E-News Letter Indian Association of Surgical Oncology August-2023

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I am honored to have the opportunity to write this Presidents Message for our Newsletter of IASO August issue of 2023.

We all know that there are 4 occasions when IASO Newsletter comes out such as Pre and Post MIDCON, Pre and Post NATCON. During last few years, the Newsletter has come out with flying colors with full of information regarding various academic activities, Pictorial presentations of all educational programs like Masterclass, Zonal CMEs, Outreach programs, Zonal Conferences etc. Information like Minutes of various meetings, Interim reports of Treasurer, Information on future meetings,.

Every member gets to know about new members inducted into IASO Forum. Day by day the number of members is growing as IASO has gained much popularity in the recent days as one of the prime superspecialist branch. A corner of Journal also finds a place for new information if any. Since last Newsletter, which was published during May 2023, there are lot of activities which need to be incorporated into the basket of this Newsletter. I must thank our Secretary and The Editorial Secretary who are instrumental in updating such events.

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Our last date of submitting application for various posts for Election 2023 is 30th August and Last date of putting LOI for organizing MIDCON,NATCON for 2025 is 30th September 2023.

Proud to announce, this year we are starting **IASO Post Doctoral Travelling Fellowship for young** surgical Oncologists interested in site specific areas inside India for one month observer ship. The host centers interested are already shortlisted.

An 8-member committee is working on the long pending **IASO Text Book of Surgical Oncology**, the reports will be available during GBM of ICC regarding the Organogram of Editorial Board, Publisher, Liability/benefits to IASO etc.

More number of awards, both National/international, are also considered to be offered to Youngsters this year.

The **amount of awards to Quiz winners will be raised** too.

Happy to share also we have talked to the Chairman and Director international relation affairs of Japan society of clinical oncology and they are ready to come forward for a mutual beneficial affiliation in education and training in surgical Oncology. Final MOU would happen during October 2023.

Many mores to come.

Before concluding, I must thank all the esteemed and active members who has contributed to the growth of IASO in a great way.

Regards.

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Dear IASO Member,

Greetings from IASO Headquarters. Indian Cancer Congress is going to be held at Mumbai from 2nd to 4th November 2023. This mega event is not only grand by number of delegates and faculty (including international faculty), it also symbolizes the unity of Indian oncology fraternity in conducting this mega event foregoing annual meetings of the societies.Though it's a great meeting it is a great challenge for the societies and organizers to plan and execute this mega event.

It is the duty of the all members of IASO to attend this meeting and make it a great success. Not only you can update your knowledge and skills by witnessing presentations, discussions, and Keynote talks, the junior doctors can present their research, show videos and win significant amount of awards. The meeting has given great thrust for clinical research, health economics of cancer therapy, training in Surgical Oncology and recent advances in oncology. I hope that these sessions will help the Surgical Oncologists to update their knowledge and skills so that we can match up to best of world standards. I request all members to join this meeting.

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IASO Executive Committee (2022-23)

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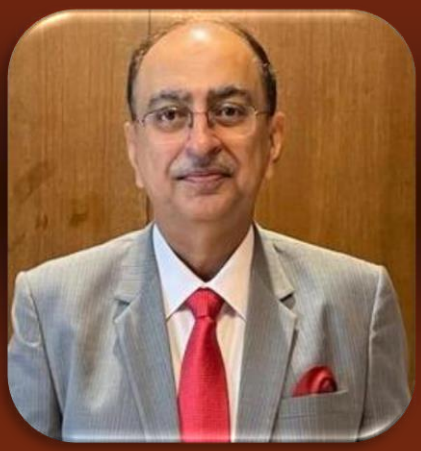

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IASO Executive Member (2022-23)

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History of IASO Leadership

President	Secretary	Treasurer	Year
Dr. D J Jussawala	Dr. Ashok Mehta	–	1977
Dr. P B Desai	Dr. Ashok Mehta	–	1979
Dr. M P Vaidya	Dr. N C Misra	–	1981
Dr. Ashok Mehta	Dr. N C Misra	–	1983
Dr. D D Patel	Dr. N C Misra	–	1984
Dr. A P Majumdar	Dr. N C Misra	–	1985
Dr. R S Rao	Dr. N N Khanna	–	1986
Dr. N C Misra	Dr. N N Khanna	–	1987
Dr. N N Khanna	Dr. S G Deshpande	–	1988
Dr. B M L Kapoor	Dr. S G Deshpande	–	1989
Dr. S K Sarkar	Dr. S G Deshpande	–	1990
Dr. P M Trivedi	Dr. H S Shukla	–	1991
Dr. K K Pandey	Dr. H S Shukla	–	1992
Dr. S K Shukla	Dr. H S Shukla	–	1993
Dr. J B Venkatrau	Dr. H S Shukla	–	1994
Dr. Shambhu Pal	Dr. Sandeep Kumar	–	1995
Dr. C K Gupta	Dr. Sandeep Kumar	–	1996
Dr. H S Shukla	Dr. Sandeep Kumar	–	1997
Dr. S P Kharey	Dr. Sandeep Kumar	–	1998
Dr. P Subhas	Dr. Kiran Kothari	–	1999
Dr. K KMaudar	Dr. Kiran Kothari	–	2000
Dr. K Panda	Dr. Ravi Kant	–	2001
Dr. R I Dave	Dr. Ravi Kant	–	2002
Dr. K S Gopinath	Dr. L Sarangi	–	2003
Dr. K Kothari	Dr. L Sarangi	–	2004
Dr. Sandeep Kumar	Dr. R Karwasara	–	2005
Dr. Ravi Kant	Dr. R Karwasara	–	2006
Dr. S Sadasivam	Dr. Sanjeev Misra	–	2007
Dr. Sanjay Sharma	Dr. Sanjeev Misra	–	2008
Dr. L Sarangi	Dr. M Vijyakumar	–	2009
Dr. Arun Chaturvedi	Dr. M Vijyakumar	–	2010
Dr. E Hemant Raj	Dr. Manoj Pandey	–	2011
Brig ManomoyGanguly	Dr. Manoj Pandey	–	2012
Dr. Sanjeev Misra	Dr.Dhairasheel Savant	–	2013
Dr. R Rajaraman	Dr.Dhairasheel Savant	–	2014
Dr.M Vijayakumar	Dr.TSubrahmanyeswar Rao	Dr. Rajendra Toprani	2015
Dr.HaritChathurvedi	Dr.TSubrahmanyeswar Rao	Dr. Rajendra Toprani	2016
Dr. BKC Mohan Prasad	Dr. Rajendra Toprani	Dr. Prafulla K. Das	2017
Dr. Sanjay Kapoor	Dr. Rajendra Toprani	Dr. Prafulla K. Das	2018
Dr.Dhairyasheel Savant	Dr. Sharad Desai	Dr.Chandramohan K	2019
Dr Arnab Gupta	Dr. Sharad Desai	Dr.Chandramohan K	2020-21
Dr Rajendra Toprani	Dr.Chandramohan K	Dr Somashekhar	2022
Dr Prafulla K Das	Dr.Chandramohan K	Dr Somashekhar	2023

IASO EC Meetings on 29.06.2023

Executive Committee meeting of the Indian Association of Surgical Oncology held virtually on 29/6 / 23.

Present : Hony President Dr P K Das ,Immediate Past President Dr Rajendra Toprani, President Elect Dr SVS Deo , Past President Dr Harit Chaturvedi, Past President Dr Arnab Gupta ,Academic Chairman Dr T S Rao, Vice President Dr Sharad Desai, Secretary Dr Chandramohan, Treasurer Dr Somashekhar, Editorial Secretary Dr Shaikat Gupta, Web secretary Dr Ashutosh Mishra, Executive Committee members Dr Pankaj , Dr Manisa Patnaik, Dr Devendra Parikh , Dr Goud and Ms Rekha Jaishankar.

Meeting was called to order by President at 7 p.m, with subsequent Presidential address.

Agenda of the meeting was outlined by secretary and discussed in the following order.

1. **Postdoctoral Fellowship program.**

EC discussed ongoing efforts regarding the postdoctoral fellowship program, of the assigned **9 Member Committee** under the leadership of Dr T S Rao. IASO had a virtual meeting of the leadership in 4.1.2023, chaired by Dr T Subramanyeshwar Rao, to decide on the IASO Travelling Fellowship. Following are the minutes of that meeting.

Meeting began under the Chairmanship of Dr Subramanyeshwar Rao.

Meeting was called to order by Hony President Dr P K Das.

The opinion of everybody present was taken into account and the following resolutions were taken:

IASO will launch the IASO Travelling Fellowship, which will be a one to three month organ/ technique based focused observational module. IASO Treasurer has allowed a budget up to INR 5 lakhs for this program, to start with. Details of budget allocation to be elucidated later.

This will be for post MCh/ post DNB (Surgical Oncology) candidates only.

The Fellowships offered will be in Head Neck, Breast, GI, Thoracic, Uro, Gynaec, and Ortho Oncology and in HIPEC, Robotics and Minimally Invasive techniques.

As regards to number of Fellowships, this will be launched as a pilot project initially for approximately two years depending on how many eligible Host centres are interested and later expanded as per increasing demand.

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Selection of host centre- IASO will circulate mail to all members inviting letter of interest. Host centre/ mentor should have adequate number of cases of the training subsite/ technique, be able to provide meaningful training to the candidate, and should have good infrastructure to provide multidisciplinary exposure to the candidate on that particular subside/technique with tumour board practice in position.IASO leadership will judge the eligibility of the host centre. The participating host centre will be incorporated into the program after signing an MoU with IASO.

Selection of candidate: Interested candidates are to apply to IASO Secretariat before August, whereby they will have to declare only one choice regarding desired area of training. They will be shortlisted for interview by a **4 member committee** comprising Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Editorial Secretary. Shortlisted candidates will appear for final interview on the first day of NATCON, before a **3 member committee** comprising President, Immediate Past President and President Elect. Selection of candidates will be on a points and need based system, to be designed by Vice President and Treasurer. Selected candidates will be paid a lump sum of up to INR 25000 by IASO towards accommodation and expenses. The duration of training, varying between one to three months, will be between candidate and host centre.

With this background and subsequent to this meeting, email invitations were sent to all IASO members to participate as host centre. Secretary informed EC that responses have been received from 10 centres. EC decided that the **empowered Committee will screen these centres** to check eligibility for training credentials before accreditation and acceptance for fellowship.

It was also decided to Name the Fellowships as**" IASO Post doctoral Travelling Fellowship-Head and Neck Surgical Oncology, Breast Surgical Oncology…..etc"**

2. IJSO Committee Report by Dr Harit Chaturvedi

Dr. Harit Chaturvedi gave a presentation to the EC regarding the decisions of the IJSO Committee when the last meeting was held on 30/04/2023 at Delhi on hybrid mode.

He presented the IJSO organogram detailing the structure and work flow of the new proposed IJSO Editorial Board.

There will be 1 Editor in Chief and 1 Executive Editor, each with tenure of 5 years.

Under the Executive Editor there will be 4 Joint Editors,one of whom will be an international Joint Editor, each with term of 4 years.

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Under each joint editor there will be 2 Sectional Editors, so 8 Sectional Editors in total, each with a term of 3 years. The Sectional Editor will do the fine tuning and coordination of work under each disease management group or geographical zone.

The Editor in Chief, Executive Editor, Joint Editors and Sectional Editors must be members of IASO. Under the Sectional Editor will be the Reviewers, who may not necessarily be IASO members.

The selection process will be by the IJSO Selection Board, which will include President, President elect, Vice President and 2 Immediate Past Presidents(five Presidents in line) , who will select the Editor in Chief , Executive Editor and 4 Joint Editors . In case of controversy the President takes the final decision. The Sectional Editors will be selected by Editorial Board comprising Editor in Chief, Executive Editor, Joint Editors, President, Secretary, President Elect and Vice President, based on nomination and application.

Anybody on the Editorial Board can serve multiple terms, as per the decision and discretion of the IJSO Selection Board. There is also to be a 5 member Advisory Board, comprising National and International Faculty, chosen by the Editorial Board. These may be non-ISO members. This will be in the spirit of increasing international participation in IJSO.

Reviewers and Advisory Board members can be from International Faculty and non-IASO members. President Elect Dr Deo emphasised the **need for a transition model** between the existing system and the new system, with a Transition Team in place . EC empowered the **same IJSO Committee under the leadership of Dr Harit Chaturvedi to decide about the transition process.** who can prepare before the ICC time

This proposed structure will be re circulated amongst EC members after formation of transition model and implemented after ratification by General Body Meeting in ICC 2023.

3. Formation of 2 level of jury for ICC IASO Abstracts evaluation with Guideline and timeline

Hony President outlined the need for a 2-level Jury **to handle the large number of abstractsin case it happens during ICC** and to finish selection 1 month before ICC 2023.

First group will be led by Vice President and will include Secretary, Treasurer, Web Secretary and Editorial Secretary. They should finish scrutiny by 31.8.2023

Next level Jury will comprise President, President Elect, Immediate Past President, Academic Chairman and Secretary. They will finish scrutiny by 15.09.2023.

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18 abstracts will go for Designated Awards session, Few abstracts for Oral podium presentation, some for video presentation and rest for posters

4. Sushruta IASO ICDE Fellowship to India-A reciprocal International Carrier Development Exchange (ICDE) Fellowship program was decided to be offered to one young SSO member in the name as above, with similar Terms and Condition as narrated below

i. An offer to one Young SSO member inside USA, 45 years old or under.

ii. The selection of the candidate will be done by SSO by a Board of Jury in their Annual meeting/or at any other time prior to it as decided by the Board

Iii.The **IASO will provide a complimentary registration to attend its IASO /ICC Annual meeting** where the candidate can **present his/her abstract** in a poster/podium presentation session

iv. The candidate will be given opportunity to have Observer ship in one-two Indian centre of excellence. The **IASO will provide a stipend of $3,000** to the successful candidate to cover both international and domestic airfare, lodging within India for the duration of the exchange. The selected recipient will provide the IASO with an outline of what procedures/specialties/institutions they would like to experience during their visit; this will enable The IASO to focus the list of potential institutions that can accommodate the candidate's needs.

IASO will act as an intermediary when deciding such potential institutions to be visited and will provide the candidate with a short-list of viable sites from which to choose. (The first program will be at Indo American Basavatharakam Hospital in Hyderabad .The point of Contact will be Dr RS Rao, India and Dr.Chandrakant Are,USA- This we will not commit now in this MOU, but will be allotted as the time comes)

v. Applicants must be currently employed in his/her region, must have leadership potential, must be fluent in English (both writing and speaking).

vi. Applicants must be able to travel for a minimum of two consecutive weeks to the India during September/October

Hence,It is preferred that recipients/Applicants already have a current passport. In case not, he/she must be ready to obtain it. Applicants must be also able to obtain a valid travel Visa to India

vii. The Applicant cannot have previously received the IASO ICDE grant or cannot have previously attended more than one IASO Annual Meeting in the past three (3) years.

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IASO can also allow 5 young SSO members as a reciprocal offer, to present posters in IASO Annual meeting. SSO would select the candidates at its National meeting by a Board of Jury. They will come on their own fund and/ by support of SSO.The topmost abstract holder can present on podium.

5. GCRI Indo American fellowship award Proposal for raising Award money

EC noted that this Fellowship has been inactive for quite some time and the corpus is only INR 50000. Hony President proposed increasing the Fellowship money from INR 5000 to at least INR 10000 to 30000 in an effort to revive it. EC decided to approach Dr Kiran Kothari and Dr Dave with the proposal.

6. Enhancing award money for Gopinath Panda quiz

EC empowered Hony President to approach Dr Gopinath and Dr K S Panda with proposal to increase the award money and the corpus, which at present is INR 100000.

7. BSSO MOU n Rio meeting November 2023

Secretary informed EC that informal talks and email exchanges have happened with BSSO leadership for mutual attendance in conferences, collaboration , research and guidelines, but an official MoU has not been signed.

Two leaders and a student from BSSO will attend ICC 2023 and future NATCON meetings, and IASO will provide free registration and local hospitality.

BSSO will reciprocate in similar manner starting Rio Meeting in Nov 2023. One Young IASO member is to be selected by a group of Jury during a designated session during ICC/NATCON including President, Secretary, and IASO will pay $1000 to the Awardee for expenses, starting 2023.Dr Toprani and Dr SVS Deo were nominated to attend Rio meeting this November 2023

9. ESSO MOU renewal-including any Reciprocal fellowship

EC decided to renew MoU with ESSO regarding our existing ESSO Fellowship.

Reciprocally one of their young ESSO member also can come, attend Annual meeting of IASO and do a one to two week Observer ship in India and IASO would support with Euro 500 for that purpose.

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10. Affiliation with national and international Meetings

President Elect Dr SVS Deo presented to EC the broad parameters governing IASO participation , whenever any such request is received. The objective will be to expand the footprint of IASO nationally and internationally, increase academic networking, and to look at the membership, academic and financial benefits to IASO. IASO involvement can be pure academic or academic with financial, to be classified into as lead partner, co lead or as the only affiliation. Collaborating entities to be classified into Scientific Societies, state/national bodies and teaching institutions.

We need to decide (1) respective roles of IASO and participating entities, in scientific programme, faculty and (2) financial commitments, in which there should be some remuneration to IASO. (3) Logo can be shared in simple scientific programmes. (4) They can also be put up on website and circulated to members. However, (5) membership list and contact details are not to be shared with participating organisations.

The final decision on affiliations to be left to the discretion of office bearers.

Above these are the broad guidelines for a uniform policy document to be prepared in future and circulated to EC members.

10. Global surgical Oncology meeting at Israel during Feb 2024

Academic Chairman announced the invitation from Israel and EC decided to circulate to IASO members, if anybody is interested to attend.

11. IASO Election 2023

Election committee-Dr P K Das, Dr SVS Deo, Dr Sharad Desai

Convener Dr Chandramohan

Election Officer-Dr SVS Deo.

Last date of Nomination is 30.08.2023

IASO Office to keep ready all eligible voters by 30.08.2023 and handover to Evote Vendor (like last 2 years) by 1.9.2023. Election period -15.09.2023-30.09.2023

ASI Election guidelines to be followed, as in 2022.

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Another Election Notification reminder email to be circulated to all IASO members from Election Officer Dr SVS Deo.

12. ICC 2023

EC decided to increase momentum for funds, registration and abstracts and outreach road shows by ICC OC in order to make ICC2023 a grand success.EC decided to have a brainstorming session between IASO leadership and ICC OC, to alleviate the crisis like situation, considering the lack of funds and time.

13. NATCON/ MIDCON LOI for 2025

MIDCON March 2024, Hubli, Karnataka. Organising Secretary- Dr Santosh Chikraddi

NATCON 2024- Bangalore

NATCON 2025- The Secretary said, No one has put the Bid yet for the NATCON/MIDCON 2025.

14. Update on NATCON MIDCON Blueprint

Secretary informed EC that blueprint is compiled and will be circulated to EC members.

15. Issues raised by KASO Secretary regarding qualification of faculty and subspecialty training

KASO Secretary has raised two issues of great concern concerning the future of MCh Surgical Oncology . One , that to apply for Assistant professorship in teaching institutions in HFN or Gynaec Onco, MCh Surgical Oncology candidates are not being held eligible, whereas even MS ENT candidates with 2 yrs experience in HFN onco are eligible.Second, that TMH Mumbai is starting organ specific MCh programmes.

Academic Chairman emphasised that the future of Surgical Oncology postgraduates lies in further subspeciality training under IASO Fellowships, in order to empower them in a future organ specific ecosystem. President Elect informed EC that he has discussed with NMC and National Board and that NBEMS has in principle agreed- IASO has to make an official proposal. He emphasised that Post MCh organ based IASO Fellowships are the way forward, working in close collaboration with National Board, which has already provisionally approved.EC decided to submit formal proposals to National Board and to make a formal representation to NMC for starting the Fellowships.

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The Fellowships offered will be in Head Neck, Breast, GI, Thoracic, Uro, Gynaec, and Ortho Oncology and in HIPEC, Robotics and Minimally Invasive techniques. And they will be called 'HFN Surgical Oncology', 'Breast Surgical Oncology" etc, to differentiate them from organ based MCh. Tenure will be 1-2 years

Currently one 9 member committee of IASO is working on an such Observational Travelling Fellowship for 1-2 months.

16. IASO Textbook of Surgical Oncology

Ec redocumented for a Committee to discuss on the Feasibility, Selection of Publisher,Editorial Board, finances etc and give a report during next EC meeting during ICC.

Members-Dr Arnab Gupta,Dr Rajendra Toprani,Dr P K Das, Dr SVS Deo, Dr Sharad Desai, Dr Chandramohan, Dr Somasekhar, Dr Shaikat Gupta and Dr Ashutosh Mishra under the Chairmanship of Dr Arnab Gupta.

17. Collaboration with Japanese Society of Surgical Oncology

EC decided to initiate correspondence and collaboration with the Japanese society, by personal outreach to leaders like Dr Takeshi Sano.

18. MOU with SLASO/Bangladesh

EC decided to initiate collaboration with the Oncology / Surgical Oncology Societies of Sri Lanka(through the office of President Dr Kanishka D'Silva), Bangladesh, Nepal and Bhutan.

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19. Revisiting IASO BASO Hyderabad fellowship

IASO BASO Hyderabad fellowship never took off and is already deleted from IASO 2021 Bylaw. But this Fellowship might be interesting to our youngsters, **Dr SVS Deo** volunteered to talk to Michael Douek who will take over in 2023 personally, if they can allow observership in one hospital for about 2 weeks with some support like accommodation. We can offer 500 Euro like ESSO offers. So we can make a last attempt to revive it and abandon it if they don't show any interest.

EC decided to re initiate attempts to restart this Fellowship and exchange programme, with a commitment of Euro 500 from IASO side.

20. Contribution to GST liability of ICC 2017

IASO had given Rs. 10.00 lacs in F.Y. 2015-16 towards seed money for ICC 2017 and received Rs. 20.00 lacs in F.Y 2018-19 from them. Therefore, net Income received was Rs. 10.00 lacs.

IASO paid 31.2% i.e. 312000 Income Tax on this. After Income tax, remaining amount is Rs. 6,88,000

President asked EC if IASO can contribute back 6.88 L or 7 L to meet their GST demand.

EC decided that it is the primary responsibility of the organising body to raise funds, and hence not to set a bad precedent for the future.

21. Discussion on donations and 80G

EC discussed the implications of getting 80G, in order to increase donations. It was decided to explore the Pros and Cons for IASO getting feedback from various fields of expertise

Meeting ended with Vote of Thanks by Secretary

Update On Zonal Seat Re Distribution

The 5 member committee comprising President, Secretary and three immediate Past Presidents had a meeting on 8.11.2022.

As per the decision taken at the meeting, an online polling was done, to which 100 IASO members responded. Secretary declared the result of the poll, which is as follows.

In response to the first proposal to include Telengana and Andhra Pradesh in Eastern zone, 80% voted against.

In response to the second proposal to have zonal representation in EC proportionate to the number of members in each zone, 80% voted in favour of the proposal.

EC decided that in view of the less number of responses to the online poll, the same should be recirculated once again amongst all IASO members, a month's time given and a final decision on the issue to be taken at next EC meeting .

A final decision has been taken by EC to add another EC seat to South Zone, thus bringing total number of Zonal EC seats to 9, to be placed before GB for final ratification.

Sequential Meetings on IASO Post Doctoral Travelling Fellowship

IASO EC Meeting at Jodhpur Zonal Meeting on IASO Travelling Fellowship – 09.12.2022

EC discussed the issue at length, based on the findings and observations of the 9 member committee led by Chairman Academic Council Dr T Subramanyeshwar Rao. The other members of the Committee being President Dr P K Das, Secretary Dr Chandramohan, Immediate Past President Dr Rajendra Toprani, Past President Dr Harit Chaturvedi, Vice President Dr Sharad Desai, President Elect Dr S V S Deo, Treasurer Dr Somashekhar and Editorial Secretary Dr Shaikat Gupta.

EC decided to concentrate for the time being on starting the short term IASO Fellowships at reputed Institutes. To that end, EC decided to have a separate meeting of the 9 member committee on 4.1, 2023, to take final decisions on eligibility, duration and centers, to be presented to EC in Zonal Meeting in Lataguri.

Minutes of IASO Leadership virtual meeting on IASO Travelling Fellowship – 04.01.2023

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IASO will launch the IASO Travelling Fellowship, which will be a one to three month organ/ technique based focused observational module. IASO Treasurer has allowed a budget up to INR 5 lakhs for this program, to start with. Details of budget allocation to be elucidated later.

This will be for post MCh/ post DNB (Surgical Oncology) candidates only.

The Fellowships offered will be in Head Neck, Breast, Gl, Thoracic, Uro, Gynaec, and Ortho Oncology and in HIPEC, Robotics and Minimally Invasive techniques.

As regards to number of Fellowships, this will be launched as a pilot project initially for approximately two years depending on how many eligible Host centers are interested and later expanded as per increasing demand.

Selection of host centre- IASO will circulate mail to all members inviting letter of interest. Host centre/ mentor should have adequate number of cases of the training subsite/ technique, be able to provide meaningful training to the candidate, and should have good infrastructure to provide multidisciplinary exposure to the candidate on that particular subside/technique with tumor board practice in position.

lASO leadership will judge the eligibility of the host centre.

The participating host centre will be incorporated into the program after signing an MOU with IASO.

Selection of candidate: Interested candidates are to apply to IASO.Secretariat before August, whereby they will have to declare only one choice regarding desired area of training. They will be shortlisted for interview by a 4 member committee comprising Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Editorial Secretary.

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Shortlisted candidates will appear for final interview on the first day of NATCON, before a 3 member committee comprising President, Immediate Past President and President Elect. Selection of candidates will be on a points and need based system, to be designed by Vice President and Treasurer.

Selected candidates will be paid a lump sum of up to INR 25000 by IASO towards accommodation and expenses. The duration of training, varying between one to three months will be between candidate and host centre.

Subsequent to this meeting, email invitations were sent to all IASO members to participate as host centre

Final Meeting of IASO Post Doctoral Fellowship Committee on 10.8.2023

The final meeting of IASO Post Doctoral Fellowship was done on 10th August 2023 in Zoom Platform.11 centers have proposed for fellowships. The committee has examined the proposals and accepted 10 .The centres were given status A and B .18 fellowship positions were accepted Dr S V S Deo will talk to Dr Harit Chaturvedi for Max joining and AIIMS Jodhpur for clarifications for approval of their proposals .

For the fellowships following were decided.

The Duration will be for one month .Age of applicants should be less than 50.

The applications will be invited next week and last date of application will be 15 September .The shortlisted candidates will be informed by 2nd October.The selected candidates need to register for ICC and attend .The final interview will be done during ICC preferably on Second Day of Meeting and the selection should be done before GB

Certificate will be given by IASO .The experience certificate will be by Mentor .

Meeting of IASO Textbook of Surgical Oncology Core Committee 17.08.2023

Zoom Virtual Platform

17th August 2023, 9:30 pm IST

Minutes of Meetings

Mee#ng attended by

1. Dr Arnab Gupta (Commi(ee Chairman & Past President IASO)
2. Dr P K Das (President, IASO)
3. Dr Sharad Desai (Vice- President, IASO)
4. Dr Chandramohan K (Secretary, IASO)
5. Dr Shaikat Gupta (Editorial Secretary, IASO)
6. Dr Ashutosh Mishra (Digital Secretary, IASO)

- Meetng started with the welcome address by Dr P K Das & Dr Arnab Gupta
- In background, this concept was conceptualized by Dr Arnab Gupta in 2019, was minuted in then EC mee#ng and subsequent GBM.
- Aim is to produce textbook of surgical oncology in 2 volumes, focusing on India cancer scenario with surgery centric chapters.

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Under chairmanship of Dr Arnab Gupta, this committee will finalize.

- Editorial board
- Organogram
- Publisher
- Logis#cs

Editorial board & Organogram

- Dr PK Das proposed two modules of Organogram.
- 4 editors (1 Chief Editor, 3 editors), 8 joint editors, 16 sectional editors, 32 Contributng authors (approx.)
- 4 editors (1 Chief Editor, 3 editors), 12 joint editors, 24 sectional editors, 48 Contributng authors (approx.)
- In additon to above editors, we can have 1-2 International editors and 4-5 guest editors.
- Dr Arnab Gupta- seconded the module 1 (4E- 8 JE- 16 SE) along with which he proposed the overseas contributng authors as well.
- Dr Sharad Desai has raised the point to involve the Indian authors only and should target cancers more prevalent in SAARC countries.
- Dr Sharad Desai- In editorial board, hidden and young talent should be given more opportunity. (Seconded by Dr Shaikat Gupta, Dr P K DAS)
- Dr Chandramohan- As of now, we shouldn't finalize the names, priority should be to create a pool of good names across the country.

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Publisher

- Dr Arnab Gupta –
  1 Highlighted the discussion with Springer (Suggested by Dr Somashekhar). Springer will do initial funding and will share in Profit. Selling price will be around 10-12 thousand.
  2 Another Publisher JAYPEE- where IASO needs to do seed funding around 25 lacs, but selling price will be less.
  3 It needs further discussion in subsequent mee#ngs.

- Dr Sharad Desai- Book Should be updated and republished every two to three years. (Seconded by Dr Arnab Gupta)

Textbook Name and content

- Few names came out of discussion like (Dr P K Das, Dr Chandramohan, Dr Shaikat Gupta)
- IASO Textbook of Surgical Oncology
- Textbook of Surgical Oncology- IASO
- Content of Textbook-
- Dr Chandramohan- it should incorporate more surgical aspect almost up to 40% as Devita addresses mostly non-surgical aspects of cancers. (Seconded by Dr Arnab Gupta, Dr P K Das, Dr Sharad Desai)
- Dr Arnab Gupta seconded Dr Chandramohan points.

Meetng Concluded with vote of thanks by Secretary and the next mee#ng scheduled on 5th September 2023, 9:30 pm IST

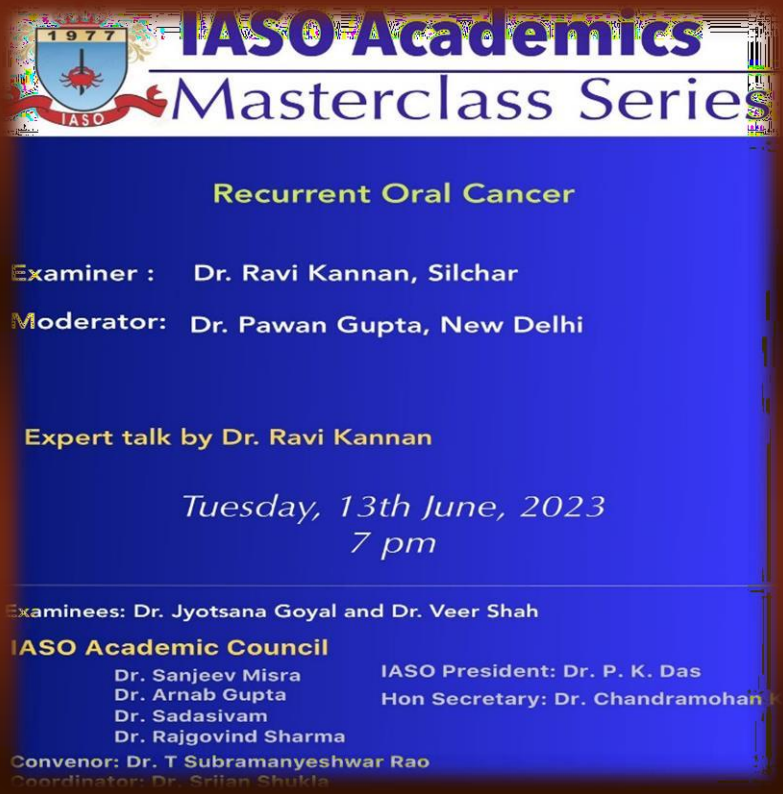
IASO Masterclasses

IASO Academic Council presents Masterclass Series,

Chapter 50, Tuesday,

13th June, 7 pm

Topic: Recurrent Oral Cancer



Agenda -- 1. Case discussion-

Examiner: Dr. Ravi Kannan, Silchar, Moderator: Dr. Pawan Gupta, New Delhi

Examinees: Dr. Jyotsana Goyal and Dr. Veer Shah

2. Expert talk by Dr. Ravi Kannan

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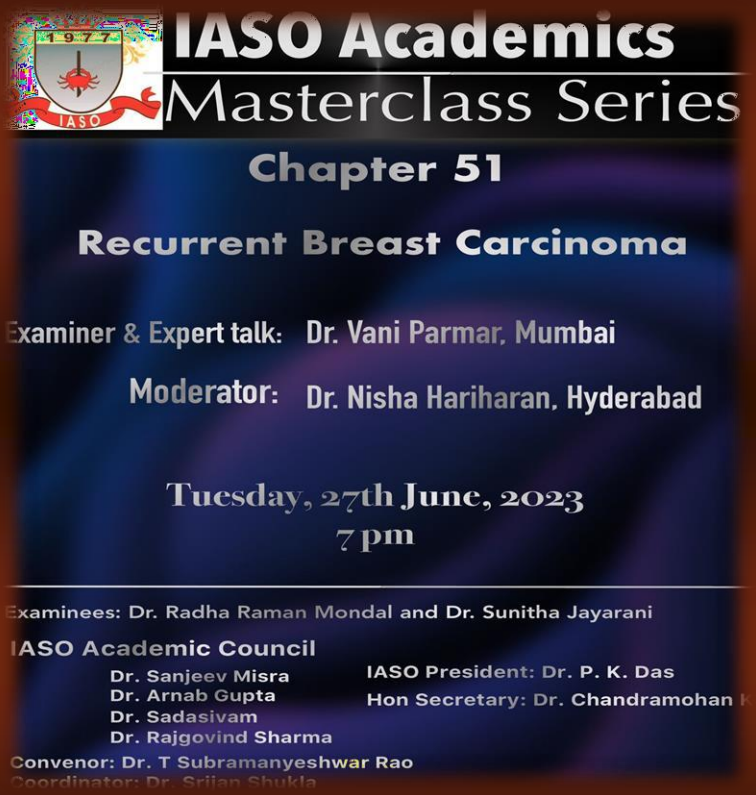
IASO Academic Council presents Masterclass Series,

Chapter 51,Tuesday,

27th June, 7 pm

Topic: Recurrent Breast Carcinoma



Agenda-- 1. Case discussion-

Examiner: Dr. Vani Parmar, Mumbai,Moderator: Dr. Nisha Hariharan, Hyderabad

Examinees: Dr. Radha Raman Mondal and Dr. Sunitha Jayarani

2. Expert talk by Dr. Vani Parmar

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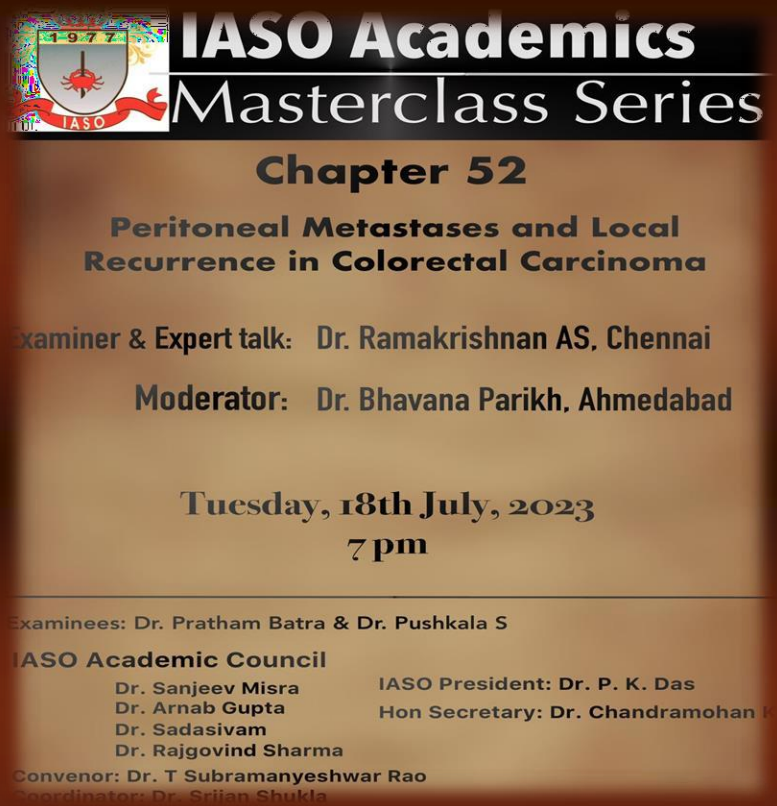
IASO Academic Council presents Masterclass Series,

Chapter 52, Tuesday, 18th July, 7 pm

Topic: Peritoneal Metastases and Local Recurrence in Colorectal Carcinoma



Agenda-- 1. Case discussion-

Examiner: Dr. Ramakrishnan AS, Chennai, Moderator: Dr. Bhavana Parikh, Ahmedabad

Examinees: Dr. Pushkala S and Dr. Pratham Batra

2. Expert talk by Dr. Ramakrishnan AS

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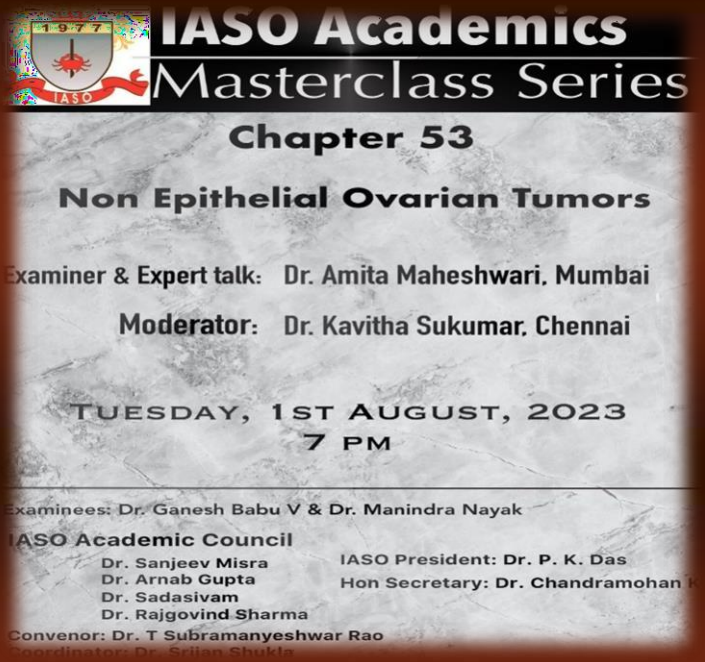
IASO Academic Council presents Masterclass Series,

Chapter 53, Tuesday, 1st August, 7 pm

Topic: Nonm Epithelial Ovarian Tumors



Agenda-- 1. Case discussion-

Examiners: **Dr. Amita Maheshwari**

Moderator: **Dr. Kavitha Sukumar**

Examinees **Dr. Ganesh Babu V, Dr. Manindra Nayak**

Expert talk: **Dr. Amita Maheshwari**

The topics covered have also included recurrent tumors pertinent to a trainee in Surgical Oncology. The format of resident participation in a "panel discussion" way of examination has been continuing with success. The online participation is averaging 70-85 live participants and the YouTube channel has over 1.3 lakh views and 4000 subscribers as of 10th August, 2023.

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IASO Election Notification 2023

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Notification for Election of IASO office bearers ,2023

(Approved by IASO Election Committee dt 21/04/2023)

Secretary of IASO hereby notifies Elections IASO 2023 for the following posts

Vice President -1

Hon Secretary -1

Treasurer -1

Editorial Secretary-1

Executive Committee Members-4 (South, North, East, West-1 each)

Election will be conducted online as decided by Google being survey opinion, EC meetings and General Body meeting during 2022. The last date for nomination being 30th August 2023. The nominations are to be sent by e mail to the Secretary, IASO (iasosecretariat@gmail.com) with CC to President (pk.das12365@gmail.com) President elect (svsdeo@gmail.com) and Vice President (drsharaddesai@gmail.com). Every Nomination shall be proposed ánd seconded by two full members of lASO. One member can propose or second only one candidate. There should be a signed no objection certificate and consent from the candidate along with the nomination with date.

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At the time of sending the nomination the candidate should send the following informations. He/she should send a brief summary of his/her achievements (a brief background about his achievements and contributions - publications, conference organized, scientific contribution etc.).

Contribution to IASO and Bio-data, all this not exceeding 250 words and signed by him/her. This should also have a mention of IASO conferences attended in last 5 years. This information will be put forward to the members before and during the online voting.

Invalid Nomination-If the nomination is found invalid the candidate will be informed about the same and the reason for invalidity mentioned.

Withdrawal of Nomination The candidates can withdraw their nominations latest by 5th September 5.00PM through the same email iasosecretariat@gmail.com with copy to President (pk.das12365@gmail.com) President elect (svsdeo@gmail.com) and Vice President (drsharaddesai@gmail.com) The nominations that are received in time will be scrutinized by the Election Committee comprising of President, President Elect, &Vice president. The Secretary will guide the election process. The President Elect will be the Returning Officer.

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Eligibility for elections

1)- Vice President-A full member of IASO who has completed 10 years as full life member (up to 31st March of the year of applying) and has served at least one term as an elected/nominated Executive member is eligible to contest for the post of Vice President.

2)- Secretary-A Full life member of IASO who has completed 7 years (up to 31st March of the year of applying) as full life member and has served at least one term as an elected/nominated Executive member is eligible to contest for the post of Secretary.

3)- Treasurer-A Full life member of IASO who has completed 7 years (up to 31st March of the year of applying) as full life member and has served at least one term as an elected/nominated Executive member is eligible to contest for the post of Treasurer

4)- Editorial Secretary-A Full life member of IASO who has completed 7 years (up to 31st March of the year of applying) as full life member and has served at least one term as an elected/nominated Executive member is eligible to contest for the post of Editorial Secretary.

5)- Executive Committee Member - Candidates who have put in a minimum 5 years full life membership of IASO till 31st March of the year of applying for the executive committee are eligible to election to Executive Committee.

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Cutoff date for eligibility to vote for Full life Members who have been inducted as new members will now be 31st Dec of the previous year of election for voting right for current year.

One executive should complete his term before taking over another assignment.

Voting – The online voting will be by a vender chosen by the Election committee after approval of Active EC members.

Results will be declared during ICC 2023 EC and GB meetings. If there is no contest the President shall declare the member elected for the post in GBM. If no nomination is received, it is on the President and President elect to nominate one person for that post.

Nominated candidates will have the same rights and powers as elected candidates. The term for nominated members is for one year only.

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IASO Election Nomination 2023

I, Dr…… (IASO member ship No…..) propose the name of Dr……. for the post of .....of IASO.

Signature
Date
Place

I, Dr……(IASO member ship No…..) second the proposal of Dr……for the post of .....of IASO.

Signature
Date
Place

I, Dr……(IASO member ship No…..) agree for proposal of my name for the post of..... of IASO.

Signature
Date
Place

Notification for IASO Post Doctoral Travelling Fellowship

(Approved by the committee dt 10/08/2023)

This is notified that the Committee for the IASO Post Doctoral Travelling Fellowship has recommended PROVISIONALLY the following Mentors and the Institutes as host Centers for such Fellowship in different subspecialities.

Sl no	Mentor	Institution	Subspeciality Fellowship
1	Dr. Somashekhar S P	Aster International Institute Of Oncology, Bangalore	CRS and HIPEC for PSM
2	Dr. Rajendra Toprani	HCG Cancer Center, Ahmedabad	Head & Neck Oncosurgery Robotics Surgery & Minimal Access Surgeries Breast Surgical Oncology and Oncoplastic surgery
3	Dr. Subramanyeshwar Rao Thammineedi / Dr. Srijan Shukla	Basavatarakam Indo American Cancer Hospital & Research Institute, Road No. 10, IAS Officers Quarters, Nandi Nagar, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, Telangana 500034	GI Oncology Thoracic Oncosurgery Gynae-oncology Robotics Surgery &Minimal Access surgeries
4	Dr. Dileep Damodharan	MVR Cancer Centre, Kerala	Breast Surgical Oncology and Oncoplastic Surgery CRS and HIPEC for PSM
5	Dr Geeta Kadayaprath	Max Hospital, Patparganj and Vaishali	Breast Surgical Oncology and Oncoplastic surgery
6	Dr Satheesan B/ Dr Sandeep Vijay/ Dr Adarsh Dharmarajan/ Dr Nizamudheen M P	Malabar Cancer Centre, Kerala	Head and neck Oncosurgery GI Oncology Gynae-Oncology
7	Dr SVS Deo	AIIMS,New delhi(subject to approval)	Head and Neck Oncosurgery Thoracic Oncosurgery Breast Surgical Oncology and Oncoplastic Surgery GI Oncology CRS and HIPEC for PSM

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Accordingly The Office of IASO hereby invites application from the interested members of IASO who want to undergo such Fellowship to the emails iasosecretariat@gmail.comwith a copy to the President at pk.das12365@gmail.comon or before 15th of September 5:00 PM with the following terms ofreferences.

The Format of such application would be like the following-

I, Dr ….working at ….as … wants to put forth my application for **IASO Post Doctoral Travelling Fellowship** with the following terms of references.

ThatIamanIndianCitizen,myIASOmembershipnois…,myageisunder50yrsby15thSeptember 2023,IamaMch/DrNBSurgicalOncologypassedoutduring….IaminterestedinsuchFellowship in Head Neck /Breast and Oncoplasty/Robotic/Minimal Invasive surgery/Gynaec Oncology/HIPEC and PIPAC PSM/GI/Thorax/etc

Iunderstandthat,thedurationwillbefor**onemonth** asanObserver**only**inanInstitution**inside India. This** will help me to create an interest within me in the subspeciality for any future FNB courses, recognized by NBEMS/NMC. Any Hands on/beyond one month duration is conditional with the Host center. At the end of one month, I will have to submit a report before the Host Surgeon and the Host surgeon will also issue a certificate of completion. Both the reports would be submitted to the secretary and the President on above emails by the Host Surgeon, so that a final certificate can be issued from the IASO. The name of the certificate will be IASO POSTDOCTORAL TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIP ON HEAD AND NECK SURGICAL ONCOLOGY/…IASO
will not issue any certificate beyond this one month .I will also not claim any expertise on such area in leu of this Fellowship certificate. A onetime **grant of Rs 25,000** would be offered by IASO tosuchcandidate.Providinglocalaccommodationissubjecttolocalhost Institutionandcandidate has to make his or her ownaccommodation.

That I have registered for the ICC 2023 and I will be present during such Interview time during a session in ICC

(Signature of the Candidate)

Last date of application is 15 th September, Provisionally the shortlisted candidates will be informed by 2nd October. The selected candidates need to register for ICC and attend. The final interview will be done during ICC preferably on Second Day of Meeting and the selection should be done before theGBM.

Invitation of LOI To Hold NATCON IASO 2025 & MIDCON IASO 2025

Invitation of LOI to hold NATCON IASO 2025 and MIDCON IASO 2025

This is hereby notified that Interested Organizing committee can show their Letter Of Interest to hold the NATCON IASO 2025 and MIDCON IASO 2025 in the following procedure.

1. The Letter Of Interest should be sent by email to the iasosecretariat@gmail.com with copy to the President IASO at pk.das12365@gmail.com latest by 30th September, 2023 so as to be presented before the EC meeting during ICC 2023.

2. The LOI should be written in the provisional letterhead of the NATCON IASO 2025/MIDCON IASO 2025 showing at least the names of the Organizing Chairman, Organizing Secretary and Treasurer.

3. The Organizing committee should mention the name of the Local Oncology Society with its own PAN card which would be used for the conference.

4. The proposal can be proposed by either the chairman/Secretary/Treasurer and should be seconded by other from these threes.

5. Guidelines of Organizing invitation for NATCON/MIDCON

a. The Secretary or his representative must be present during AGM of 2023 to present his/her proposal.

b. On request, a seed money of Rs. 50,000 may be given to the Organizing secretary of NATCON to start preparation, repayable within 6 months of the conference. The Organizing secretary of NATCON and mid-term conference shall sign an MOU with the IASO.

c. The Audited accounts of NATCON and MIDCON conference be submitted to the IASO secretary within 6 months of completion of the conference. They will be published in the newsletter and circulated to the members.

d. A minimum of 75% of the Profit of NATCON and 50% in case of MIDCON should be donated to IASO and this should be transferred to IASO within the same financial year of closure of the account in order to avoid double Taxation.

Future Meetings – ICC 2023, Mumbai