

GLOBAL INDIAN PHYSICIANS IN THE NEWS (DECEMBER 2023)



DR. ASHUTOSH TEWARI AWARDED THE GOLDEN ROBOT SURGICAL AWARD FOR SURGICAL INNOVATION

Dr. Ashutosh Tewari, Chair of the Milton and Carroll Petrie Department of Urology at Icahn Mount Sinai, has been distinguished with the inaugural Golden Robot Surgical Award for Excellence in Surgical Innovations. This prestigious accolade was presented at the International Prostate Cancer Symposium and World Congress of Urologic Oncology in Mount Sinai, acknowledging his groundbreaking work in robotic-assisted surgery for prostate cancer treatment.

The symposium, a renowned gathering in the medical community, attracted over 500 participants, including 90 experts from more than 20 countries, focusing on advancements in urologic cancer care. This award not only recognizes Dr. Tewari's exceptional contributions but also underscores the importance of pioneering efforts in the realm of urology, particularly in advancing patient care.

Source: ITV Gold, December 2023

Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SJPsz7hmo4s>

DR. AMRITPAL SINGH HUNGIN KNIGHTED IN 2024 NEW YEAR HONOURS BY KING CHARLES III

Dr. Amritpal Singh Hungin, Emeritus Professor of General Practice at Newcastle University, has been knighted by King Charles III in the 2024 New Year Honours.

This honor recognizes Dr. Hungin's significant contributions to medicine, highlighting his over 30 years of experience in general practice and his role as the founding Dean of Medicine at Durham University. Additionally, Dr. Hungin's service as a former president of the British Medical Association (BMA) further exemplifies his impactful career in the healthcare sector.



Source: ABP Live, 30/12/2023

Link: <https://news.abplive.com/news/world/british-sikh-senior-medical-professional-among-king-charles-iii-in-2024-new-year-honours-30-indian-origin-professionals-1653225>

DR. POONAM KHETRAPAL SINGH AWARDED BHUTAN'S NATIONAL ORDER OF MERIT GOLD MEDAL

Former IAS officer Dr. Poonam Khetrपाल Singh, WHO South-East Asia regional director, has received Bhutan's National Order of Merit Gold Medal for her significant contributions to the nation's healthcare.

Bhutan's King Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuk honored Dr. Khetrपाल Singh during the 116th National Day celebration in Thimphu.

Her efforts led to milestones in healthcare, including Bhutan's early elimination of measles and rubella and successful COVID-19 vaccination.

Source: *The Hindunstan Times, 19/12/2023*

Link: <https://www.hindustantimes.com/cities/chandigarh-news/bhutan-top-honour-for-former-punjab-cadre-ias-officer-dr-khetrapal-101702927468915.html>



PLASTIC SURGEON DR. ATUL SHAH HONORED WITH GAME-CHANGING INNOVATOR AWARD AT COP28

Dr. Atul Shah, a pioneering plastic surgeon, has been recognized with the Game-Changing Innovator award at COP28 for his remarkable contributions to addressing foot ulcers and patient isolation among individuals affected by leprosy. His innovative self-care kit has had a significant impact, empowering people suffering from leprosy across India. At the recent UN Climate Change COP-23 in Dubai, Dr. Shah received the 2023 REACH (Recognizing Excellence Around Champions of Health) Game Changing Innovator award, recognizing him as an unsung hero of global health.

The award ceremony took place at the Reaching the Last Mile Forum during COP28's Health Day.

Dr. Shah was selected from a pool of 800 applicants and 15 finalists in the Game Changer Innovations category. The Comprehensive Self-Care kit, of which he is a founding member, addresses the critical issues of foot ulcers and patient isolation by providing dressing materials to leprosy patients.

Source: *The Indian Express, 13/12/ 2023*

Link: <https://indianexpress.com/article/india/surgeon-dr-atul-shah-game-changing-innovator-award-cop28-9064978/>





DR. PREM REDDY HONORED WITH HEALTHCARE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Dr. Prem Reddy, Chairman, President and CEO of Prime Healthcare, has been awarded the Healthcare Lifetime Achievement Award by the Indo-American Chamber of Commerce - USA.

This prestigious recognition was presented during a ceremony in Farmington Hills, attended by Michigan Governor Whitmer and other dignitaries. The award honors Dr. Reddy's visionary leadership and his significant contributions to healthcare, including his work with Garden City Hospital in Michigan and Lake Huron Medical Center in Port Huron.

Source: Arab American News, 9/12/2023

Link: <https://arabamericannews.com/2023/09/12/visionary-dr-prem-reddy-recognized-with-healthcare-lifetime-achievement-award/>

DR. P.C. RATH APPOINTED PRESIDENT OF CARDIOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF INDIA

Cardiologist Dr. P.C. Rath has been appointed as the president of the Cardiological Society of India (CSI) for the year 2023-2024. This significant role was conferred upon him at the annual conference of the CSI held in Kolkata on December 9. In his tenure as president, Dr. Rath will play a crucial role in coordinating with various State branches and international cardiological societies.

Additionally, he will be instrumental in collaborating with the Government of India and State governments to develop and implement healthcare policies. This leadership position marks a significant milestone in Dr. Rath's distinguished career in cardiology.

Source: The Hindu, 12/12/2023

Link: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/telangana/pc-rath-takes-charge-as-csi-president/article67628026.ece>





DR. SUDHIR SRIVASTAVA DEVELOPS AFFORDABLE 'MADE IN INDIA' SURGICAL ROBOT

Dr. Sudhir Srivastava, a pioneer in robotic surgery, has made a significant breakthrough in healthcare with the development of a 'Made in India' surgical robot.

This innovation aims to make robotic surgeries more affordable, thereby enhancing the accessibility of advanced healthcare services.

Dr. Srivastava's creation stands as a testament to his commitment to improving surgical methods and making quality healthcare available to a wider population.

Source: The Better India , 14/12/2023

Link: <https://www.thebetterindia.com/336026/dr-sudhir-srivastava-made-in-india-surgical-robot-cheaper-surgeries-affordable-healthcare-video/>

DR. SATENDRA SINGH AWARDED NATIONAL ANNUAL AWARD FOR MEDICAL HUMANITIES 2023

Dr. Satendra Singh, Director Professor of Physiology at the University College of Medical Sciences (UCMS) and Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital, has received the prestigious National Annual Award for Medical Humanities 2023. This award, initiated by former MGM Indore professor Apoorva Pauranik, recognizes the integration of humanities into medical education.

Dr. Singh, leading the health humanities group at UCMS, has championed inclusivity by establishing the first humanities journal tailored for the Asian cultural context. He successfully integrated disability rights into India's medical curriculum and advocated ethical healthcare practices, including the ban on unnecessary surgeries on intersex

children in non-emergency situations in Delhi.

Furthermore, Dr. Singh has been a vocal proponent of accommodating learners with disabilities in health education, training, and practice, promoting a more accessible and inclusive healthcare environment.



Source: Medical Dialogues, 19/12/2023

Link: <https://medicaldialogues.in/news/health/doctors/ucms-professor-dr-satendra-singh-conferred-national-annual-award-for-medical-humanities-2023-121792>

DR. SANJAY KULKARNI INTRODUCES REVOLUTIONARY REZUM THERAPY AT UROKUL HOSPITAL

Dr. Sanjay Kulkarni, founder of UroKul Hospital and president of the Urological Society of India, has introduced a groundbreaking treatment for prostate gland issues known as Rezum therapy.

This innovative procedure, an alternative to traditional surgery, is minimally invasive and offers significant benefits in terms of cost, recovery time, and preservation of sexual function. Rezum therapy, in contrast, involves using water vapor therapy to dissolve enlarged prostate tissue, without the need for surgery. This outpatient procedure, performed under local anesthesia, takes approximately 10 minutes, and patients can return home on the same day after a short observation period. A small catheter is left in place for five to seven days,

Source: *The Indian Express, 22/12/2023*

Link: <https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/pune/urokul-hospital-performs-prostate-gland-treatment-with-rezum-therapy-9078370/>



NOTED SURGEONS DR. P RAGHU RAM AND DR. K PATTABHIRAMAIAH HONORED WITH ASI LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Distinguished breast cancer surgeon and the founder of KIMS-Ushalakshmi Centre for Breast Diseases, Dr. P Raghu Ram, along with renowned surgeon from Vijayawada and founder of Kamineni Clinics, Dr. K Pattabhiramaiah, have been awarded the prestigious ASI Lifetime Achievement Awards during the annual conference of the Association of Surgeons of India (ASI).

The awards were presented to these esteemed surgeons by former Vice President Venkaiah Naidu.



Source: *Telangana Today, 13/12/2023*

Link: <https://telanganatoday.com/hyderabad-noted-surgeons-conferred-asi-lifetime-achievement-awards>

**DR. PRAMOD TRIPATHI HONORED BY INTERNATIONAL
DIABETES FEDERATION EXPERTS FOR REVOLUTIONARY
DIABETES APPROACH**

Dr. Pramod Tripathi, founder of Freedom From Diabetes (FFD), was recently celebrated at 'Muktotsav - The Festival of Freedom', an event organized by FFD. Esteemed members of the International Diabetes Federation (IDF), including Dr. Banshi Saboo, Dr. Peter Schwarz, and Padma Shri Dr. Shashank Joshi, commended Dr. Tripathi for his remarkable work in diabetes remission and prevention. Dr. Tripathi's program has notably aided over 15,000 diabetics in becoming independent from insulin and medications, making a significant impact in the fight against diabetes.



Source: Indian Express, 29/12/2023

Link: <https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/pune/pune-doctor-lauded-work-diabetes-remission-9087829/>



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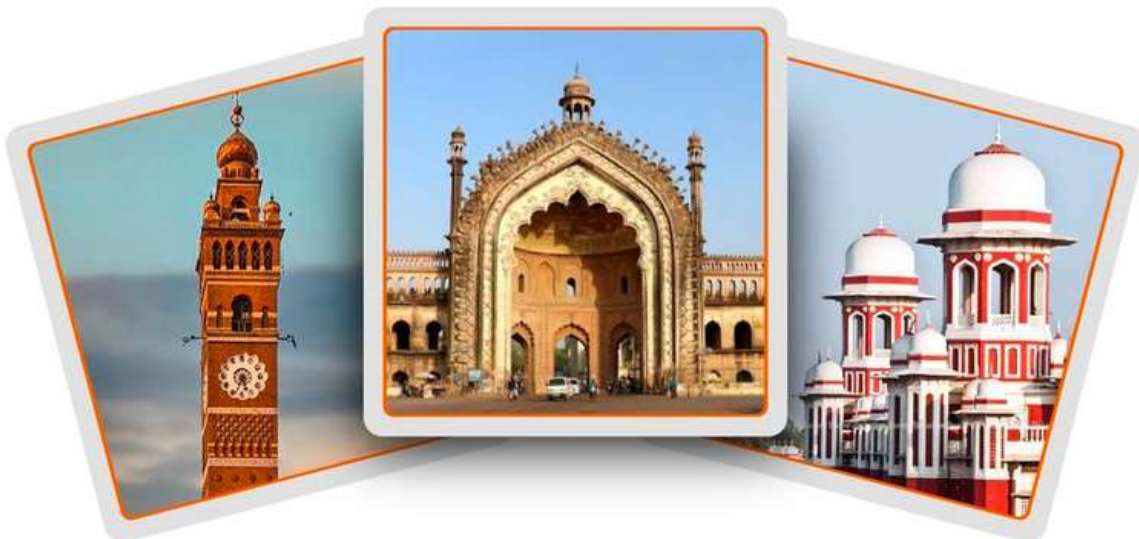
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