

INDIAN COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS (ICA)
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Indian College of Anaesthesiologists is the academic super structure of Indian Society of Anaesthesiologists. Formation of the Indian College of Anaesthesiologists was the dream realization of Indian Society of Anaesthesiologists. The idea was conceived in 1998 and established in 2008, as an academic trust under Indian Society of Anaesthesiologists.

ICA is a nongovernmental, non-profitable, charitable, free standing, national academic institution with no commercial strings attached.

Even though there are areas of academic and clinical excellence in India, we have failed to achieve uniform standard in academic activities and safety culture. Apart from College of Anaesthesiologists existing in the developed world, most of the SAARC countries also have their own College of Anaesthesiologists which control and regulate anaesthesia education and even admission to postgraduate programmes (Pakistan/Sri Lanka). The college is the custodian of academic promotion.

This Institution is projected as National academic superstructure in Anesthesiology, hoping to attain equal stature as any other Royal Colleges in Anesthesiology of the developed world and the thrust is given to bring in uniform accreditable anesthesia education, ensure quality and safety in practice.

Need for establishing Indian College of Anaesthesiologists was moved by Dr. Manorama Mittal in ISA-AGM 1998 and with the consent of ISA, Delhi branch ISA, proposed to establish the same in New Delhi or NCR. The General Body of ISA National, gave sanction to the proposal in 2000 after availing consensus of members following

circulation of the draft memorandum on ICA through ISA news letter. The efforts to establish the college did not take any shape till 2008 owing to reasons beyond our control.

Definite progress was able to be made by mid 2008. In early 2008, ISA Delhi Annual was conducted along with Indian College of Anaesthesiologists as a joint affair and some amount of revenue resulted was earmarked for college establishing expenditure.

Concurrently, the Delhi ISA, was registered as an independent body on instruction from ISA National. The College registration papers were kept ready and an Annual Conference day for College along with inauguration was decided to be in October 2008, but owing to untimely demise of Dr. BVR Shastry, who was one of the dedicated promoters of the College, the College registration was postponed.

Later, as per current society rules prevailing in the country and the legal opinion received, the Indian college of Anaesthesiologists was registered as an educational trust, charitable/ nongovernmental organization on 21st November 2008 and college was inaugurated on 22nd November 2008 at New Delhi.

The College has to be registered as an independent body, since under the present company/corporate laws; a society in another society can not be established with independent registration number. The College needs a separate registration number, PAN, emblem and IT exemption to grow as well as to attract resources. The best legal opinion on the matter was to register as an academic trust, if needed to make satisfactory development in minimum period, and to include as many people wanted as well as bring in control measures of choice. This opinion seemed suitable and so the Indian College of Anaesthesiologists was made as trust constituted with certain members of Delhi and from outside Delhi.

Events of formation was explained at General Body meeting of ISA 2008 at Jodhpur and 2009 at Chennai. The ISA wanted certain changes in the constitution and such needed changes were brought out in June 2010 which were later registered as amendment to the trust deed. Now College functions as an autonomous body under ISA.

Aims and Objectives of ICA are to establish a college for academic promotion in India equivalent to any other Royal College of Anaesthesiologists of the developed world. This was the long felt need. It shall aim to provide uniformity in education, international accreditation of our qualifications, improved quality of delivery; develop qualifications/ examinations across the country. Under the college sponsorship we ensure uniform education, quality and safety in anaesthesia practice, supportive area promotion. The development of ICA will be in different phases, spread over 12-15 years.

We require earnest support from all ISA members for the College activities. The College has a website and the details of registration/ members available are on the website. College is a model of unity, structure, process and function as a corporate college with regional outlets. The College has no commercial interest and may remain as a regulating body of Anesthesia conduct and practice in India. We require time bound developments to achieve the mission.

Indian College of Anaesthesiologists (ICA) has three different committees and they function under the governing body of the ICA regulated by the ISA. Committees are independent and committee members in the college are by nomination in the current term of office and later will be elected from amongst members of the College.

The Committees are named as (1) Academic (2) Establishment (General) (3) Estate (Finance). Dr. V.P. Kumra, New Delhi, is the president of the College and Dr. B. Radhakrishnan, Trivandrum is the Registrar and Chief Co-ordinating Executive Officer. Prof. Dr.

Manorama Mittal, New Delhi is the Patron and Chief Advisor of the College.

Every year college day will be celebrated, as far as possible, on the founders day "21 November" and you are welcome to Indian College of Anaesthesiologists. 2009 College annual and founder's day was celebrated at Delhi, sponsored by Department of Anesthesiology of Sir Ganga Ram Hospital and in 2010 College annual as well as founders day was conducted at Rohtak Medical College under Rohtak Medical College Anesthesiology Department. In 2011 the annual day and conference was conducted at Himalayan Institute of Medical Sciences. Dehradun on 19,20,21 November 2011 and in 2012 ICA annual was conducted at DMCH, Ludhiana.

The College need your intellectual as well as organizational support for further growth. We need every Anaesthesiologists guidance and opinion on future developments. College is bringing out protocols on safe practice in anaesthesia in India, training programmes in different areas, manpower build up in anaesthesia (trauma support/respiratory technicians/ theatre technologists and physician assistants in ICU's) and information booklets. We are interested to bring up uniformity in syllabus, training schedule/academic courses and awarding of credentials. We may take over a decade to accomplish our present targets.

ICA started publishing 'Year Books' in Anaesthesiology from 2011 and year book brings out latest development in each area of clinical practice. Year book of Anaesthesiology (YBA-1) was released at Dehradun in 2011 and year book 2 was published on Oct 2012 at DMCH, Ludhiana. In addition, ICA is bringing out guideline of anaesthesiology practice. The senior academicians amongst us are conferred with fellowship from 2011. Very soon college will institute examination protocol to award fellowships to all eligible. Conferring of

fellowship will continue in small numbers every year and the convocations of Indian College of Anaesthesiologists is conducted in New Delhi Capital Region where as annual conference may shift outside Delhi and venue will rotate.

Currently, we do have two organized academic programmes one as a mid year programme combined with convocation, held in last week June at New Delhi Capital Region and an annual conference conducted on 21, 22 November each year at a venue of choice. Apart from this we are starting an academic programme of one day duration in every quarter of the year at NCR.

The college is progressing at steady speed and hope to achieve the targeted aims in a decade. Indian College of Anaesthesiologists request you all to be members of the College and welcome to join as member.

For any other information please visit the website of the college
www.anaesthesiacollege.org

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