

TROPICON 2016

IXth meeting of Tropical Neurology Subsection of IAN titled **TROPICON 2016** was held at Hotel Indana Place, Jodhpur on 5th – 6th March 2016. It was organized by Neurologists of Jodhpur with Dr Pratap Sanchetee as Organizing Chairman, Dr JC Maloo as Organizing Secretary and Dr Praveen Surana as Treasurer. Scientific programme was excellently crafted by Dr Amita Bhargava, Dr Rajeev Mathur and Dr Shubhakaran Khichar. A galaxy of faculty from across the length and breadth of the country participated in the event. More than 200 delegates registered for the conference. Theme of the conference was ‘Advances in Management of Neurological Disorders’. Various facets of CNS infections and non-infectious neurological disorders as relevant to Physicians working at districts and periphery were initially presented by the faculty. Highlight of the conference was strict time management ample time to delegates for interaction and excellent audiovisual arrangements.

The event started with a workshop on ‘Acute Encephalitic Syndrome’ on 5th March. It was moderated by Dr Pratap Sanchetee and there were total 40 participants that included neurologist, microbiologist, pathologists and paediatrician. In this brainstorming session various facet of problem was discussed. It was decided to bring out a white paper on current status, problems in its management and areas of future research which will be presented at IANCON 2016 at Kolkata. All members of IAN are requested for the inputs.

On the 2nd day, the session started early at 9 AM and continued till 8 PM. It began with neurology of B₁₂ followed by unresolved issues in neurotuberculosis, and approach to a patient with demyelination and meningoencephalitis. In post tea session cerebral malaria, ischemic stroke and cysticercosis were deliberated. After a sumptuous lunch, problems in management of epilepsy, an epidemic of meningoencephalitis in Andhra Pradesh, cerebral venous thrombosis, headache and myopathy were discussed. Two interesting lectures i.e. neurology of happiness and physician’s dilemma in managing neurological disorders were highlight.

In the evening of 6th March there was an inaugural ceremony following which Presidential Oration was given by Dr Pratap Sanchetee on ‘Neurology of Dengue Fever’. During inaugural function three members of IAN i.e. Dr Ashok Panagariya, Dr Padma Shrivastava and Dr Sudhir Shah, were felicitated by organising committee for being conferred Padamshri. Conferences ended with valedictory function and meet the expert during dinner.

Dr Pratap Sanchetee
Chairman, Organising Committee