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Message

Dear Colleagues,

Season's Greetings from MOS !

It's indeed a great pleasure and privilege to communicate you as President of MOS on the occasion of the 36th Annual State Conference of our esteemed Association, Maharashtra Ophthalmological Society. The baton has been handed over to the organizing teams of various cities of Maharashtra over 36 years. They lived up to the tradition of holding great conferences. After having seen mega conference organised by ADOA at Goa, it was a daunting task in front of Team LOC NROA, which they have done successfully.

Team NROA LOC MOSCON 2016 has been taking tremendous efforts. They would need help, our participation and contribution for various aspects. With a fantastic venue, menu, scientific program, eminent faculties, huge number of delegates, stalls, scientific exhibition, participation of post graduate students etc., this conference would no doubt be a treat to attend.

I must congratulate Team LOC MOSCON, Vashi under able guidance of Organizing Chairperson Dr. Suhas Haldipurkar, Organizing Secretary Dr. Jagannath Boramani, Organizing Joint Secretaries Dr. Tushar Muni and Dr. Rajesh Kapoor, Treasurer Dr. Prakash Nayak, Joint Treasurer Dr. Vandana Jain and the whole Team. Souvenir Committee has done a commendable job under Dr. Uday Gadgil. All other Committees of LOC have also done a fabulous job.

This year MOS has organised many events, meetings, in a smooth manner. I was fortunate to work with President Dr. Salil Gadkari, Scientific Committee Chairman Dr. Uma Pradhan, Secretary Dr. Jignesh Taswala, Treasurer Dr. Parikshit Gogate and the whole managing committee.

Now my tenure of other Office bearers' post is completing and I am ready to take over as President MOS at MOSCON 2016. I really enjoyed working with all MOS Members, Managing Committee and Office bearers of MOS till date. Our new Team with Secretary Dr. Dharmendra Patil, Chairman Scientific Committee Dr. Parikshit Gogate, Treasurer Dr. Tanaji Morey and all MC Members will be following the illustrious path lit by previous Presidents of MOS.

I hope that whatever I could contribute up till now was satisfactory, useful for our Association. It was my privilege to work for MOS, POS, IMA and few other Associations at the same time. To work as Secretary, Vice President for MOS and Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President for IMA at the same time was a big challenge for me. Now also my President's tenure in MOS and IMA will be overlapping for 6 months from 1st April 2017. People asked me how I will be managing both? It was purely time management, planning and good wishes of people like you. Actually both the jobs were complementary to each other and I could compartmentalize them well. My principle was "Change in work is the rest". According to me both the Associations were pleased with my performance. Experience in one organisation helped me to improve my work in the other organisation.

As incoming President MOS, I have started planning activities during my tenure. I have planned to visit all districts of Maharashtra. The slogan will be "MOS आपल्या दारी". A Saturday/Sunday tour will be planned. Three-four districts in one tour will be covered. Every district will be allowed to arrange a CME &/or Social awareness program &/or regional meet. Willing MOS Office bearers and managing committee members will accompany me. There will be MOS Membership drive mission along. I have started contacting members from various regions. The districts where regional conferences will be held may not be covered again. Your co operation, feedback and constructive criticism is most welcome.

In the coming year I have put the proposal of Social programs on Eye diseases for Public education on Television. The programs can be monthly by various MOS speakers under the banner of MOS. We have thought of overseas tour cum CME in Scandinavia. It will be arranged jointly by MOS and IMA Pune as I shall be President of IMA Pune also. Please register as early as possible because we shall be limiting the number of delegates.

Next MOSCON 2017 is between 13-15 Oct 2017 at Hotel J.W. Marriott Pune by Poona Ophthalmological Society, and the ball is already set rolling.

See you at MOSCON 2016 Vashi on 14th to 16th Oct 2016. Best luck for MOSCON 2016 !

Jai MOS ! Long Live MOS !!

Yours Ophthalmologically,

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