

Association News and Notes

INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGISTS, VENEREOLOGISTS & LEPROLOGISTS

Karnataka - Tamilnadu Branch

The second meeting of the Karnataka-Tamilnadu branch of IADVL was held at the OP Auditorium, Govt. Stanley Hospital, Madras on 9th July 1977. His Excellency Thiru Prabhudas Patwari, Governor of Tamilnadu, inaugurated the meeting and the Director of Medical Education Dr. Gnanadesikan inaugurated the Scientific Session and the Health Secretary Mr. Murari, I. A. S. presided over the function. Dr. (Mrs.) R. Annamalai, Professor of Dermatology, Govt. Stanley Hospital & College ably assisted by Dr. S. Shivakumar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Dermatology, Stanley Medical College made necessary arrangements. The inaugural function was attended by the President, the Vice-President and the Secretary of IADV & L, the Director of Public Health, State Leprosy Officer, various Heads of Departments of Stanley Hospital including the Principal and the Superintendent and various other members.

The Governor, Mr. Murary, Dr. Gnanadesikan and Dr. A. Krishna (Vice-President, IADV&L) in their speeches stressed the need for more study, research and work on the various aspects of the speciality, particularly leprosy and S. T. D. to achieve effective eradication of these preventible diseases.

A clinical session consisting of interesting skin and leprosy patients and scientific section having a paper on leprosy by Dr. (Mrs.) R. Annamalai and her assistant Dr. S. Shivakumar, a paper on therapy of psoriasis with psorlens by Dr. T. V. Venkatesan from Madurai and a paper on Parthenium Dermatitis (Phyto-dermatitis) by Dr. K. M. Prakash from Bangalore were organised. Dr. (Mrs.) Z. Isaac as Chairman and Dr. M. K. Rama Rao, Professor of Dermato-Venereology, Bangalore Medical College, as co-chairman conducted these sessions. Dr. K. Siddappa, Secretary of the Branch of the Association was also in the chair during these sessions.

As per Dr. K. M. Rama Rao's invitation, the next annual meeting of the branch will be held at the Dermato-Venereology department, Victoria Hospital, Bangalore and the provisional date will be 12th November 1977.