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Message from Dr. Sanku Rao, President, GAPIO



I am excited to inform you that GAPIO is spreading its wings. We have now added one more country, Jamaica which makes thirty-three countries where GAPIO has representation. In Jamaica a meeting was set up with thirty Indian Physicians and after introduction of GAPIO to them, they were all energized to join. Jamaica has its own health issues which the local physicians would like to take the help of GAPIO in giving them a hand to improve healthcare in their country.

The annual meeting of GAPIO is organized on January 7th & 8th, 2017 at Park Hyatt, Hyderabad. On January 6th we are conducting three workshops in Hyderabad, including Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening, Advanced Ultrasound Trauma & Life Support Course (AUTLS) and Pediatric Basic Life Support. On January 7th and 8th, 2017 we have two days of scientific session, including a workshop on ECHO. We have a very wonderful team of physicians in Hyderabad who have worked hard to put in an excellent scientific program including, both national and international faculty. I would extend an invitation to all of you to attend the conference in Hyderabad.

Dr. Sanku Rao

President

Message from Dr. Prathap C Reddy, Founder President and Emeritus Advisor, GAPIO



The GAPIO Annual Conference is seven chapters old and is emerging as a narrative that will go into the annals of history as one that had a far reaching impact in making world-class healthcare a more accessible reality to those in need. Over the years, GAPIO has done stellar work in drawing attention to some of the most pertinent issues in global healthcare, and in channelizing collective expertise and experience to tackle these pressing issues.

This year, the onus on this august group is to deliberate on a constructive roadmap to meet the challenge of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), especially diabetes. Diabetes is a global menace, with a particularly dangerous presence in our country. India, as a nation, has unfortunately emerged as the 'Diabetes Capital' of the world.

The healthcare fraternity has already come together on several surgical strikes on the situation. Today, there is more on-the-ground awareness about healthy living, and preventive health too is gaining more traction. However, we need an all-out war on NCDs; we must weed out the adversary from the very roots. GAPIO will play an instrumental role in this war. Global learning can be gleaned upon to draw up effective plans to combat NCDs in India. Innovations in medicine will help us in providing low cost treatment. Likewise, the success of the Indian experiment will help set a template that can heal the world – it is collaboration in its most powerful avatar.

I congratulate GAPIO on the incredible milestones it has chalked up in its momentous journey so far; I wish that we continue to be a game-changer in global healthcare. Individually we are all drops, together we are an ocean. I hope that we always work towards being an ocean of compassion, commitment and ceaseless excellence.

Dr Prathap C Reddy

Founder President and Emeritus Advisor, GAPIO

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Community Service Project

6 Free Health Screening Camps 14th October - 20th October 2016



Princess Diya Kumari Ji of Jaipur inaugurating the camp.

500 persons examined and screened for Hypertension, Diabetes and Obesity. Dr. Loknath Shandilya from USA who is leading this initiative on behalf of GAPIO was instrumental in organizing these camps.

GAPIO provided full support by supplying equipment and other material. Free medicines were distributed to those who were suffering from Diabetes.

GAPIO and GHE will exclusively organize camps for improving women's health in Rajasthan next year under which screening for cervical cancer (Pap smear) and Breast Cancer (Mammogram) will be conducted. This camp will also screen girls and women who are suffering from Anaemia.

Alongside a free Vision screening was arranged for about 500 girls in two Senior Higher Secondary Schools and 62 pair of prescription glasses were provided to the girl students.

GAPIO in collaboration with Global Health and Education (GHE), USA had organised, 6 Free Health Screening Camps at Sawaimadhopur, Rajasthan. These camps were second in the series of camps held in these areas last year **with the aim to follow-up those persons who were detected to be high risk patients for blood pressure and diabetes as well as other patients examined last year.**

Princess Diya Kumari of Jaipur, MLA of Sawaimadhopur, was the chief guest on this occasion to inaugurate the camps.

these camps were organized at Police Line, Saraswati Teachers Training College, Kusthala, Radha Kishan Teachers Training College, Thengala, Aggarwal Siksha Sansthan, P.H.C. Center, Chouth Ka Barwara, Chaudhary Mohalla and more than



Princess Diya Kumari Ji of Jaipur addressing the gathering.



Dr. Loknath Shandilya from USA examining the patients

Editorial Message by Dr. Bipin Batra, Editor, GAPIO



As on the close of this year on 31st December, India is likely to have more than 1 million entries in the Indian Medical Register. Two years ago, this figure was 9.31 lakhs and the country continues to add approx. 55,000 fresh medical graduates a year. As per estimates, approx. 125,000 physicians of Indian Origin are working overseas primarily in North America & Canada, UK, Australia, Middle east and other economically developed centres as Singapore.

Post adjustment of physicians who are out of service and deceased from the Indian Medical Register, at current estimates of 1.25 lacs this comprises of 16% of medical graduates India has produced. This brings the healthcare system of India on a very important position of proven capability in nurturing talent and insitutional capacity to produce graduates of global standards.

Whether this translates in achieving high quality healthcare for our population? India recently reserved its position in the Guinness Book of records recently for gathering largest number of premtaure born children at a gathering, an effort that had a follow up of such children over 15 years; the record is in stark contrast to the reality of some states faring badly on the infant and child mortality indices.

The healthcare enterprises in the country have done too well when it comes to delivery of accredited, high quality care at fraction of pricing at global standards. Much of this was not possible without the "Brain Gain" engineered by the physicians of Indian origin chosing to reuturn and actively contribute to building these systems block by block. The country shall continue to benefit from the PIO network and we need to further enhance the connect of PIO with Indian healthcare networks and enterprise.

As the economic growth over next decade looks promising, the business environment must foster innovation, technology and encourage enterprise to sustain the growth wave in healthcare. Capacity buiding in healthcare services needs measures to enhance accessibility to services, practice of value and ethics in the profession.

(Prof. Dr. Bipin Batra)

Editor – GAPIO Times.

Community Service Project

Comprehensive health screening camp on 28th October 2016 at Hyderabad

GAPIO member Dr. Prasad Rao Nimmagadda organized a comprehensive health screening camp on 28th October 2016 at Hyderabad and 40 orphanage children and their staff Members by Dr. Nimmagadda.

Free Check-up services included the following

- Eye check up
- ENT check up
- Dental check up
- Blood group
- BP
- Health education



Dental Check-up



Eye Check-up



ENT Check-up



Health Talk



Blood Group testing



Check-up of Staff Member



Measuring BP

Community Service Project

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Registration



Height Measuring



Blood Pressure Check



Dr. Loknath Shandilya from USA examining the patients



Sugar Check



Awareness counselling regarding role of diet and lifestyle for preventing Diabetes, blood pressure and heart diseases.



Training the volunteers to how to measure blood pressure and take blood samples for testing blood Sugar through Glucometer.

Message from Dr. Anupam Sibal, Vice President - Elect, GAPIO



It gives me a great pleasure to welcome members, delegates and faculty to VII Annual conference of the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) being held on 7th - 8th of January, 2017 at Park Hyatt, Hyderabad.

Thought leaders from across the World will be present during this mega event likely to surpass the standards set before in the earlier conferences. We are expecting more than 300 delegates from India, USA, UK, Australia, Canada, Middle East, Africa and UAE. More than 50 international and national speakers have confirmed to speak at the two day conference. The conference shall have sessions on Cardiovascular Diseases, Hypertension, Stroke, Diabetes, Gastrointestinal disorders, Liver transplantation, Maternal and Infant Health.

The contribution of every member of the Executive Committee will make this Annual Conference a milestone to remember and I have no doubts in my mind that with the help of the local organizing committee, GAPIO will leave no stone unturned to make this conference a great success.

Join us in making GAPIO 2017 an exciting conference.

Dr. Anupam Sibal

Vice President - Elect

Group Medical Director – Apollo Hospitals

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Overview - Health Tech India 2017



The 1st Edition of HEALTH TECH INDIA 2017 will be scheduled from 3 - 5 February 2017 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.

The main objective to organize this Exhibition & Conference is to provide a platform to showcase the latest technology in the healthcare and medical devices industry, also to bring together the key decision makers, manufacturers, suppliers under one roof. HEALTH TECH INDIA 2017 aims to educate, inspire and deliver results for the community involved in the design, development, and manufacturing of medical devices and technologies.

The event will be supported by the Government of India and the Ministry of Health and several associations related to the healthcare sector.

GAPIO has partnered in the VI International Patient Safety Congress held on 21st and 22nd October, 2016 at the ITC Grand Chola, Chennai, India.

All stake holders came together to discuss measures to enhance patient safety, serious healthcare global issue in developed countries and more so in the developing countries with a huge cost burden and to share their best practices and innovations.

The event was inaugurated by His Excellency C Vidyasagar Rao, Governor of Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu in the presence of Dr. Prathap C Reddy, Chairman of Apollo Hospitals Group and Founder President and Emeritus Advisor of GAPIO. Dr. J Radhakrishnan IAS, Principal Secretary, Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu was also present on this inauguration ceremony along with Dr. Preetha Reddy, Vice Chairperson, Apollo Hospitals Group, India, Ms. Sangita Reddy, Joint Managing Director, Apollo Hospitals Group, India, Mr. Bertrand Launay, Vice President, Small and Midmarket Solutions & Partners (SM&P), Microsoft Asia, Dato Dr. Jacob Thomas, President, The Association of Private Hospitals of Malaysia (APHM) and Dr. Allan Goldman, Director, West Division, Great Ormond Street Hospital, London.

Around 20 International speakers, 150 national speakers represented the congress over 20 countries with 1900 delegates participating in the event which includes 170 healthcare organizations, Clinics and Government agencies. The agenda had total 30 sessions including 18 breakout sessions. There were 50 Papers, 45 posters and 30 nominations for the Asian Patient safety awards out of which there were 16 Platform Presentations and 20 Poster Presentations during the congress. Awards were presented for best papers, posters and Best practices. GAPIO partnered along with International Society for Quality in Healthcare (ISQua), Joint Commission International (JCI), World Innovation Summit for Health (WISH), Royal College of Physicians London, the APAC Forum, International Consortium for Health Outcomes Measurement (ICHOM), National Accreditation Board for Hospitals (NABH), Academy of Hospit

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Dr. Prathap C Reddy, Chairman of Apollo Hospitals Group and Past President and Emeritus Advisor of GAPIO addressing the audience during inauguration ceremony.



Delegates during the conference



Audience during evening function



GAPIO Stall at VI International Patient Safety Congress



GAPIO sponsored the Event

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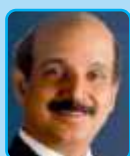
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Message from Dr. Ramesh Mehta, President - Elect, GAPIO



We had a very successful midyear conference in Moscow! Soma and team deserve congratulations! Touring Moscow was a very pleasant experience and St Petersburg was a bonus!

While we contemplate various projects to support health care in India, we look forward to our next Annual Conference in Hyderabad. I know our President Sanku Rao is working hard to ensure a successful conference.

With one of our objectives being skills development for health care workers we are planning several preconference workshops on Friday the 6th of January 2017. These include Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening, Advanced Ultrasound Trauma & Life Support Course (AUTLS) and Pediatric Basic Life Support. Details will be on web site shortly.

We are keen to promote monitoring, Regulation and Audit in Indian Health care. If you have projects or suggestions, please do get in touch.

I am delighted to welcome appointment of country heads in 19 countries. I am sure this will assist us in supporting doctors in those areas. I am glad to note a steady growth in membership numbers.

I hope you are on GAPIO face book page. If not please do join.

I look forward to seeing you in Hyderabad

Ramesh Mehta

President Elect - GAPIO

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GAPIO is assisting Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, in organising and to invite members of GAPIO, Key doctors, NRI's and PIO's to participate in the "14th PRAVASI BHARATIYA DIVAS CONVENTION" from 7 to 9 January 2017, in Bengaluru.

The key elements of the program are:

On 7 January the Youth Pravasi Bharatiya Divas will be held to connect with young overseas Indians.

On 8 January PBD Convention will be Inaugurated by the Prime Minister of India, **Shri Narendra Modi**. Chief Ministers of select states will address delegates the same day about opportunities for investment, doing business in the State and other issues. The Plenary sessions in PBD will discuss several issues which are relevant and important to the Indian Diaspora, and seek their suggestions and insights on how to address them.

On 9 January, Hon'ble President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee, will address delegates and confer the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Awards.

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- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's address at the Inaugural session
- President of India Shri Pranab Mukherjee confers Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Awards (PESA) 2017
- Minister of External Affairs (Swati Swami) confers address at Youth PBD
- Chief Ministers' participation

Exhibition

- Flagship programmes of Govt of India
- Opportunities in States for NRIs & PIOs
- Schemes & programmes for NRIs & PIOs
- Corporate India: Public Sector Undertakings, Private Cos & Culture Sector

Industrial visits (by Karnataka's Ministry of Industries) on 7 & 8 January

- International Tech Park Ltd. & Export Promotion Industrial Park, Whitefield
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