



Indian Association of Gastrointestinal Endo Surgeons (IAGES) was started in 1993 by the leading surgeons during that time in India under the leadership of Prof T E. Udwadia who is widely regarded as Father of Laparoscopy in India. He performed first Lap Cholecystectomy in India.

IAGES has now happily completed more than 25 years in its academic and social commitments towards its members, surgical fraternity and the people on the whole.

We have now close to 8000 active life members. IAGES is blessed with Members from all parts of India from Kashmir to Kanyakumari.

IAGES has now become one of the most active Minimal access surgeons' associations of India.

FIAGES: - FELLOWSHIP OF INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF GASTROINTESTINAL ENDOSCOPIC SURGEONS

IAGES organizes variety of Training Programs in Laparoscopy & Flexible GI Endoscopy. For the Young budding laparoscopic Surgeons, IAGES organizes FIAGES in various parts of Country, which provides thorough teaching and training of Laparoscopic Surgeries. This is an entry level training program in Laparoscopic Surgery. The candidates are examined by IAGES approved Senior Colleagues in the field and the successful candidates are provided with Fellowship Certificate in the Annual Convocation at National Congress of IAGES. This course is very famous and now nearly 3000 Surgeons have participated and benefited in this fellowship training program.

Now FIAGES is also available in online platform. Please refer to online fellowship courses in the website. Please also see FIAGES guidelines to verify the eligibility criteria to register for the fellowship course.

FALS: - FELLOWSHIP OF ADVANCED LAPAROSCOPIC SURGERY

There are many advancements happening in the field of Laparoscopic Surgery. To keep the members abreast with recent advancements and train Surgeons for Advanced Laparoscopic Surgery Procedures, IAGES organizes FALS Courses. FALS Courses are organized in various sub specialties such as Hernia, Bariatric surgery, UGI Surgery, Colo- rectal surgery and Oncology. These Courses are for Senior/ Advanced Laparoscopic Surgeons. The Course includes exam and non examination category and please read FALS guidelines to learn more regarding the eligibility criteria. The successful candidates are awarded FALS Fellowship Certificates in the Annual Convocation Program at National Congress of IAGES. We have now started online modules for these advanced fellowship courses since September 2020

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IAGES also organizes basic and advanced courses for flexible GI Endoscopy. These courses are for Surgeons willing to master the art and science of GI Endoscopy. Successful candidates of these courses are provided certificates in the Convocation Ceremony at National Congress of IAGES.

OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES:

In addition, IAGES organizes Laparoscopic Suturing & Knotting Workshop, Workshop on How to write and publish a Paper and other scientific events from time to time. IAGES also endorses good Scientific Conferences from time to time.

The members get the benefit of receiving first hand information of such programs.

ANNUAL NATIONAL CONGRESS:

IAGES organizes its National Congress once a year in the Month of February. The Venue changes among the various parts of Country. IAGES National Congress is a very famous and well attended academic event among the laparoscopic surgeons of India. It is a 3 day event including Live Surgery Workshop, free paper presentation, hands on training modules along with final day colorful Convocation Ceremony for all fellowship candidates and their family members. Faculties and Delegates from all parts of Country participate and enjoy the event. It also provides occasion for networking, friendship and fellowship among IAGES Member and their families. IAGES nurtures the members' abilities in Academics and Cultural activities.

JMAS:

IAGES also publishes its journal JMAS. It is a well reputed peer reviewed and pub med indexed journal. The journal has now gone green with mainly online version. All the members would receive the online quarterly issues through e-mail.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

IAGES has always stood by its fellow Countrymen in the testing times of Natural Calamities. IAGES has supported such cause both monetarily and medically. IAGES encourages its members to do charitable works for their patients and society at large.

IAGES Covid Task force has been very active for last 6 months with initial supply of PPE and body bags for several Government and Private medical institutions across India.

We welcome all the surgeons in India interested in this field of MAS to become its members and get benefited by its tremendous academic activities. It also provides them a platform to meet likeminded Surgical Colleagues and exchange the knowledge and ideas.

Long Live IAGES

Stay Safe.

Together we can#



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