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## IASO Executive Committee for the year 2012

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## Indian Association of Surgical Oncology

### List of Past Presidents and Secretaries of the Association

<u>President</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Year</u>
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Dr. N C Misra	Dr. N N Khanna	1987
Dr. N N Khanna	Dr. S G Deshpande	1988
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Dr. S K Sarkar	Dr. S G Deshpande	1990
DR. P M Trivedi	Dr. H S Shukla	1991
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Dr. S K Shukla	Dr. H S Shukla	1993
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Dr. H S Shukla	Dr. Sandeep Kumar	1997
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Dr. Ravi Kant	Dr. R Karwasara	2006
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Dr. Sanjay Sharma	Dr. Sanjeev Misra	2008
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Dr. Arun Chaturvedi	Dr. M Vijaykumar	2010
Dr. E Hemanth Raj	Dr. Manoj Pandey	2011
Brig. Manomoy Ganguly	Dr. Manoj Pandey	2012



## Message from Editorial Secretary



*Greetings from Delhi!!*

*"Intellectual Growth should commence at birth and cease only at death."*

*- Albert Einstein*

The Newsletter is a means of sharing the intellectual depths of our association with all our esteemed members and this one is no different. There come moments in life when we stand at the cross roads of human excellence and are further enthralled by the scientific developments around us. The recently discovered "God particle or Higg Boson" is one such amazing feat that has the distinction of being named after a famous Indian Physicist " Bose" and that makes us feel proud to be Indians. This "God particle" holds the promise of providing us answers about the "Big Bang" and the origin of species. Our sages always believed in every particle being divine or "God particle" and worshipped all that was "nature". One is sure that we will further find answers to questions regarding the management of cancer too and we may in future find particles that would solve the mystery that is cancer. Until then we should continue to scratch at the monster mountain that is science or nature.

Please note that as per the resolution of Governing body at Lucknow in September, 2011, it has been decided to phase out the print version and move onto the Electronic version. Please refer to our web-site <http://www.iasoindia.in>

We express our apologies for not getting the issue out on time and owe the issue and its final shape to Dr Arnab Gupta, the Joint editorial secretary of our association and a gem of a human being. Your inputs would make us do better and the next newsletter will have some more features including the extra-ordinary and not necessarily surgical feats of our fellow surgical oncologists.

Looking forward to meeting you all at NATCON- 2012 at Goa,

Kind regards

Yours sincerely,

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## Message of Brigadier Manomoy Ganguly, President IASO



Dear Colleagues,

It's a great privilege and honour to be writing to you today as the President of the Indian Association of Surgical Oncology – an organization which has grown to great heights and strengths from modest beginnings thirty-five years ago. The strength of the IASO lies in its bringing together a large group of surgeons sharing a common interest in the surgical management of cancer. This 'heterogeneous' group of surgeons with diverse backgrounds, skills and work environments (academic, research, corporate, private clinics, urban, rural) come together to share their experiences, skills and talents. IASO tries to fulfill the aspirations of its members and provides them a platform to teach, learn, share and disseminate knowledge and skills relating to cancer management.

Today cancer cannot be treated by resection of the tumour alone. Hence there is a pressing need for the general surgeon dabbling in oncology, or surgeons from other subspecialties resecting tumours, to not only understand the importance of nodal dissections and composite resections, but also the potential of various neoadjuvant and adjuvant therapies and the importance of multimodality treatment in the treatment of cancer. Only then can we achieve better survival figures, while carrying out organ conservation, without compromising radical treatment of the tumour and its metastases. Therein lies the importance of the trained surgical oncologist and the IASO in propagating these concepts. With increasing population, longevity, changing lifestyle and dietary habits, along with increasing exposure to carcinogens, the number and incidence of cases of cancer in our country is steadily increasing. Since most of the cases are detected late, due to a variety of reasons, IASO should continue to impart training to general surgeons, general physicians, nurses and NGOs, to spread awareness for early detection and prevention of cancer. We also should try joining hands with government sources and NGOs for cancer prevention and educating people about the ills of changing lifestyle and the early warning signs of cancer.

The challenges that we face in tackling this increasing cancer burden in India today, is ensuring the availability of adequate treatment facilities, to deliver the most modern and appropriate evidence based treatment, while matching the patient's scarce resources with the cost of cancer treatment. We have to be more ethical and considerate with our patients, the majority of whom have moderate means. Considering that India is developing fast, we should use our developing technology judiciously, and not get lured by market driven forces. In this regard, I think all of us have to ensure that we adopt a balanced and holistic approach for our patients, so that we add life to their remaining years, rather than simply years to their life. One of the best ways to improve cancer care across the country is to practice evidence based medicine and adhere to well established protocols and guidelines. This can be facilitated by more of our members holding regional CME's, where prominent IASO members can participate and disseminate knowledge to the local populace. The mid-term conference of the IASO is one such platform, which has become a permanent feature now and I congratulate Dr Sunil Saini on the successful conduct of the last one at Jolly Grant this year.

The IASO website has been given an exciting new look by our dynamic IASO secretary Dr Manoj Pandey and I recommend all of you to visit the website. It gives you all the information about events and happenings in the IASO and now it also allows online registration of new members. I request all of you to contribute to make it even more vibrant. I would also urge all of you to use this website for updating your professional progress and more active coordination between the national and international groups for generating newer cancer research protocols. I urge you to communicate your latest addresses and e-mail addresses to the IASO secretary, as well as the Editorial secy and Jt Ed Secy, so that the IASO newsletter can reach you in one form or the other.

There has been some delay in bringing out the issues of the IJSO since last year. However, Dr Gopinath has assured us that the problems with Springer publishers have been resolved now, so we hope to see the journal being published regularly, as well as reaching all our members in future. I request all of you to communicate your latest addresses and e-mail addresses to the Editor IJSO, so that the issues of IJSO can reach all of you. I urge all our members to contribute articles to it, since it is likely to be indexed very soon.



## IASO Newsletter July 2012

It is essential for our members to keep abreast of what is the latest in the world and our collaboration with other international bodies such as BASO, SSO, WFSOS, ESSO, CSSO etc, along with the Detroit & BASO fellowships are a very important step in this direction. I am happy to state that this year also, we have a galaxy of international oncosurgeons participating in our NATCON-IASO 2012, at Goa. I invite all of you to the conference and urge all our members to immediately register for and attend this important conference, which promises an academic feast, apart from the side events planned by the local hosts.

Looking forward to meeting all of you at Goa,

Warm regards and best wishes

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## Indian Association of Surgical Oncology

### Annual report from the Desk of Hony. Secretary Prof Manoj Pandey



#### **Membership and Member directory**

IASO have 800 full members and about 60 associate members. A new directory has been published in the year 2011. A total of 22 applications have been received this year and 8 members have so far applied online for membership using our online payment gateway .

#### **Scientific programs**

##### ***NATCON 2011***

NATCON 2011, held at Lucknow was a thumping success with over 500 registered delegates. The new format of the meeting, the debates and the symposiums were liked by all members and very positive feedback has been received.

#### ***IASO Mid-term Conference***

IASO mid-term conference was held at Dehradun. Over 100 students participated in the conference. The mock examination section that has been started in the midterm meeting has been appreciated by all the members.

#### ***CME programs***

The CME held in Thiruvananthapuram in April, 2011 had over 300 delegate registrations and saw very interesting and interactive sessions between the teachers and the taught.

Another CME was held in Kolkata in June and was also attended by over 200 delegates.

The East Zone Surgical Oncology CME was organized by Dr. Arnab Gupta, Dr Samir Bhattacharya and Dr Saradindu Ghosh in Kolkata on December 11 and 12, 2011. There was a Live Workshop on Colo-rectal Cancer (Laparoscopic and Open)- where Dr Kiran Kothari and Mr Mrinal Saha Roy took part. There were National and International Faculties (UK) who shared their huge experience with the Junior and other surgeons during the Scientific session. Dr D D Patel (Ahmedabad) delivered the Dr Saroj Gupta Oration whereas Mr Mrinal Saha Roy (UK) delivered the Henry Shaw Oration. The other faculties were Dr Manoj Pandey (Varanasi), Dr Hemanth Raj (Chennai), Dr Chintamani (Delhi), Mr Dipankar Mukherjee (UK) and Dr Sankha Suvra Mitra (UK) along with many other reputed local faculties.

Dr Diptendra Sarkar organized Oncosurge at IPGMER Kolkata on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2012 under the banner of IASO and ASI (WB) where national faculty like Dr Benjamin (CMC, Vellore) and other reputed faculties took part. There was active interaction with the 100 + PG trainees.

#### ***Tech and Tech***

IASO was also a partner in the Tech and Tech organized by Dr. Venkatesh in Bangalore and a IASO session was also held there on advances in cancer management.

#### ***ASICON 2011***

The IASO sectional meeting at ASICON 2011 in Kochi was well attended. The response that IASO section received was tremendous with a full hall. The case capsule format was found much useful by the general surgeons.

#### ***BASO-IASO-Hyderabad Fellowship***

The Association successfully started the BASO Fellowship this year, The Fellowship was awarded to Dr. K Chandramohan of Regional Cancer centre, Trivandrum. Dr. Chandramohan successfully completed the fellowship in June 2012



### **Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology**

Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology, the official journal of the association is making rapid progress, taking giant strides forward under the leadership of Dr. Gopinath. The journal has now been indexed in Google scholar, OCLC and Summons. The Journal has been accepted for archiving in Pubmed Central with a 12 months embargo.

### **Website**

The IASO website has been updated and the new online membership and abstract submission systems are up

### **Curriculum sub-committee**

A curriculum sub-committee with Dr. K. S. Gopinath as chair, Dr. Arun Chaturvedi, Dr. Vijay Kumar and Col. Sanjay Kapoor as its member and The secretary IASO, Dr. Manoj Pandey as the member secretary. A curriculum has been proposed which is available online for review and comments.

IASO has the distinction of being one of the best sections of ASI, and I sincerely hope that it will remain that way for the years to come.

### **Forthcoming meetings**

- **NATCON IASO 2012** is in Goa. The conference is being organized by the dynamic team of Dr. Shekhar Salkar and Dr. Sharad Desai. The conference dates are **October 4-7, 2012**.
- **Indian Cancer Congress 2013**: We are working hard to have a joint meeting of IASO with AROI, ISMPO and ISO in 2013, to be called as **Indian Cancer Congress**.

With best wishes

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## Minutes of EC meeting held on 15.09.2011

Venue : Hotel Clarks Avadh, Lucknow

Meeting was called to order by president Dr. E HemanthRaj who in his opening remarks emphasized the need to continue the dialogue with SSO and ESSO. He also emphasized the need to open a multicity account and requested to close all existing IASO accounts except the one with Secretary and bring all assets to one single account. He informed the committee of the astounding success of south zone CME and the scientific feast laid out in NATCON this year.

The minutes of the executive committee meeting held on April 9th in Trivandrum were approved.

Secretary Dr. Manoj Pandey presented a detailed report on the activities of the association, and highlighted our attempts at liaising with other international associations.

The secretary read out the program for ASICON 2011 to be held in Kochi.

### **GCRI Baroda Transfer of Funds:**

The committee members requested Dr. D D Patel and Dr. Kiran Kothari to help effecting the transfer of funds from Baroda to IASO accounts in Varanasi. Members felt that if this is not done by the end of the year, we should consider dropping the Word "Baroda" from the fellowship.

### **Hyderabad BASO Fellowship**

It was decided to talk to Dr. Rayter, Secretary, BASO to start the fellowship from this year itself and choose from the presenters of the award session as this has been lingering on for last 3 years.

### **IASO Ludhiana fellowship**

The Secretary informed the members that this year too there were no takers for IASO Ludhiana fellowship and it was decided to give wide spread publicity to this fellowship to attract more members to apply and avail.

### **Aberdeen fellowship**

It was unanimously decided to drop the efforts at revival of Aberdeen fellowship as most members felt that the behavior of Dr. Shailesh Chaturvedi has been unbecoming of a sincere bilateral relation and in the wake of BASO fellowship taking off, this becomes redundant and hence, the association should drop all efforts at its revival.

Creation of fund to support travel for members/residents

As per proposal of Dr. Hemanth Raj, The Secretary proposed the draft for creation of a travel fund for members and Residents trainee. The proposal was unanimously accepted, and the members requested Dr. Hemanth Raj to form guidelines for its use.

### **Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology**

Dr. Gopinath, and DR. Harish, presented the report on the developments of IJSO and informed the members that two more issues (issue 1 and 2) of 2011 are ready for printing and dispatched. The committee was informed that the delay is on the part of Springer and efforts are being taken to resolve this issue. Members of the committee showed their concern on delay in publication of the journal as they felt this will not be good for the journal and later on may lead to problems with indexing. It was also pointed out that at the site it is wrongly mentioned that the journal is indexed in pubmed. It was unanimously decided to ask the publishers to correct this information.

### **Bye-laws Amendments**

The Bye-laws amendments were proposed by the secretary and were unanimously approved for presenting them to GBM. The proposal to include the bye-laws of IJSO in schedule II of IASO was also approved.

### **NATCON 2012 – Oct 4-7 Goa**

Dr. Sharad Desai, briefed the members about the preparations for the IASO NATCON 2012 and committee hailed the efforts for hosting a scientific feast.



### **Program for NATCON 2012 Goa**

The preliminary program for the NATCON 2012 as approved by the scientific committee was presented to the executive committee members, it was hailed it as one of the best program with large number of overseas participation.

### **Call for papers/symposium/penal discussions for NATCON 13 and ASICON 12 and ASICON 2013**

The house was informed that the Panel discussion and symposia for Various forth coming congresses has been called for

### **Bid for IASO midterm 2012 by Dehradun**

The committee was informed that only one bid for hosting mid-term conference has been received from Dr. Saini from Dehradun. The bid was approved.

### **Program for IASO mid-term 2012**

The program for the IASO midterm 2012 was presented. A few suggestions were received and it was decided to consider them in next scientific committee meeting.

### **NATCON 2010, Mumbai Accounts**

Accounts for NATCON 2010 were presented and approved.

### **IASO accounts for the year 2009-2010 and 2010-2011**

IASO accounts for the year 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 were presented and approved.

### **IASO income tax filing and issues related to tax (TDS; TAN).**

The committee members were informed that as the association has a PAN number it is mandatory to file a tax return and as it also has TAN all payments should be made after deduction of tax as applicable.

All members agreed to the legal implication and responsibility of the IASO and felt that an opinion from the tax advocate/CA are sought for payment of back taxes. Dr. Hemanth Raj, however felt differently and stated that we should not file taxes and continue doing what we are doing, i.e. send out audited accounts to ASI and let them incorporate our accounts in theirs. On the insistence of the President the matter was deferred to next meeting. President informed the committee that he will take legal opinion on this issue and will get back in next meeting.

### **Application for section 12 exemption from income tax,80G for exemption of tax from donations**

Likewise the procedure of application was differed as this required the IASO to deposit tax for atleast three years.

### **Web site**

Members were informed that a new updated website is ready and will be launched soon.

### **New Members**

the house was informed that a 20 applications for new members has been received. It was felt that there is not enough enthusiasm and efforts should be made to hasten the membership drive by requesting teachers to ask their students join as members.

### **Nominations for election 2011**

The committee was informed that three nominations has been received for the post of vice president, and president elect will be the returning officer.

### **Indian Cancer Congress**

The proposal of Dr. Harit Chaturvedi to host the Indian Cancer Congress jointly with ISO, IJMPO and AORI was approved in principle, it was decided to pursue this with the other organizations.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.



## Minutes of Extra Ordinary EC meeting held on 22.01.2012

An Emergency meeting of the Executive Committee of the Indian Association of Surgical Oncology was held in the Oncology Centre Seminar Hall of R & R Hospital Delhi Cantt, New Delhi on 22-01-2012 at 11.00 A.M.

1. **Brig. Manomoy Ganguly, the President IASO, welcomed and thanked all the members for attending the emergency meeting at such a short notice.**
2. **Thereafter:**
  - (a) The President IASO, Brig. Manomoy Ganguly, asked Dr. Sharad Desai, organising Secretary NATCON IASO 2012, if he and his colleagues are still interested in holding the conference in Goa, on the previously decided dates (4-7<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2012) and strictly as per the IASO guidelines.
  - (b) Dr. Desai stated that he has been authorised by his organising committee members to speak on their behalf and agree to whatever conditions put by the IASO, to hold the meeting in Goa, on the dates that was previously decided and agreed to hold the meeting as per IASO guidelines and terms and conditions of IASO.
  - (c) Dr. Rajaram, Vice President IASO, said that the meeting should be no different from the previous IASO meetings in quality. To which Dr. Desai agreed to.
  - (d) Dr. E Hemanth Raj, Past President, volunteered and was appointed as a Guaranteer to ensure that the meeting is conducted smoothly at Goa.
3. **Dr. Sanjeev Misra, President Elect, asked Dr. Desai to spell out his apprehensions for the NATCON-IASO 2012 meeting, so that the Executive Committee could help in resolving these issues.**
4. **Dr. Desai spelled out his apprehensions and each point was addressed by the Executive Committee.**
  - (a) He said that as the meeting was being held in Goa which had only one member and that members of 2 other states Karnataka and Maharashtra adjoining Goa were also involved and he wanted that local surgeons from that area to have greater participation.
    - (i) The Executive Committee members deliberated upon the matter at length and it was unanimously decided by the Executive Committee that Dr. Desai could organise a Pre-conference CME on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2012, where he can accommodate his local surgeons. He would be given a free hand to decide on the programme of the Pre-conference CME. There were discussions as to what the Pre-conference CME would be called. Dr Desai wanted it to be called IASO Gokarma CME. Finally it was decided as the Pre-conference CME is linked to the NATCON IASO 2012, the Pre-conference CME would be called as "IASO Pre-conference CME, hosted by Gokarma Society". Dr. Sharad Desai and all members agreed for it.  
They also requested Dr. Desai to ensure that topics being discussed during the main conference not be kept in the pre-conference CME as it will be a duplication and dilute the main conference. Dr. Desai agreed with it and assured the members that this will not happen.
    - (ii) Dr Desai agreed that the local Organisers would now be having only two symposiums or panel discussions in the main conference programme. As per their wish- one on "Head and Neck Cancer" and the other on "Cancer Oesophagus" was agreed upon. It was suggested that the local organisers could accommodate all their other programmes/ topics wish list in the pre-conference CME on 04 Oct '12. The rest of the programme for conference on 5-7<sup>th</sup> Oct would be totally decided by the IASO, which Dr Desai agreed to.
    - (iii) Dr. Chintamani suggested that one third Chairperson could be kept from the local area to avoid 'did not turn up' phenomenon. All the members agreed for the same and Dr Desai was asked to forward his desired list of names with their appts./ antecedents to the President/ IASO Secy.
  - (b) Dr. Desai's second apprehension was about communication. He wished that as Organising Secretary he should be allowed to invite/communicate with the invited guests.



The executive committee informed him that the invitation for the conference for the guest faculty, orations, symposia convenors etc is sent by the IASO Secretariat and a copy of it is also sent to the Organising Secretary of NATCON IASO. As Organising Secretary he could thereafter send invites to the invited faculty, and find out their itinerary etc, on behalf of the Organising committee. This has been the norm in the past and is done to avoid any confusion in sending invitation for the invited faculty. Dr. Desai expressed his happiness for the same and accepted the Executive Committee decision.

- (c) Dr. Desai's third apprehension was about operation of the account for NATCON-IASO 2012. Brig Ganguly informed the Executive committee that the IASO-NATCON 2012 account had already been opened in HDFC Goa branch, by the local organisers, with the IASO Pan card and the Chairman & Secy Org. Committee were the authorised signatories & not the Gokarma association (as was being demanded by them). Dr. Desai then said that since there was only one member of IASO in Goa, it would be difficult to have only two IASO members as signatories for the account and he be given permission to have three signatories for the account of which any two can sign the cheques, of which one member could be a non IASO member.

Dr. Chintamani asked that is this third person an ASI member, to which Dr. Desai said yes.

The Executive Committee informed him that he can have 3 signatories for the account, of which one can be a non IASO member, but he should be a member of ASI. The IASO will issue letters in names of these three people. The President said he will direct the Secretary to do so.

- (d) Regarding the issue of local hospitality for foreign faculty, Dr. Desai assured the gathering, that the Organising Committee now agreed to provide local hospitality to all the invited foreign faculties (including BASO, SSO members) as has been done in past meetings.
- (e) Dr. Sharad Desai was asked by the President, President Elect, Past President and other Executive Committee members if he had any other apprehensions which he would like to put forward to enable a smooth and successful NATCON IASO 2012 at Goa.

Dr. Desai expressed his happiness and felt that all his queries & apprehensions had been addressed and he welcomed every one to attend the Goa meeting and assured that he and his Organising Committee would work to ensure a successful meeting at Goa. The President and Executive Committee members also assured him of their help and cooperation.

As Dr. Sharad Desai agreed to hold the meeting at Goa, the Executive Committee did not consider the alternative options for the meeting at Bhubaneswar/ Cuttack by Dr. Prafulla Kr. Das and Dr. K.S. Panda, or at Varanasi by Dr Manoj Pandey. The President and the Executive Committee expressed their thanks to Dr. Das/ Dr. Panda and Dr Pandey for coming forward to help the Association in time of crises.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.



## Minutes of EC meeting at HIHT on 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 during IASO MIDCON 2012

Meeting called to order by the President followed by his Opening remarks:

### 1. Approval of minutes of meeting of EC held on December 28, 2011 at Kochi and January 22, 2012 in Delhi

### 2. GCRI Baroda Fellowship and non response from Dr. Palanivelu:

The GB has resolved that the seed money lying in Baroda has to be transferred to IASO, and in the event this is not done, the word Baroda be dropped from the fellowship name.

Further, the awardees' are finding it difficult to get placement with Dr. Palanivelu, who is not responding to the mails from Awardees and also of the secretariat. The matter has been discussed with Dr. Subramanyeswar Rao, who is willing to take the IASO fellows for MIS training at his Institute (Indo-American Cancer Centre, Hyderabad) and it is proposed to be placed before the GBM in October and if accepted the name be modified as IASO-GCRI-Indo American MIS fellowship.

### 3. IJSO:

- Letter of Springer to IJSO was discussed:

A letter was received from Springer about sharing with them the advertisement revenue raised above 4.5 lakhs of rupees. This matter was discussed in the December 2011 EC and Editorial board meeting and was denied till the contract comes for review in 2014. Dr Chintamani would be requested to take legal opinion in N Delhi regarding this after referring to the MOU thoroughly.

The great delay in publication of the IJSO issues was discussed, viz. the July- Sept, 2011 issue reached the EC members only recently. Dr K S Gopinath would be requested to look into this urgently.

It was also noted by the executive committee that journal indexing in pubmed is wrongly written on the journal web site, it was resolved to write to Springer to make the correction immediately.

### 4. IJSO Joint Editorial dispute:

The executive committee went through the correspondence of Dr. P Raghuram Pillarisetti and Dr. Gopinath. The committee also looked into the existing IASO constitution and IJSO constitution. It unanimously resolved that the name of Dr. Raghuram Pillarisetti be printed in IJSO as joint editor as per IASO constitution Schedule II (IJSO constitution) Clause 6 (f), till the election to the post of Joint Editors scheduled in 2014 is held. It was also resolved that the editorial board as mentioned in the constitution will be printed till the term of the office bearers is over and no change in this will be acceptable or permitted.

### 5. Newsletter:

In absence of the Editorial Secretary Dr Chintamani, Dr A Gupta was requested to look into the delay in publishing the Newsletter, viz. the December issue has not been published and the 1<sup>st</sup> issue of this year is still due. Dr Gupta tried to explain that it is very difficult to raise funds often amounting to Rs 70,000 for publication and postage. It was still decided to publish atleast 200 copies and the rest could be sent as soft copy to all the members with e-mail access and on the IASO web-site. Dr Gupta promised to get in touch with Dr Chintamani & Dr Manoj Pandey to expedite the next issue.

### 6. NATCON 2012 – Oct 4-7 Goa.

This could not be discussed in details in absence of Dr. Sharad Desai. However, it was decided that one time exception would be allowed to Biocon for sponsoring a session in the main conference at Rs 15 lakhs.

### 7. Decision on holding joint World Surgical Oncology Congress at Liverpool in 2014 proposed by Mr Graeme Poston who is current President Elect of ESSO.

Dates for the meeting are not yet decided but ESSO meeting is usually in 4th week of September. EC was to decide that in the event of IASO participating as an organizing association should we be holding the NATCON that year or forego our meeting in the 3rd week of September.

It was decided that since only a few IASO members would be able to attend the Joint Congress at Liverpool, NATCON should be held in its usual time. Those who are interested may attend the Joint Congress.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.



## Minutes of the General Body meeting of IASO

Hotel Clarks Avadh, Lucknow

September 17, 2011

Election was declared and held.

President Dr Hemanth Raj formally announced that the next Mid term meeting of IASO would be held in Dehradun. He then pointed out the decisions taken during the last Mid term meet:

- There will be a single account with a Nationalized Multi-city bank so that the authorized persons can operate that from their own city.
- Handing over of charges and papers of Executive committee should happen during ASICON.
- Show of hands was requested from the members present for a new post of Treasurer, considering the increasing workload. Majority voted for it. The constitution would be amended during next GB meeting.
- IASO being a part of ASI cannot hold a separate PAN number. All account of IASO should be handed over to ASI latest by 31<sup>st</sup> July of every year. Our existing PAN card might be required to be surrendered in consultation with the tax consultants/advocates.
- MS in ENT can be associate member of IASO once they become member of ASI.
- Ludhiana Fellowship is not functioning and there seems to be no takers for it. It was therefore proposed that the fund should be transferred to some Educational purpose of IASO, the details of which have to be decided.
- GCRI funds: transfer to IASO has not happened yet. Dr D D Patel would be liaising with Dr Kiran Kothari to see it happens as soon as possible.
- New Hyderabad- BASO Traveling Fellowship: 1<sup>st</sup> selection has been done, and the person would be trained in Birmingham for 3- 4 wks. Detroit Fellowship is running smoothly, thanks to the efforts of Dr Donald Weaver.
- Fund of EC members for travel to attend the IASO meets to be created, viz. in the name of Educational Research Fund.
- The strength of any Association lies in the membership strength. Unfortunately in last 1 yr, there has been only 8 new members. It was therefore proposed that each member would be requested to induct atleast 1 new member. Dr Sanjay Sharma pointed out that there is usually a long wait for an interested individual to become a member of ASI. Dr Karwasra, Hony Secy ASI, has promised to look into this matter.
- The Minutes of the EC meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2011 was read out by the Hony Secy Prof Manoj Pandey, and was approved by the members.

The Secretary's report was read by Dr. Manoj Pandey. Dr Sanjay Sharma proposed that it be approved, the motion was seconded by Dr K S Gopinath.

### Hyderabad BASO Fellowship

The house was informed of the selection of first candidate for the BASO fellowship and the members congratulated the efforts of executive committee to bring this to reality. Dr. Naresh Soni proposed that the criteria be extended to all members under 45 irrespective of their job status, the house approved this and it was accepted and included.

### Aberdeen Fellowship

The house unanimously agreed that the Aberdeen Fellowship be dropped and not discussed any more.

### Ludhiana Fellowship

The house felt as there are no takers for this fellowship this should also be expunged. Dr. Sanjeev Misra and Dr. Sanjay Sharma informed the house that there was some correspondence due to which this can not be done. President Dr. Hemanth Raj, asked Dr. Sanjeev Misra to present the original correspondence to the executive committee and the decision be deferred till that time.



### Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology

The house was informed that the first two issues of IJSO are ready for the dispatch. Concerns were raised about not been able to adhere to the schedules.

The bye-laws of IJSO were proposed and approved on motion of Dr. D D Patel seconded by Dr. K Sarkar.

### IASO Mid term

The house welcomed the move to host a mid term conference and felt that this will go a long way in improving the teachings. The house suggested that during the mid-term meet a meeting of executive committee and scientific committee should also be held.

### Newsletter

Because of the excessive expenses incurred for the publication and postage of IASO Newsletters, it was suggested by Prof Chintamani that it should be converted to e-Newsletters. Prof Ravi Kant re-instated that even the Govt of India approves e-mails as Official documents and now everyone has access to net. The House agreed to this new concept, but it was proposed that the printed Newsletter should be gradually phased out to avoid any teething problem. Meanwhile, 40% shortfall in expenses would be covered by IASO.

### Bye laws amendments

Bye law amendments were presented by Dr. Manoj Pandey using power point presentation and were unanimously approved. The proposal of Dr. Arnab Gupta for starting a fellowship of IASO similar to FIAGES was deferred. Dr. Arnab was asked to prepare a firm proposal for discussion in EC and should present it to GBM in Goa

### NATCON 2012

The house was informed that the following symposia/panel discussions were approved for NATCON 2012.

Meet of all the Directors of Cancer Institute's- Chaired by Dr. Gopinath and the President of IASO for a unified curriculum; Controversies and Consensus in Early Breast Cancer- Dr D K Sarkar; Quality Assurance in Cancer Surgery- Dr. SVS Deo,; Current Vs Conventional Surgical techniques Dr Somesh (local Symposium); Safe Oncological Surgery in Pelvis- Dr Somesh (local Symposium); Aggressive Vs Conventional Oral Cancer Surgery including Indian oral cancer- Dr Anshuman

Dr. Sharad Desai and Dr. Sanjeev Kulgod raised the matter by stating that the local organisers have not been given enough symposium during NATCON 2012. They stated that the proposals of Dr. Somesh Chandra that has been accepted should not be considered as local and they should be given the opportunity to submit new proposal. Secretary pointed out that he has specifically asked the Organising secretary Dr. Desai to propose the symposium to which he asked Dr. Somesh to submit on their behalf. Once the proposal of Dr. Chandra has been considered, in presence of Dr. Desai who was also present in the scientific committee meeting and has approved the symposia, there is no point of contention. It was also pointed out by the Secretary that as per the bye laws, the content of the conference cannot be discussed in the GBM. To which Dr. Desai, Dr. Kulgod and Dr. Salkar showed disrespect to the chair and walked out. They came back and joined the house on assurance of Dr. Sanjay Sharma. The president asked Dr. Desai to come up with definite proposal within a month so that it can be discussed in the next Scientific Committee meeting.

### NATCON 2010

The accounts for the NATCON 2010 were presented and approved. Dr. Sanjay Sharma and Dr. Sawant informed that there is a saving of 9,57,000/- which is highest for any NATCON till date. They requested a Travelling Fellowship to be started in the name of Mumbai, to which there was an opinion from the House that a proper proposal with full details should be submitted. Every one appreciated the great conference and the large amount being contributed, and their willingness to support Educational causes to young Surgeons in the form of Fellowship. However, it was clarified that fund for this Mumbai fellowship need be collected separately and the conference fund may not be used for this. A cheque of Rs. 8,00,000/ was handed over from the original account. Dr. Sawant promised to donate more if there is anything left after closing the accounts.



### **IASO South zone CME**

A cheque of Rs. 14, 800/- was handed over by Dr. K Chandramohan as contributions towards the IASO

### **IASO East Zone CME**

A check of Rs. 10,000/- was handed over by Dr. Arnab Gupta as contributions towards the IASO.

### **Web site**

The members were informed that the new web page is being developed and will be available by December, 2011.

### **NATCON 2013**

There was a proposal from Dr Chintamani that the NATCON in 2013 may be held in N Delhi in the form of Indian Cancer Congress similar to the mega event like ASCO- where IASO, AROI, ICS etc. can all be included. This will be discussed in more details in the subsequent meet.

### **Award session**

The first BASO fellowship was awarded to Dr. K Chandramohan of RCC Trivandrum, The Detroit visiting fellowship went to Dr. Vinay Kumar of Varanasi and the GCRI Baroda Fellowship to Dr. Rajshekhar Jaka of Bangalore.

### **Election results**

It was a very closely fought election and the following were declared elected

Vice-President- Dr Rajaraman, EC members: North Zone- Dr Sanjeev Prasad, South Zone- Dr Chandramohan, West Zone- Dr Kapoor C Chowdhury. There was no valid contestant from East Zone, so Dr Saradindu Ghosh from Kolkata was co-opted

### **Other issues with the permission of chair**

Prof Sandeep Kumar suggested that the CMEs and Symposia should not be too tight. There should be fewer topics so that they can be more focused. The others felt that the present format is good, but time should be given for change of speakers and slides.

The meeting ended with thanks to chair.



## Minutes of The Editorial Board Meeting of IJSO held during NATCON IASO on 15TH Sept 2011, at 6 pm in LUCKNOW

Venue: Conference Hall, Clerk`s Avadh Hotel

Members present: Dr.Hemath raj, Dr.manoj Pandey, Brig. Ganguly, Dr.Sanjeev Misra, Dr.Harish K. , Dr.Gopinath K.S., Dr.Chintamani, Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Dr.Savanth, Dr. Sarkar.

1. Welcome by the Chairman- Prof K S Gopinath
2. Meeting notice
3. Minutes of the meeting held at Delhi and Trivandrum : Presented and accepted.
4. Report by the Associate editor Prof.Harish K presented the working flow of IJSO& also presented the number of clicks by the various peoples in accessing the journal.

The problem faced by the members not accessing the article since July discussed. Now after discussing with the Springers it is now available to all the members.

Creation of separate E mail ID between Publisher, Associate editor and Editor was suggested and the same information sent to the publishers for a change and to keep this as a confidential information.

6. Report by the Joint editor - Prof. Chintamani : presented the correspondence he had with Copernicus for indexing & also to complete the formalities of RNI indexing processes with the government.
7. Accounts of the year 2011: It is presented as the new account was opened in the month of April 2011 no auditing has been done as the money was with IASO account.

Till today PAN NUMBER of IASO – AAAT11487N is used.

Which PAN NUMBER (IASO/ ASI) has to be given and where the submission of Audited accounts to be done need to be decided.

8. IJSO Bye Laws: Presented and accepted
9. IJSO registration: Discussed in view of the various confusions of registration processes of IASO and ASI the subject is deferred.
10. Any other subjects with the permission of the chairman.
  - a) Late printing of VOI.2 Issue 1 & 2 was due to changes in the managerial position at Springers. Now both the issues are available on the websites and members will get both the hard copies and e-versions.
  - b) More than 30 – 40% of the members have not received the journals. Now it is decided to use the new directory published and released at Lucknow meeting. We will forward the same to publishers and request Dr.Chintamani to talk to concerned people in Springer office, so that all the members receive the journals.
  - c) Once again it is requested to Secretary to send information to members to send the manuscript of full articles while deciding the various awards, and abstracts for free and poster presentation.
  - d) I request all the members to subscribe IJSO to all their libraries.

Meeting concluded Prof. K.S.Gopinath, M.B.B.S, M.S.(Bom) ,FRCS(Ed.),FAMS, FAIS. Editor -in-chief,The Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology.



## **NATCON-IASO 2011: a report from Organising Secy, Brig Sanjay Kapoor**

The Annual National Conference of Indian Association of Surgical Oncology for the year 2011 was held at hotel Clarks Avadh, from 15th to 18th September at Lucknow. Being the 25th NATCON of IASO it was celebrated as the Silver Jubilee Conference. Prof Sandeep Kumar and Brig (Prof) Sanjay Kapoor VSM, were the Organizing Chairman and secretary respectively.

A preconference CME was held on 15th which was attended by a very large number of post graduates of Lucknow and other cities of UP. Besides scientific sessions on Head & Neck, Gastrointestinal & genitourinary malignancies, there was a Symposium on Carcinoma Breast and a Mixed bag session.

More than three hundred delegates registered and attended the conference and the Faculties included eminent oncologists from all the premier Cancer Institutes of the country. Foreign faculties included Dr David Rew from UK, Dr Mitchell C. Posner from Chicago, Dr Zenon Rayter from London, Dr Sanjoy Saha from West Indies, Dr Chandrakanth Are from Omaha, Mrs Lois Colburn, Dr Donald Weaver from Detroit and Dr Robert Mansel from Cardiff.

The conference was inaugurated by Prof Devendra K Gupta, Vice-Chancellor of Chhatrapati Sahuji Maharaj Medical University (the erstwhile King George's Medical College). A handbook of oncology was compiled on this occasion, with chapters on all common cancers of India, written by experienced oncologists of the country. It was aimed not only at junior surgical oncologists, but also for general practitioners, specialists of other speciality practicing oncology and postgraduates. This was released at the Inaugural ceremony along with the Souvenir of the conference. The Inaugural function was followed by a Shame-avadh, with a cultural programme, showcasing the rich culture of Lucknow including a Kathak concert and Qawali....followed by a Banquet with delicious mughlai cuisine.

The conference had an educative scientific content, full of all aspects of Surgical Oncology and other recent advances in the field of Oncology. The programme was an academic treat in form of Orations, Invited lectures, Symposia, Panel Discussions, Debates, Case capsules, interactive sessions, Free Papers and Master videos. Present day management of Carcinoma Breast was discussed in the form of a Big Fight. A session on Best of SSO was conducted by Dr Chandrakanth Are and Dr Mitchell Posner. The session on presentation of free papers for Detroit Fellowship had very interesting topics from budding Surgical Oncologists. A quiz and a poster competition were held too along with a Scientific Exhibition. The poster competition had over 80 entries, maximum ever for any NATCON-IASO. Besides these there were seven highly educative Satellite Symposia on latest chemotherapeutic drugs

Dr David Rew delivered the Prof N C Misra Oration on Understanding the Outcomes in cancer Surgery and Dr Mitchell Posner spoke on The highly lethal Nature of pancreatic cancer for the MotiBhai Oration. Dr Arun Chaturvedi, past president of IASO, delivered the Radha Devi Oration and spoke on Squamous Cell carcinoma of the oral cavity.

The conference also had several social evenings and cultural events to add to the fun and fervour along with site seeing tours for the delegates and their spouses for the rich architectural heritage of Lucknow and an opportunity to buy the famous handicraft of Lucknow, Chikankari!

NATCON IASO 2011 was a successful event in updating the surgical oncologists in the recent advances and standard of care management in Surgical Oncology. It also provided a great platform for interaction and sharing of experiences between the surgical oncologists from premier institutes of the country and their counterparts from abroad and proved to be a memorable academic and social treat for all delegates and faculty.



## IASO-MIDCON 2012 at Cancer Research Institute

Mid term conference of IASO was organized at Cancer Research Institute on 14-15th April 2012 at Cancer Research Institute HIHT, Dehradun. The conference was initiated by a lamp lighting ceremony by Brig. M Ganguly President IASO from Roorkee was the chief guest & Dr. V Chauhan, Dean, and HIHT University. Brigadier ganguli delivered the keynote address;"changing trends in management of breast cancer". The conference was aimed at updating the young surgeons , resident doctors from this region, providing detailed symposia on various areas in the field of surgical oncology like breast cancers, head and neck cancers, gastrointestinal cancers, thyroid cancers, and genitourinary cancers. Eminent cancer surgeons from all over the country participated & delivered lectures. Dr. Anurag Srivastava, Professor of surgical oncology at AIIMS spoke about the breast cancer induced lymphedema and how it causes poor quality of life in patients. Dr. Gurpreet Singh from PGI Chandigarh spoke about role of mammography in detecting breast cancer on day one of the conference. Dr. L. Sarangi, Varanasi spoke on Neck lymph node dissection in Head & Neck squamous cell cancer. Dr. Pankaj Chaturvedi from Mumbai, Organ preservation in Laryngeal cancer. Current management of Thyroid Cancer was discussed, Dr. Gyan Prakash, SGPGI Lucknow. Recent advances in management of Head & Neck Squamous cell Cancer, Dr. A K Diwan, RGCI, and New Delhi.

ent more patient friendly.

The conference on day one was followed by a satellite symposium at Dehradun which was organized by CRI in association with UCOST [Uttarakhand Council for Science and Technology]. This symposium was aimed at reaching out to policy makers of society like beaurocrats, heads of schools, colleges and other important people in society who could make a difference in cancer control. The Chief Guest at symposium was Dr. Rajendra Dobhal, Director General, and UCOST. He spoke about the need for correct information about cancer prevention and treatment for all sections of the society aThe conference was attended by delegates from the hosting Institute as well as outside. About 150 delegates from local and distant locations attended the conference. Mainly surgery residents and fellows, gynaecologists, pathologists, oncosurgeons and medical oncologists attended the conference. A few paramedical pesonnel like nurses and scientists were present too.

Dr. Pankaj Panday from New Delhi , Dr. Sanjeev Misra from KGMC Lucknow , Dr. Kiran Kothari from Ahmadabad , Dr. Samir Mehta, from Mumbai, Dr. R Rajaraman from Chennai and Dr. E Hemanthraj from Adiyar Cancer centre , Chennai spoke about various aspects of gastrointestinal cancers and scope of minimally invasive surgeries in these.

Dr. Saini, Professor of Surgery & Director Cancer research Institute at HIHT highlighted the need for integration of complementary therapies in scientific manner , particularly as supportive therapy and to check unscientific claims. It was appreciated by most people present and there was agreement on making cancer treatmnd the onus was on the doctors at CRI for the same. The symposium had a talk by Dr. Pankaj Chaturvedi from Tata Memorial Hospital Mumbai. Dr. Pankaj is a crusader for tobacco control and represents India internationally for the same cause. He spoke in detail about tobacco and its control, and captivated the audience which consisted of non-medicos in majority. Dr. Anurag Srivastava from AIIMS, New Delhi spoke about the role of diet to prevent and control cancer and he summarized that a good, stress free lifestyle played an important role in control of cancer.

The IASO-MIDCON was organized by Dr.Sunil Saini, Director CRI, and Organizing Secretary, Organizing Chairman Prof. Anurag Srivastava. Other members of the local organizing team were Dr. SK Verma, Dr. Neena Chauhan ,Dr. BP Kalra, Dr. Pushpawati, Dr. Meenu Gupta, Dr. Manpreet Tiwana, Dr. Lee and Dr. Vandana all faculty of CRI, HIHT.

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### **Baroda - GCRI- IASO Travelling Minimal Invasive Surgery Fellowship (MIS)**

Applications are invited for Baroda - GCRI- IASO Travelling Minimal Invasive Surgery Fellowship (MIS) at GEM Hospital, Coimbatore/ Indo American Hospital, Hyderabad for the year 2012.

#### **Eligibility criteria –**

The candidate should be less than 45 years of age (on 31-12-2012).

He should be employed a full member of IASO for a minimum of two years and attended two conferences of NATCON IASO.

Selection will be based on CV and paper presentation during NATCON meeting to be held at Goa from October 4-7, 2012.

The paper must be on the work done in India only.

The selected candidate will get Rs 6000/- for the fellowship and his registration charges at Coimbatore/Hyderabad will be waived off. The Application must reach Secretary IASO by 15 August 2012.

#### ● **Detroit Visiting Fellowship**

A fellowship to visit Detroit will have local hospitality included by the host institution, excluding the travel cost to and from USA. The candidate should be less than 45 years of age (on 31-12-2012), a full member of IASO for a minimum of two years, and should have attended at least two conferences of NATCON IASO. Selection is based on CV and paper presentation during NATCON meeting. The paper must be on the work done in India only. Application must reach Secretary IASO by 15 August 2012.

#### ● **Dr KS Panda Dr Gopinath Quiz Award**

Held each year during NATCON meeting, winner will be awarded Rs. 3000 and runners up to Rs. 2000. Dr K Panda & Dr Gopinath donated Rs. 10,000 each towards the seed money for the Quiz award and Dr. Gopinath has kindly agreed to increase this corpus to one lakh. The quiz is being conducted by Col. N Kannan, New Delhi.

**Eligibility:** All the registered delegates of NATCON. In case of prize being won by a person who is not a member, the winner will get a discount towards his life membership dues, and cash award will be adjusted towards the life membership of IASO.

#### ● **IASO Ludhiana Punjab Fellowship**

##### **Eligibility and Selection Criteria -**

The candidate should be less than 45 years of age (as on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012) and a citizen of India. He/she should be a life member of the IASO of at least 2 year standing, attended 2 NATCON IASO and presented a scientific paper. The work done should be of benefit to resident of Punjab residing in Punjab or outside Punjab in India. The fellowship will be for a period of 4-8 weeks. It can be availed for training in India or Abroad. After completion of the fellowship he will have to submit a letter of completion of fellowship from the institution, submit a report to the Secretary IASO for publication in the newsletter and make a presentation in the next IASO meeting. The selection will be done on basis of Curriculum Vitae, Publication, Interview and Project submitted. He must submit to the Secretary IASO a project with



name of Institution, Department and person with whom he wishes to avail the fellowship, curriculum vitae, publications and other details of eligibility as mentioned. Application must reach Secretary IASO by 15 August 2012. The selected candidate will be given an amount of Rs. 30,000/- .

- **Tie of Indian Association of Surgical Oncology**

A 100 % silk tie of the Association has been printed and is available to members at a price of Rs 500.00 per tie + Rs 100.00 Courier charges (where not being collected in person).

The payment can be made by cash or by a demand draft made in favour of Indian Association of Surgical Oncology payable at Varanasi.

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- **Call for holding the IASO NATCON 2014 and Mid-term meeting in 2013 and CME in 2012-2013 Indian association of Surgical Oncology calls for holding the IASO NATCON 2014 and mid-term meetings in the year 2013 and Zonal CME's in 2012-2013.** The proposal should be sent by members/proposed organizing committee to the IASO secretariat by post on or before the 30th July 2012.

- **Web site of Indian Association of Surgical Oncology:**

*These websites are now functioning and are maintained by the IASO secretariat. The web site is maintained with a generous educational grant from Pfizer India. The site is presently being updated. Contributions and suggestions are welcome for regular updating of the website. These can be sent to either the Secretary Dr. Manoj Pandey, or editorial secretary, Dr. Chintamani, or to any of the executive member of the society. Contributions could be in form of news, events, links to other useful website, snippets, interesting cases, articles or biographical contributions.*

- **72 Annual conference** of Association of Surgeons of India Kolkata December 25-30, 2012
- **ESSO 2012**– 16th Congress of the European Society of Surgical Oncology, 19 – 21<sup>st</sup> September 2012, Valencia, Spain
- **Call for Symposium/ Panel discussions/case capsules**
- For IASO NATCON 2013 and ASICON 2013

Indian association of Surgical Oncology calls for submission of proposal for organizing symposium/ panel discussion/ case capsule in its annual meeting, the IASO-NATCON 2013, (Indian Cancer Congress, New Delhi November 2013). The proposal should be sent by members to the IASO secretariat by post on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2012.

The request should accompany the title, a brief write up about the symposium / panel discussion/case capsule, suggested speakers and why he/she feels that the topic is important and a brief biodata of the member for consideration by the scientific committee.

- **Call for papers/Posters**

Indian association of Surgical Oncology calls for submission of abstracts for free papers/poster in its forthcoming annual meeting, the IASO-NATCON, to be held in Goa from October 4-7, 2012. The abstracts should be submitted online at or to the IASO secretariat with a copy to the organizing secretary by email or post on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2012.

**The best papers and posters will receive a certificate and cash award of Rs. 10,000/- (IASO non-member will receive Rs. 5000/- and complimentary membership), all presentations will receive a certificate of presentation.**



## An Invitation to NATCON IASO 2012 at Goa

Dear Doctor,

We request the pleasure of your participation in the NATCON IASO 2012 being organised by the Gokarma Oncology Association in Panjim, Goa on the 4-7th October 2012. The Gokarma Oncology Association is a association of Oncologists from South Maharashtra, North Karnataka and Goa who have come together to organize this conference in a very special manner.

Surgical Oncology is a fast changing branch and advances keep occurring with an increasing frequency. A surgical Oncologist is a leader of the team against cancer. It is imperative that the leader is well informed and aware. Conferences are the best place to understand newer developments and keep updated. We are sure that this conference will garnish knowledge and skills associated with oncology. It will help the younger generation to understand the complex strategies and multimodality therapy which is now an integral part of Cancer therapy. In this meet, we have tried our best to make the academics as refreshing and pleasant as possible.

The first day of the meet is a CME (4th Oct) organized by the Gokarma Oncology Association. The theme of the CME is to have 2 lectures by renowned personalities followed by a panel discussion in the same subjects. The Panel discussion will be preceded a small questionnaire of interest to the audience followed by detailed discussion by the Panel. A voting pad based review will be used to observe the changes in the decision making of the delegates. At the end of the day, we shall have a summary and important message of the day by eminent personalities.

The day 2/3/4 will be the main Conference days. We have more than 10 plenary lectures from eminent speakers from abroad and numerous debates and scientific sessions. For the exuberant surgeons, they can chip their experience with free papers and posters. For the more dynamic, we have award paper sections. We also have mindblowing symposia and debates of relevant and hot topics in Surgical Oncology. We have the quiz where you can win prizes. Overall you go back a winner anyway.

Do visit our website and register yourself early. To encourage more registrations, we have kept our rates extremely low till Aug 31st. Do not miss the chance to visit the most visited place in the country.

“Learn as if you were to live forever. And live as if you were to die tomorrow!”

So --- to Goa for Education!

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Dr Sharad Desai,  
Organising Secretary,

NATCON IASO 2012

**For Further details including Online Registration and for sending Abstracts please visit [www.natcon2012.com](http://www.natcon2012.com)**



## ASICON 2012, Kolkata – India

The 72nd Annual National Conference of the Associations of Surgeons of India (ASI), is going to be hosted by the members of the West Bengal State Chapter of the ASI, scheduled from 25th-30th December 2012, at the Science City - Milan Mela Complex at Kolkata. The Conference will aim at providing food for thought for the surgeons, faculty and the students. Besides lending updated knowledge in the field of surgery, the conference would also enable participants to hone up their skills and expertise. Organizers of the conference are creating state of the art academic atmosphere by arranging plenary session, distinguished guest lectures, workshop, symposia, paper presentations and posters, which would provide a platform where eminent surgeons would meet to share their knowledge, discuss and explore the latest advancements in the world of surgery.

As the former capital of India, Kolkata was the birthplace of modern Indian literary, artistic and scholastic thought. Kolkatans tend to have a special appreciation for art and literature; its tradition of welcoming new talent has made it a "city of furious creative energy". It is a city which is vibrant and friendly and extends a homely feeling to all those who visit Kolkata. For many "Kolkata has been a Home Away from Home." Besides, the culinary delights of Kolkata is another added attraction.

The historic culture and the culinary delights of Kolkata, the resourceful academic fiesta, the hospitality of the hosts would make this conference the most memorable and unique for all the honourable delegates and their family members.

Organising Chairman  
Prof. Urmila Khanna

Organising Secretary  
Prof. Tamonas Choudhury

Co-Organising Secretary  
Prof. Diptendra Sarkar

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Residence: .....

City: ..... State: ..... Pin code: ..... Country: .....

Phone No (with STD Code): ..... (O) ..... (R) ..... Mobile: .....

Fax: ..... Email: .....

**Accompanying Persons :** (Complimentary registration for children below 5 years)

Sl No.	Name	Relationship	Age	M/F	Veg/Non-Veg
1					
2					
3					
4					

**Registration Amount :**

Category	UPTO 31-07-2012	UPTO 30-09-2012	UPTO 30-11-2012	Spot
Delegate ASI Member	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 5000/-
Delegate Non- ASI Member	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 4500/-	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 6000/-
Accompanying Persons	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 4000/-
*P. G. Student	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 4000/-
SAARC Delegate	Rs. 3000/-	Rs. 3500/-	Rs. 4000/-	Rs. 5000/-
Non SAARC Delegate	USD 200	USD 250	USD 300	USD 350
Banquet	Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 3000/-
Workshop	Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 3000/-

Total Amount (in Rs.) ..... (In Words Rupees) .....

**Registration fees for Delegates include:**

- Attendance to all scientific sessions
- Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception
- Daily lunch and tea
- Access to the Exhibition Area
- Delegate Congress Material

**Registration fees for Accompanying Persons include:**

- Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception
- Daily lunch and tea
- Access to the Exhibition Area
- Access to Kolkata City Tour

\*Certificate of HOD is required



## PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Registration and payment options for ASICON 2012 are mentioned below :

### 1. Bank Draft:

The Payment shall be made by Bank Draft drawn in favour of "ASICON 2012" payable at Kolkata.

**CHEQUES ARE NOT ACCEPTED.**

The filled up Registration Form along with the Bank Draft must be send to the Conference Secretariat.

For future references please keep a photocopy of both.

### 2. Electronic Bank Transfer :

Our Bank : **AXIS Bank, Dum Dum Branch, Kolkata, West Bengal.**

Account Name : **ASICON 2012**

Account No. : **911010032713880**

IFSC Code : **UTIB0000284**

SWIFT Code : **AXISINBB002**

- For transfers from AXIS Bank branches in India, mention the Account No. only.
- For transfers from other banks, within India, mention the IFSC Code also.
- For international bank transfers, mention the SWIFT Code.

Mention Your Name in the "Narration" column of the bank transfer form, while depositing money in the bank.

Also take a receipt with Transaction id. and send it along with the filled in Registration Form to Conference Secretariat.

For future references please keep a photocopy of both.

### Refund Policy :

In case of cancellations 75% of the deposited money would be refunded after the conference. Requests for refund would be entertained till October 31st, 2012.

### For Bank Draft :

Demand Draft No.: ..... Issuing Bank Name: .....

For Rs./US \$ ..... only (in words) .....

In favour of ASICON 2012, payable at Kolkata.

### For Electronic Transfer :

Bank Name: ..... City: .....

Transaction date: ..... Transaction ID: .....

Date : .....

Signature: .....

Conference Secretariat :  
**Prof. Tamonas Chaudhuri**  
 Organising Secretary, ASICON 2012  
 JIMA House, 1st Floor, 53 Creek Row, Kolkata – 700014.  
 Ph. No.: +91 033 22373587, +91 8697738236, +91 8697738237, +91 8697738238  
**Email:** asicon2012@gmail.com, secretariat@asicon2012kolkata.com  
**Web:** www.asicon2012kolkata.com



### Audited Statement of IASO 2011-2012

**INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY**  
**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2012**

Previous Year	LIABILITIES	Current Year	Previous Year	ASSETS	Current Year
	<b>CORPUS FUND</b>			<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
	Opening Balance		0.25	Cash in hand	-
2089008.00	As per Last Balance Sheet	2235295.00		<b>CASH WITH BANKS</b>	
146287.00	Add: Excess of income over expenditure for the year	1858601.54	773995.21	With Canara Bank-Bangalore KIDWAI Ext-Counter	-
2235295.00		4093896.54		Bank of Baroda	740311.00
			44844.54	With Allahabad Bank - SB A/C	32604.54
75000.00	GCRI-Baroda-IASO MIS Fellowship Fund	75000.00	2572647.00	With Bank in FDRs-As per detail attached	4470873.00
80000.00	ONCO Quiz Contest Fund	80000.00			
500000.00	IASO NATCON Ludhiana Travelling Fellowship Fund	500000.00		Tax deducted at Source	6300.00
501192.00	NATCON-2008	501192.00			
3391487.00		5250088.54	3391487.00		5250088.54

For INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY

*Manoj*  
**DR.MANOJ PANDEY**  
SECRETARY  
Place : Varanasi      Date : 20/07/2012

**AUDITOR'S REPORT :**  
COMPILED FROM THE BOOKS OF ACCOUNTS PRODUCED BEFORE US .  
For AWADHESH ANURAG JAI & ASSOCIATES  
Chartered Accountants

*AT*  
CA. Anurag Tiwari  
Partner

**INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY**  
**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL 2011 TO 31ST MARCH 2012**

Previous Year Rs.	EXPENDITURE	Current Year Rs.	Previous Year Rs.	INCOME	Current Year Rs.
6,000.00	Prize & Awards	68000.00	39760.00	Membership Fees/Contribution	53400.00
718.00	Bank charges	744.00	113245.00	Education Grant	217000.00
	- Travelling Expenses	42679.00		Income from Conference	824800.00
	- Postage, Stamps, Courier & Fax Charges	15723.46		Interest on FDR	897034.00
	- Website/Internet Expenses	25000.00		Interest on Saving Bank Account	18514.00
146,287.00	Excess of Income Over Expenditure	1858601.54			
153,005.00		2010748.00	153005.00		2010748.00

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## Audited Statement of IASO 2011-2012

### INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY

#### RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 2011- 2012

Previous Year Rs.	RECEIPTS	Current Year Rs.	Previous Year Rs.	PAYMENTS	Current Year Rs.
	<b>Opening Balance</b>			<b>PAYMENTS</b>	
	Cash in hand	0.25	6000.00	Prize & Awards	68000.00
			718.00	Bank Charges	744.00
	<b>CASH WITH BANK</b>			Travelling Expenses	42679.00
726708.00	With Canara Bank-Bangalore KIDWAI Ext-Counter	773995.21		Postage, Stamps, Courier & Fax Charges	15723.46
	With Allahabad Bank - SB A/C	44844.54		Website/Internet Expenses	25000.00
	With Bank in FDRs-As per detail attached	2572647.00	963400.00	Tax deducted at Source	6300.00
				IJSO	
				<b>Closing Balance</b>	
39760.00	Interest on Saving Bank Account	18514.00		Cash in Hand	-
	Interest on FDR	897034.00		<b>CASH WITH BANK</b>	
58010.00	Membership Fees/Contribution	53400.00	773995.00	With Canara Bank-Bangalore KIDWAI Ext-Counter	-
55235.00	Miscellaneous Receipts			With Allahabad Bank - SB A/C	32604.54
	Education Grant	217000.00		With Bank of Baroda	740311.00
864400.00	IJSO			With Bank in FDRs-As per detail attached	4470873.00
	Income from Conference	824800.00			
1744113.00		5402235.00	1744113.00		5402235.00

For INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY

**DR. MANOJ PANDEY**  
SECRETARY

Place : Varanasi

Date : 20/07/2012

**AUDITOR'S REPORT :**

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### INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY

#### Details of FDR'S as on 31st March 2012

FDR No.	Bank	Place	Period		Opening Balance	Value on 31st March 2012
			From	To		
<b>Dr.K.S. Panda - Dr. K.S. Gopinath IASO ONCO Quiz FDR</b>						
164108	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	12-nov-08	12-nov-13	100000	133916
<b>Dr.N.C.Misra Oration IASO - FDR</b>						
367354	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	28-Jan-08	28-Jan-13	300000	408000
367355	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	28-Jan-08	28-Jan-13	300000	408000
<b>Dr.P.B. Desai UICC IASO Silver Jubilee Oration - FDR</b>						
152989	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	06-nov-08	06-nov-13	136000	182126
152990	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	06-nov-08	06-nov-13	100000	133916
<b>GCRI - Baroda - IASO MIS Fellowship - FDR</b>						
367358	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	28-Jan-08	28-Jan-13	75000	102000
<b>IASO NATCON Ludhiana Travelling Fellowship - FDR</b>						
367900	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	19-nov-08	19-nov-13	204658	274071
367899	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	19-nov-08	19-nov-13	306989	411109
<b>Indian Association of Surgical Oncology - FDR</b>						
367357	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	28-Jan-08	28-Jan-13	300000	408000
367356	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	28-Jan-08	28-Jan-13	200000	272000
152988	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	06-nov-08	06-nov-13	200000	267834
152987	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	06-nov-08	06-nov-13	200000	267834
164224	Allahabad Bank	KGMC, Lucknow	28-nov-08	28-nov-13	150000	200875
<b>BASO Fellowship - FDR</b>						
562579	Bank of Baroda	BHU, Varanasi	10.10.2011	27-Dec-2012		500000
<b>NATCON 2008 FDR</b>						
817907	Canara Bank	Bangalore	3.8.11 to 2.8.12			501192
<b>Total</b>					<b>2572647</b>	<b>4470873</b>



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## FORM FOR MEMBERSHIP / CHANGE OF ADDRESS OF INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF SURGICAL ONCOLOGY (IASO)

To  
Dr. Manoj Pandey  
Department of Surgical Oncology  
Institute of Medical Sciences  
Banaras Hindu University  
Varanasi 221 005  
Phone : 0542 -6703430 (O)  
Fax no. 0542-2361014 (O)

Sir,  
1.I wish to become a member of Indian Association of Surgical Oncology (IASO) (a section of ASI).I enclose US\$ 300 (three hundred US dollars) by Cheque/Draft/ no.....dated.....drawn on..... payable at Varanasi.  
2. Cheques & Drafts should be made in favor of Secretary, Indian Association of Surgical Oncology(IASO) Enclosed details as per para1 to 6.  
3.Or I am an existing member of IASO. My address details have changed as para 1 to 4.  
Signature of Applicant : .....Date of Application.....

DETAILS :

- 1.1First Name.....1.2 Middle Name.....1.3Last Name.....
- 1.4Date of Birth.....2.1ASI Number.....Not applicable.....
- 2.2IASO Number (to be filled by the office).....
- 3.1Present address, including pin code: .....
- .....
- 3.2Present Institution /Place of Work : .....
- .....
- 3.3Institutional address, including pin code : .....
- .....
- 3.4Preferred mailing address : .....
- .....
- 3.5Permanent address, including pin code: .....
- .....
- 4.1Mobile :.....4.2Telephone (R) please write STD code.....
- 4.3Telephone(W) :.....4.4Fax :.....
- 4.5E-mail:.....4.6Personal Website :.....
- 5.1Percentage of Oncology Work : .....
- 5.2Research in Oncology: .....
- 5.3Educational Qualifications : .....
- 5.4MCI Number : .....
- 5.5Experience-details attached : .....
- 5.6Papers published : ..... and presented (List only the number of publications and presentations above and attach a separate sheet with details.)



May 30, 2012

## Report of the 1<sup>st</sup> BASO FELLOWSHIP at BIRMINGHAM, UK (1<sup>st</sup> May to 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2012)

By Dr Chandramohan K, Additional Professor, Surgical Oncology, RCC, Trivandrum, India.

At the outset let me thank the BASO for selecting me for this prestigious fellowship. It was indeed a great fortune for me to be selected for this fellowship. I am working in Regional Cancer Centre (RCC) Trivandrum as a faculty member in the Breast, Sarcoma and GI Oncology division of Department of Surgical Oncology. Our center is a comprehensive cancer care centre catering to the population of the state of Kerala and parts of Tamil Nadu. The Government of India has recognized it as a "Centre of Excellence". RCC manages around 13000 patients a year and among them about 350 are having colorectal cancers.

Colorectal cancer is one of my areas of interest. Infact, I was instrumental in commencing laparoscopic colorectal surgery services in RCC. I always wanted to get more experience in colorectal surgery at a centre abroad. I have tried to obtain fellowships in colorectal surgery in UK for a while. I chose UK because it is one place where colorectal surgery is in its prime, especially thanks to pioneers like Prof Bill Heald who popularized TME. There is no doubt that the standards of colorectal surgery in UK are amongst the best in the world.

My training was at Heart of England NHS trust (HEFT) hospitals in Birmingham. I did my training from 1st May to 1st June 2012. HEFT has three hospitals: Birmingham Heartlands hospital, Solihull hospital and Good Hope hospital. The Trust has ten Consultant colorectal surgeons. They operated in turn at the three hospitals. These were high volume teaching hospitals with facilities for treatment and postgraduate training. In colorectal surgery, a significant percentage of the procedures were minimally invasive. Enhanced recovery protocol was also being practised. Other than colorectal surgery, the Heartlands hospital has a good upper GI and Thoracic surgery team.

Mr Sharad Karandikar, my supervisor, is a renowned colorectal surgeon and an accredited trainer in this field in UK. He is an extremely dynamic person and his guidance helped me to achieve training objectives within a short span of time. It was exciting to watch him doing surgeries and endoscopies so skillfully. He gave me ample freedom to move around and observe other teams in the hospital, according to my interest. The other Colorectal Surgeons were Mr Charles Hendrickse (Clinical Lead, Colorectal / Paediatric Surgery), Mr Gamal Barsoum, Mr Doug Bowley, Mr Misra Budhoo, Mr Mark Chapman, Mr Ahmed Hawas, and Mr David McArthur. I especially remember and thank Mr Hendrickse and Mr Mc Arthur for their kind help during my period of observership.

My main activity was observing surgeries in the three hospitals. I also watched endoscopies and attended multi disciplinary team meetings in Oncology, Radiology discussions, surgical morbidity and mortality meetings and outpatient clinics. I learned a lot and picked up good skills from observing those activities. I appreciated the systematic work pattern, protocol based treatment guidelines and meticulous documentation done in NHS hospitals. Interacting with other staff members, for example, enhanced my experience, I could collect details of certain surgical instruments and retractors, which are not available in our hospitals in India. I also spent some time observing sterilization and disinfection of equipment. I also appreciated the antibiotic policy being followed by the NHS, which strictly avoids overuse of antibiotic in surgical prophylaxis. Another interesting observation was Enhanced Recovery Pathway which also turned out to be a take home message for me. I also had the opportunity to visit facilities like GI Physiology lab where they conduct studies for Incontinence and GI motility disorders. I am highly motivated to propose to start such a lab in my hospital. During my tenure, I also got the opportunity to see other cancer surgeries like thoracic and upper GI surgeries. This was especially useful to me because I treat other cancers also at RCC. I could also make use of Birmingham HEFT library and learning resources where I had access to many books and journals which are not available in RCC.

In short, my clinical training in Birmingham was lively and extremely useful because I could learn and experience a lot many things.



## IASO BYE LAWS

IASO has been registered under society of registration at Varanasi (UP) in the year 2004-5 bearing registration number 627. The income tax PAN number is AAAT14187N issued on 27th August 2004 and TAN number ALDI00544F, issued on 27 September 2011..

The bye-laws of the IASO have been adopted at one of the general body meetings held in December 1997, Mumbai and amended time to time.

These bye-laws supersede all previous bye-laws of the IASO

### Schedule - I

**1. In these bye-laws, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,**

- (a) IASO means "Indian Association of Surgical Oncology". - This will remain a section of the ASI.
- (b) ASI means "Association of Surgeons of India".
- (c) Memorandum and Rules and Regulations mean "Memorandum of the Association and Rules and Regulations of the ASI" which came into force in 1985.

**2. Name:** The name of the Association is "Indian Association of Surgical Oncology: - A section of ASI.

**3. Address:** The office of IASO is the place from where the Secretary functions.

**4. Objectives:**

IASO is formed as per guidelines set in schedule II of memorandum of ASI and was approved as a section in 1977. The objectives of IASO are same as stated in schedule III of memorandum of ASI. Further to that, IASO will encourage and advance the study and practice of the science and art of surgical oncology and allied organizations concerned with cancer problems.

**5. Membership :**

- (a) Life Membership: A life member should be a full life member of the parent body "The Association of Surgeons of India". All persons, being surgeons with sufficient interest in cancer surgery/practicing cancer surgeons/completed an acceptable training in cancer surgery/ pursuing research in Cancer surgery or related subject, are eligible for becoming life member. The life 2 membership fee will be Rs. 5,000/- (amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).

Annual member of ASI will be Associate member of IASO converted to full member of IASO on becoming life member of ASI. The life membership of IASO will be counted the day the Associate member becomes life member of ASI. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

- (b) Associate Membership: Those who are under training in cancer surgery or those who are interested in surgery but belong to other specialties, such as Radiology, Pathology, Biochemistry, Otorhinolaryngology and who may not be a member of the ASI.

Subscription of membership will be as decided from time to time by the general body of the IASO. Generally all members will be inducted as life members.

- (c) Honorary Member: An Internationally renowned Surgeon who has made an outstanding contribution to Surgical Oncology and who has shown keen and consistent interest in the development and growth of Surgical Oncology in India can be considered for Honorary Membership. Not more than two honorary members will be selected in a year, provided that the total number of such member will not exceed one – tenth of the total Full life Members at a time. (Approved GBM Ludhiana Sept 2007)

- (d) Overseas Member

A Surgical Oncologist practicing abroad, who is duly proposed and seconded by a 'Member' , and after proper scrutiny of the proposal, is recommended by the Executive Council and approved by the General Body shall, on payment of the prescribed dues, be admitted as an Overseas Member for life.



Rights & Privileges: An Overseas Member shall be entitled to:

1. Participate in all activities of the IASO.
2. Constitute the Business Meeting/General Body Meeting together with the other Members.
3. Membership and privileges resulting from the affiliation of the IASO to various International bodies.
4. However, an Overseas Member shall not be entitled for election to the Executive Committee.
5. Should an Overseas Member decide to settle in India, he on intimating to the IASO his intention to become a Life Member, and proof of his having become a resident Indian, will be admitted by the General Body to the "Life Membership" of the IASO without any further subscription. He on his return should be a life member of Association of Surgeons of India to be inducted as Full life Member of IASO. If he is not a full life member of ASI he will be inducted as Associate Member of IASO.

Fees – The induction fee will be US Dollars 300 for overseas member. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

**6. Termination of Membership:**

- (a) If a member of IASO ceases to be a member of ASI, he/she will cease to be member of IASO.
- (b) If a member fails to pay subscription by due date or resigns, he/she will cease to be a member of IASO.

**7. Year: The year of the IASO will be same as of ASI - 1st. January to 31st December.**

**8. Management:**

- (a) IASO will be managed by an Executive Committee consisting of following office bearers, members and ex-officio members:
  - i. President
  - ii. President elect
  - iii. Vice President
  - iv. Secretary
  - v. Editorial Secretary
  - vi. Associate Editor
  - vii Members

Members: Usually 8 members will constitute the executive committee. The executive committee will have a representative each from North, East, West and South zones (NEWS). The distribution of zones will be as follows

North Zone - Delhi, Haryana, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Chandigarh, Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal

East Zone - Bihar, Jharkhand, Chattisgarh, Orissa, West Bengal, Assam and North Eastern states

West Zone - Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Goa

South Zone - Kerala, Karnataka, Tamilnadu, Andhra Pradesh, Pondicherry, Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep.  
(Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)

- (b) The member of the Executive committee will also help in organizing regional Continuing Medical Education programmes to promote the specialty of Surgical Oncology. They will also help the Secretary, IASO update of members list. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (c) Past Presidents may be invited to Executive Committee meetings. Immediate past secretary will be a co-opted member of the Executive committee (Amendment approved GBM Lucknow 2011).
- (d) Organizing Secretaries of both immediate past and future NATCON will be co-opted members of Executive Committee of IASO for the year beside the organizing secretary of the current meeting. Similarly organizing secretary of the IASO mid-term conference will also be co-opted member of Executive committee. (Approved GBM, Lucknow 2011)
- (e) 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 member are eligible to election to Executive Committee. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)
- (f) The executive committee has the power to co-opt any member. The co-opted member will not have the same powers



as elected members of the Executive Committee. The term served in the executive committee as co-opted member cannot be used /counted as Executive committee term for applying for other posts of the executive committee. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

- (g) Save and except President, President elect and Vice President the tenure of all office bearers and members will be for two years. (Approved Varanasi GBM 23 Sept 2006)
- (h) The President shall hold office for one year. President elect will be the President and Vice President will be President elect after expiry of his term unless he/she has resigned, indisposed or disqualified otherwise. (Approved GBM Varanasi GBM 23 Sept 2006)

## 9. Election:

- (a) Election of the vacant posts as notified by the Secretary of IASO will be conducted before the Annual General Body Meeting in a special session „Elections IASO. to be held during the annual conference of IASO (NATCON IASO) every year.
- (b) Nomination for Vacant posts will be called by the Secretary in March / April of the year of election. They will also be advertised in the Newsletter- December issue of the preceding year. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (c) The last date for nomination being 30 August of the year of elections. The nominations are to be sent to the Secretary, IASO. If 30 August is a holiday the next working day will be the last date. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (d) No member will contest for more than one post at the same time. Every eligible member shall be proposed and seconded by two full members of IASO. One member can propose or second only one candidate. There should be a signed no objection certificate and consent from the candidate with the nomination. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (e) At the time of sending the nomination the candidate should send the following information – He should send a brief summary of his/her achievements (a brief background about his achievements and contributions - publications, conference organised, 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 should be signed and dated by the candidate. This information will be put forward to the members before the voting. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (f) Invalid Nomination - If the nomination is found invalid the candidate will be informed about the same and the reason for invalidity mentioned. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (g) Withdrawal of Nomination - The candidates can withdraw their nominations till the executive meeting or 5.00PM on first day of NATCON IASO. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (h) The nominations that are received in time will be scrutinized by President elect .The President elect will be the returning officer. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)
- (i) Voting - The voting will be by a secret ballot every year during the NATCON IASO in a special session „Elections IASO. before the Annual General Body Meeting. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
  - (1) Each member will have to sign the register before voting and receiving the ballot paper. If /when membership cards are available it should be presented for inspection before voting.
  - (2) The President IASO, President Elect and Vice President, Secretary will guide the election process and the counting will be done under their supervision. Election officer to be the President or President elect.
- (j) A nominee of the candidate / candidate himself or herself will be present during the counting of ballots. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (k) Results will be declared during the GBM. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (l) If there is no contest the President shall declare the member elected for the post in GBM. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (m) If no nomination is received, it is on the President and President elect to nominate one person for that post. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)
- (n) Eligibility for elections –
  - (a) 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 Executive member is eligible to contest for the post of Vice President. (Approved GBM Varanasi 23 Sept 2006 and Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

(b) 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 Executive member is eligible to contest for the post of Secretary. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

(c) 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 Executive member is eligible to contest for the post of Editorial Secretary. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

(d) Associate Editor - A Full life member of IASO who has completed 5 years (up to 31st March of the year of applying) as full life member is eligible to contest for the post of Associate Editor. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

(e) 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. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

(o) Cut off 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. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

(p) One executive should complete his term before taking over another assignment. (Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)

**10. Complaint and grievance cell** - Immediate three past presidents will be members and the senior most past president will be the Chairman. In addition to election disputes the following complaints will also be addressed by the cell.

(a) Assignment of the category of membership

(b) Admission to membership

(c) Member to Member feud

(d) The cell will conduct an inquiry and submit its observations and recommendations to the Executive committee for the final decision.

*(Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)*

**11. Filling up of casual Vacancies**

(a) In the event of the President post falling vacant due to unforeseen circumstances, the President elect will takeover as President for the residual term.

(b) In the event of the position of the Secretary falling vacant due to unforeseen circumstances executive committee will appoint someone from within the executive committee to the vacant post of Secretary for the residual term.

(c) In the event of the position of the Editorial Secretary falling vacant due to unforeseen circumstances the Associate Editor will take over as Editorial Secretary for the residual term

(d) In the event of the position of the Executive Committee Member falling vacant due to unforeseen circumstances the President/ President Elect will nominate an eligible full life member from the same zone from which the vacancy, for the residual term.

*(Approved GBM Hyderabad 20 Sept 2008)*

**12. Power of Executive Committee: Shall be same as that of the Governing Council of ASI.**

**13. The function and responsibility of different office bearers of IASO will be same as that of ASI. The Secretary will maintain and present the audited accounts each year at the annual conference.**

**14. Meeting and Conference:**

(a) IASO shall hold Annual General Body Meeting every during the Annual conference of IASO (NATCON IASO) and transact the business stated in bye-law 17(b). Other meetings, be it of Scientific, Social/Executive Committee/General Body in nature, may be held as per the requirements of IASO.

(b) IASO shall endeavor to organize Annual conference at least once every year and appoint an Organizing secretary for the conference in its Annual General Body Meeting. The dates of the conference will be third/ fourth weekend of September.

(c) IASO shall endeavor to organize mid-term conference once every year and appoint an Organizing secretary for the



conference in its Annual General Body Meeting. The dates of the conference will be second weekend of April. This conference the target audiences will be the surgical oncology postgraduates (IASO general body, Lucknow 2011).

- 15. Annual Report:** An annual report stating the activities of the year shall be prepared by the Secretary for Annual General Body Meeting, a copy of which is to be sent to headquarters of ASI.
- 16. Accounts of the year:** Accounts of the year of IASO shall be prepared by Secretary and audited by an auditor appointed by General Body within six months of the closing of the year. This should be placed in the General Body Meeting and after adoption, a copy sent to Headquarters of ASI.

Secretary IASO would close the account on 31st December and transfer the balance fund to the next secretary in January and send the audited report to the next secretary who will then file an income tax return for a particular financial year by the 30th July. In case of multicurrency account the operations will be transferred to the next secretary in executive committee meeting during ASICON (Approved GBM, NATCON 2011, Lucknow).

**17. Annual General Body Meeting:**

- (a) Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) shall be held once every year as stated in Bye-laws.
- (b) The following business will be transacted in the AGM.
  - i. Annual Report.
  - ii. Audited accounts of the previous year.
  - iii. Programme and budget of the next year.
  - iv. Recipients of various orations for the next year.
  - v. The venue of Annual conference and appointment of Organizing Secretary.
  - vi. Declaration of results of election of the office bearers and members of the executive committee.
  - vii. Any other business with the permission of the President. Topics of the symposia and their conveners, theme of CME, workshops and programme outline should not be discussed in the General Body Meeting.

**18. Journal:**

- (a) IASO shall publish its own Newsletter and shall elect Editorial Secretary and associate editor for the same. The editorial secretary will be the sectional editor of the Indian Journal Surgery for the term. The expenditure for the publication of the newsletter will be raised by the editorial secretary and the associate editor and will be deposited in IASO accounts. In case of a shortfall the association will contribute to this expenditure which shall not exceed 40% for any given year. As this money is deposited in IASO accounts the payments shall be made by the secretary IASO, and this should reflect in the annual audited accounts. (IASO GBM, NATCON 2011, Lucknow).
- b. IASO shall publish in association with Springer India, its own journal the "Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology" (IJSO) (Approved GBM, NATCON Hyderabad 2008).
  - i) The journal will have Dr. K. S. Gopinath as founder Editor-in-Chief, joint editors and associate (section) editors beside an editorial board and an advisory committee.
  - ii) The term of the Editor-in-Chief, Joint editors and associate editors, mechanism of funding, and bye-laws will be as per schedule-II of the IASO bye laws (approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow)

**19. Income: Income of the IASO shall be derived from:**

- (a) Admission fees and subscription from members, life members and associate members.
- (b) Excess of income over expenditure in Annual conference midterm conference and zonal CME.s will constitute income of IASO. Savings from the conference cannot be used to create fellowship, orations or institute award as it is the income of the association. (Lucknow 2011)
- (c) Donations.

- 20. Investment:** IASO shall have account with nationalized or reputed bank to be operated by persons authorized by General Body. The surplus fund after meeting statutory annual expenditure shall be invested in fixed deposits of such banks and approved securities or in any other manner to be decided in the General Body Meeting.



21. Utilization of Funds: IASO shall have account with nationalized or reputed bank and shall invest funds not required for its regular day to day activities in fixed deposits of such banks or approved securities as had been decided by the General Body Meeting. The accounts will be operated as per provisions of memorandum of ASI. The proceeds of income from various deposits and investments shall be strictly spent for specific purpose for which such fund/funds are created.
22. Representation: IASO shall be represented as per Memorandum of ASI.
23. Amendment of Bye-laws: Any of the bye-laws of IASO may be altered or rescinded to or new bye-laws may be made at General Body Meeting by majority vote. The amendment shall come into force after it is circulated to all members and provided objection to such amendment of IASO is not received from ASI and 50% of valid members of IASO within three months from the date of circulation. A copy of such amendment is to be sent to Headquarters of ASI.
24. Schedule: IASO secretariat shall maintain a schedule comprising the various orations, fellowship research grant or any other grant for scientific works with rules and regulations for these awards and management.
25. Orations, Fellowship, Awards, Symposia, Panel Discussions Guest Lectures etc. There will be a scientific committee consisting of President, President Elect, Immediate Past President, Vice President, Secretary, Immediate Past Secretary, Editorial Secretary and Organizing Secretary of NATCON. (Approved GBM Varanasi 23 Sept 2006)
  - (a) Radha Devi Oration will be delivered by the outgoing President at the annual meeting of IASO. Rs. 5000/- have been donated for the oration by the family of Dr. S.P. Jain. The orator will get a plaque, certificate and a medal. The local hospitality to the orator will be provided by the Organizing secretary of NATCON. (approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow)
  - (b) Motibhai Oration will be delivered by an orator selected by the executive Scientific committee, and endorsed by the GBM. The oration will be delivered at the Annual meeting of IASO- NATCON. Rs. 50,000/- have been donated for the cause by Dr. D.D. Patel and family. Only interest is to be used. 50% of interest is to be reinvested to generate same amount of money even in the era of falling interest rates. Thus, only 50% of interest should be available in the year to award the orator a plaque, a certificate and a medal. Local hospitality by the organizing secretary NATCON. (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow)
  - (c) Prof N C Misra Oration: Will be delivered preferably by an eminent foreign speaker selected by a panel consisting of the President IASO, Secretary IASO and the Organizing Secretary of the NATCON. In case of selection of eminent speaker from India, consultation will be held with the nominee of "The Student of Dr. N.C. Misra", who have donated Rs. three lakhs as endowment. Only interest is to be used. 50% of interest is to be reinvested to generate same amount of money even in the era of falling interest rates. Thus, only 50% or less of interest should be available in a year to award the orator a plaque, a certificate and a medal. Local hospitality by the organizing secretary NATCON (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow)
  - (d) Dr. P.B. Desai – UICC IASO Silver Jubilee Oration in ASICON - Will be delivered by national or international faculty. The orator shall receive a medallion, citation and a certificate (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).
  - (e) Detroit Visiting Fellowship - A fellowship to visit Detroit will have local hospitality included by the host institution, excluding the travel cost to and from USA. The candidate should be less than 45 years of age (the cut off date is 31st of December of the year of application), a full member of IASO for a minimum of two years. Selection is based on CV and paper presentation during NATCON meeting. The paper must be on the work done in India only. Selection panel includes Dr. KK Maudar, President and Secretary of IASO. In case Dr. KK Maudar is not available than a person nominated by him or in case nominee is not available, than President elect will be member of the panel (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).
  - (f) Baroda - GCRI IASO Travelling Minimal Invasive Surgery Fellowship The fellowship will be called the Baroda - GCRI- IASO Travelling Minimal Invasive Surgery Fellowship (MIS) at GEM Hospital, Coimbatore from 2008 (approved GBM Ludhiana 22/09/2007). Rupees 75, 000 for the fellowship have been provided by Dr R I Dave and Dr Kiran Kothari from GCRI, Ahemadabad. The funds from the Baroda travelling fellowship will be combined with the funds from GCRI and the fellowship will be thus named so. The selection for the fellowship will be done during the NATCON IASO. The selection panel includes Dr RI Dave or Dr Kiran Kothari, President and Secretary of IASO. In case Dr RI Dave or Dr Kiran Kothari are not available then a person nominated by them or in case nominee is not available, than President elect will be a member of the Panel. For selection the eligibility is - the candidate should be less than 45 years of age (the cut off date is 31st of December of the year of application. He should be a Full member of IASO for a minimum



of two years and attended two conferences of NATCON IASO. Selection will be based on CV and paper presentation during NATCON meeting. The paper must be on the work done in India only. The selected candidate will get Rs 6000/- for the fellowship and his registration charges at Coimbatore will be waived off by Dr Palanivelu (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).

- (g) Best paper presentation (five) will be awarded Rs. 10000/- towards registration, travel and accommodation of the presenter to attend the NATCON. If the presenter is not a member Rs. 5000/- will be deducted towards membership of the IASO. If the presenter is not eligible to become a life member, he will be enrolled as associate member and will be converted to full member on attaining eligibility to become full member (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).
- (h) Best poster presentation (Five) will be awarded Rs. 10000/- towards registration, travel and accommodation of the presenter to attend the NATCON. If the presenter is not a member Rs. 5000/- will be deducted towards membership of the IASO. If the presenter is not eligible to become a life member, he will be enrolled as associate member and will be converted to full member on attaining eligibility to become full member (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).
- (i) WFSOS : The official representative of IASO in WFSOS will be immediate past president or his nominee. It will be the responsibility of President to generate \$ 500 for yearly membership of WFSOS.
- (j) Dr. K. S. Panda - Dr. K S Gopinath Onco Quiz Award : During NATCON meeting winner will be awarded Rs. 5000 and runners up to Rs. 3000. Dr. K.S Panda & Dr. K S Gopinath donated Rs. 10,000 each towards the seed money for the Quiz award. They have donated further Rs 40, 000 each to the seed money.

In case of prize being won by a person who is not a member, the award amount will be adjusted towards membership of the IASO. If the presenter is not eligible to become a life member, he will be enrolled as associate member and will be converted to full member on attaining eligibility to become full member

Eligibility - all the delegates of NATCON (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow)..

- (k) IASO Ludhiana Punjab Fellowship- The fellowship will be called the IASO Ludhiana Punjab Fellowship. The selected candidate will be given an amount of Rs. 30,000/-

The fellowship was made possible due to a grant of Rs 500, 000/- from the Chief Minister of Punjab, Sri Prakash Singh Badal during NATCO IASO 2007 at Ludhiana.

Eligibility and Selection Criteria -

1. The candidate should be less than 45 years of age (as on 31st December of the year applying) and a citizen of India.
  2. He/she should be a life member of the IASO of at least 2 year standing, attended 2 NATCON IASO and presented a scientific paper. The work done should be of benefit to resident of Punjab residing in Punjab or outside Punjab in India.
  3. The fellowship will be for a period of 4-8 weeks. It can be availed for training in India or Abroad.
  4. The candidate must submit a project with name of Institution, Department and person with whom he wishes to avail the fellowship.
  5. After completion of the fellowship he will have to submit a letter of completion of fellowship from the institution, submit a report to the Secretary IASO for publication in the newsletter and make a presentation in the next IASO meeting.
  6. The committee for selection will comprise of the following members (1) President IASO, (2) Secretary IASO, (3) President Elect IASO and (4) Dr. Satish Jain from Oswal Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, Ludhiana.
  7. The selection will be done on basis of Curriculum Vitae, Publication, Interview, Project submitted.
  8. The application for the fellowship will be invited by advertisement in the Newsletter of IASO.
- (l) Free Papers and Posters: All the short papers / posters should be sent to Secretary IASO who will send them after finalizing to the Organising secretary. The abstracts of the presentation will be published in the IJSO as supplement or in regular issue (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).
- (m) For symposia, Panel discussion during NATCON IASO and Sectional Programme IASO during ASICON topics will not be called from the floor (GBM 23/9/06, Varanasi).. The interested member should submit to the Secretary IASO his



request with the title, a brief write up about the symposium / panel discussion, suggested speakers and why he feels that the topic is important. The last date for this will be 30 August of the year preceding the conference for which the symposium are being considered. They would be decided finally by the scientific committee. (Approved GBM Ludhiana 22 Sept 2007)

- (n) IASO-BASO-Hyderabad Fellowship: The fellowship will be called the IASO-BASO-Hyderabad fellowship. The fellowship has been made possible due to a grant of Rs. 5,00,000 by the organizing committee of IASO NATCON 2008, held at Hyderabad.

The fellowship will consist of Rs. 30,000/- and the attachment will be provided by the BASO with living allowances. All other expanses will be met by the selected candidate. The duration of the fellowship is variable and will depend on the candidate and the centre where the fellowship is availed. Irrespective of the duration of fellowship the award will remain the same.

#### Eligibility criteria

The candidate should be less than 45 years of age (the cutoff date is 31st of December of the year of application), and a full member of IASO for a minimum of two years. Students pursuing the MCh or DipNB (Surgical Oncology) and full member of IASO will also be eligible to apply for this fellowship, however, in their case the application should be forwarded by their institute with a no objection certificate that the candidate will be permitted to avail the fellowship if selected. If not a student, the candidate should have attended atleast two previous NATCON to be eligible for the award. Selection is based on CV, paper presentation during NATCON meeting and an interview. The paper must be on the work done in India only. Selection panel includes President and Secretary of IASO, representative of BASO and representative of Organizing committee of IASO NATCON 2008. In case representative of Organizing committee of IASO NATCON 2008 is not available than President elect will be member of the panel (approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow)

#### 26. Guidelines of invitation for NATCON -

- (a) Organizing secretary or his representative must be present in AGM to present his proposal.
- (b) Rs. 500 per delegate or 10% of registration money (whichever is higher) must be deposited in IASO account for NATCON. 10% of the minimum contribution including the registration fee in foreign currency taken in Indian equivalence be given to IASO account. Besides this minimum of 75% of the savings should be given to IASO.  
Rs. 100 per delegate or 10% of registration money (whichever is higher) must be deposited in IASO account for mid-term conference. Besides this minimum of 50% of the savings should be donated to IASO (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow)
- (c) The audited accounts of NATCON and midterm 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 (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).
- (d) It has been decided that on request, a loan of Rs. 25000 may be given to the organizing secretary of NATCON as seed money to start preparation, repayable within 6 months of the conference.
- (e) The accounts for the IASO NATCON and mid-term conference will be opened only with IASO PAN no that will be provided by the secretary, IASO. The audited accounts will be incorporated in the annual accounts of the IASO for the year. The organizing secretary of NATCON and mid-term conference shall sign an MOU with the IASO. The MOU shall be added as an annexure to the bye-laws (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow)

26. Use of IASO banner in CME programs, Workshops & Conferences - It was decided that in CME where delegation fee was charged, a token amount of Rs. 5000 or Rs. 50 per delegate for one day event and Rs. 75 for two days event which ever was more must be deposited to use IASO banner.

#### 28. Educational and research fund:

This fund will be created to cater various needs of the organization including and not limited to payment towards travel, hospitality of speakers/office bearer in cases where they may not be able to pay, contribution towards the newsletter, website update, free paper and poster awards and other matters that may arise from time to time. The fund can be utilized with the approval from the panel consisting of President, President elect, Vice president and Secretary, IASO (Amendment approved GBM NATCON 2011, Lucknow).



## Schedule –II

### Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology

#### Bye-laws

Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology [ISSN: 0975-7651 (print version); ISSN: 0976-6952 (electronic version)] is the official journal of Indian Society of Surgical Oncology, Registered in Varanasi bearing the registration number 627, Published currently by Springer.

The bye laws of Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology are adopted at General body meeting of the Indian Association of Surgical oncology held on 17 September, 2011 as Schedule II of the bye laws of Indian Association of Surgical Oncology and amended from time to time.

These bye-laws supersede all existing bye laws of Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology

1. In these bye-laws unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context
  - a. IASO means Indian Association of Surgical Oncology
  - b. ASI means Association of Surgeons of India
  - c. IJSO means Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology.
  - d. IASO bye-laws means bye-laws of Indian association of Surgical Oncology adopted in 1997 and amended from time to time thereafter
  - e. Memorandum and Rules and Regulations mean "Memorandum of the Association and Rules and Regulations of the ASI" which came into force in 1985, and amended from time to time thereafter.
2. Name: The name of the Journal will be "Indian Journal of Surgical Oncology"- an official journal of Indian Association of Surgical Oncology
3. Address: The address of IJSO will be the place from where the editor-in-Chief works
4. Objectives: The IJSO is formed as per the guidelines set in the section 18 (b) of the bye-laws of IASO to fulfill the objectives of IASO as per section 4 of the IASO bye laws. Further to that it is to demonstrate the commitment of the IASO to further the practice of science and art of Surgical Oncology and to take the association beyond the geographical confines and to project it as a dedicated and committed association at International level and to promote and showcase the basic and clinical research being carried out in the country.
5. Year: The year of the IJSO will be same as that of IASO, i.e. January to December
6. Management:
  - a. IJSO will be managed by an Editorial board, consisting of the following office bearers, members and ex-officio members beside the President and Secretary of IASO, they will function in coordination with the executive committee of the IASO. Advisory committee members will not participate in the editorial board meeting however, they may be invited to deliberate on particular issues.
    - i. Editor-in-Chief (Chairman)
    - ii. Joint Editors (two)
    - iii. Associate Editors (Section Editors)(five)
    - iv. Editorial board (not exceeding 25 at any time)
    - v. Advisory committee (not exceeding 25 at any time)
  - b. All elected executive committee members (eight) along with president elect, vice president and editorial secretary will be invited member of the editorial board.
  - c. The editorial board together with IASO executive committee will have the power to invite and appoint members to the editorial board and advisory board.
  - d. Save and Except Editorial board member and advisory board member the tenure of all other office bearers will be of five years.



e. The tenure of appointment of Editor-in-Chief, Joint editors and the associate editors will be of five years, to ensure that all editors do not relinquish office at the same time the initial term of Associate editors will be four years, Joint editors for 5 years and Editor-in Chief for six years, there after the term of office will be for 5 years.

f. The current editorial board is

<b>Chairman / Editor</b>	: Dr. K S Gopinath, Bangalore
<b>Joint Editors</b>	: Dr. Chintamani, New Delhi Dr. Raghu Ram P., Hyderabad
<b>Associate Editors</b>	: Dr. K. Harish, Bangalore Dr. Dhananjay Sharma, Jabalpur Dr. Sanjeev Mishra, Lucknow Dr. Shakuntala Shah, Ahmedabad Dr. D. Sarkar, Kolkatta
<b>Editorial Board Members</b>	: Manoj Pandey, Varanasi Sandeep Kumar, Lucknow Kiran Kothari, Ahmedabad Anil D. Cruz, Mumbai M. Vijay Kumar, Bangalore Paul Sebastian, Trivandrum Arnab Gupta, Kolkata Hemanth Raj, Chennai Sanjay Kapoor, Lucknow Manmoy Ganguly, New Delhi
<b>Advisory Committee</b>	: P.B Desai, Mumbai, India D.D.Patel, Ahmedabad, India H S Shukla, Varanasi, India Satish Shukla, Indore, India Sanjay Sharma, Mumbai, India R. Badwe, Mumbai, India Donald weaver, U.S.A. Graham Poston, U.K. Ashok Shaha, U.S.A. Manjith S. Bains, U.S.A. K.C. Soo, Singapore

## 7. Election:

- Election to the posts as notified by the secretary of IASO will be conducted in the Annual General body meeting of the IASO, in a special section IASO elections. The first election to the post of Associate editor will be in 2014, for Joint editors in 2015 and for the editor-in Chief in 2016.
- Nomination for Vacant posts will be called by the Secretary in March / April of the year of election. They will also be advertised in the Newsletter- December issue of the preceding year
- The last date for nomination being 30 August of the year of elections. The nominations are to be sent to the Secretary, IASO. If 30 August is a holiday the next working day will be the last date
- No member will contest for more than one post at the same time including the post of executive committee of IASO. Every eligible member shall be proposed and seconded by two full members of IASO. One member can propose or second only one candidate. There should be a signed no objection certificate and consent from the candidate with the nomination
- At the time of sending the nomination the candidate should send the following information – He should send a brief



summary of his/her achievements (a brief background about his achievements and contributions - publications, conference organized, scientific contributions, National and International funding of the projects etc.), contribution to IASO and detailed 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 and a list of all publications till date. This should be signed and dated by the candidate. The summary of this information will be put forward to the members before the voting

- f. Candidates who have put in a minimum 10 years full life membership of IASO till 31st March of the year of applying for the editorial board member are eligible to election to Editor-in-Chief, Joint editor and associate editors.
- g. Invalid Nomination - If the nomination is found invalid the candidate will be informed about the same and the reason for invalidity mentioned
- h. Withdrawal of Nomination - The candidates can withdraw their nominations till the executive meeting or 5.00PM on first day of NATCON IASO
- i. The nominations that are received in time will be scrutinized by President elect .The President elect will be the returning officer
- j. Voting - The voting will be by a secret ballot every year during the NATCON IASO in a special session „Elections IASO. before the Annual General Body Meeting
- k. Each member will have to sign the register before voting and receiving the ballot paper. If /when membership cards are available it should be presented for inspection before voting
- l. The President IASO, President Elect and Vice President, Secretary will guide the election process and the counting will be done under their supervision. Election officer to be the President or President elect
- m. Results will be declared during the GBM
- n. If there is no contest the President shall declare the member elected for the post in GBM
- o. If no nomination is received, it is on the President and President elect to either nominate one person for that post in consultation with the Editor-in-Chief or let him continue for another year.
- p. Eligibility for elections
  - i. Editor-in-Chief: 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 Executive member and has at least 25 indexed publications to his credit is eligible to contest for the post of Editor-in-Chief. National and International funding of ad-hoc projects is desirable.
  - ii. Joint Editors: A full member of IASO who has completed 8 years as full life member (up to 31st March of the year of applying) and has served at least one term as an elected Executive member and has at least 15 indexed publications to his credit is eligible to contest for the post of Joint Editor. National and International funding of ad-hoc projects is desirable.
  - iii. Associate Editors: A full member of IASO who has completed 7 years as full life member (up to 31st March of the year of applying) and has served at least one term as an elected Executive member and has at least 10 indexed publications to his credit is eligible to contest for the post of Editor-in-Chief. National and International funding of ad-hoc projects is desirable.
  - iv. Editorial board members/Advisory members: National or International faculty with outstanding achievement in the field of oncology to be nominated by the Editor-in Chief after approval of the editorial board.
- q. Eligibility for voting: 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, similar to that of IASO
- r. One executive should complete his term before taking over another assignment

#### 8. Filling up of casual Vacancies

- a. In the event of the Editor-in-Chief post falling vacant due to unforeseen circumstances, the President will nominate one of the Joint editors as Editor-in-Chief for the residual term
- b. In the event of the Joint Editor post falling vacant due to unforeseen circumstances, the Editor-in-Chief will nominate one of the Associate editors as Joint editor for the residual term
- c. In the event of the Associate Editor post falling vacant due to unforeseen circumstances, the Editor-in-Chief will request the secretary, IASO for election to that post in next annual general body meeting of the IASO.



- d. In the event of Editorial board or advisory board post falling vacant due to unforeseen circumstances, the editor-in-chief will invite a national or international faculty with outstanding contribution in consultation with the President and Secretary of IASO.

## 9. Duties and responsibility of Editorial board

### A) Duties and responsibilities of Editor-in-Chief

- i) Nominating, appointing and securing the services of the members of the editorial board other than those elected by the IASO in consultation with the President and the Secretary of IASO.
- ii) Attracting appropriate submissions for the journal, the IASO will help the Editor-in-Chief to achieve this objective
- iii) Dealing with all aspects of peer review process for all articles submitted to the journal, taking final decision about the acceptance and rejections of these articles.
- iv) Ensure that the journal maintains a high standard for the refereeing and acceptance of articles. He is to ensure that all articles are submitted through the submission system provided by the Springer
- v) He has to ensure the periodicity of the journal is maintained and issues are published in time.
- vi) Adhering to the standards of good editorial practice as defined in the code of conduct for medical editors by the committee on publication ethics (COPE) and World association of medical editors (WAME) and modified and changed from time to time
- vii) He has to ensure the appropriateness of advertisements to be included in the journal. However, as per the ethical editing practices will not be directly involved with the financial aspect of the journal.
- viii) He will work towards having the journal indexed in pubmed, pubmed central, medline and should thrive to get indexed in ISI and get an impact factor for the journal.

### B) Duties and responsibility of Joint editors

- i) the main duty and responsibility of the joint editors is to help the editor in chief achieve the objective of starting this journal
- ii) they will help the editor-in-chief in dealing with all aspects of peer review process for all articles submitted to the journal. If called upon by the editor-in-Chief they may take a decision on acceptance and rejection of an article submitted to the journal.
- iii) they along with editor-in-Chief will ensure that the journal maintains a high standard for the refereeing and acceptance of articles. They will also ensure that all articles are submitted through the submission system provided by the Springer
- iv) They will ensure that the periodicity of the journal is maintained and the issues are not delayed.
- v) Joint editors will work with editor in chief to get the journal indexed in pubmed, pubmedcentral, medline and Reuters ISI.
- vi) Joint editors will adhere to the standards of good editorial practice as defined in the code of conduct for medical editors by the committee on publication ethics (COPE) and World association of medical editors (WAME) and modified and changed from time to time

### C) Duties of the Associate editors

- i) Associate editors will perform duties as assigned to them by the editor in chief and joint editors from time to time
- ii) They will adhere to the standards of good editorial practice as defined in the code of conduct for medical editors by the committee on publication ethics (COPE) and World association of medical editors (WAME) and modified and changed from time to time

### D) Duties of the members nominated to Editorial board

The members nominated to the editorial board will help and assist the Editor - in-Chief and the other joint and associate editors with evaluation of the manuscript, peer review and final editorial decision as called upon by the Editor-in-Chief, Joint or Associate editors from time to time.

- E) Any editorial misconduct or an act unbecoming of an editor brought to the notice of the IASO executive committee would be discussed in the Editorial board meeting and if recommended will entail removal of the concerned editor or the board member.
- F) All authorship dispute, author misconduct, duplicate publishing, salami slicing will be brought to the notice of the IASO executive committee beside the editorial board and should be dealt properly as per the recommendations of COPE and WAME in consultation with editorial board.



**10. Annual Report:** The editor-in-Chief or a joint editor assigned by the editor in chief will present the annual report to the executive committee and the general body of the IASO. The report will be published in the IASO newsletter and circulated. Beside the editor in chief will assign an associate editor with the job to send a quarterly report on the journals progress to the secretariat. This is to ensure that the secretariat is apprised of all matters related to the journal including the problems faced by the editors and can take remedial measures thereof.

**11. Accounts of the year:** Accounts of the year of IJSO shall be prepared by Editor-in-Chief and audited by an auditor appointed by Editorial board within six months of the closing of the year. The accounts shall be published in the IASO Newsletter circulated to the members and should be placed in the General Body Meeting of IASO and after adoption, a copy will be sent to Headquarters of ASI. A copy of the account book and the bank account statement will also be submitted to the secretariat for records.

The editor-in-Chief will ensure that the IASO TAN number ALDI00544F is used and all payments above rupees 10,000 should be made after proper deduction of income tax at source (TDS). He will ensure that this is regularly deposited in proper account at the income tax office at regular intervals before March 31 of any year.

## 12. Meetings

- a. The meeting of the editorial board will be conducted atleast thrice a year during the IASO NATCON, IASO mid-term and ASICON.
- b. The following business should be transacted in these meetings
  - i. Six monthly report
  - ii. Audited accounts
  - iii. Program and budget for next year
  - iv. Content of special issues if any
  - v. Appointment of guest editors if any
  - vi. Performance of the journal
  - vii. Appointment of nominated editorial board members and advisory board members
  - viii. Any other matter with the permission of chair

**13. Income:** The income of the journal shall be derived from the advertisements or donations, the editorial board will be responsible for generating the capital needed for running the journal for that year. However, in light of the COPE guidelines on financial issues to be separated from editorial board, the journal's financial responsibility can be transferred to the society gradually over next 5 years.

**14. Account:** A multicurrency account will be opened in a nationalized bank at the address where the Editor-in-Chief is stationed using the PAN number of IASO.

**15. Investment:** IJSO shall have account with nationalized or reputed bank to be operated by Editor-in-Chief. The surplus fund after meeting statutory annual expenditure shall be invested in fixed deposits of such banks and approved securities or be handed over to IASO as to be decided in the General Body Meeting of IASO.

**16. Utilization of Funds:** IJSO shall have account with nationalized or reputed bank and shall invest funds not required for its regular day to day activities in fixed deposits of such banks or approved securities as had been decided by the Editorial board Meeting and approved by executive committee of IASO. The accounts will be operated as per provisions of memorandum of ASI. The proceeds of income from various deposits and investments shall be strictly spent for specific purpose for which such fund/funds are created

**17. Representation:** IASO shall be represented as per Memorandum of ASI and bye laws of IASO

**18. Ownership:** The ownership of the journal title will rest with the IASO.

**19. Amendment of Bye-laws:** Any of the bye-laws of IJSO may be altered or rescinded to or new bye-laws may be made at General Body Meeting of IASO by majority vote. The amendment shall come into force after it is circulated to all members and provided objection to such amendment of IASO is not received from ASI and 50% of valid members of IASO within three months from the date of circulation. A copy of such amendment is to be sent to Headquarters of ASI.



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