

Association News and Notes

INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGISTS, VENEREOLOGISTS & LEPROLOGISTS

Rajasthan State Branch

Third annual conference of Rajasthan State Branch, I.A.D. V.L. was held jointly with XVIIth I.M.A. conference (Rajasthan) and Rajasthan Chapter of Tuberculosis Association of India at Jhunjhunu on 25th and 26th of October, 1980.

This joint venture was aimed to reduce the expenditure on such conferences, to give specialist services to villages at district level and to impart specialists knowledge to those who are working in remote villages and are, exposed to such problems.

Hon'ble Health Minister Shri Badri Prasad Gupta inaugurated the conference and Dr. M. P. Mathur read the yearly report.

Dr. N. K. Mathur, Dr. Rishi Bhargava, Dr. Bharat Gupta and Dr. L. P. Belani read some interesting papers.

Karnataka - Tamilnadu Branch

2nd Meeting held at Stanley Medical College Hospital, Madras on 27-9-1980.

The morning session was held at Hotel Dasaprakash, Madras. The registration was followed by a group photo. After the prayer, the organizer of the meeting Dr. Mrs. R. Annamalai welcomed the gathering. This was followed by a speech by the Hon. Secretary Dr. K. Dinakar Rao. Later the Chief guest of the meeting, Hon'ble Dr. H. V. Hande, Minister for Health and Family Welfare addressed the gathering. He stressed on the integration of specialities with particular reference to Dermatology, Venereology and Leprology. This was followed by a speech by Dr. S. Gnanadesikan, Director of Medical Education. The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. M. Vasantha, Assistant Professor of Dermatology, Stanley Medical College, Madras.

After Tea, the scientific session began at about 11.45 a.m. and this session was chaired by Dr. D. P. Jayaram. The following four papers were read and discussed.

1. Donovanosis (Epidemiological, Clinical and Histological Study) - Dr. Mahadevamurthy from Davangere.
2. Reactions in Hanseniasis and their management - Dr. V. Kandasamy from Madras.
3. Mycetoma - Dr. T. V. Venkatesan from Madurai.
4. Herpes Zoster in Children - Dr. Raghunath from Bangalore.
5. Diabetes and Skin - Dr. Mrs. R. Annamalai.

A nice lunch was served at the Stanely Medical College Hospital. The post lunch session was held at the O. P. Auditorium of Government Stanely Hospital.

The business meeting was presided over by Dr. K. Siddappa. The proceedings of the previous meeting held at Victoria Hospital, Bangalore was read and passed. Regarding the badge for the Life Members, it was decided to discuss about the same during the forthcoming general body meeting of the annual conference at Indore.

Dr. Mrs. R. Annamalai, Dr. D. P. Jayaram, Dr. T. V. Venkatesan, Dr. A. Krishna and some more members of the association felt that Dermatologists, who are the main teachers of leprosy in both the undergraduate and post-graduate levels are not kept informed about the Leprosy conferences and workshops. It was resolved to write about the same to the Hon. General Secretary IADVL requesting him to convey this resolution to the DGHS and other Leprosy Organizations and see that necessary measures are taken to solve this problem.

It was decided to have the annual meeting of IADVL (K-T Branch) at Bangalore on the 2nd Saturday of December 1980.

Business meeting was followed by case presentation and six interesting cases were presented. After Tea, the meeting came to a close with the vote of thanks by the Hon. Secretary.