Association News and Notes

INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGISTS, VENEREOLOGISTS & LEPROLOGISTS

Uttar Pradesh State Branch

First Annual Conference of the Uttar Pradesh State Branch of Indian Association of Dermatologists, Venereologists and Leprologists was held on 1st and 2nd Oct. 1982 in the Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

The Conference was well attended by delegates from all over U.P. and some of the Senior members from the other State branches. The Inaugural address was given by Prof. B. N. Banerjee, one of the pioneer dermatologists of the country. He blessed the auspicious beginning and hoped that the more frequent activity would be fruitful in inspiring the interest of the medical personnel of other fields specially younger ones in this relatively recently developed speciality.

The session was felicitated by Prof. B. K. H. Nair, an eminent academician from Trivandrum. In his ornamental speech Prof. Nair expressed his gratitute for being honoured and gave a bird's eye view of the present status of the speciality in today's medical education. Prof. N. K. Sharma, President of the Branch thanked the members for the cooperation and expressed his firm belief that the present beginning would prove a powerful nucleus for the bright future of tomorrow. A brief report on the activities of the branch was read by Dr. S. S. Pandey, Treasurer cum Secretary.

After the inauguration, a symposium on the 'Topical Corticosteroids' was conducted under the chairmanship of Prof. B.N. Banerjee. The papers were of high scientific quality and dealt with aspects like activity of steroids, role of vehicle, intralesional steroids and bioassay methods.

On the auspicious day of 2nd October, i.e. the birthday of Gandhiji, a seminar on leprosy was organised in two sessions. The first session chaired by Prof. B. K. H. Nair was on the epidemiology of Hanseniasis. The papers selected were on the current strategy in control of the disease, field problems, the disease in the tribal population, in school children and social aspects of the disease. The second session was chaired by Dr. B. R. Girdhar, in which the therapy and prophylaxis of Hansen's disease were the main topics discussed.

In the noon, the 4th session was kept for free communication and was chaired by Prof. G. G. Dhir. Case reports of rare but interesting dermatosis, like Gunther's disease, urticaria pigmentosa, acrodermatitis enteropathica, diabetic microangiopathies, etc. were presented. Papers on gonococcal infections,

dermatophytic inections, dermatoglyphic studies, miliaria, etc., were also presented.

At the end, the meeting of the General body was held. All the members unanimously agreed to enhance the membership drive. The following Office-Bearers were elected unanimously.

President: Prof. N. K. Sharma,

Head, Dept. of Skin & S. T. D., LLRM Medical College, Meerut.

Secretary-cum-Treasurer: Dr. S. S. Pandey,

Lecturer, Skin & V. D.,

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Central Council Members:

- Prof. Gurmohan Singh,
 Prof. of Skin & V. D.,
 Head, Dept. of Medicine,
 Institute of Medical Sciences,
 Banaras Hindu University,
 Varanasi.
- Prof. N. K. Sharma, Head, Skin & V. D., LLRM Medical College, Meerut.
- Dr. G. G. Dhir,
 Head, Section of Skin & S. T. D.,
 S. N. Medical College, Agra.
- Dr. A. K. Bajaj, Head, Skin & V. D. Section, M. L. N. Medical College, Allahabad.
- Dr. D. C. Govil, Department of Skin & V. D., Medical College, Jhansi.

Executive Council Members:

- Dr. Jagdish Chandra, Prof. of Skin & V. D., Medical College, Kanpur.
- Dr. S. N. Shrivastava, Lecturer in Skin & V. D., Medical College, Lucknow.

3. Dr. R. D. Mukhija, Head of the Dept. of Skin & V. D., Medical College, Gorakhpur.

The meeting adjourned. Prof. Gurmohan Singh and his team were thanked for the pains taken to successfully organise the conference within a very short notice.

Punjab State Branch

The following members of the Punjab State Branch have been elected as Office-Bearers of T. A. D. V. & L. for the year 1982.

President : Dr. Yogesh Manocha

Vice President : Dr. P. S. Aneja Hon. Secretary : Dr. F. Handa

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