

The president Dr. T. K. Mehta had circulated a proforma regarding the undergraduate and post-graduate teaching in Dermatology to the various universities and teaching institutions in the country. We look forward to his summing up of the collected information.

I may seize this opportunity to bring forth certain of my difficulties in the organisational sphere. The system of election of the president, general secretary and central council members needs to be streamlined because I experienced lot of difficulties to get the timely information from the members. It may be worthwhile to discuss out the elections for the next year before the closing session of the conference.

I had to face difficulties to get funds for my work as general secretary because the account could not be operated with office bearers being placed at different stations. This needs to be looked into so as to evolve a workable formula. Moreover the collection of subscription needs to be improved to augment our dwindling funds.

In the end, I must express my thanks and gratitude to Dr. T. K. Mehta our president, prof. Khadhari, Dr. Desai and Dr. Mulay for their ever-willing help, advice and guidance to me in my work as general secretary. I am also thankful to the secretaries of our branches for their cooperation.

INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGISTS & VENEREOLOGISTS XI ANNUAL CONFERENCE HELD IN JANUARY, 1969 AT HYDERABAD.

By

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The Eleventh Annual Conference of the IADV was held jointly with XXIV Joint Annual Conference of the Association of Physicians of India at the Osmania Medical College Residency from 22nd January, 1969 to 25th January, 1969.

INAUGURATION CEREMONY

The conference was inaugurated on 22-1-69 at an impressive ceremony by the Hon'ble Governor of Andhra Pradesh. The function was graced by the Health Minister of Andhra Pradesh and the Mayor of Hyderabad.

The afternoon of 22nd January was a joint session where the Presidents of the various participating associations delivered their respective presidential addresses. There was some confusion as to the topic for their talks. Some spoke purely scientific paper, others on the history of medicine and few on their personal problems. There was a diversity of thoughts, topics and ideas. In this connection it must be said that the Presidential address delivered by our President Dr. D. N. Mulay was rather outstanding and was very well received and highly appreciated in that larger audience.

ATTENDANCE AT IADV

It must be said that it was one of the largely attended conference about 37 members were present and the average attendance at each session always exceeded 40. Dignity was added by the presence of senior members like Dr. Bajam, Dr. Desai, Prof. Kandhari and Prof. Rangiah.

ELECTIONS

The elections to the central council which were already circulated to the branches were unanimously approved by the general body.

PROGRAMME OF THE CONFERENCE

The programme of the conference was comprised of 3 main sessions. There were two scientific sessions & one business session.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

The two days afternoon sessions were exclusively devoted to scientific programme. This included about 15 scientific papers and a symposium. Besides there were two guest lectures of great academic interest. There were a number of original papers which evoked lively discussion. An important feature of the scientific session was a symposium on "Experiences in Diagnosis and Treatment" which was held under the chairmanship of Prof. K. C. Kandhari.

The participants included.

Dr. S. C. Desai, D. P. N. Rangiah, Dr. Bhaktaviziam, Dr. S. R. Sadan, Dr. B. S. Verma.

The symposium provided an occasion for the exchange of useful experiences and was highly informative and educative.

The guest talks by.

1. Dr. G. Gopalan on Nutrition & infection.
2. Dr. G. S. Mutalik—on Genetics & Medicines, were found to be very useful.

BUSINESS SESSION

An important feature of the conference was that we could hold a business session which lasted for more than four hours. It was conducted fact fully but firmly by the president Dr. T. K. Mehta.

The following important organisational topics were discussed.

1. Necessary steps for the registration of the IADV were taken.
2. Amendments to the Constitution & Bye Laws of IADV which were already circulated earlier were gone through and adopted.
3. After acceptance of the resignation of Dr. S. C. Desai from the post of chairman scientific sub-committee Prof. K. C. Kandhari was unanimously elected as chairman of the scientific subcommittee with the following members.

1. Dr. D. N. Mulay, 2. Dr. B. S. Verma, 3. Dr. L. K. Bhutani, & Dr. Bhaktviziam.

4. For the improvement of the journal it was discussed to have an editorial advisory board and it was decided that for this year the scientific sub-committee shall act on the editorial advisory board and Dr. Marquis shall be designated Assistant Editor.

5. It was also realised that the payment of subscriptions by the branches was not satisfactory. This was responsible for the dwindling central fund of the association.

A finance sub-committee (comprising Dr. S. C. Desai and Dr. A. C. Parikh) was constituted to go into the various funds of the association and to submit the report by the next year.

6. It was agreed on principle to have an oration of IADV and the scientific sub-committee was authorised to further work up the proposal.

7. In order to streamline the election procedure for the post of president IADV a nomination sub-committee was formed comprising of senior members, Dr. R. V. Rajam, Dr. Harbhajan Singh, & Dr. S. C. Desai.

The committee shall go into the eligibility of the candidates and in case of more than one eligible contestants—postal ballots may have to be adopted to avoid delay and unnecessary embarrassment.

SIGHT SEEING ENTERTAINMENT

The arrangements for accommodation and other amenities were very good and satisfactory.

Moreover the historical place of Hyderabad provided good place for sightseeing e. g. 1. Charminar, 2. Salarjang Museum (Single man collection), 3. Golkanda, for 4. Nutritional Research Laboratories.

Needless to say that collective gathering of this nature is highly informative and educative and mutually beneficial.

The next conference has been fixed for Bombay and it is hoped that a good number shall try to attend and participate in the same.

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