

UBF Diary

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Medical Education in India – a Paradigm Change

Dr Raghu Ram was invited to address a distinguished gathering of directors -Medical Education, deans, principals and professors during a two day intense workshop held on January 12, 2019 at Gandhi Medical College. This landmark event was organised by Prof NVN Reddy to sensitise and empower the key teaching faculty in Telangana about the structure and content of the new curriculum. From August 1, 2019, the medical curriculum in India is all set to bring about a paradigm change from traditional subject centered rigid learning to the new Competency Based Medical Education (CBME).



Dr Shraavan Kumar, Principal, Gandhi Medical College with Dr Chalam and Dr Raghu Ram

MASICON 2019, Aurangabad



Dr P Raghu Ram was guest of honour during the inaugural function at the 41st Annual Congress of the Maharashtra State Chapter of Association of Surgeons of India held in MGM Medical College, Aurangabad on January 24, 2019.

He took this opportunity to create awareness about the importance of early detection of cancer at the MGM University Radio Station, Aurangabad, which was aired on World Cancer Day.

Dr Raghu Ram alongside Dr Pravin Suryavanshi, the organising chairperson, MASICON 2019

Felicitation by Surgical Fraternity from Telangana and The Royal Colleges in the British Isles



The surgical fraternity from all across Telangana felicitated Dr P Raghu Ram on his election to the post of the President, The Association of Surgeons of India (ASI) for 2020.

The team of examiners from the Royal College of Surgeons of England and The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh also felicitated him for the same reason. Rich tributes were paid on his election victory with landslide margin and for polling the highest number of votes ever in the 80 years of the Association. He was featured prominently in the quarterly issue (March 2019) of the RCS Ed Newsletter that reaches out to the Fellows of the College worldwide.



Hoisting the National Flag as Chief Guest at ASI headquarters



Dr P Raghu Ram, Vice President (President elect) of The Association of Surgeons of India (ASI) hoisted the national flag on the occasion of India's 70th Republic Day celebration on January 26, 2019 at ASI headquarters in Chennai. Established in 1938, ASI is Asia Pacific's largest and world's second largest surgical association that represents the surgical fraternity all across India. Several professors of surgery and eminent surgeons in Chennai were in full attendance at the ASI headquarters.

Guest of Honour, VASICON 2019



Dr Raghu Ram lighting the inaugural lamp alongside the Governor of Telangana and AP, Smt Sangita Reddy, joint managing director, Apollo Hospitals group and Dr Pinjala Ramakrishna, organising chairperson, VASICON 2019

Dr Raghu Ram was the guest of honour and he shared centrestage with the Hon'ble Governor of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh at the inaugural function of VASICON 2019 – the annual conference of Venous Association of India held on January 19 and 20, 2019 in Hyderabad. He emphasized that there was an urgent need to empower the 'common man' about prevention of venous disorders. He cited the example of police constables, who spend hours standing as part of their job requirement, which could cause varicose veins in their legs resulting in quality of life issues and loss of wages due to sick leave. He suggested that the Venous Association take up the task of screening this vulnerable group.

March 2019

Pink Ribbon Walk, Nagpur



Dr Raghu Ram was invited as guest of honour to flag off the Pink Ribbon Walk held in Nagpur, in partnership with Ushalakshmi Breast Cancer Foundation and The Association of Surgeons of India.

Dr Raghu Ram emphasised the importance of early detection of breast cancer in saving lives as he flagged off the Pink Ribbon Walk along with Mrs Kanchan Gadkari (the wife of Mr Nitin Gadkari, Hon'ble Union Minister).

Standing by India's Bravehearts



Dr Raghu Ram contributed Rs 1, 00, 000 to the corpus fund set up by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India to support the families of bravehearts, who sadly left this world in the Pulwama Terror attack, which has been the deadliest attack on India's border security forces since 1989.

Dr Raghu Ram Inaugurates Puducherry Chapter, ASI



Dr P Raghu Ram, Vice President (President elect) of The Association of Surgeons of India formally launched the Puducherry Chapter of The Association of Surgeons of India (ASI) on March 17, 2019. This state chapter was until recently part of combined Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry Chapter of ASI.

Several seniors and teachers of the Surgical Society in Pondicherry shared their views and conveyed their good wishes. Delivering his chief guest speech, Dr Raghu Ram explained the meaning behind 'NEW ASI' and elaborated on the vision and mission of the Association (2019 & 2020).