAGES 2017 Thiruvananthapuram came to an end at 6:30pm, 23/07/2017.





# 2ND EC MEETING 2017, KOLKATA 20TH AUGUST- SNAPSHOTS



## 3RD NATIONAL ENDOSCOPY FELLOWSHIP COURSE IAGES, TRICHY BRIEF REPORT AND SNAPSHOTS



**Dr. Gobindraj**  
Organising Secretary



The 3rd National Endoscopy Fellowship course was held at Trichy from 8th to 10th September 2017 at Dr. G. Viswanathan Speciality Hospitals, Trichy, Tamilnadu, India.

Dr. G. Viswanath Speciality Hospital under the able leadership of Dr Gobindraj and assisted by Dr Karthesan and the whole team of Dr. G. Viswanath Hospital.

The faculty of the course included Dr. S. Easwaramoorthy, Dr. Subhash Khanna, Dr. Satish Midha, Dr. Vipul Roy Rathod apart from the President

IAGES Dr. A. Zameer Pasha, Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta, Dr. Navaneetha Krishnan, Dr. V. Venkatesh and Dr M. Kanavgavel along with other local faculty.

The trainee surgeons not only learnt the tips of basic endoscopy but also did practice APC and ER Cannulation.

MGR, Medical University Vice Chancellor Dr Geethalakshmi was the Chief Guest of the inaugural ceremony.





## FIAGES 2017 BHOPAL



Dr. Achal Gupta  
Organizing Chairman

The FIAGES course was conducted by Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons (IAGES) and was organised by Bansal Hospital at Bhopal in association with Surgeons Club of Bhopal, from 29th September to 1st October 2017. The organising chairman of the Fellowship programme was Dr. Achal Gupta and organising secretary was Dr. Atul Kumar Agarwal.

All lectures and video operative sessions were conducted at well equipped auditorium at Bansal Hospital. Post workshop there was also an interview and an objective examination. Delicious and healthy breakfast, lunch along with high tea was also served at intervals.

There were a total of 82 candidates of which 28 were in exam category and 32 in non exam category along with 22 post graduate residents. Almost 32 faculties participated in the course from all over India and MP.

Invoking the blessings of divinity, the course started with a brief inspiring introduction by Dr. Zameer Pasha President IAGES, Dr. Sayandeve Das Gupta Honorary Secretary IAGES had a beautiful talk on history of laparoscopy.

The theory module went as per the schedule of FIAGES. The following expert faculty shared their valuable experiences on various topics on the Basics of Laparoscopy. Dr. Satish Midha, Dr. Siddharth Tamaskar, Dr. Achal Gupta, Dr. Abhay Dalvi, Dr. Suresh Vashishtha, Dr. Ritesh Jain, Dr. Meenakshi Sharma, Dr. Zameer Pasha, Dr. Sayandeve Das Gupta & Dr. Ajay Jain. There was a panel discussion on complication of laparoscopic cholecystectomy moderated by Dr. Manish Baijal with the panellist as Dr. Achal Gupta, Dr. Subodh Vaishney, Dr. Satish Midha & Dr. Subhash

Agarwal. It was followed by an interactive and interesting talk on medicolegal aspects by Dr. Suresh Vashishtha. The other eminent speakers of the day were Dr. Subhash Agarwal, Dr. Manish Baijal, Dr. Sandeep Dave, and Dr. Ajit Sewkani. A very useful talk about video recording, editing and paper presentation was given by Dr. Achal Gupta. Day one proceedings ended with a meet the professor and endotrainer session with the presence of almost 100% delegates.

A simple and graceful lighting of the lamp inauguration ceremony was also held at Bansal Hospital. The Chief guest was Dr. Zameer Pasha President IAGES, Guest of Honor was Dr. M.C. Songra (Dean, Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal) and it was presided by Mr. Bansal trustee.

Bansal Hospital. It was followed by a faculty dinner at hotel Residency, MP Nagar, Bhopal.

On the day 2 i.e. 30/09/2017 program began sharp at 9:00 am. Expert faculty delivered lectures on the important topics on advanced laparoscopy, the eminent speakers being Meenakshi Sharma, Dr. Aparna Deshpande, Dr. Deepraj Bhandarkar, Dr. Rakesh Shivhare, Dr. Aparna Deshpande, Dr. Abhay Dalvi, Dr. Sandesh Sharma, Dr. Vandana Soni, Dr. Amitabh Goel, Dr. Sunil Popat, Dr. Abhijeet Deshmukh, Praveen Bhatia and Dr. Satish Midha. There was an interesting panel discussion on complications of laparoscopic hernia repair moderated by Dr. Vandana Soni with the panellist as Dr. Sunil Popat, Dr. Subhash Agarwal, Dr. Meenakshi Sharma and Dr. Sreejoy Patnaik. Dr. Deepraj Bhandarkar had a highly motivating talk with active participation from audiences on How To Write A Paper. There was a short theory exam for exam category delegates followed by gynaec session continuation by Dr. Pallavi Agarwal, Dr.

Priyabhav, Dr Shraddha Agarwal. The session was academically enriching and witnessed a hall packed auditorium.

On the day 3rd day i.e 1/10/2017 live workshop was conducted in Bansal Hospital Bhopal. There were two operating tables working simultaneously with dual projection of screen in auditorium. The cases included standard Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy, Standard Laparoscopic Appendicectomy, TAPP, TEP, Small Defect Ventral Hernia, Fundoplication Laparoscopy Hysterectomy. The operating faculties were Dr A.K.Kriplani, Dr Deepraj Bhandarkar, Dr Sunil Papat, Dr Rakesh Shivhare, Dr Subhash Agarwal and Dr Shraddha Agarwal. All the surgeries were well

appreciated by the audiences.

This has all been possible because of the relentless work done by the entire team. Members have spontaneously come forward to conduct activities in their areas and have travelled far and wide as faculty to share their knowledge with the delegates of the course.

### Long Live IAGES

Organizing Chairman  
**Dr. Achal Gupta**

Organizing Secretary  
**Dr. Atul Kumar Agrawal**



## THE 2ND FELLOWSHIP COURSE IN BARIATRIC AND METABOLIC SURGERY (FALS) OF IAGES, 6TH TO 8TH OCTOBER 2017- MUMBAI



**Dr. Ramen Goel**  
Organising Chairman



The 2nd Fellowship course in Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery (FALS) of IAGES was held from 6th to 8th October 2017 at Hotel J.W. Marriot, Mumbai organized by Dr. Ramen Goel, Hon. Treasurer of IAGES. The 3 day course was attended by 130 delegates, of which 35 appeared in non-exam, 80 in examination category and remaining in CME category. Didactic lectures were held on 6th and 7th October conducted by 40 national and 5 international faculties, covering major aspects of bariatric surgery with crisp take-home messages. Live surgeries were telecast on 8th October from 6 different centers in India and 1 from Belgium. The highlights of the program were keynote addresses by Dr. Michel Gagner on mal-absorptive surgery, Prof Phil Schauer on diabetic surgery and Shri Bhikkhu Sanghasena, founder of Mahabodhi

International Meditation Centre, Ladakh on Compassion in healthcare. The program was inaugurated by the chief guest Mrs. Zahabiya Khorakiwala, M.D., Wockhardt hospitals in the presence of Dr. Zameer Pasha, President, IAGES and Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta, Secretary IAGES. It was an academic feast where delegates got an opportunity to interact with the masters of bariatric surgery. The theory exams were conducted on 7th October followed by a musical night with a band of doctors performing at the event. Live surgeries including robotic, revision and endoscopic bariatric procedures were telecasted at the conference venue. The 3 day course ended after the interviews were conducted by the convener Dr. H.P. Garg, followed by a valedictory function by the IAGES committee.



# IAGES DEDICATED FELLOWSHIP IN ADVANCED LAPAROSCOPIC COLO RECTAL SURGERY (FALS-CRS) 2017 - NEW DELHI

Raising the Bar in Professional Surgical Education



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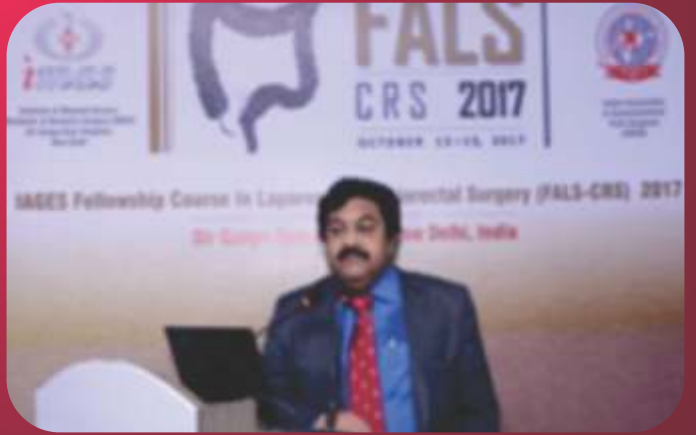
Over 150 surgeons from India and abroad gathered together for the IAGES Fellowship in Advanced Laparoscopic Colo Rectal Surgery (FALS-CRS) 2017 organised by the Institute of Minimal Access, Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (iMAS), Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi this October 13-15, 2017 under the aegis of the Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons (IAGES). Starting each day sharply at 8AM, Fellows, Delegates and Faculty interacted intensively over the fundamentals and intricate details of minimal access colo rectal surgery. The mandate set by the FALS-CRS 2017 Team under its Organising Chairman, Dr. Parveen Bhatia and Organising Secretary Dr. Suviraj John was to provide the latest academic training possible to the course fellows and delegates along with warm hosting by Organising Co-Chairman Dr. Sudhir Kalhan, Organising Co-Secretaries Dr. Mukund Khetan and Dr. Vivek Bindal. The course had the full support of the IAGES office in Dr. Zameer Pasha, President IAGES, Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta, Secretary IAGES, Dr. HP Garg, FALS Convenor and IAGES Zonal Executives. It was inaugurated by one of India's eminent physician's, Prof. PS Gupta, senior physician at Sir Ganga Ram Hospital. Faculty were leading Indian and international colo rectal surgeons with large pioneering expertise in laparoscopic, robotic and trans-anal colo rectal surgery. Kick-starting the course on Friday morning was Dr. Steven Bollipo, Director, Gastroenterology & Endoscopy, John Hunter Hospital, Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia, who delivered a master-class on how to perform an optimal colonoscopy. This was followed lectures by a host of national faculty drawn from all four corners of the country teaching various aspects of the course theme.

The issue of Colo Rectal Malignancy, being the dominant subject, was dealt with incisively by leading national and international onco surgical faculty from

leading centers in India, besides Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, such as Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, and centers from the USA, Taiwan and the UK. Cutting edge evidence from proven and evolving fields of Enhanced Recovery after Surgery (ERAS), Robotic Colo Rectal Surgery, Cyto-Reductive Surgery (CRS), Minimal Access Hyperthermic Intra Peritoneal Chemotherapy (HIPEC) and Trans Anal Procedures (e.g. TaTME) were highlighted by Dr. Conor Delaney, Chairman, Digestive Disease and Surgery Institute, Cleveland Clinic, Ohio, USA, Dr. William Tzu-Liang Chen, Chairman, Surgery, Chinese Medical University Hospital, Taichung, Taiwan and Dr. CR Selvasekar, Sr. Colo Rectal Surgeon, The Christie's, Manchester, UK.

Through the course, iMAS faculty brought the fundamentals to context – Dr. Parveen Bhatia stressed on the primacy of surgical safety, Dr. Suviraj John on minimal access technique for oncological completeness, Dr. Sudhir Kalhan on long term surgical outcomes and Dr. Khetan on technical detail. The highlights of the final day were a master class on pelvic anatomy in relation to performing a Laparoscopic Total Mesorectal Excision (TME) for a Low Anterior Resection (LAR) by Dr. Shailesh Puntambekar, Galaxy Care Hospital, Pune, Laparoscopic Total Proctocolectomy by Dr. Rajesh Bhojwani from SDMH, Jaipur, Laparoscopic Ventral Rectopexy by Dr. Roy Patankar, Zen Hospital, Mumbai, Virtual Live Master Video Class by Dr. S. Rajapandian and Stapled Hemorrhoidectomy by Dr. Vivek Bindal from iMAS. The course was completed with a written examination and interview for credentialing appropriate candidates in the science of Laparoscopic Colo Rectal Surgery by IAGES faculty under the strict scrutinizing supervision of the FALS Convenor Dr. HP Garg. This is the second FALS Course organised by iMAS this year after the FALS-HPB Course earlier in February 2017, both of which were heavily attended.





## FIAGES GURGAON - 2017

Fellowship of Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endosurgeons (FIAGES) course was held under the banner of IAGES at Paras Hospitals, Gurgram from 27-29th October 2017. The fellowship was attended by 63 delegates which included one international delegate from Iraq. The course started with lectures on the fundamentals of Minimal access surgery with clear take home messages and progressed to topics of basic Laparoscopic Surgery of Gall bladder, appendix and Hernia. The inauguration was done on the first day in the presence of the Chief Patron, Dr Dharminder Nagar, MD of Paras Hospitals. The second day was dedicated to

Laparoscopy of solid organs, Urology, Thorax, Gynecology and Robotics. Leading national IAGES faculty included President Dr Zameer Pasha, Honorary Secretary Dr Sayandev Dasgupta, Trustee Dr Ajay Kriplani, President Elect Dr Prof Subhash Khanna and FIAGES Convener Dr Satish Midha. Dr Asish Hira lead the endotrainer sessions with individual attention to every candidate. The theory examination was held on the evening of 28th October along with practical examination on the endotrainers. Live operative workshop was held on 29th October along with interviews.



**Dr. Meenakshi Sarma**  
Organising Chairman





**MID IAGES CONFERENCE HELD  
IN COLOMBO, SRI LANKA  
FROM 24 TH NOVEMBER- 26 TH NOVEMBER**



**Dr. K. Govindaraj**  
Organising Secretary



**Message from Dr. K. Govindaraj, Organizing Chairman**

I am deeply honoured for IAGES giving me life time opportunity to conduct the MID IAGES 2017 silver jubilee year Conference in Colombo, Sri Lanka from 24<sup>th</sup> November to 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2017. It was history made at Colombo for the 1<sup>st</sup> time an overseas conference of IAGES happened. Around 9 Executive Committee members attended the event. It was the 1<sup>st</sup> time after getting permission from the Executive Committee members all Executive Committee members were requested to register for the conference. It was a 3 day event starting on Thursday evening and concluded on Sunday morning. There were 9 key note presentations, 23 video/paper presentation from invited lectures and 15 free papers from post graduate's all over the country. The inauguration of the conference happened on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 and Mr. Mano Ganesan the Honourable Minister of National Co-Existence , Dialogue & Official Language of Sri Lanka was the Chief Guest, Mr. L. Ramesh Babu, First Secretary (Political) of the High Commission of India to Sri Lanka was the Special Guest and Dr. Prof. M.D. Lamawansa, President for College of Surgeons of Sri Lanka represented for the Sri Lankan College of Surgeons.



1<sup>st</sup> day of the conference concluded by 3.00 pm followed by sightseeing for all delegates and family members. There was a Sri Lankan cultural nite followed by grand gala dinner the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the event. The 2<sup>nd</sup> day the conference started at 8.00 am precisely by key note addresses and free paper presentation. There was a fantastic quiz organized by The Executive Committee Member of the South Zone Dr. S. Easwaramoorthy. We had a short valedictory function at 3.00 pm. The 2<sup>nd</sup> day the delegates and family members enjoyed sightseeing and shopping in Colombo. Evening we had a western dance followed by gala dinner. Sunday morning after breakfast all departed from Colombo with cherish able memories.



**LONG LIVE IAGES!**



Thanking you,

**DR. K. GOVINDARAJ, MS. FIAGES., Dip., MIS (FRANCE) DIP., LAP (GERMANY)**

**ORGANIZING CHAIRMAN – MID IAGES TRICHY**



## EFIAGES RAJAHMUNDRY, 19th to 21st January, 2018

4th Endoscopic Fellowship of Indian Association of Gastro Intestinal Endoscopic Surgeons is being conducted in Medical Simulation Center - GSL SMART LAB of GSL Medical college by the General Surgery department from 19th to 21st January 2018 with Dr. Ganni Bhaskara Rao as the organising Chairman, Dr. Samir Ranjan Nayak as the organising Secretary. More than 50 experienced Practising surgeons are attending the fellowship course and over 50 PG's and Doctors are attending the CME & workshop. 10 eminent surgeons from all over India are being called for the conference.



**Dr. Ganni Bhaskara Rao**  
Organising Chairman

The Fellowship was successfully completed under the arena of one state of the art simulation center - GSL SMART LAB in Rajahmundry with 5 LIVE Endoscopy stations 2 colonoscopy stations with parallelly running 3 virtual simulator stations and 4 mechanical simulator stations. Over 70 patients underwent Endoscopy performed by the experienced faculty and overseen by the fellows of which more than 90% showed positive findings.



## Knotting and Suturing Course, 28th January 2018

A Knotting and Suturing Course was conducted on 28th January 2018 at the Ruban Memorial Hospital Patna. It was one day course with Hands-on Endotrainer Sessions. The Course Director was Dr. Vijay Mittal and the Organising Secretary Dr. Nawneet Kumar Sinha. Faculty members Dr. Ramesh Agarwalla Dr. Sayandev Dasgupta and Dr. Ashish Kanti Hira from Kolkata were ably supported by the local faculty. There were 35 candidates including 15 Gynaecologists. The course was well appreciated by the trainees. The event was supported by Medtronic. My thanks to President and Secretary IAGES for giving me this opportunity. Regards



**Dr Vijay Mittal**  
Course Director



# ACHIEVEMENTS



**Dr. T E Udwadia**



"Padma Bhushan" recipient Dr. T. E. Udwadia has been selected as one of the 100 visionaries of the world by the Albert Einstein Legacy Project, a Toronto based Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.



**Dr Arun Prasad**

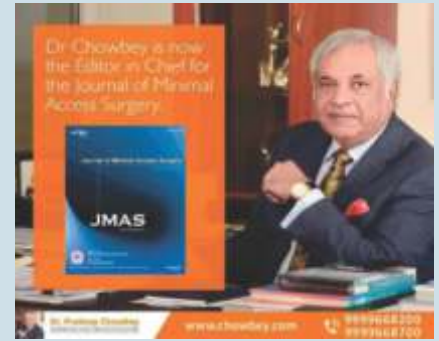
Dr Arun Prasad receives the 3rd Prize in best video awards at National Robotic Meet of all specialties held recently.



# ACHIEVEMENTS



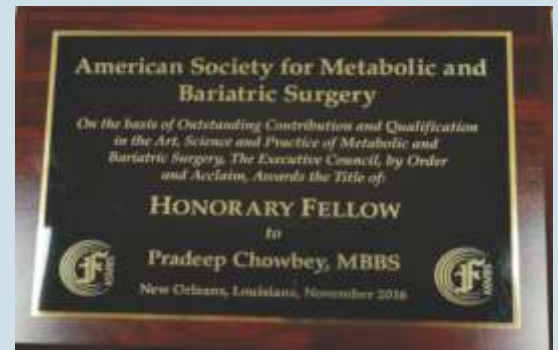
**Dr Pradip Chowbey**



Dr. Pradip Chowbey is now the Editor in Chief for the Journal of Minimal Access Surgery.



Dr Chowbey felicitated with the first honorary membership of the International Endohernia Society! (IEHS).A proud moment for the entire Community of Endohernia Surgeons in India and IAGES.



**Prof B. K Rau**



Life Time Achievement Award conferred on Prof. B. K. Rau, Chief Adviser, Endoscopy FIAGES board, IAGES for his immense contribution to the Association of Surgeons of India at the association Head Quarters , Chennai.



## ACHIEVEMENTS



**Dr Muffizal Lakhdawala**



Dr Muffizal Lakhdawala chosen for the trophy Maharashtra of the year 2017.



**Dr Roy Patankar**

Dr Roy Patankar delivered talk on lap Colorectal Surgery in Nairobi surgeons association meet on 19th May 2017 at Nairobi.



Dr. Akhilesh Shukla Awarded Senior Ex. MBA Degree from IIM Calcutta in December, 2016 in a convocation held in Kolkata.



**Dr Praveen Bhatia**

Dr Praveen Bhatia receives the national IMA award for the year 2017.



# ACHIEVEMENTS



**Dr Jayashree Todkar**



Dr Jayashree Todkar received Navbharat Excellence award as Best Surgeon.



**Dr Deepraj Bhandarkar**

A feather in the cap of the Editor Dr Deepraj Bhandarkar and the editorial board JMAS, the JMAS has been awarded an impact factor of 1.282 for the year 2016 in the latest Clarivate Analytics' Journal Citation Report. This is an increase of 54% compared to the impact factor for 2015 which was 0.83 and translates to around 50% more articles from JMAS getting cited by other authors around the world in their research.

Amongst the journals focussed on MAS, only Surgical Endoscopy with an impact factor of 3.7 ranks higher than JMAS. The impact factors of other journals are JSLs (1.256), Journal of Laparoendoscopic and Advanced Surgical Techniques (1.255), and Surgical Laparoscopy Endoscopy & Percutaneous Techniques (1.02). Incidentally Indian Journal of Surgery carries an impact factor of 0.256.



Dr Deepraj Bhandarkar delivered the prestigious Dr Das Mohapatra oration of ASI for the year 2017.



**Dr. S. Easwaramoorthy**



Dr Easwaramoorthy Elected President. ASI of Tamilnadu & P-Chapter

Dr. Easwaramoorthy was Sworn in as Chairman of T. N and P. Chapter of ASI for the year 2017-2018 at a colourful function organized on the 14th August 2017 held at Coimbatore along with the Annual Conference of the Association. Endoscopy for every surgeon is the theme of the chapter this year.

## ACHIEVEMENTS



**Dr. Satyapriya De Sarkar**



Dr. Satyapriya de Sarkar delivered lecture on " NBI Endoscopy in India" as invited speaker for 20 minutes in Athens National Kapodristan university Athens Greece.



**Dr Sumita Jain**

Dr Sumita Jain Delivered at talk in the 45th World Congress of Nursing Care and 8th European Breast Congress. December 4th-6th, 2017 Rome, Italy



**Dr Ramesh Agarwalla**

Dr Ramesh Agarwalla delivered two invited lectures at the 13th National Congress of Asia Pacific Hernia Society held at Kaohsiung, Taiwan, as invited International faculty



Dr Ramesh Agrawalla, delivered the prestigious Prof R.B. Chatterjee oration at the annual CME of ASI West Bengal Chapter.



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**Dr. Sreejoy Patnayak**



Dr. Sreejoy Patnayak, received the Icons of Healthcare awards at Raffles town club Singapore " For the Best upcoming Bariatric Centre in India ". The awards were jointly given by BERG and PWC groups of Singapore.



Dr Sreejoy Patnaik made two podium and 3 video presentations at APHS conference held at Kaohsiung, Taiwan.

The Times Healthcare Icons Bhubaneswar-2017, along with it's media partners Optimal Media Solutions awarded Dr Sreejoy Patnaik as a recognised leader in the HEALTH SECTOR IN ODISHA . Felicitation ceremony took place on 27 May, plaque being presented by Padmashree Mrs Prativa Ray, eminent writer and Mr Rohit Dhar, VP Times Group , OMS



**Dr Arun Prasad**

Dr Arun Prasad was faculty at the MRCS preparatory course held on the 5th and 6th December, 2017



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**Dr J B Agarwal**

Dr J B Agarwal delivered presidential Oration at the Annual Conference of SELSI held recently at Jaipur.



**Dr Purujit Choudhury**



Dr Purujit Choudhury delivered talk on Pancreas at Dallas in a conference of HPB surgery.



**Dr Satish Midha**

Dr Satish Midha elected Treasurer of Association of Colon and Rectal surgeons of India for the year 2017



**Dr Kushal Mittal**

Dr Kushal Mittal was invited by Prof Robin Phillips, Director at St Marks Hospital, London, for a guest lecture on "Grand Round" on 29 Sept 17 for 1 hour. He Talked about what is being practiced in Proctology in India and Indian initiative to make it safer and pain free.





**Dr Rajesh Khullar**



Proud moment for IAGES as Dr Rajesh Khullar has been selected unanimously the Secretary General of APHS ( Asia pacific hernia society) during the last meeting held recently week in Taiwan

**Iages members at  
IFSO 2017  
London  
as Resource persons**



Dr M. Narwaria



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Dr. Arun Prasad



Dr. K S Kullar



Dr. Jayasree Todkar



**Dr. Satish Shukla**

Life Time Achievement Award given to Lion Dr. Satish Shukla for his services by Lions Clubs International during its Centennial Year - 2017 in a function held at Indore by Past International Director Lion Kamlesh Jain and Lion Narendra Bhandari and other dignitaries

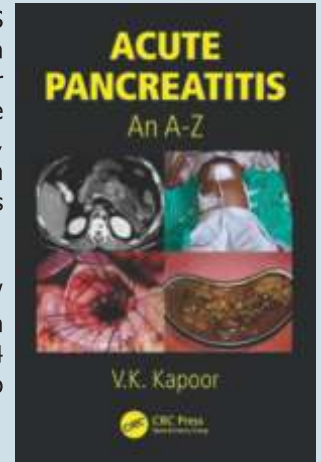




**Dr V K Kapoor**

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Prashna India can be visited at <http://prashna-india.weebly.com/>



**Dr Sunil Kumar**

Dr Sunil Kumar was a invited faculty for a conference held in Birmingham on 4th Oct 2017 on FST (Faculty of Surgical trainers) .Theme of conference was TIME TO TRAIN and IMPROVING SURGICAL TRAINING.He also attended the International meeting held in Edinburgh on 6th oct along with President and other office bearers of Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

Dr sunil Kumar receives the prestigious award of fellowship by Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh ,UK in Faculty of surgical trainers for significant contribution toward surgical education and training globally.



**Dr Amitabh Goel**

Dr Amitabh Goel Delivered guest lecture in ASICON -17 at Jaipur on 'laser ablation of varicose veins'.He is also elected as secretary of ATVSI (Association of thoraco Vascular Surgeons of India)





Prof Subhash Khanna



Dr Prof. Subhash Khanna Delivered talk on "Recent trends in managing common Anorectal Problem"



Dr. Vijay P Agrawal



Dr Manash Ranjan Sahoo

Dr Manash Ranjan Sahoo of SCB medical college Cuttack , was awarded "Media Personality Award-2017" by Indian Organisation of United Working Joirnalists in a glittering function of National Journalists Convention

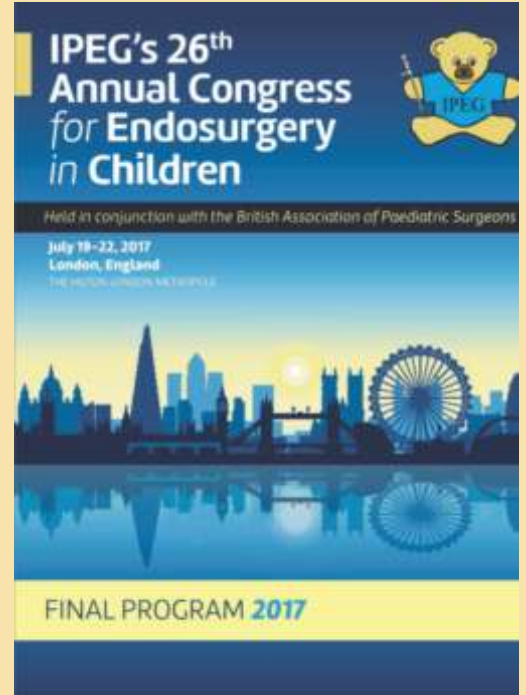






**Dr Manash Ranjan Sahoi**

Dr Manash Ranjan Sahoi made a presentation and received appreciation at International Paediatric Endosurgery Group & British Association of Paediatric Surgeons joint Congress at London on "Laparoscopic Management of Chronic Pancreatitis" in children.



## 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) 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.



## **NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given for General Body Meeting of the Indian Association of Gastro Intestinal Endo-Surgeons to be held on 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 at 6.30 pm during the XV<sup>th</sup> National Congress at VW Canyon Hotel, Raipur, Chhattisgarh with the following agenda.

## **AGENDA**

1. Welcome address by the President
2. Roll Call
3. Condolences – if any
4. Confirmation of minutes of last GBM held on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2017 at Hyderabad and any other matter arising out of it
5. Secretary's report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Appointment of Auditors for the year 2018-2019
8. Selection of venue for 2020 Congress
9. Declaration of results for elections by Chief Election Commissioner Dr. Subhash Khanna
10. Miscellaneous matters with permission of the chair
11. Handover of charges to the incoming President
12. Vote of Thanks

All members are requested to attend.

Dr. Sayandev DasGupta  
Hon. Secretary  
IAGES

## Upcoming Events

# FIAGES @ Erode 2018



**Fellowship Course of  
Indian Association of  
Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons**

**Date : 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> March- 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2018**

**Time : 8 am - 8 pm**

**Venue : A/c Auditorium,  
Lotus hospital,  
Erode, Tamil Nadu**



# IAGES 2018 RAIPUR- READY TO WELCOME DELEGATES



The brochure features a collage of images on the left: the IAGES logo, a statue, a temple tower, a waterfall, and a sunset. The central text reads: '15th Annual Conference of Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endosurgeons, 8th-10th February 2018, Hotel V. Ill. Canyon, Raipur'. It is organized by Ramkrishna CARE and held at the Surgeons Club Raipur and Department of Surgery Pt. J.N.M. Medical College Raipur. The website www.iages2018.com is listed at the top.

## MILE STONES IAGES 2018 RAIPUR

**07th February 2018,**  
10:00 am to 5:00 pm - Pre - conference course  
7pm EC Meeting

**08th February 2018**  
08:00 am to 6:30 pm - Live operative Workshop  
7:00 pm onwards - Inaugural Function followed by dinner

**09th February 2018**  
08:30 am to 6:30 pm - Scientific Sessions  
6:30 pm - General Body Meeting  
8:00 pm onwards Cultural Night & Banquet Dinner

**10th February 2018**  
08:00 am EC Meeting  
09:00 am to 12:00 pm - Scientific Sessions  
12:00 pm to 03:00 pm - Convocation



**Dr. Shiddharth Tamaskor**  
Organising Secretary  
IAGES 2018 Raipur



**Dr. Sandeep Dave**  
Organising Chairman,  
IAGES 2018 Raipur

Dear IAGES ians

IAGES is the oldest, largest and the most vibrant organization of Laparoscopic surgeons in India. Our aim is to spread knowledge, interact with fellow like-minded professionals and teach the art and craft of this specialized form of surgery which has made its place in the surgical field within a short span of time. Our Annual Conference in February 2018 will be at Raipur, the capital of Chhatisgarh.

This is a year in which our founding fathers & legends in IAGES are in appreciation of our efforts of carrying on the activities and projects of our great association. They have nurtured and seen this organization grow from strength to strength in the past quarter century. Now it's our turn to make them glow with pride.

We begin this year with a BIG celebration of our annual conference at Raipur - a place to showcase our achievements and attainments. Our entire team has left no stone unturned to make this event a success - both as an academic bonanza and cultural extravaganza. This is our earnest & humble appeal to all our IAGES fellows to gather for this annual event of Laparoscopy and celebrate Silver Jubilee of IAGES.

We promise a rich academic feast and unparalleled hospitality.

I welcome you all to come and join this gala event.

**Dr. Sandeep Dave**

Organising Chairman, IAGES 2018 Raipur



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

7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
Bhubaneswar



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