

# GLOBAL INDIAN PHYSICIANS IN THE NEWS (OCTOBER 2023)



## DR. AVINASH GUPTA NAMED PRESIDENT OF FIA FOR 2024

*Dr. Avinash Gupta, an eminent Indian-American cardiologist, has been elected as the president of the Federation of Indian Associations (FIA) of New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut for the year 2024.*

*FIA, a prominent non-profit grass-root umbrella organization, represents the Indian diaspora. Currently serving as the Chief of Cardiology at Monmouth Medical Center Southern Campus and a Member of the Ocean County Board of Health,*

*Dr. Gupta aims to elevate FIA's stature and strengthen India-US ties during his tenure. He plans to focus on the welfare of the Indian diaspora, cultural exchange, community advocacy, and various social welfare projects.*

**Source:** Daily Excelsior, 09/10/23

**Link:** <https://www.dailyexcelsior.com/avinash-gupta-elected-president-of-diaspora-organisation-fia-for-2024/>

## DR. SANTOSH G HONAVAR, RENOWNED OPHTHALMOLOGIST, LEADS STANFORD RESEARCH RANKINGS IN INDIA

*Dr. Santosh G Honavar, a prominent figure in Indian ophthalmology, has maintained his position at the top of the Stanford list of Indian Ophthalmologists in Research for the third consecutive year, as of 2023.*

*This accolade reflects Dr. Honavar's exceptional commitment to ophthalmology research, cementing his status as a leading expert in the field. His continuous contributions have significantly influenced advancements in eye care, both academically and clinically, across India and beyond.*

**Source:** The Mint, 09/10/2023

**Link:** <https://www.livemint.com/brand-stories/dr-santosh-g-honavar-tops-the-stanford-list-of-researchers-in-ophthalmology-in-india-11696354559495.html>



## DR. KIRAN MARTIN AWARDED HONORARY DOCTORATE BY UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

*Dr. Kiran Martin, founder of the NGO Asha Society, has been awarded an honorary doctorate by the University of Sydney. This prestigious recognition honors her exceptional work in transforming the lives of slum dwellers in Delhi, India, through healthcare, education, and other development initiatives. Dr. Martin's Asha Society has made a significant impact in improving living conditions and providing opportunities for underprivileged communities in Delhi's slums. Her efforts exemplify dedication to social change and have earned her this notable academic honor.*

**Source:** Sydney AU, 17/10/2023

**Link:** <https://www.sydney.edu.au/news-opinion/news/2023/10/17/kiran-martin-awarded-honorary-doctorate.html>



## BRIG SANJAY KUMAR MISHRA RECEIVES DR. A.M. GOKHALE AWARD' FOR OPHTHALMOLOGY

*Brig Sanjay Kumar Mishra, a celebrated ophthalmologist from the Indian Army's Research and Referral Hospital, has been honored with the prestigious 'Dr. A.M. Gokhale Award' for his exemplary contributions to the field of ophthalmology. The award was presented during the Retina Conclave held in Pune on September 14, 2023. This accolade pays tribute to Dr. A.M. Gokhale, a renowned teacher in ophthalmology whose students have become leading figures in the field.*

*Hailing from Mau, Uttar Pradesh, and having completed his education in Prayagraj, Brig Mishra is among the most highly decorated officers in the Indian Armed Forces Medical Services. He has been recognized with the Bar to Sena Medal (Distinguished) and the Bar to Vishisht Seva Medal (VSM) by the President of India. His professional journey includes setting up a state-of-the-art Retinal Center at the Command Hospital in Lucknow in 2018, catering to a*

*wide range of patients from various states. Brig Mishra's notable achievements extend to being the only ophthalmologist to have performed surgeries on two Presidents of India, including Ram Nath Kovind. His distinguished career and contributions to ophthalmology have earned him this significant honor, reflecting his dedication and skill in this vital medical field*

**Source:** Adda 24/7 Current Affairs, 14/9/2023

**Link:** <https://currentaffairs.adda247.com/army-doctor-awarded-dr-am-gokhale-award-for-ophthalmology-in-pune/>

## INDIAN-ORIGIN ANESTHESIOLOGIST RECEIVES ASA EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD

*Dr. Sujatha Bhandary, an Indian-origin anesthesiologist, has been honored with the prestigious American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) Excellence in Education Award. This accolade recognizes Dr. Bhandary's outstanding contributions to the field of anesthesiology education. Her work has significantly influenced the training and development of future anesthesiologists, demonstrating her commitment to excellence in medical education. This award by the ASA underscores her achievements and dedication to advancing the practice of anesthesiology through education.*

**Source:** Medical Dialogues, 18/10/2023

**Link:**<https://medicaldialogues.in/news/health/international/indian-origin-anaesthesiologist-bags-american-society-of-anesthesiologists-excellence-in-education-award-118962>



## INDIAN ONCOLOGIST DR. RAVI KANNAN R. HONORED WITH RAMON MAGSAYSAY AWARD

*Dr. Ravi Kannan R., a surgical oncologist dedicated to serving underprivileged cancer patients in rural India, has been honored with the prestigious Ramon Magsaysay Award. Recognized for transforming the Cachar Cancer Hospital and Research Center, he has made cancer care accessible to thousands of patients annually, providing free or subsidized treatment.*

*Dr. Kannan's commitment to ensuring that no patient is denied treatment due to financial constraints exemplifies the spirit of selfless service celebrated by this award, often regarded as Asia's Nobel Prize*

**Source:** the Diplomat, 01/09/23

**Link:**<https://thediplomat.com/2023/09/filipino-who-helped-tame-insurgency-and-pro-poor-indian-cancer-doctor-among-magsaysay-awardees/>

## INDIAN-ORIGIN PHYSICIANS RECEIVE 2023 HUMANITARIAN GRANT

*Dr. Samit Sunny Roy, currently a resident at the University of Tennessee, has been named a recipient of the 2023 Humanitarian Grant by the Urology Care Foundation. The Foundation acknowledged Dr. Roy's efforts at the Sadbhavna Trust Hospital in Kalsar, Bhavnagar, Gujarat, India, where he provides extensive training in routine and complex urologic surgery and post-operative care. He has been making a notable impact, particularly in underserved communities, under the mentorship of Dr. Amar Singh.*

*In a similar vein, Dr. Rajiv K Singal, a Surgeon-in-Chief at Michael Garron Hospital in Toronto and a fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Canada, was also awarded the 2023 Humanitarian Grant. Dr. Singal's contribution includes his work at Zomba Central Hospital in Malawi, where he has collaborated with the Malawi Medical Council and the College of Surgeons of Eastern Central and Southern Africa (COSECSA). His efforts are geared towards creating a long-term sustainable solution to the challenges of urologic care in the region.*

*The Urology Care Foundation, through these grants, recognizes the exceptional efforts of urologists in providing critical patient care and education in areas where such medical services are desperately needed*

**Source:** *New India Abroad, 12/08/23*

**Link:** <https://www.newindiaabroad.net/news/indian-origin-physicians-named-recipients-of-2023-humanitarian-grant>



**Dr. Samit Sunny Roy**



**Dr. Rajiv K Singal**

## THREE SCIENTISTS FROM DR. DY PATIL MEDICAL COLLEGE FEATURED IN STANFORD'S TOP 2% SCIENTISTS LIST

*Dr. Amitav Banerjee, Dr. Sarika Chaturvedi, and Dr. Sachin Atre, affiliated with Dr. DY Patil Medical College, Hospital & Research Centre, have been featured in the prestigious Stanford University World Top 2% Scientists Database for 2023. Their inclusion in this elite list acknowledges their extraordinary contributions to global research.*

***Dr. Amitav Banerjee**, Professor of Community Medicine and Chief Editor of the Medical Journal, has a distinguished research career of over four decades. His investigations into epidemics like typhoid, hepatitis, respiratory infections, and pneumonia, many conducted during his tenure with the Indian Armed Forces, have been pivotal.*

***Dr. Sarika Chaturvedi**, a Senior Scientist, advocates for a conducive research environment in India, emphasizing the need for adequate funding support and community-focused healthcare solutions. She believes in the potential of traditional medicine in promoting public health and disease prevention.*

***Dr. Sachin Atre**, a Research Consultant and Faculty at the Department of Community Medicine, is recognized for his extensive research in public health. His work spans over two decades, focusing on tuberculosis, nutrition, diabetes, and access to medicines. Dr. Atre, a Fulbright-Nehru Postdoc Fellow at Harvard Medical School, is also known for his contributions as a reviewer for *The Lancet* journals and an academic editor for *PLOS Global Public Health*. His work in the World Health Organization's Global TB Program and his significant number of publications and citations highlight his impact in the field. These recognitions underscore the commitment of Dr. DY Patil Medical College to advancing research and supporting the scholarly endeavors of its research community. Dr. JS Bhawalkar, the Dean of the College, expressed pride in these achievements, reflecting the institution's dedication to fostering innovative and impactful research.*

**Source:** *The Indian Express* 19/10/2023

**Link:** <https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/pune/three-scientists-from-pune-medical-college-feature-in-stanfords-top-2-scientists-list-8989841/>



**Dr. Amitav Banerjee**



**Dr. Sarika Chaturvedi,**



**Dr. Sachin Atre**

## DR. MOHAN RAJAN AWARDED FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS IN OPHTHALMOLOGY

*Dr. Mohan Rajan, the Chairman and Medical Director of Rajan Eye Care Hospital, has been distinguished with the "Outstanding Contributors in Ophthalmology" award by the Indian Society of Cornea & Keratorefractive Surgeons. This prestigious award, presented by former Union Minister Ravishankar Prasad at a New Delhi event attended by over 1,000 delegates worldwide, recognizes Dr. Rajan's three-decade-long contribution to ophthalmic science and education. His achievements have significantly advanced the field of ophthalmology, both in India and internationally.*



**Source:** the Hindu, 23/08/2023

**Link:** <https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/chennai/ophthalmologist-from-chennai-honoured/article67227276.ece>



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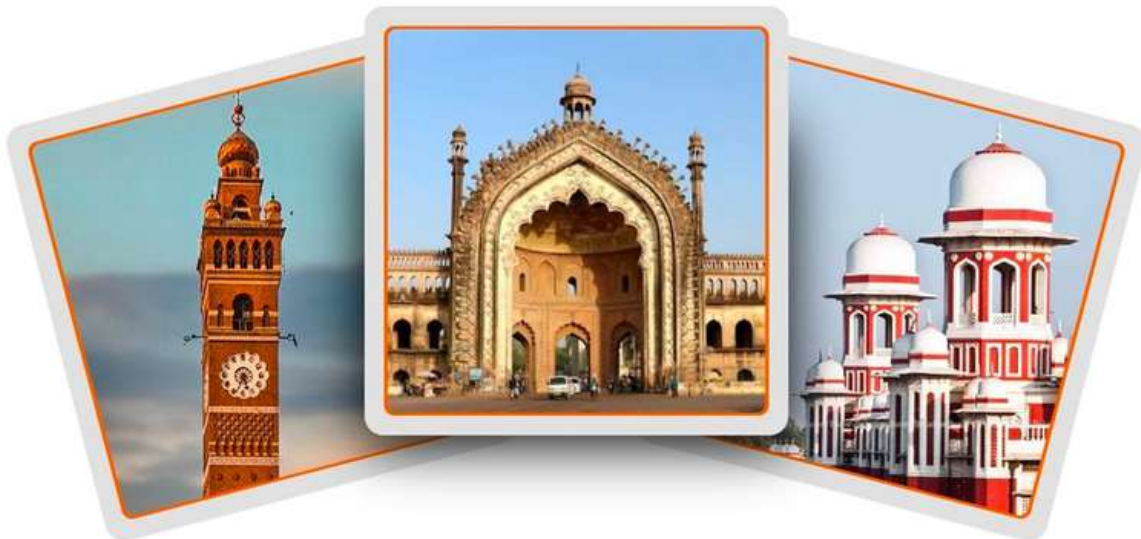
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- C) GAPIO SURGICAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS
- D) GAPIO EXCELLENCE IN DIAGNOSTICS AWARDS
- E) DR. PRATHAP C REDDY PHILANTHROPY AWARD
- F) GAPIO LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

### Note:

- Awards A to D in two categories i.e. Distinguished Clinician and Young Clinician **Distinguished Clinician** will get cash award of **Rs. 1 lakh with trophy and citation** and **Young Clinician** will get cash award of **Rs. 50,000/- with trophy and citation.**
- Awards at E and F will be given to one person only and will carry a cash award of **Rs. 1 lakh with trophy and citation.**

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