ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1969

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From the desk of General Secretary

It gives me great pleasure to present the annual report of the Indian Association of Dermatologists & Venereologists for the year 1969. It is my privelege to prsent this report for the 2nd year in succession as the General secretary of the association.

This year 1969 of Indian Association of Dermatologists & Venereologists has been marked for its numerous activities in the field of past introspection, intensificiation of present activities and proper planning for the future. An effort has been initiated to consolidate the funds of the association and to streamline financial transactions by formation of the "Finance Committee" A considerable headway has been made in this direction. The system of elections to the various offices of the central council has been overhauled and put on practicable democratic pattern. This indeed has been found to be very useful for the smooth and proper functioning of the association.

The constitution, rules and bye laws of our association has been revised and brought up-to-date. The same is now finally corrected and is ready for printing.

The registration of the our Association is being pursued actively and is likely to be completed in short time.

The Scientific Committee had been extremely active during the year. manifold measures have been adopted to raise the scientific standard of the deliberations.

It has arranged an Oration of the Indian Association of Dermatologists & Venereologists. The honour for the award of 1st Oration goes to Dr. R. V. Rajama pioneer in the speciality in our country and the founder president of our association.

The Scientific Committee has been able to arrange a Guest Lecture during this conference by Dr. F. Ray Bettley....a distinguished dermatologist from the middlesex hosqital & St. John's hospital London.

The credit for these activities goes to Prof. K. C. Kandhari for his untiring efforts and great enthusiasm. It is hoped that these progessive measures shall be continued for the years to come.

The Scientific Sub-committee has been acting as advisory editorial board during the year for the journal and this has proved to be of great utility for improvement of the journal. The improvement in the get up of the journal has been widely appreciated.

Dr. B. S. Verma & D. R. Khurana attended the International Conference of Tropical Dermatology at Kyoto, Japan. Dr. Verma presented his work on mycology.

A delegation of Brazilian Dermatologists visited Delhi on way back from Kyato and was well looked after by the northern branch.

It is a great honour for our association that Prof. K. C. Kandhari has been elected as Vice-President of the International Society of Tropical Dermatology. We congratulate him on this honour.

The President Dr. Mulay has taken up the plan of Central Institute of Dermatology with the Govt. of India. The same shall be pursued actively.

All the four branches of our association have been fairly active in the East & West., North and South. But the East & South, somehow, could not convey report of the activities of their branches. It is suggested that the General Secretary should be kept fully posted with the activities of their respective branches.

In the end, I must express my thanks and gratifute to our president Dr. D. N. Mulay, Prof. Kandhari, Drs. Desai & T. K. Mehta 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 co-operation. I am happy that I am handing over the charge to Dr. A. C. Parikh who I think competent and well suited to carry forward the activities of the association.