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## Message from the President

Dear Friends

Please accept warm wishes for all the forthcoming festival occasions. Knowledge of Pathology is advancing by leaps and bounds, particularly for the molecular basis of various tumors affecting different organ systems. With so much advancement, there is point being a 'Jack of all trades' especially in large Medical Institutes. Recognizing this, many of the Institutes have started fellow ship courses in various sub-specialties. We have been receiving communications to restrict the academic activities of the APCON with exclusion of certain areas such as hematology, blood banking and cytopathology, renal pathology. But we need to understand that APCON by and large caters to postgraduates who need to understand all specialties (which are all in the syllabus) and who may not be in position to attend all sub-specialty conferences. I do hope the APCON 2023 fulfils the aspirations of all post-graduates.



This year we achieved one more feather in cap that NMC has accepted our request as Pathology speciality is Clinical branch. NMC has removed "Para clinical" word from its Gazette. So we have achieved one stage but have to go long way to remove the stigma of "Para Clinical" from clinician's mind. Three cheers to IAPM.

All of us are now gearing up and looking forward to our APCON 2023 at AIIMS, New Delhi. Many of the instructions for the conference were uploaded on our IAPM website, long before they appeared in print. It is unfortunate that there is always a last minute rush for not only registering for the conference or uploading the abstracts, but even for IAPM membership! Each process takes a toll on the office-bearers' responsibilities. Please register for conference in large numbers and enjoy the academic feast.

**Dr. Sharada Rane**  
President

## Message from the Secretary

Dear Readers,

Greetings of the day. As we advance close to our main event APCON 2023 and also year-end, we carry with us a collection of achievements of the year and heavy preparations for the annual conference. A number of achievements have been accorded making our Association stronger and meaningful. National Medical Commission has accepted our representation led by Dr Sharada Rane (President IAPM), Dr Harendra Kumar (Treasurer IAPM), Dr Venkat Iyer (HOD, AIIMS) and myself by scrapping the term 'Paraclinical' from the subject of Pathology. It is an important milestone in the history of IAPM. Long live our Association. A good number of memberships have been received and all have been allotted their number as well. A record number of award papers have been received this year in all the four categories. After screening the best suitable applicants would be selected for the published paper as well as the presentation categories. However, I would like that since announcements of such prestigious awards are made much in advance, the interested candidates should apply well within the time frame mentioned. Last minute submission leads to a number of mistakes and errors.



The detailed scientific programme of APCON 2023 is being published in this news bulletin. We have tried to cover all the subspecialties of pathology in different scientific sessions. I request that all postgraduates and young faculties should attend the breakfast sessions, which deals with informal discussions with the experts. This entails the Meet the Professor theme followed in International Conferences. I am definitely sure that the delegates would benefit immensely by this rich blend of knowledge and skill.

Teamwork requires a constellation of ideas and a group of dedicated individuals who work selflessly for the upliftment of the Association. I request all the younger and enthusiastic members to come forward and volunteer themselves for different activities of IAPM. The IAPM Executive body is always ready to help and is also easily approachable. In case of any genuine difficulty do not hesitate to contact us.

Long Live IAPM!

Jai Hind!

**Dr. Ranjan Agrawal**

Hony. Secretary, IAPM

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1- Applications are invited from interested Life Members of IAPM of at least 5 Years standing for various Scientific Sessions during APCON 2024 to be held at SCB Medical College, Cuttack – Dr Gaya Prasad Memorial Symposium, Dr. Usha Hardas Infectious Disease Symposium and, 18 Parallel CMEs.
- 2- Nominations from various active and recognised Chapters of IAPM are invited for the prestigious Dr. C I Jhala Oration for 2024. The guidelines are available in the IAPM Byelaws on the IAPM website.
- 3- Travel Grants: Available for Postgraduate students (Details available in the IAPM Byelaws 2022 on the IAPM website). All Postgraduates can avail of this grant.
- 4- Noninations are invited from Institutes/chapters to conduct UG Quiz. Details are available in the IAPM Byelaws.

All Life Members of IAPM can download their Identity Card and Membership Certificate themselves from the official IAPM website.

### Steps to download:

1. Login to IAPM website (<https://www.iapm.org.in/>)
2. On the main page click on Member Login.
3. User ID is your Life Membership number with no space in between (eg. L1234).
4. If you remember your password fill that or else click on forgot password.
5. After password recovery you will reach your profile page, where you can make any changes if required.
6. Click on downloads and your Identity Card and Membership Certificate will be visible.
7. You can save it to your Computer / Mobile / Tablet or take a printout.

## *Joint Secretary's Report: July- September 2023*

### **Tamil Nadu and Puducherry Chapter:**

The Annual conference of the Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry Chapter of IAPM(TNPCIAPM), TAPCON 2023 was hosted by the Department of Pathology, Christian Medical College, Vellore on the 21st and 22nd of July 2023 at Scudder Auditorium, Vellore. This event was preceded by 4 half-day workshops on the 20th of July on FISH, PCR, Coagulation and Transplant Immunology.

The conference topics included Haematopathology, Uropathology, Nephropathology, Clinical Pathology and Transfusion Medicine. National and international experts in the field delivered talks and presented cases. One of the highlights of the conference was a very interesting session comprising a potpourri of cases presented by facilities from various institutions in Tamil Nadu. An interesting quiz competition was organized.

The conference was well attended by both students and faculty members. A large number of posters were also presented.



### **Kerala Chapter:**

Activities done by IAPM, Kerala in the last 2 months. We have conducted two day (26th and 27th of July 2023.) Webinar on "Pathology of Lung, Pleura, Mediastinum". Six sessions were held. 300 plus delegates participated directly in the zoom and another 400 in you tube live. A press conference for urgently implementing Clinical establishment bill without dilution was also organized.



### **Maharashtra Chapter:**

Mid Term CME of Maharashtra Chapter of Indian Association of Pathologist & Microbiologist (MC-IAPM) was organised by the department of Pathology AIIMS, Nagpur and Vidarbha Association of Pathologist and Microbiologist on 8th & 9th July 2023 at AIIMS, Nagpur. The mini-conference was on "Core" issues in Pathology and was attended by 180 delegates.

Dr.Tanuja Shet and Dr. Trupti Pai, Dr. Nalini Bansal, Dr. Rajan Duggal, Dr. Jasmita Das and Dr. Neeraj Arora enlightened the delegates on issue related to core biopsies of breast, lung, liver, prostate, bone marrow and molecular techniques. The highlight of the conference was interactive slide viewing sessions and case-based problem-solving presentations. A total number of 74 papers were presented. This academic feast was inaugurated by Dr. Hanumantha Rao, Executive Director & CEO AIIMS, Nagpur, Dr. Shubhangi Agale Chairperson MC-IAPM, Dr.Mrunal Phatak, Dean Academics, Dr. Prashant Joshi, Office on Special Duty, Dr. Manish Shrigiriwar, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Rasika Gadkari Chairperson, Organising Committee and Dr. Shehnazz Chimthanwala President VAPM.

### **Andhra Pradesh Chapter**

The 5th Annual IAPM Conference of AP Chapter was meticulously organised by department of Pathology, NRI Medical College, Chinakakani, Guntur, under the leadership of Dr. I.V. Renuka. A pre-conference CME session on September 15, 2023, followed by a two-day conference on September 16th and 17th 2023 was organised. The conference had 382 registrations for the CME and 428 registrations for the main conference.

On 15'th September CME program was inaugurated by the honorable Vice Chancellor of YSR University of Health Sciences, Dr. Korukonda Babjib and was graced Vice president and secretary of AP Chapter, Dr M.Rajani and Dr E Kiran kumar respectively. Renowned experts in gastrointestinal pathology, including Dr. Shantveer Uppin from NIMS Hyderabad, Dr. Satish Rao from KIMS Hyderabad, and Dr. Anuradha Sekaran from the Asian Institute of



Gastroenterology Hyderabad, delivered captivating presentations. Shri. Vishnuvardhan Rao, the Administrator of NRI Academy of Sciences, graced the occasion as the chief guest.

On September 16th, the conference commenced with the 'Young Scientist Award paper' where eight groundbreaking research papers were presented. Dr. Sundaram Challa, from the Basavataarakam Indo American Cancer Hospital, was honored with the esteemed Dr. C. S. Ratnaraju and Smt. C. Vasanta Devi Memorial Oration. She delivered a captivating oration on "Biomarkers of Adenocarcinoma: Therapeutic Implications". Dr. PAV Krishnamacharyulu, retired professor of Pathology received the prestigious Shankar Banerjee Award. Ten scholars presented their research work for the Postgraduate Award Paper Presentation session. A total of 80 papers were received. The Proffered Paper Presentation sessions had a total of 69 papers.

On 17th September a Postgraduate Quiz was held. Dr. Bharat Rekhi of Tata Memorial Hospital received the prestigious Dr. Digumatri Sundarasiva Rao Centenary Oration in tumor pathology and delivered a talk on "Soft Tissue Tumors". The Atchyuta Narayana Memorial Symposium on Updates in the Female Genital Tract had presentations by four eminent speakers: Dr. Bharat Rekhi (Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai), Dr. Meenakshi Swain (Apollo Hospital, Hyderabad), Dr. Harveen Kaur (Basavataarakam Indo American Cancer Hospital, Hyderabad), and Dr. Rukmangadha (SVIMS Tirupati).

The Senior Faculty Award Paper and Josyula Satyanarayana Narasamma memorial trust [JSNMT] private Consultant Award paper sessions were conducted, recognizing excellence in research and clinical practice. In the Slide Seminar Discussion, 14 colleges presented intriguing cases.



### UP Chapter:

"UP PATHCON 2023" the XXX Annual Conference of UP Chapter of IAPM was hosted by Department of Pathology, Sarojini Naidu Medical College Agra on 30th September and 01st October' 2023. Conference was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor of Dr BR Ambedkar University, Agra Prof Ashu Rani along with Guest of Honor Dr. Sharada Rane, IAPM President and Dr. Prashant Gupta, Principal, SN Medical College Agra. Dr Ranjan Agrawal, Secretary IAPM was a special invitee. Conference souvenir was released. Former Principal, SNMC Agra and one of the senior most Pathologist Prof V. L. Lahiri was awarded with "Life Time Achievement Award" for her significant contributions in the field of Pathology. Dr Kalpana Singh and Dr Atul Gupta were awarded with Dr B. Lahiri memorial award. Dr. Harendra Kumar (Org. Secretary), Dr. Pooja Agarwal (Org. Chairperson), Dr. Garima Dubey (Org. Co-Chairperson) organised the event successfully. No event manager was involved during the Conference Eminent speakers included Dr. Vatsala Misra, Dr. Sharada Rane, Dr. Nuzhat Husain, Dr. M C. Sharma, Dr. Santosh Menon, Dr Chandralekha Tampi, Dr. Atul Gupta; Dr. Neeraj Kumari, Dr. Varuna Mallya, Dr. Shramana Mandal, Dr. Abhishek Purohit, Dr. Neha Mittal, Dr. Nalini Bansal and Dr. Meenaksh. Batrani. More than 500 delegates registered for the conference. There were 205 presentations (102 oral & 103 posters) including 10 Interesting case presentations by faculty members.



Among the Oral paper presentations, the winners included Dr Sumeet Narain (1st; SGPGI, Lucknow), Dr Krachee Agarwal (2nd; KGMU Lucknow) Dr Nagma Parveen (3rd; SNMC Agra) and, Dr Neha Sharma (3rd; VMMC, New Delhi). In poster presentations first prize went to Dr Anupam of RMLIMS Lucknow, second prize to Dr Divya Uttam, SVMCM Saharanpur & third prize was shared by Dr Prachi Choudhary of SGPGI Lucknow & Dr Deebea Khan of JNMC Aligarh. Total 12 teams participated in the Quiz conducted by Dr Ranjan Agrawal with Dr Surabhi Pandey and Dr Vibhuti Goel. The winners included KGMU, Lucknow, followed by MLN Medical College, Prayagraj and, S.N. Medical College, Agra. Senior resident of SNMC Agra Dr Pooja Dwivedi displayed her beautiful handmade paintings.

## 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of IAPM & IAP-ID

### 6-10 December 2023

Venue: JLN Auditorium, AIIMS, New Delhi

### APCON 2023 Scientific Schedule

**6<sup>th</sup> December Pre-conference CMEs & Workshops (WEDNESDAY)**

**7<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – IAP-ID (THURSDAY)**

6:30 PM onwards	<b>IAPM Inauguration, Award distribution &amp; Dinner</b>
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**8<sup>th</sup> December 2023 (FRIDAY)**

Time			
8.00 - 9.00 AM	REGISTRATION		
08.00 - 09.00 AM	Parallel Breakfast	I	
	Round Table	Avenues/ scopes after PG in Pathology	Round Table
		Dr. Harendra Kumar	
		II	
		Research Ethics and Plagiarism in Academic Research	Round Table
		Dr. Nitesh Mohan Agarwal	
		III	
		Preparing for the MD Pathology Exams- Do's and Don't's	Round Table
		Dr. Kachnar Varma	
		IV	
		Chatbots and Pathology	Round Table
		Dr. Vijay Shankar	
		V	
		Green initiatives in Laboratories	Round Table
		Dr Mukesh Agrawal	
		VI	
		Quality Awareness in Haematology	Round Table
		Dr Rakhee Kar	
09.00 - 9.15 AM		BUFFER TIME	
09.15 - 10.15 AM	HALL A ORATION	Dr BK Aikat Oration Dr Sharada Rane – President IAPM Topic : Pathologist fishing in the sea of infections	
10.15 - 12.00 PM	HALL A Plenary Session	Dr KC Basu Mallick Award Papers and Dr KS Ratnakar Best Paper Award Presentations	

12.00 - 12.30 PM	HALL A Plenary Session	Invited Guest lecture: Dr Tristan Rutland, Pathologist, Liverpool Hospital Topic – “The Good, The Bad and the unsure”										
12:30-1:00 PM	HALL A Plenary Session	Professional Ethics and Misconduct for Laboratory Physicians and Implications DMC Representatives										
12.30 - 01.45 PM	POSTER EVALUATION (Slotwise) AND LUNCH											
1:45-2:00 PM	Buffer Time											
Parallel CME	HALL B		HALL C		HALL D		HALL E		HALL F		HALL G	
02.00 - 03.15 PM	NEURO Pathology	Approach to diagnosis of common CNS tumors: Morphology to molecular update	G.I. Pathology	Appendicular neoplasms	HEAD & NECK Pathology	Salivary gland lesions - tips, tricks and traps	PANCREATIC Pathology	Cystic lesions of Pancreas	HAEMATO PATHOLOGY	Flowcytometry in Diagnosis of Acute Leukemia: Case Based Learning	Digital Pathology	Photography in Pathology / Digital Imaging in Pathology
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Yookarin Khonglah</li><li>• Megha Uppin</li><li>• Vaishali Suri</li><li>• Nandeesh B</li><li>• Kavita Mardi</li><li>• Kirti Gupta</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Rachana Chaturvedi</li><li>• Dr Roopa Rachel Paulose</li><li>• Dr Mukta Ramadwar</li><li>• Dr Rajni Yadav</li><li>• Dr Garima Durga</li><li>• Dr Anila Sharma</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Sandhya Sundaram</li><li>• Pampa Chi Toi</li><li>• Poonam Ehlence</li><li>• Asaranti Kar</li><li>• Priyatheshini N</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Chandralekha Tampi</li><li>• Nalini Bansal</li><li>• Paromita Roy</li><li>• Roopa Paulose</li><li>• Harpreet Kaur</li><li>• Nevitha Athikari</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Mili Jain</li><li>• Dr Ruchi Gupta</li><li>• Dr Jasmita Dass</li><li>• Dr Rakhee Kar</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Saranya Singaravel</li><li>• Vijay Shankar</li><li>• Ranjan Agrawal</li><li>• Aditya D Kulkarn</li></ul>
03.15 - 03.30 PM			BUFFER TIME / TEA TIME									
PM												

03.30-04.45PM	RENAL Pathology	<p>Pattern based approach to renal diseases for a standardized kidney biopsy report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Srinivas BH</li> <li>Dr Ritambhara Nada</li> <li>Dr Vinita Agrawal</li> <li>Dr Pallav Gupta</li> </ul>	ONCO PATHOLOGY	<p>Solid tumour profiling - Its role in targeted therapy and immunotherapy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Anju Shukla</li> <li>Dr Deepali Jain</li> <li>Dr Paromita Roy</li> </ul>	MGT	<p>Update on paratesticular Lesions - An Often-Overlooked Pathology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Jyotsna Naresh Bharti</li> <li>Dr Tarun Kumar</li> <li>Dr Seema Kaushal</li> <li>Jitendra Singh Nigam</li> </ul>	GYNAECOLOGIC Pathology	<p>Pitfalls and pearls in Gynaecological Pathology - A case based approach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Divya Midha</li> <li>Dr Bharat Rekhi</li> <li>Dr Sandeep Mathur</li> <li>Dr Nalini Gupta</li> <li>Dr Lateef Ahmad</li> </ul>	DERMATOPATHOLOGY	<p>Skin Appendageal Tumours: Hair-Raising but Don't Sweat Over These Tumours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Biswajit Dey</li> <li>Dr. Uma Nahar Saikia</li> <li>Dr. Meera Thomas</li> <li>Dr. Sudheer Arava</li> <li>Dr. Subhra Dhar</li> </ul>	Digital Pathology	<p>Image analyses and Artificial intelligence in Pathology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Parikshit Sanyal</li> <li>Dr Pranab Dey</li> <li>Dr Rajiv K Kaushal</li> <li>Dr. Rajendra Singh</li> </ul>
04.45-06.00PM	Parallel Halls		PROFERRED PAPER PRESENTATIONS & REMAINING POSTERS									

## OFFICIAL MEETINGS

05.00 - 06.00 PM	Venue to be intimated	IJPM EDITORIAL BOARD MEETING
06.00 - 08.00 PM	Venue to be intimated	IAPM EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
08.00 PM onwards		DINNER

## 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2023 (SATURDAY)

Time												
8.00 - 9.00 AM	Parallel Breakfast	I		II		III		IV		V		VI
	Round Table	'Purchasing your sword': How to decide which microscope to buy and how to upgrade	Round Table	Understanding basics of genetics in Pathology	Round Table	Liquid Biopsy: Why, When and How?	Round Table	Troubleshooting in Haematology	Round Table	The pathology of Lymph Node enlargement – Benign aspect	Round Table	Application of FISH in solid tumours and setting up of a FISH lab. What a Pathologist should know
		Dr Preeti Agarwal		Dr Sambit K Mohanty		Dr Shyam Prakash		Dr Anil Handoo		Dr Avani Tiwari		Dr Sandeep Mathur

09.00 - 09.15 AM	BUFFER TIME											
09.15 - 10.15 AM	Dr Gaya Prasad Memorial Symposium Topic : Pathology of Parathyroid lesions: Diseases of Bones, Groans and Moans Dr Varsha Dhume Dr Vikas Kavishwar Dr Asawari Patil											
10.15 - 11.15 AM	ICP Oration Prof. Anna Pullimood Topic : The Quest for clinical relevance in my research journey in Pathology											
11:15- 11:30 AM	TEA BREAK											
11.30 AM - 12.30 PM	Haematology Debate: FAB vs. FABULOUS: Morphology to Molecular Moderator: Dr Tejinder Singh Dr DK Mishra Dr Debdatta Basu Dr Jasmita Dass											
12.30 - 01.00 PM	Guest lecture II By Dr Dhanpat Jain Topic – “The changing landscape of Cholangiocarcinoma”											
01.00 - 02.00 PM	POSTER EVALUATION AND LUNCH											
02.00 - 03.00 PM	Dr C I Jhala Oration Speaker : Dr Sangeeta Desai Topic : deus ex machina effect or moment in Histopathology?											
Parallel CME	HALL B		HALL C		HALL D		HALL E		HALL F		HALL G	
03.00 - 04.15 PM	Pulmonary Pathology	Updates in Pulmonary Pathology	Odontogenic Pathology	Contemporary approach and update on classification of Odontogenic tumours	Cytopathology Pathology	FNAC of Intraabdominal Space Occupying Lesions: Exploring the Next Generation Cytology	Reproductive Pathology	Sex Cord Abnormalities / Sexual ambiguities	Autopsy Pathology	Medical Autopsy is the strongest teaching tool in Medicine-justification through cases	Lab Medicine	Equipment and Instrumentation in Clinical Labs: Evolution and the future
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Amanjit Bal</li><li>• Dr Sharada Nagoti</li><li>• Dr Heena Maulek Desai</li><li>• Dr Suvradeep Mitra</li><li>• Dr. Ridhi Sood,</li><li>• Dr Kaniyappan Nambiar</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Varuna Mallya</li><li>• Asawari Patil</li><li>• Shramana Mandal</li><li>• Aparajita Mishra</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Nalini Gupta</li><li>• Rajni Yadav</li><li>• Pooja Bakshi</li><li>• Nuzhat Hussain</li><li>• Debasis Gochhai</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Suravi Mohanty</li><li>• Dr Uttara Chatterjee</li><li>• Dr Pragati Aditya Sathe</li><li>• Dr Kanishka Das</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Nandita Kakkar</li><li>• Dr. Kirti Gupta</li><li>• Dr. Pradeep Vaideeswar</li></ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Alok Ahuja</li><li>• Dr Parth Shah</li><li>• Dr Jyoti Kotiwal</li><li>• Dr Puneet Bhatia</li></ul>



04.15 - 06.00 PM		PROFERRED PAPERS & POSTER EVALUATION
06.00 - 08.00 PM	HALL A	IAPM GBM
08.00 PM onwards	Venue to be intimated	BANQUET DINNER
OFFICIAL MEETINGS		
04.30 - 05.30 PM	Venue to be intimated	ICP GBM

### 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2023 (SUNDAY)

Time	HALL A			
08.30 - 09.30 AM	Poster Award Session			
09.30 - 09.40 AM	BUFFER TIME			
09.40 - 10.40 AM	HALL A	<b>Anant Narayan Memorial Infectious Disease Symposium</b> <b>"Diagnostic Spectrum of Infections in the CNS - Conventional Histology to Molecular Advances "</b> <b>Dr Nuzhat Hussain</b> Dr Anita Mahadevan Dr B Ravikumar	HALL B	<b>Practicing Pathologist Session:</b> <b>Enhancing Diagnostic Accuracy and Quality in Resource – Limited Settings: Practical Approaches for Pathologists and Laboratory Medicine Professionals in India</b> <b>Dr Sachin Kale</b> Dr Ranjan Agrawal Dr. Dilip Kumar Dr. Sujay Prasad
10.40 - 11.40 AM	<b>Tamil Nadu Puducherry Chapter Oration</b> <b>Topic: <u>CHANGING SCENARIO OF GASTROINTESTINAL LESIONS</u></b> <b>Speaker: Dr Ezhilvizhi Alavanadar</b>			
11:40 – 12:00 AM	TEA BREAK			
12.00 AM - 01.00 PM	<b>APCON PG Quiz</b> <b>Moderator: Dr Aditya Agnihotri</b> Dr Anita P Javalgi Dr Ranjana Ranade Dr Basavaraj Y			
01.00 - 01.30 PM	Valedictory Function and Installation of New President			
01.30 PM onwards	LUNCH			

## InMemorium:

Dr. Janardan Mohanty was born on 21<sup>st</sup> June 1943 in Balasore. He did MBBS from VSS Medical College, Burla in 1967, internship in SCB Medical College, Cuttack in 1968 and MD Pathology in 1975 from Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi. Immediately after that he joined as Junior teacher in SCB Medical College, Cuttack in 1976 and worked in all the three Govt. Medical Colleges of Odisha in various capacities till 1999. Finally he joined AHRCC and became as Professor & HOD, Oncopathology, AHRCC, Cuttack (now known as AHPGIC) and retired in June, 2001.

As a teacher and professional, he was very popular and efficient and was liked by all. He also had tremendous organisational capacity and throughout his life had organised many conferences, CME and had worked efficiently for our association both at national and state levels. He was Chairman of Pathology Association of Odisha for several years and organised the 1<sup>st</sup> State Pathology Conference at Burla in 1982. He remained Joint Secretary, IAPM HQ for six years from 1986-1992 and did many developmental works in HQ including building construction and fund raising. He became Vice-President of IAPM in 2002. He was a brilliant academician and was a guest speaker in several conferences, slide seminars, conducted symposia and has received many awards for his contribution including some from AHRCC also. He was recipient of the prestigious SJ Laxman

Pattanaik Memorial award as an eminent doctor. Prof. Mohanty was a well-known figure in IAPM and was liked by many members. As the member of HQ Advisory committee, he attended HQ CMEs and advisory committee meetings regularly and was sincerely giving his inputs for the development.

He is lived by his wife who is also a pathologist and two daughters. One is a gynaecologist and his son-in-law is Professor in Orthopedics in a Government Medical College of Odisha; his second daughter and son-in-law both are engineers. His death has spread a sad wave among his near and dear ones and is mourned heavily. Praying Lord Jagannath to give enough strength to his family members to bear the irreparable loss. May his noble soul rest in peace.



**Prof. Janardan Mohanty**

(21-06-1943 to 26-08-2023)

Prof. Ashutosh Kumar, Ex. Professor & Head Department of Pathology, K.G.M.U., Lucknow left for heavenly abode on 27th August, 2023. He was born on 29th September, 1954. After completing his MBBS from KGMU, Lucknow in 1976, he did MD (Pathology & Bacteriology), KGMU, from Lucknow in 1979.

Dr. Ashutosh joined as Assistant Professor at M.L.N. Medical College, Allahabad on 23rd March, 1982 and stayed there till 25th March, 1983. He joined as Assistant Professor K.G.M.C. Lucknow on 26th March, 1983 till 08th September, 1988 subsequently to become Associate Professor on 9th September, 1988 to 16th April, 1997 and later became Professor on 16th April, 1997 and Professor & Head from July 2014 to 28th September, 2019. He was Dean of Paramedical Sciences from 2014 to 2016 and later Dean, Faculty of Medicine from 2016 to 2018. After his superannuation Dr. Ashutosh joined as Professor & Head, Deptt of Pathology, Era Medical University, Lucknow.

He worked as In-Charge and Director of State-of-Art Blood Bank at KG Medical University from 2007 to 2009 and it was his vision, planning and execution of plans for the modernization and up-gradation of transfusion services leading to the creation of Department of Transfusion Medicine. Dr Ashutosh Kumar visited Sheffield, United Kingdom as a fellow of Haemophilia Society.

Prof Ashutosh Kumar was a doyen in the field of haematology with a special interest in anemia, leukemia and lymphoma, haemorrhagic and coagulation disorders, and Hemato-oncology, bone marrow aspiration & trephine and, stem cell research. He established haemorrhagic &

coagulation lab with self-preparing reagents and was actively involved in the Haemophilia Society and its social outreach programmes. He was also actively involved in various anemia surveys and organised many camps. He conducted many Conferences and CMEs in the department of Pathology at KGMU, Lucknow.

Prof Ashutosh Kumar Sir was a very simple, humble, down to earth noble teacher who taught his students with all the disciplines of haematology ranging from basics to molecular. Poorest of the poor patients were his top most priority and he used to spend extra hours to get their reports done at the earliest. He was even available to all patients, clinicians, disciples 24x7 on telephone and helped many leukemic cases undergo bone marrow transplantation at CMC Vellore and other reputed medical centres across the country.

Prof Ashutosh Kumar Sir's demise has left a void which would never be filled and this absence would be immensely missed.



**Prof. Ashutosh Kumar**

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