Association News and Notes

INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGISTS, VENEREOLOGISTS & LEDROLOGISTS

The first quarterly meeting of IADVL Kerala Branch was held as a combined session with IMA Tellicherry Branch, at IMA Hall, Tellicherry on 1—8—82. Dr. Venu, President IMA, Tellicherry, presided over the function. The minutes of the last meeting, read by Secretary Dr. K. Pavithran, was passed. In the scientific session, chaired by Dr. T. Gopinath, interesting cases and short papers were presented by the members. The following resolutions were taken by the general body.

- 1. Every year, the best outgoing M.B.B.S. Students of all Medical Colleges in the State will be awarded a medal called "Dr. AMBADY BHASKARA MENON MEMORIAL AWARD", on behalf of the Kerala Branch of IADVL. Along with the medal a certificate and a Book in Dermatology also will be given.
- 2. It is resolved to give T.A. to a junior member of the association, who will present paper at the IADVL annual conference.
- 3. This branch of IADVL recorded with concern the moves made in certain quarters to separate the speciality of Dermatology and Venereology. The association reiterated its earlier stand that this speciality should be handled at the teaching and administrative, level as a combined speciality in all Government institutions in Kerala State.
- 4. It is also resolved to request Central body of IADVL to request the INDIAN MEDICAL COUNCIL to refix the academic qualification for teaching posts in the speciality as MD (D & V) and not MD General Medicine with diploma in D & V as it appears now
- 5. It is also resolved to request the central body of IADVL to nominate a zonal co-ordinator of IADVL for four zones (South, West, North and East) to organize zonal meetings for the neighbouring states at least once in 6 months.
- 6. It is decided to form a committee to stress the Government to start Skin and V.D. Departments in Taluk Hospitals in Kerala State.

The function came to a close with Vote of Thanks by secretary which was followed by a sumptuous lunch and fellowship.

Secretary Dr. K. Pavithran