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DIGITAL OUTREACH PARTNER



Dr. Pranati Dharmesh Shah, a resident in internal medicine at Loma Linda University, California, has been selected as the recipient of the prestigious 2025 David Susser Award by the American College of Osteopathic Internists (ACOI). She will be formally recognized at the ACOI 2025 Annual Meeting in Marco Island, Florida this October.

The award, established in memory of Dr. David Susser, honors a resident or fourth-year medical student who exemplifies excellence in clinical care, ethical practice, resilience, and community service—values that defined Dr. Susser's legacy as a pioneer in osteopathic internal medicine.



A graduate of Touro University Nevada College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Shah has distinguished herself through a series of academic and service accomplishments. In 2025 alone, she:

- Secured first place at the MOASC Oncology Summit,
- Was selected as one of two Research Scholars at Loma Linda University,
- Serves as Co-Team Lead at Health4TheWorld, offering free global medical education,
- Volunteers with Share a Smile USA, empowering women in rural India.

Her attending physician, Dr. Jonathan Min, noted: "Dr. Shah embodies the values of this award not in moments of convenience, but in the unseen, hard parts of medicine. She is a standout among her peers." Dr. Shah expressed her commitment to honoring the legacy of Dr. Susser through continued service, academic excellence, and impactful global health outreach.

Source: American College of Ostepathic Internists, 09/09/2025

Link: https://www.acoi.org/blog/acoi-recognizes-pranati-shah-do-2025-david-susser-award



DR. FAROOQ MANUR HONOURED WITH WORLD BOOK OF RECORDS (LONDON) AWARD AT BRITISH PARLIAMENT

Dr. Farooq Manur, founder of Manur Multispeciality Hospital, Kalaburagi, has been conferred the World Book of Records - London (International Edition) award in a ceremony held at the British Parliament (House of Commons). The award was presented by Lord Rami Ranger, MP, UK, in recognition of Dr. Manur's outstanding public service across Karnataka.

The award celebrates Dr. Manur's tireless community efforts in:

- Delivering free healthcare services to underserved populations
- Championing women and child welfare
- Spreading diabetes awareness and prevention
- Leading cleanliness advocacy campaigns
- Supporting educational development in rural Karnataka

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Manur said, "This is not just my achievement—it belongs to Kalyana Karnataka, to every patient, every student, every farmer, and every soul I've stood with."

Dr. Manur's grassroots initiatives have had a transformative impact on the lives of thousands in the Hyderabad-Karnataka region, making healthcare and education more accessible and inclusive.

His recognition on an international platform is a proud moment for Kalaburagi, Karnataka, and for the Indian medical fraternity committed to social responsibility.

Source: Instagram, 14/09/2025

Link:https://www.instagram.com/p/DOjayvdEhhS/





DR. DEVAUNSHI KAUL MAKES HISTORY AS FIRST WOMAN PRESIDENT OF FORDA

In a landmark moment for Indian medical leadership, **Dr. Devaunshi Kaul** from Safdarjung Hospital has been unanimously elected as the new President of the Federation of Resident Doctors' Association (FORDA) India—becoming the first woman ever to hold this prestigious position at the national level.

Dr. Kaul's historic election breaks a long-standing tradition of male leadership in India's premier resident doctors' body. A proud voice for gender equity, she emphasized that women are equally capable of excelling in leadership roles when given the opportunity. "This achievement is not just personal—it belongs to every woman aspiring to lead, and to those who paved the way before me," she said.



Reflecting on her journey, Dr. Kaul told TNIE, "It feels both humbling and a privilege. Women have had limited representation, not because we cannot lead, but because we are rarely given the chance. I hope this inspires more women to step forward."

She is also the first woman president of the Safdarjung Hospital RDA, reinforcing her trailblazing presence in the national medical fraternity. Her leadership vision includes fostering less aggressive, more inclusive governance, encouraging collaborative dialogue, and ensuring resilience and empathy guide association policy.

Source: Medical Dialogues, 25/09/2025

Link: https://medical dialogues. in/news/health/doctors/dr-devaunshi-kaul-makes-history-as-first-woman-president-of-forda-155863

DR. SUNIL GUPTA ELECTED NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF RSSDI

Eminent diabetologist Dr. Sunil Gupta has been elected National President of the Research Society for the Study of Diabetes in India (RSSDI) – the world's second-largest diabetes association.

This is the first time in 28 years a Nagpur-based expert has held this prestigious role. Dr. Gupta is known for his 30+ years of public awareness work, including the long-running 'Hello Diabetes' program and 'PregaTalk', a gestational diabetes initiative in 22 Indian languages.

He also led mass outreach via All India Radio for 25 years, and previously served as President of DIPSI. Dr. Gupta dedicated this honour to senior RSSDI members and his family.



Source: Times Of India , 10/09/2025

 $\label{link:https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/nagpur/dr-sunil-gupta-elected-national-president-of-research-society-for-the-study-of-diabetes-in-india/articleshow/123793921.cms$



11 INDIAN CARDIOLOGISTS FEATURED IN STANFORD UNIVERSITY'S LIST OF WORLD'S TOP 2% SCIENTISTS 2025

In a proud moment for Indian cardiology, 11 eminent Indian cardiologists have been recognized in the prestigious Stanford University - Elsevier list of the World's Top 2% Scientists for 2025, highlighting India's global influence in cardiovascular medicine and research.

Honorees include:

- Dr. Samin K. Sharma, Interventional Cardiologist, Mount Sinai (USA): Known for pioneering work in angioplasty, he has performed over 10,000 interventions and is a Padma Bhushan awardee.
- Dr. Tejas Patel, Chairman, Apex Heart Institute, Ahmedabad: A global authority in transradial interventions and robotics in cardiology.
- Dr. Ramakanta Panda, Vice Chairman, Asian Heart Institute, Mumbai: Renowned for high-risk cardiac surgery and complex bypass procedures.
- Dr. Ashok Seth, Chairman, Fortis Escorts Heart Institute, Delhi: Globally recognized for angioplasty advancements and recipient of Padma Shri & Padma Bhushan.
- Dr. Ajit Mullasari, Director, Cardiology, Madras Medical Mission, Chennai: Known for contributions to valvular heart disease research.
- Dr. Yugal K. Mishra, Chairman, Cardiac Sciences, Manipal Hospitals: A pioneer in robotic cardiac surgery and minimally invasive techniques.
- Dr. K. Sarat Chandra, Senior Consultant, Hyderabad: Recognized for academic contributions and public health cardiology.
- Dr. Balram Bhargava, Former Director General, ICMR: Led national efforts in cardiology and biomedical device development.
- Dr. Upendra Kaul, Chairman, Batra Heart Centre, Delhi: Celebrated educator and interventional cardiologist with decades of teaching and clinical leadership.
- Dr. V.K. Chopra, Fortis Delhi: A respected name in interventional cardiology and preventive cardiovascular care.
- Dr. Praveen Chandra, Medanta Medicity, Gurugram: Known for complex angioplasty procedures and innovative techniques.

Source: Medical Dialogues, 25/09/2025

Link:https://medicaldialogues.in/news/health/doctors/14-indian-cardiologists-doctors-get-recognised-in-stanford-university-2025-list-of-worlds-top-2-scientists-155878





DR. ABHAY BANG, DR. RANI BANG & DR. NAVEEN THACKER HONOURED WITH GATES FOUNDATION'S GOALKEEPERS CHAMPIONS AWARD 2025

Dr. Abhay Bang, Dr. Rani Bang, and Dr. Naveen Thacker have been conferred the prestigious Goalkeepers Champions Award 2025 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, recognizing their pioneering work in community-driven healthcare, women's health, and paediatrics.

Founders of SEARCH (Society for Education, Action and Research in Community Health), Dr. Abhay and Dr. Rani Bang were honoured for their transformative initiatives in Gadchiroli, Maharashtra—one of India's most underserved districts. Their work, grounded in community engagement and low-cost public health interventions, has led to lasting impact:

- 60% reduction in malaria through bed nets, spraying, and medications.
- Groundbreaking research showing 92% of rural women had untreated gynaecological issues, reshaping global women's health policies post the 1994 Cairo Summit.
- Their model inspired the ASHA programme (launched in 2005) and is now replicated across India, Nepal, Bangladesh, Pakistan, and several African nations.

SEARCH's Ma Danteshwari Tribal Hospital in Shodhgram is architecturally designed to reflect tribal values, incorporating huts, temples, and cultural spaces to promote trust and accessibility.

Dr. Naveen Thacker, renowned paediatrician and public health leader, was also awarded for his contributions to polio eradication, post-earthquake healthcare rebuilding in Gujarat (2001), and his tenure as Executive Director of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics. His work continues to shape national child health policies.

This recognition reaffirms the global leadership of Indian physicians in advancing equitable healthcare through innovation, community integration, and evidence-based public health.

Source: The Hindu, 27/09/2025

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Dr. Abhay and Dr. Rani Bang



Dr. Naveen Thacker



NRI DOCTORS DR. ARUN & DR. ANJANA PATEL CONFERRED WITH DAAN BHASKAR AWARD FOR LIFESAVING CARDIAC CT SCANNER DONATION IN GUJARAT

USA-based Indian-origin physicians **Dr. Arun Dahyabhai Patel and Dr. Anjana Arun Patel**, natives of Changa village in Anand district, were conferred the 37th Daan Bhaskar Award by the CHARUSAT Trust in recognition of their philanthropic contribution of ₹3.15 crore towards setting up an advanced Cardiac CT Scanner Centre at CHARUSAT Hospital.

Inaugurated as the "Dr. Arun Dahyabhai Patel & Dr. Anjana Arun Patel (Changa/USA) CT Scan Centre", the facility houses India's first uCT 550 - 80 Slice Cardiac CT Scanner, capable of Coronary Artery Calcium Scoring and CT Angiography, revolutionizing early detection of heart blockages and preventive cardiac care in the Charotar region.

"This award is an honour for us. With timely diagnosis, lives can be saved. We envision building a Centre of Excellence with angiogram, angioplasty, and bypass facilities," said Dr. Arun Patel, who has been practising in California for over 34 years.

The award function was presided over by Surendrabhai Patel, President, Kelavani Mandal - CHARUSAT. A commemorative book titled "CHARUSAT Sanhita", chronicling 53 past awardees, was also released. The Daan Bhaskar Award honors individuals making lasting contributions in education, healthcare, and social upliftment, and the Patels' initiative is hailed as a milestone in strengthening rural heart care infrastructure.

Source: The Indian Express, 26/09/2025

Link:https://indianexpress.com/article/cities/ahmedabad/gujarat-nri-doctors-conferred-with-daan-bhaskar-award-10273614/





11 INDIAN ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEONS FEATURED IN STANFORD UNIVERSITY'S LIST OF WORLD'S TOP 2% SCIENTISTS 2025

In a remarkable recognition of Indian clinical and academic excellence, 11 eminent Indian orthopaedic surgeons have been featured in the prestigious Stanford University-Elsevier list of the World's Top 2% Scientists 2025.

The distinguished Indian orthopaedic surgeons include:

- **Dr. Raju Vaishya**, Senior Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Indraprastha Apollo Hospital, New Delhi A pioneer in AI-based orthopaedics and cartilage repair.
- Dr. Anil Arora, Chairman, Department of Orthopaedics, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital Known for expertise in complex joint replacement.
- Dr. B Shivashankar, Consultant Spine Surgeon, MIOT International Recognized for spinal deformity correction.
- Dr. Sudhir Kapoor, Former Dean & Head of Orthopaedics, Maulana Azad Medical College Veteran academician and AO Foundation leader.
- Dr. Ashok Shyam, Director, Indian Orthopaedic Research Group Lauded for driving open-access orthopaedic education and innovation.
- Dr. Rajesh Malhotra, Former Head, Orthopaedics, AIIMS Delhi Globally known for joint reconstruction and infection research.
- Dr. Vivek Pandey, Associate Professor, Kasturba Medical College, Manipal Focus on shoulder surgery and sports injuries.
- Dr. S. Rajasekaran, Chairman, Ganga Hospital, Coimbatore Renowned for spinal surgery and translational research.
- Dr. Ramesh Sen, Former Head, PGIMER Chandigarh Expertise in trauma and implant research.
- Dr. Parag Sancheti, Chairman, Sancheti Institute, Pune Innovator in joint replacement and sports medicine.
- Dr. Hitesh Shah, Consultant Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgeon, Mumbai Recognized for work in cerebral palsy and congenital deformities.

This global recognition underscores India's emergence as a hub of excellence in orthopaedics, backed by sustained clinical outcomes, robust academic output, and ethical innovation.

Source: Medical Dialogues, 22/09/2025

 $\textbf{\textit{Link}: https://medical dialogues.in/news/health/doctors/14-indian-orthopaedicians-get-recognised-in-stanford-university-2025-list-of-worlds-top-2-scientists-155690}$





DR. GAYATRI GOGOI AWARDED PATENT FOR LOW-COST BREAST SELF-EXAMINATION MODEL

Dr. Gayatri Gogoi, a noted breast cancer researcher and Associate Professor at Assam Medical College and Hospital (AMCH), Dibrugarh, has been awarded a design patent by the Government of India for developing an affordable Breast Self-Examination (BSE) demonstration model aimed at enhancing early detection and breast cancer awareness in rural India.

Crafted from simple, eco-friendly materials like cotton cloth and wool, the model costs only ₹150 and is mounted on a small plywood base for portability. Designed with ASHA workers and ANMs in mind, it empowers health workers to teach self-examination techniques effectively—even in semi-urban and rural areas with limited access to mammography.



Awarded Patent No. 395195-001, the model addresses the critical need for cost-effective and culturally sensitive breast cancer screening tools. Tata Memorial Hospital's earlier success in training frontline health workers has shown the impact such grassroots tools can have.

Supported by Assam Medical College and Pratishruti Cancer and Palliative Trust, Dr. Gogoi's model has the potential to revolutionize early detection and bridge a major healthcare gap—saving lives and reducing the burden of late-stage breast cancer in India.

Source: Medical Dialogues, 10/09/2025

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DR. RAJESH DAVÉ HONOURED WITH UPSTATE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY'S PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Dr. Rajesh Davé, Indian-American physician and educator, has been awarded the President's Award for Distinguished Service by Upstate Medical University, Syracuse, New York. The award was presented during the Fall Faculty Convocation on September 10, 2025, in recognition of his nearly three decades of leadership in medical education, clinical integration, and community health.

Dr. Davé has served for 28 years as Dean for Undergraduate Medical Education at Upstate's Binghamton Clinical Campus, where he mentors third- and fourth-year medical students.

He is also Chief Medical Officer and Executive VP of Clinical Integration at United Health Services (UHS), overseeing hospitals and physician groups across Binghamton. Board-certified in Pediatrics and Neonatology, he completed his medical education at Bombay University, with postgraduate training in Pennsylvania and Philadelphia, and holds an MBA from Binghamton University. Dr. Davé also serves on several regional health and community boards.

Source: American Bazaar, 17/09/2025

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DR. RAGHU RAM PILLARISETTI CONFERRED HONORARY FRCS BY ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW

Dr. Raghu Ram Pillarisetti, Founder Director of the KIMS-Ushalakshmi Centre for Breast Diseases, Hyderabad, has been conferred the prestigious Honorary FRCS (Glasgow) by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow (RCPSG)-becoming the youngest South Asian surgeon to receive this honour.

Already an FRCS (Glasgow) by examination in 1997, Dr. Pillarisetti now holds the rare distinction of being the only surgeon globally to receive both the FRCS by exam and the Honorary Fellowship from the same College.

The award was presented on September 10, 2025, at the historic College Hall in Glasgow, in recognition of Dr. Pillarisetti's transformative contributions to breast cancer care in India, including:

- Establishing South Asia's first comprehensive breast health centre.
- Leading India's largest population-based breast cancer screening initiative across Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.
- Founding the Association of Breast Surgeons of India, South Asia's only dedicated professional body for breast surgeons.

Addressing the gathering, RCPSG President Prof. Hany Etiba praised Dr. Pillarisetti's "visionary leadership and lifelong dedication to advancing breast cancer awareness and care for millions."

Dr. Pillarisetti has previously been honoured with:

- Padma Shri
- Dr. B.C. Roy Award
- Honorary Fellowships from all three UK Surgical Royal Colleges
- Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (OBE), 2020
- International Gold Medal (RCSEd), 2013

Expressing his gratitude, Dr. Pillarisetti said, "I dedicate this honour to my family, patients, and my motherland."

His journey reflects the highest standards of service, surgical excellence, and global collaboration in breast health advocacy.

Source: Medical Dialogues, 12/09/2025

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DR. S. VETRIVEL CHEZIAN APPOINTED INTERNATIONAL ADVISOR TO ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW

Dr. S. Vetrivel Chezian, Director of the Institute of Orthopaedics and Traumatology at Coimbatore Medical College Hospital (CMCH), has been appointed as International Advisor for India by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow (RCPSG).

With 35 years of experience, Dr. Chezian received the official appointment confirmation from John Scott FRCS, Vice President (Surgical) and International Director of RCPSG. The three-year term will include a performance review after the first year.

As international advisor, Dr. Chezian will act as a key liaison between the College and its Indian members and fellows. His role will include promoting RCPSG programmes, supporting Indian medical graduates pursuing training in the UK, and enhancing international collaborations in orthopaedics and surgical education.



Dr. Chezian described the role as a vital link for Indian clinicians seeking global exposure and academic partnerships. His appointment has been widely celebrated as a moment of pride for Tamil Nadu and India.

Source: : The Hindu, 31/08/2025

Link: https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Coimbatore/royal-college-of-physicians-and-surgeons-of-glasgow-appoints-physicians-appoints-physicians-appointcoimbatore-doctor-as-international-advisor/article 69996730.ece













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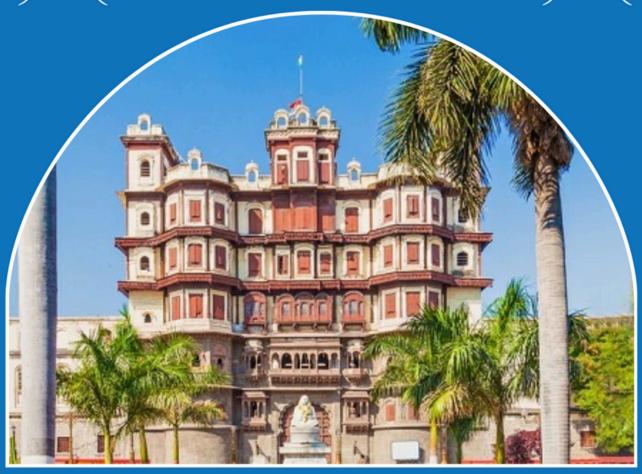
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