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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The dawn of the New Year brings new hopes to our minds while the passing year leaves its indelible imprints in our life. In ASU 2016, we have gone through our well organized State Conferences apart from ASU's own Prof .HS Bhat midterm workshop, a special academic feast by itself and unique by the style of conducting it without any registration fees/ industry sponsorship. By conducting the program this year in the holy

township of Puttaparthy, another divine angle was added to the event this year. The year 2016 was particularly significant for ASU since we received the notice from the Registrar of Societies to submit all our records, minutes of AGMs, books of Accounts, etc for 15 years from 2000 onwards for physical verification which would be essential to continue our registration without which our Association would be declared defunct. I particularly applaud the efforts made by the ASU Treasurer in compiling all the required records ready and the necessary details in order to the extent possible to get us past this id test of fire successfully. We are awaiting Registrar's clearance on this and are hopeful that the New Year brings with it a positive turn of events as we this 'momentous Step forward' for ASU.

The New Year should also mark the change of the pace for events in ASU. In addition to the usual call for the abstracts, ASU elections and the related activities, this year onwards, we will have an ASU activity by respective Council member from each State from February onwards. Karnataka is starting with a focused program on Supine PCNL followed by AP & Telangana with a program on RIRS. A similar program is being planned in Tamil Nadu in May 2017.

Efforts are being made to make all of us more involved so as to make ASU more vibrant. I request all ASU members to participate in these activities and the ASU annual Conference with great zeal. On our part, we promise to contribute our best to make our Zone the best in the Country.

I convey my best wishes to all the Postgraduates from ASU who have participated in the online exam for the coveted USI scholarships. I heartily congratulate those who could make to EUREP on their own. I wish that from next year onwards there must be 100% participation of all our postgraduates in these exams.

I earnestly request your help in having an ASU/ State TIME in your City Chapter meetings. This will pave way for forming a real Federal structure of linking the Zone, State & City as one cohesive Unit so that sharing information on academic and organizational angles will be smooth. Kindly ensure that all old and new Urologists in your area are members of the respective State Association and ASU; if not, contact ASU secretariat/State Secretariat to get all those enrolled. Let us make a 100% membership drive possible this year itself.

ASU Archives, the attempt to compile all the worthwhile academic activities of ASU so that they are available for ready reference to posterity has started. I request all to cooperate with Dr. KV Vinod in this regard. Efforts for ASU smart card are underway and we hope to give a new experience from the annual Conference in Manipal onwards in years to come.

Let us all welcome the New Year to bring new hopes and laurels to all of us in ASU and to make 2017 an action packed year for ASU and an unforgettable year in the annals of ASU.

Along with you in taking 'a step forward' in ASU Service,

Dr. Krishnasamy Kannan

# SECRETARY'S COLUMN



Dear esteemed member.

New Year greetings to you and yours!

I have pleasure in placing before you this Newsletter. It contains important announcements and I am sure you will spend some time browsing through the same. Vibrancy of associations is solely dependent on how active its members are. We are fortunate to

have a large body of pro active members who make us strong and worthy. Our state units are largely responsible in achieving this. The leaders of the state units have voiced their views which have been included in this edition of the newsletter. Your executive council has adopted an all inclusive approach and is striving hard to realize the dreams and aspirations of all. Yours in taking a step forward,

With warmest personal greetings once again!

### Laxman

### This issue contains:

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# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS**

# Inputs from members on the following is invited

- 1. Convener Khivraj Memorial Symposium
- 2. Quiz master for Uro-Quiz
- 3. Moderator for ASU-NU Hospitals, Bengaluru Medal for Pediatric Urology Debate
- 4. Suggestion for faculties for various guest lectures

The guidelines for these are found in the ASU Handbook 2016.

# Scientific Program for SZUSICON 2017

Members are requested give suggestions to improve scientific program, since we have 2 and half days of conference this year onwards

# Chairpersons-SZUSICON 2017

Application to function as chairperson in various scientific sessions of SZUSICON are invited

# New Membership to be eligible to participate in SZUSICON 2017

Last date for submission of applications for new membership for consideration of acceptance of scientific papers for SZUSICON 2017 Manipal and consideration for various Fellowships/Awards/research grants of ASU will be 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017

# **ASU Archives**

All are requested to send academic and photographic material in their possession to Dr K

V Vinod, Council member for archival purpose

vinodkvuro@gmail.com



# **STATE CONFERENCES**

### Pearlcon, Port Blair, Andamans, 15-18 September 2016

### Report by Dr H Krishna Moorthy, Kochi

The 30th Jubilee Annual Conference of Urological Association of Kerala (PEARLCON) was held at Port Blair, Andamans from 15-18 September 2016. 41 members and their families (total of 112 pax) attended this social cum academic event. The conference was directly conducted by UAK, with Dr.H.Krishna Moorthy, Kochi as the Organizing Secretary. The entire families were accommodated in two near-by quality hotels. The scientific proceedings of the conference (UAKON 2016) were held on 16 September 2016 at Synclairs Bay View. The Conference was inaugurated by Dr.Nebu Issac Mammen, President of UAK.





Renowned Andrologist, Dr.S.S.Vasan from Bengaluru was the guest speaker for the occasion and spoke on Recent Trends in the Management of Erectile Dysfunction. There were 4 other lectures in addition to Podium and Poster Presentations. UAK Review Paper Prize winner, Dr.Jithinlal M from Kottayam presented his paper on Sperm Retrieval Techniques. All the scientific presentations were of high standards. The Annual General Body Meeting of UAK was also conducted at the end of the sessions and many important decisions were taken.

The entire activities were well coordinated, arranged and all the families enjoyed the programs befitting Onam Holiday mood in the State.



Majority of attendees had a life time experience during PEARLCON to cherish for a long time and there was comparison with UAKON 2005 held in Sri Lanka, which was the first conference of a Urology professional body in India to be held outside the country.

### KUACON 2016, Radisson Blue, South Goa, 29th September to 2nd October 2016

### Report by Dr Nischith D Souza, Secretary, KUA

The annual conference of the Karnataka Urology Association, KUACON 2016 was held outside the State, at Radisson Blue, Goa from 29th September to 2nd October 2016. The meeting was well organized by the secretary of the Association, Dr. Girish Nelivigi and attended by most members. An association whatsapp group was formed, with strength of 236 members, which helped in the conducted of the conference as well as various scientific programs over the year. The conference was a feast of the best scientific presentations from all over the state. The program was conducted in such a way that the academic sessions were held mostly in the morning, and the afternoon was spent at leisure with families, with cultural activities in the evening.





The Important events were the Neuro-Urology / Urodynamics session and BOE lecture on 29September. Devon Travelling fellowship, Davangere PG symposium on Urinary tract infections in adult female, Prof. P. Venugopal Oration – "The moderate sized kidney stone – an ongoing dilemma" by Dr. Percy Chibber, NU Hospital Best Video session, formal Inauguration, free papers and BMC best poster session on 30th September.

Dilip Adappa best paper session, Point of technique videos, Basic sciences lecture on tissue engineered graft for urethral strictures by Dr. K.N. Sridhar, Uro-Oncology session on locally advanced and Metastatic Prostate Cancer by Dr. Raghunath, Dr. Srivatsa N, Dr. Yuvaraja TB and Dr. Raghavan were held on 1st October. The M. P. Raju Mysogus Endowment Lecture was delivered by Dr. M K Mani, Senior Nephrologist, Chennai on Ethical problems of renal transplantation. The General Body Meeting was subsequently held, where the minutes of the previous GBM meeting were approved. Dr. Bharat Kshatri read out the report of KUACON 2015, Hubli. The Secretary and Treasurer read out the annual report of 2015-16. The activities from various parts of the state were mentioned by the respective members.

The new Office Bearers for 2016-17 who were installed are as follows:

President: Dr. M. Shivlingaiah, Bengaluru

Secretary: Dr. Nischith Dsouza, Mangaluru

Council Members:

Dr. Kumar Prabhu, Bengaluru

Dr. ShisheerDevraj, Belagavi

Dr. Suresh Kaagal Reddy, Vijaypura

Dr. S. B. Patil, Vijayapura was the President Elect, 2017-18.

It was also decided that KUACON 2017 would be held in Mysuru / Kodagu and KUACON 2018 in Mangaluru. The newly appointed office bearers conducted their first meeting soon after and various activities for the future were conceptualized.

Annual Conference of Society of Genito Urinary Surgeons of

Andhra Pradesh and Telangana

Report by Dr V Chandra Mohan, Secretary SOGUS AP and T

The 28th Annual Conference of Society of Genito Urinary Surgeons of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana was held at

Tirupati on 12th & 13th November, 2016. Dr.Bhaskar Reddy organized the conference. The Venue was Hotel

Marasa Conference Hall, Tirupati.

The event was attended by 160 urologists of both the states.

Prof Ranganadha Rao Endourology oration was delivered by Dr.Prashanth Pattnaik, Dr.A V Ravi Kumar

Moderated Dysfunctional voiding Symposium, Dr. Makarand Khochikar, Dr. Gagan Goutam & Dr. Senthil Rajappa

Delivered talk on "Controversies in the management of Carcinoma Bladder", Dr.Swarna Latha Delivered a Talk

on" Expanding The Donor Pool: A long road ahead"

Dr.B.Surya Prakash delivered Dr.GP Ramayya Oration on "Renal Transplantation". Dr.Rahul Devraj was the Quiz

Master for Quiz for Post Graduates. Point Counter point debates were on topics – "Locally Advanced Carcinoma

Prostate – Radical Prostatectomy Versus other Treatment Modalities" and Subclinical Varicocele – Surgery Versus

Observation. Dr.C.Mallikarjuna gave a lecture on "Night Mares in Urology".

There were free Paper, Video and Moderated & Unmoderated Poster Sessions.

OFFICE BEARERS OF SOGUS AP & TS 2016-2017

President: Dr.Ch.Subba Rao, Visakhapatnam

President Elect: Dr.K.Gurunadha Rao, Khammam

Hon.Secretary: Dr.V.Chandra Mohan

Treasurer: Dr.B.Laxman Goud, Hyderabad

Council Members:

Dr.N.Srinivas, Hyderabad

Dr.G.Chandra Mohan, Ananthapur

Dr.K.Lalitha, Hyderabad

Dr.G.Srinivas Rao, Guntur

### TAPASUCON 2016

### REPORT BY DR S PRABHAKAR, ORGANIZING SECRETARY

The 21st Annual Conference of the Tamilnadu and Pondicherry Association of Urologists was held at Hotel Shevaroys, in the salubrious environs of Yercaud on the 17,18th of September ,2016, hosted by the Salem Urology Trust.

The high lights of the conference were as follows:

One of the best attended State conferences with about 235 registrations.



TAPASUCON 2016-senior members in the audience

The Chief Guest was Prof.Roy Chally from Calicut and the Guest of Honor, Prof.P.Venugopal from Mangalore along with other dignitaries like ASU President, Dr.Krishnasamy Kannan and ASU Secretary, Dr.G G Laxman Prabhu.

The Scientific Sessions were well attended with most delegates including postgraduates actively participating in the discussions.



**TAPASUCON 2016-Lecture in Progress** 



**TAPASUCON 2016-Audience interaction** 

The family members were taken good care and were engaged in activities like sightseeing.

The Inaugural function was well attended and the banquet was a gala event encasing shows for children, women and later a karaoke band and DJ.

Another notable feature was the valedictory function which had a record number of delegates giving a feedback. The delegates wholeheartedly appreciated the Organizing committee, under the leadership of Dr.Dhanaraj who was ably assisted by the Secretary, Dr.S.Prabhakar. One of the highlights of the conference was the Souvenir which was lauded by many.

The delegates went back with happy memories of having attended a wholesome conference.

# The Fourth ASU-Professor H S Bhat midterm workshop

a report (by Dr G. G. Laxman Prabhu, Secretary, ASU)

The fourth edition of ASU-Professor H S Bhat midterm workshop was held in Puttaparthy at the Sri Satya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Specialties Hospital on 27th November 2016. 144 delegates from all over Southern states attended this annual event of the ASU which commemorates Professor H S Bhat's contribution towards making Urology an independent specialty in India. The theme of the workshop was "UROLITHIASIS". Erudite speakers, a total of 22, covered the essentials of this common malady in a cogent and lucid manner keeping the academician as well as the practitioner in mind. The venue also happened to be the place which late Bhat had served last and most, only after his glorious academic stint at CMC Vellore.



Prof. H S Bhat -the living soul

Earlier in the day, Dr Gurumurthy, Director of SSSIHMS inaugurated the workshop and narrated instances which highlighted Late Dr Bhat's stature. Dr Kannan, the President of the ASU welcomed the gathering. A pictorial slide show on Late Dr Bhat's life was beamed by the secretary. Dr R Keshavmurthy along with team Urology at Puttaparthy had put up an impressive show as organizers. A well knit program, overseen by the specially constituted sub-committee comprising of Drs Mallikarjuna C, Vinod K V and Surya Prakash V, started and ended on time. The President announced the next venue of the workshop as Kovai during a brief valedictory function. The program ended with arathi and vedic chants.





The ASU-Professor H S Bhat midterm workshop is the pride of ASU, organized annually without sponsorships. It is thematic and attempts to amalgamate the erudition of the academician and wisdom of the practitioner-Editor

### Members in News

Dr P V L N Murthy conferred the prestigious Dr B C Roy award in teacher's category



Our residents at EUREP



Totally 10 residents from our country participated in EUREP-European Urology Residents' Education Program this year, out of which 6 were from South Zone (5 from Karnataka and 1 from Tamil Nadu). ASU congratulates the following who have done us proud!

- Rakesh. B. H
   KMC, Mangalore, Karnataka
- Aseem Kapadia KMC, Manipal, Karnataka
- Kalyan Gudaru
   KMC, Manipal, Karnataka
- 4. Saurabh Gaur KMC, Manipal, Karnataka
- Pramod. K
   NU Trust Hospital, Bangalore, Karnataka
- Karthik Rajan
   MMC, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Dr Joseph Phillipraj has been selected member of the editorial board IJU



### Snippets from the Leaders of our state units

# MY VISION OF LINKING ASU AND STATE UNITS-Dr H Krishna Moorthy



It is my privilege to be part of the current office of ASU, being the President of UAK, Treasurer of ASU and Past Secretary of ASU, together at one go This is my 10th year in the office of ASU and 8th year in the office of UAK. I have always endeavored to glue these two organizations together, which constitutionally have the same motives and objectives. However I confess, I have been successful only to a limited extent. This happens when visions and dreams are either not pursued with devotion or not allowed to be realized by the circumstances.

ASU always had a representation from the individual States of South India, in the form of an Ex-Officio Member (Usually the President) and a Council Member. These officers appeal for the States which they represent during the Council Meetings of ASU. The States also get their chance of conducting the Annual Conferences of ASU in rotation, being able to utilize the brand name of the mother organization. They also get a share of their proceeds during these conferences. The best papers presented in the State conferences now get a chance to be presented during SZUSICONs.

Let us think the reverse. What does ASU get in return from the representative States? May be some State organizations invite the President/Secretary of ASU for their annual meetings and the local hospitality taken care by the local organizers? Unfortunately some State units have even objected to this. This is an irony.

I strongly feel that the ASU should have a representation in the State Annual Conferences befittingly. I would suggest a 30 minute slot is given to ASU in the State Annual Conferences, to have guest lectures/symposia or any academic activity. ASU has no dearth of academic talents, which can be tapped by the State Units. The registration fee for the member of ASU participating in the academic event can be borne by the participant himself, local hospitality to be taken care by local organizer and the transport can be financed by the ASU. The program can be decided by the Council of ASU. Reciprocating this, there can be an academic session of 15 minutes each for every State unit in the ASU Annual Conference, decided by the State council. The registration can again be done by the participants themselves, accommodation by the local organizers and the transport sponsored by the State unit. ASU can also think about granting a PG Travel Fellowship for each State, based on a common test conducted by ASU during their Annual Conferences. The training for these winners shall be done in a recognized centre in South India itself, headed by a member of ASU. Not to mention, this training shall be given free of cost. The Fellowship money can be utilized by the winner for his/her travel and local accommodation.

I think my ideas will have no bounds. Let us start off with some of these mutually beneficial programs, which can go a long way in the co-operative function of these units. ASU itself had initiated the inclusion of USI-BOE program during the Annual Conferences, which has benefitted all members immensely and even being copied by other zones. Now it is the turn of State Units to involve the ASU in their academic proceedings, which I am sure, will be fruitful to the participants alike.

Long live ASU; long live UAK

## STATE UNITS SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN ASU ACTIVITIES

# Dr C Ramaswamy



I was moved by the efforts of our zonal body, the ASU in not only orienting the newly elected Presidents of the state units but involving them in all important issues of general and mutual concern. I have no doubts in mind that the zonal and state units are complementary to each other and should work in unison. The state leaders learn administration of societies by active participation in the council meeting of the ASU. I appreciate the efforts made in good earnest by SZUSI office bearers in this regard.

## ASU-MODEL FOR STATE UNITS - Dr Ch. Subbarao

The SOGUS AP & TS takes pride in being a part of the zonal body-the ASU. Working together promotes better understanding of each others' responsibilities and is in the larger good of both. The state unit appreciates the value of constant interaction with its higher body and when the latter supervises its activities, the standard at state level is bound to rise. The efforts made by the ASU in forming the rules and regulations followed by effective implementation will serve as a model to the state chapters. - Dr. Ch. Subbarao, President, APSOGUS

## STATE UNITS SHOULD NOT BE LOST ALONE AT SEA

# Dr M Shivalingaiah M



The Karnataka Urology Association (KUA), which functions independently, has always had a very cordial relation with the Association of Southern Urologists, which currently is one of the best zones in terms of membership strength, academic activities, and administration. The KUA has always played an active role in the conduct of South zone USICON whenever it has been Karnataka's chance to do so. The state of Karnataka is known for its salubrious climate, hospitality and fraternal assistance to colleagues from neighboring southern states. The KUA endorses this by its active participation in all activities of the ASU and is proud to be associated with the Association of Southern Urologists. As the saying goes "Setting sail on a ship with a group of friends is much more gratifying than drifting on a boat, lost alone at sea"

# **Our Pillars-State unit Leaders**

UAK



Dr H Krishna Moorthy( President)



Dr Venu Chandran (In Charge Secretary)

**TAPASU** 



Dr C Ramaswamy( President)



Dr Chengalvarayan(Secretary)

**KUA** 



Dr Shivalingaiah M ( President)



Dr Nischith D'Souza(Hony Secretary)

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Dr Ch.Subbrao (President)



Dr V Chandra Mohan(Secretary)

# Forth coming events



SZUSICON 2017 Manipal August 11th to 13th 2017

Organizing Secretary: Dr Arun Chawla Professor and Head, Department of Urology

KMC, Manipal, Karnataka. Visit: www.szusicon2017.com





LIVE WORKSHOP ON SUPINE PCNL under the aegis of ASU Faculty: Professor Guido Giusti Chairman, European training Center in Endourology, Milan Italy March 9th 2017, KMC Manipal.

Contact Dr Arun Chawla +919008002440

Live Workshop on RIRS step by step March 11th 2017 at Hyderbad Contact: Dr C Mallikarjun +919849055699

TAPASU(April 2017)

'The forgotten/neglected 10th Compartment' Dhanalakshmi Srinivasan Medical College, Perambalur Date and other details will follow