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From the Secretary's desk

Dear Members,

I wish your family and you a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

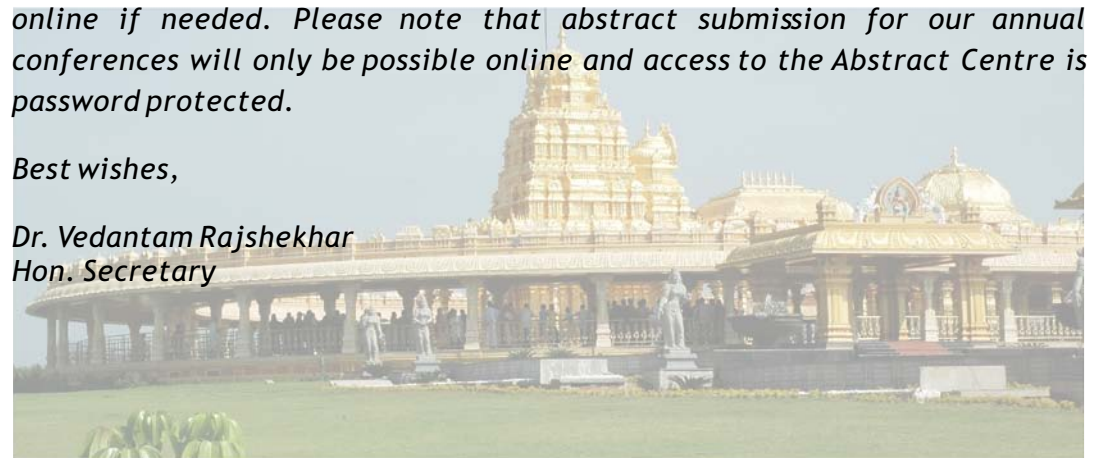
The Lucknow meeting was a success with one of the highlights being the address by His Holiness The Dalai Lama on 17th December 2009. HH Dalai Lama indicated that science and religion are not adversaries but partners in the pursuit of truth and happiness. He cautioned everyone that true happiness is brought about not by the acquisition of material wealth but by the elevation of one's spiritual consciousness. His Holiness also pointed out that religious dogma should be questioned if it contradicted established scientific truth. His address was delivered to a packed auditorium and ended with questions from the audience which were patiently answered by His Holiness. The Society would like to thank Dr. Rajkumar, Organising Secretary of the Lucknow Conference for having organized His Holiness' visit.

There are several amendments to the Constitution and the Byelaws which have been approved by the General Body and which will now feature in the Constitution. The amendments have been reproduced in this Newsletter. Please make note of them.

I again request all members who have not acquired their Username and Password to access their profile on the website (www.neurosocietyindia.org) to do so immediately and check out their contact details. Please correct them online if needed. Please note that abstract submission for our annual conferences will only be possible online and access to the Abstract Centre is password protected.

Best wishes,

Dr. Vedantam Rajshekhar
Hon. Secretary



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CONGRATULATIONS

Dr. K.Ganapathy has been elected to the following posts

- 1. Member, WFNS Coordinating Committee for International Initiatives.**
- 2. President Elect, Telemedicine Society of India**
- 3. President Elect, Indian Society of Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery**

Dr. R.S. Jain has been promoted as Professor of Neurology, at S.M.S. Medical College, Jaipur

APPEAL TO HON. SECRETARIES/ORGANISING SECRETARIES OF SUBSPECIALITY SOCIETIES

As the number of subspeciality societies has grown in recent years, there has been an overlap of dates of scientific meeting of these societies on some occasions.

I request the Hon. Secretaries/Organising Secretaries of the subspeciality societies to let me know the proposed dates of the Annual Conferences so that these may be printed in the Newsletter and sent as email alerts for the benefit of the NSI members. This will also avoid the clash of dates of the meetings.

We can streamline the holding of conferences if all the subspeciality societies submit the dates of their conferences by January of every year to the Secretary, NSI.

Please send the dates to secretary@neurosocietyindia.org

JOINT MEETING OF THE ITALIAN SOCIETY OF NEUROSURGEONS (SINCH) AND NEUROLOGICAL SOCIETY OF INDIA

The joint meeting of the two societies will be held in Milan from 27-30 October, 2010.

Last date for submission of abstracts: 30 April 2010

For further details please visit: http://www.csrcongressi.com/2010X5/index_i.php

Cover Picture : Sripuram The Golden Temple was built in a short span of 7 years. It was inaugurated on August 24, 2007. The consecration ceremony was witnessed by thousands of devotees. Since then, the temple has attracted hundreds of thousands of devotees; often breaching the 1 lakh mark on special occasions. The temple has also changed the face of the village Thiruamalaikodi and nearby Vellore. In the coming years, the temple envisages to create a positive influence on the immediate society and ultimately bring change.

MINUTES OF NSI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 18th 2009 AT SGPGI, LUCKNOW

The meeting was attended by Dr. V. K. Khosla, Dr. S. K. Prabhakar, Dr. V. Rajshekhar, Dr. C. E. Deopujari, Dr. J M K Murthy, Dr. Deepu Banerji, Dr. R. C. Mishra, Dr. Apoorva Pauranik, Dr. M. A. Aleem, Dr. V. S. Mehta, and Dr. B. K. Misra. Dr. N. Khandelwal was absent.

Dr. V. K. Khosla, President, Neurological Society of India, chaired the meeting.

- 2009/Dec/EC/01 The meeting was called to order by the President.
- 2009/Dec/EC/02 The EC expressed its condolences at the passing away of a senior member of the NSI, Dr. R.S. Dharker
- 2009/Dec/EC/03 **Secretary's report** and action taken on minutes of last executive committee meeting.
- 2009/Dec/EC/03 A **CME credit** for Lucknow meeting. The Secretary informed the EC that CME credit for CME program of the NSI has to be obtained from the State Medical Council in which the program is held. Therefore, the Organising Secretary of the NSI Annual Meeting has to coordinate with the respective State Medical Council to obtain this credit. Accordingly, Dr. Rajkumar was requested by the Secretary to obtain the credit from the UP State Medical Council for the Lucknow meeting.
- 2009/Dec/EC/03 B **Notice inviting nominations to honor senior members of NSI members above 75 years of age** was published in the July 2009 Newsletter. There were two nominations - Drs. Krishnamurthy Srinivas and Sanatan Rath, both of whom were honored on 17th December during the Inaugural Function of the Annual Meeting.
- 2009/Dec/EC/03C **HH Dalai Lama's program** was coordinated by the Secretary through correspondence with His Holiness' Secretary. The function was successfully concluded on 17th December 2009.
- 2009/Dec/EC/03 D **Amendments to the Constitution and Byelaws of the Society** - Notices were published in the July 2009 Newsletter. No objections or suggestions for changes were received by the Secretary.
- 2009/Dec/EC/03 D **WFNS meeting in Boston**. The Secretary requested Dr. B. K. Misra, NSI delegate to the WFNS EC to mention the highlights of the WFNS EC decisions. Dr. Misra mentioned that the WFNS EC decided to have a differential membership fees for countries with different levels of economic development. Therefore, NSI will not have to pay the increased fee per member. Dr. Misra was elected as the Assistant Secretary of the WFNS EC. The mid term WFNS meeting will be held in Brazil in 2011.
- 2009/Dec/EC/03 D **Making Neurosurgery Dept mandatory for new Medical Colleges** - The Secretary informed the EC that a letter was sent to the Secretary of the MCI in November 2009 regarding this issue but there was no acknowledgement. The EC members suggested that letters be sent again to the Secretary, MCI along with copies to the Health Secretary Government of India) and the Health Minister (Government of India).

2009/Dec/EC/03 E **Enhancement of fees for Members' address database** - The EC decided that non-members/commercial organizations will have to pay Rs. 5000 to obtain the database. Members will continue to pay Rs. 500 for the same.

2009/Dec/EC/03 F **Deadlines for Abstract submission and finalizing the scientific program** - The Secretary suggested that because of the recurring delay in finalizing the Scientific Meeting Program of the Annual Meetings of the NSI, the dates for Abstract Submission and finalizing the Scientific Program be advanced. Accordingly, the final date of Abstract Submission is advanced to July 31 and the date for finalizing the Scientific Meeting Program will be 15 October of every year.

2009/Dec/EC/04 **Treasurer's report** was presented by Dr. Deopujari

- 1) The Income tax return was filed in Mumbai last year and we did not have to pay any tax because the NSI had spent more than 85% of income
- 2) The Society funds at present are as under
 - a) Corpus fund

RBI Bonds	90,00000
HDFC	15,00000
IOB, Mumbai	5,00000
 - b) Current account balance
The balance on 15/12/09 is Rs.1,79,292.17 only (Treasurer A/c)
- 3) The main expenditure has been Rs.4,80,000/- given to Neurology India and Rs.1,53,000/- for website development apart from salaries, printing and sundries.
Over the last year there are 108 new members: 57 associate, 47 life members and 5 full members.
Only 1 traveling fellowship was availed last year and young members are encouraged to apply for the same in future.

2009/Dec/EC/05 **Editor's report**

Performance

The performance of Neurology India has been impressive for the year 2009.

1. The journal is now bi-monthly, six issues in a year.
2. The impact factor of the journal has gone up to 1.09. The journal is among the top few Indian scientific journals with good impact factor and among the three top Indian medical journals.
3. As on 16.12.09, the number of submissions to Neurology India has gone up to 840. The growth in the number of submissions is 59% more when compared to the previous year.
4. The ratio between original articles and case reports in this year is 1:1.3
5. Of the 840 articles submitted, a decision was taken on 751 (90%), [acceptance: 234 (31%); rejection: 517 (69%)] and 89 (10%) of articles are under review [with reviewers 63; with authors for revision 27].
6. The time period between the submitted to first decisions has been considerably reduced.
 - Days taken by reviewers for sending comments: 13.12 [0, 40]
 - Days until paper is under review: 19.76
 - Days taken by Editor for Decision: 4.21 [0.79]

7. The total number of articles published in the year are 236, 90% more articles have been published in 2009 when compare to 2008. The ratio between original articles and case reports is 1.3:1

Editorials	Indian Perspective	Reviews	Original Articles	Case Reports	Letters	Neuro-image	Corres pondence	Total
12	6	13	68	53	60	15	9	236

8. There is a bit delay in bring out each issue. We are able to place the journal on the website by a delay of 10 days. The reasons are many fold, mainly concerns scientific editing and also to some extent backlog work. But I assure you from the next year we will be able to bring out each issue 15 - 20 days earlier. We now have enough number of accepted articles to go for advanced e-publication, which we should start in the year 2010.

Finances

The total earnings from all the sources are Rs. 1,132,291 and the total payment are Rs 1,050,821 (this includes excess of payment of Rs 109,596 to the publishers). The left over is Rs 79,470. We have to pay to the publishers the costs for 5th and 6th issues.

I need a good financial support from the Society. I have already started charging for the color pictures from the authors. I also wish to charge for images if the number exceeds six.

Future Plans

Full text of the articles published in Neurology India is available from 1999 (Volume 47) onwards. As mentioned in my first Editor's report in the midterm Executive Meeting, I wish to place all the articles published in Neurology India from it's inception on the journal website. Prof M Gourie-Devi has brought out the articles, full text till 1997 on a CD. I will be soliciting her help in this regard. I need financial assistance for this project.

2009/Dec/EC/06 *CME convener's report*

CME - Conveners Report presented by Drs. Deepu Banerji and A. Pauranik.

We have continued with the tradition of theme based CME. This years theme have been - Evidenced based neuro-oncology, Clinical Neurology, neurotrauma and some selected topics for neurology .

We have printed 500 copies of "Progress in Clinical Neurosciences" for the Lucknow conference and they were delivered three days before the conference for distribution with the conference bag.

We have for the first time printed colored pictures in the book to enhance the quality of our publication. The previous two editions are available on the internet and the current one will be made available soon.

The cost of printing has gone up. The publisher has provided us the book at a discount of Rs. 472.00.

Our request for increasing the financial support for printing the book from Rs250.00 to Rs. 400.00 has been accepted by the EC and we thank the EC for the

appreciation. We would like to thank the authors for their time and well researched manuscript. Also would like to thank the publisher - Bywords for the excellent editorial work and bringing out the book in time despite delays.

2009/Dec/EC/07

Webmaster's report

Dr. Rajshekhar presented the report. The website has seen a complete makeover and is now central to the activities of the Society. The website features an address database which can be accessed by the members after obtaining a username and password from the Webmaster. All abstracts have to be submitted online as was done this year. The website is also current with display of conferences, workshops and fellowship notices as and when they are received by the Webmaster. Dr. Rajshekhar requested the EC to permit him to use professional help to further improve the Abstract Centre and to maintain the website by paying annual maintenance costs. This was approved by the EC.

2009/Dec/EC/08

NSI - CNS meeting in Jaipur - changes in scientific program schedule- Dr. B. K. Misra presented a report on the CNS - NSI meeting in New Orleans which featured around 50 NSI members as faculty and another 40 or more NSI members attended the meeting as delegates. CNS and AASAN (American Association of South Asian Neurosurgeons) played a major role in facilitating the participation of NSI members and presenting of papers by them at this meeting by making changes to their program.

Dr. Rajshekhar suggested that the EC permit some changes to our rules to allow for CNS members to participate fully in the Scientific Program of the 2010 NSI meeting in Jaipur. These rules include restrictions on foreign speakers at CME program (2 per Neurology and Neurosurgery each). He presented a preliminary plan which would facilitate the presentation of invited papers by around 36 CNS members and around 30 free papers by their members.

The EC has proposed that CNS members wishing to present papers at the NSI meeting in Jaipur register themselves as Associate Members of the NSI for a fee and then they can participate in all the activities of the Conference on par with NSI members.

A committee of the EC with President-Elect, Dr. B. K. Misra and Dr. V. Rajshekhar as members was formed to coordinate with the CNS and AASAN representatives to finalise the Scientific Program of the Jaipur meeting.

2009/Dec/EC/09

Venue for 2011 NSI conference. Dr. Rajshekhar received only one bid for the 2011 conference from Bangalore. The EC accepted this bid. The 2011 NSI conference has been awarded to Bangalore. The Organising Secretary for the conference is Dr. S. Sampath from NIMHANS, Bangalore. Dr. Sampath was invited to the EC meeting to present the highlights of the facilities available for the conference. He informed the EC that the conference venue will be NIMHANS Convention Centre which has hosted several conferences in the past and has excellent infrastructure. Dr. Sampath was reminded by the EC of the financial and other obligations of the Organising Committee of the conference towards the Society. The NSI Secretary will be sending a document listing these commitments for the signature of Dr. Sampath in January 2010.

- 2009/Dec/EC/10 ***Financial and other obligations of the Organising Committee of the Annual Conferences of NSI.*** The EC deliberated on the issue of non compliance of the Organising Committee of the annual conferences of NSI with the terms and conditions for holding the meeting. The EC discussed ways and means of avoiding this recurring problem. Dr. V. S. Mehta pointed out that the most practical method of avoiding this problem was for the NSI Treasurer to collect the Registration fees of the delegates of the Annual meeting and hand over 75% of the fees in instalments to the Organizing Secretary based on the compliance with the terms and conditions. Although this was accepted in principle as the best method, no final decision was taken on the date of implementation of this new scheme.
- 2009/Dec/EC/11 The following orations will be held during the Jaipur conference: Dr. Jacob Chandy Oration and Dr. P. N. Tandon Oration. The nominating committee will inform the EC of their choice during the mid term EC meeting in May 2010.
- 2009/Dec/EC/12 ***Advocacy Committee*** - Report by Dr. Pauranik. Dr. Pauranik informed the EC that the committee formed at the mid term EC meeting (Drs. S. P. Agarwal, V. S. Mehta and himself) could not meet as scheduled and this was rescheduled for early 2010.
- 2009/Dec/EC/13 ***Joint meeting with Italian Society of Neurosurgery*** - Dr. B. K. Misra informed the EC that the Italian Society of Neurosurgery has finalized the dates of their conference in Milan in October 2010 and their website is online. The last date for submission of abstracts is 30 April 2010. The topics suggested by the NSI (Aneurysms and Infections) have been featured by the Italian Society as main topics for the meeting.
- 2009/Dec/EC/14 ***Attracting Neurologists to NSI activities*** - letter from Dr. Pauranik. The EC discussed the suggestions of Dr. Pauranik but did not approve of most of them. It was suggested that senior neurologists should encourage the junior neurologists and their students to become members of NSI and whole heartedly participate in its activities.
- 2009/Dec/EC/15 ***Routing of invitations for all speakers through Secretary/President Elect*** - Dr. V. Rajshekhar. The Secretary pointed out that speakers for the Annual Meeting are now being invited by several members of the Organising Committee and others which is leading to confusion. It is suggested that all such invitations be routed through the President Elect (Chairman of the Scientific Committee of the Annual Meeting) and/or the Secretary. This does not take away the rights of the Organising Committee in deciding the speakers for the Breakfast Symposia but only streamlines the process so that these speakers can be properly accommodated in the Scientific Program and avoid last minute changes in the program due to mis-communication.
- 2009/Dec/EC/16 ***Archival section of NSI:*** letter from Dr. Pranesh
Dr. M. B. Pranesh volunteered his services to start an archival section of the Society. He would approach members to collect and collate archival

materials such as letters, photographs, programs of scientific meetings of the Society etc. and send them to the Society to display on the website. The EC accepted his proposal in principle without any financial commitments on the part of the Society.

MINUTES OF NSI GENERAL BODY MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 19th 2009 AT SGPGI, LUCKNOW

Dr. V. K. Khosla, President, Neurological Society of India, chaired the meeting.

- 2009/Dec/GB/01** The meeting was called to order by the President.
- 2009/Dec/GB/02** The GB expressed its condolences at the passing away of a senior member of the NSI, Dr. R.S. Dharker
- 2009/Dec/GB/03** **Secretary's report** - Dr. Rajshekhar pointed out the salient points of EC meeting held the day before.
- 2009/Dec/GB/03A** Amendments to the Constitution and Byelaws of the Society - Notices were published in the July 2009 Newsletter. No objections or suggestions for changes were received by the Secretary. The Secretary read out each of the following amendments to the Constitution and Byelaws.

Clause: 11. Election of Office Bearers.

11.3 A new Editor shall be elected in the 5th year of the tenure of the Incumbent Editor. The Editor-elect shall function as a Deputy Editor for a period of one year and then take over as the Editor without a fresh election.

Seating on the Dais during the Annual Conference Inauguration

Clause: 12.16 Dais seating arrangement during the Inaugural Function of the annual conference will be as follows: a. Guest of Honour, NSI President, NSI President Elect, NSI Secretary, Chairman - Organizing Committee, Secretary of the Organizing Committee, Joint Secretary of the Organizing Committee, and Treasurer of the Organizing Committee.

Invitation for bids for the Annual Conference

Clause: 12.2 The EC would decide location of the conference by inviting bids on prescribed form 3 years in advance.

All the amendments were passed without dissent.

2009/Dec/GB/04. Treasurer's Report - Dr. Deopujari presented the Treasurer's report and this was accepted.

2009/Dec/GB/05 **Editor's Report** - Dr. Murthy presented the Editor's report which was accepted.

2009/Dec/GB/06 **CME Convener's Report** - Dr. Banerji presented the CME Convener's report and this was accepted.

2009/Dec/GB/07 **Webmaster's Report** - Dr. Rajshekhar presented the Webmaster's report which was accepted.

2009/Dec/GB/08 **Results of elections** - Dr. Prabhakar, Returning Officer reported the results of the election for the post of President Elect. There were three candidates (Dr. V. K. Jain, Dr. A. K. Mahapatra and Dr. K. E. Turel). Dr. V. K. Jain was declared elected as President Elect.

2009/Dec/GB/09 Announcement of Award winners: Dr. Rajshekhar read out the awardees for the various prizes.

Best Paper in Neurosurgery -Dr. Sudip Kumar Sengupta,AFMC,Pune
Best Paper in Neurology - Dr. Abhishek Srivastava, Mumbai
Best Paper in Allied Neurosciences - Dr. N S Kurwale, AIIMS, New Delhi
Best Paper in Epilepsy - Dr. Santosh G Thomas, CMC, Vellore
Best Poster Award - Dr. Arivazhagan, NIMHANS, Bangalore and
Dr. Deepak Agarwal, AIIMS, New Delhi
MCQ Prize - Dr. Santosh G Thomas, CMC, Vellore and
Dr. Anant Mehrotra, SGPGI, Lucknow

There was no awardee in the Neurooncology section.

2009/Dec/GB/10 Venue for 2011 Conference - The house was informed that there was only one bid for the 2011 annual conference from Bangalore. Dr. Sampath from NIMHANS is the Organising Secretary. Dr. Sampath made a brief presentation of the facilities available at the venue for the conference.

2009/Dec/GB/11 Thanks to Organizing Secretary - Dr. Khosla thanked Dr. Rajkumar and his team for the organization of the Lucknow meeting.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF TRUSTEES OF WFNS (I) TRUST HELD AT S.G.P.G.I., LUCKNOW ON 17.12.09 AT 12:30 PM

The meeting was attended by:

1. Dr. P.N. Tandon, President
2. Dr. V. S. Mehta,
3. Dr. K. Ganapathy,
4. Dr. Suresh Nair
5. Dr. A.K. Banerji, Secretary

Dr. P. N. Tandon chaired the meeting

1. General satisfactory was expressed over the functioning of the Trust
2. Financial support to visit advanced Indian neurosurgical centres for resident trainees and young consultants in neurosurgery from not only SAARC countries but also other developing countries including Africa should be encouraged.
3. The secretary Dr. Banerji has been advised to contact Dr. Bagaria the organizing chairman of 2010 NSI meeting at Jaipur where a number of Congress of Neurological Surgeons sponsored residents are expected, and to ensure reasonable accommodation is provided to them which will be subsidized by our Trust
4. Dr. K. Ganapathy's proposal of our Trust sponsoring a one day televideo conference with African Centres, at Delhi was accepted. The Secretary was advised to contact Dr. Ganapathy to get the details worked out.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Dr. A.K. Banerji

Board of Trustees: Dr. P.N. Tandon, Dr. A.K. Banerji, Dr. S.N. Bhagwati,
Dr. M. Sambasivan, Dr. V. K. Kak, Dr. R. Bhatia, Dr. V. S. Mehta,
Dr. Atul Goel, Dr. K. Ganapathy, Dr. Suresh Nair

Year 2009

Annexure -1

Financial Assistance for attending Inland Conferences/ Workshops

Sr. No.	Name	Amount	Financial Assistance for attending
1.	Dr. K. Bagath Singh	3500	Neuropedicon 2008, Coimbatore
2.	Dr. R. Venkatesh	3500	2008 Skull Base Surgery Conference, Mumbai
3.	Dr. Manish Singh	3500	Indocleft Con 2009, Pudicheri
4.	Dr. Gojendra Singh	3500	11 th Micro-neurosurgery workshop, AIIMS, New Delhi
5.	Dr. L. Sankar	3500	_____ do _____
6.	Dr. John Christopher	3500	_____ do _____
7.	Dr. Ruparelia AD	2500	Neuro Trauma-con 2009, Jaipur
8.	Dr. V. R. Roopesh Kumar	2500	Neuro-vascon 2009, KMC, Manipal
9.	Dr. K. Bagath Singh	2500	13 th Micro-neurosurgery workshop, Chennai
10.	Dr. K. Bagath Singh	2500	ISSFN, Christian Medical College, Vellore
11	Dr. John Christopher	2500	11 th Skull Base Surgery Conference, Hyderabad
12	Dr. A. Prem Prakh	2500	_____ do _____
13	Dr. Sankar Lal	2500	_____ do _____
14	Dr. R. Jaya Kumar	2500	_____ do _____
15	Dr. R. Jaya Kumar	2500	11 th annual, AIIMS, Micro-neurosurgery workshop 2009
16	Dr. N. Swarna Rekha	500	13 th Micro-neurosurgery workshop, Chennai
17	Dr. I. Mohamed Abith Ali	2500	Skull Base Con -2009
	Total	45500	

Year 2009

Annexure -II

Financial Assistance for Organizing Conferences/ Workshops

Sr. No.	Name of Conference, Seminars and Workshop	Amount paid in Rupees
1	AIIMS Neurosurgeons skills training workshop	10000/-
	Total	10000/-

Year 2009

Annexure -III

Financial Assistance for Training Abroad

Sr. No.	Name	Name of Training and Country	Amount paid in Rupees
1.	Dr. Nitin Garg	Deep Brain Stimulation for movement disorders training at Paris, France	15,000
2.	Dr. Rahul P. Modgi	Higher advanced training in Neurosurgery at FHU, Japan	15,000
		Total	30,000/-

Year 2009

Annexure -IV

Financial Assistance for attending Conferences Abroad

Sr. No.	Name	Name of Conference and Country	Amount Paid in Rupees
1.	Dr. Ashish Suri	The 15 th annual meeting of the Japan Society for Neuro-endoscopy, Japan	15,000/-
2	Dr. Sumit Sinha	2008 CNS annual meeting, Orlando, Florida, USA	15,000/-
3	Dr. Shashank Ravindra Ramdurg	International Society for Pediatric Neurosurgery Congress 2008, Cape Town, South Africa	15,000/-
4	Dr. Rohit Kumar Garg	37 th annual meeting of the AANS/ CNS Section of Pediatric Neurosurgical Surgery Spokane, Washington, USA	15,000/-
5	Dr. Umesh S.	EANS , SFNS Joint annual meeting 2009, Marseille, France	15,000/-
6	Dr. Venkatesh M.S	_____do_____	15,000/-
7	Dr. Aditya Gupta	3 rd Congress Association of Southeast Asian Pain Societies & Neuropathic Pain Special Interest Group, Bali, Indonesia	10,000 /-
8	Dr. Navneet Singla	9 th Congress of the European Skull Base Society Update and Perspectives, Rotterdam, Netherlands	10,000/-

Sr. No.	Name	Name of Conference and Country	Amount Paid in Rupees
9	Dr. Aliasgar. V. Moiyadi	The 3rd Quadrennial meeting of the World Federation of Neuro-oncology jointly with the 6 th meeting of the Asian Society for Neuro-oncology held in Yokohoma, Japan	10,000/-
10	Dr. Sanjay Behari	XIV World Congress of Neurological Surgery, Boston, USA	20,000/-
11	Dr. M. Kodeeswaran	_____do_____	20,000/-
12	Dr. Deepak Kumar Gupta	_____do_____	15,000/-
13	Dr. Sachin Anil Borkar	_____do_____	15,000/-
14	Dr. Manmohan Singh	_____do_____	15,000/-
15	Dr. Aadil S. Chagla	_____do_____	15,000/-
16	Dr. B. Indira Devi	_____do_____	15,000/-
17	Dr. Rajeev Kariyattil	_____do_____	10,000/-
18	Dr. Jacob E Mathew	Annual meeting of CNS -2009, New Orleans USA & two weeks observership at the Toronto Western Hospital, Canada	20,000/-
19	Dr. Anil Kumar Garg	XIV World Congress of Neurological Surgery, Boston, USA	15,000/-
20	Dr. S.K. Gupta	Congress of Neurological Surgeons, New Orleans, USA	10,000/-
21	Dr. N. Muthu Kumar	_____do_____	10,000/-
22	Dr. Sumit Goyal	XIV World Congress of Neurological Surgery, Boston, USA	10,000/-
23	Dr. Muzumdar Dattataya Prakash	Congress of Neurological Surgeons, New Orleans, USA	10,000/-
24	Dr. Bhawani Skankar Sharma	_____do_____	10,000/-
25	Dr. Manikandan	_____do_____	15,000/-
26	Dr. Alok Arvind Umreduar	_____do_____	10,000/-
27	Dr. Santosh George Thomas	_____do_____	15,000/-

Sr. No.	Name	Name of Conference and Country	Amount Paid in Rupees
28	Dr. Balasubramaniam		
	Anandh	_____do_____	10,000/-
29	Dr. Samit Satish Mehta	_____do_____	
		(II) Observership at Yale	20,000/-
30	Dr. Rahul Gupta	9 th ICCVS meeting, Nagoya, Japan	15,000/-
31	Dr. Awadhesh Kumar	2009 CNS, Annual meeting,	
	Jaiswal	New Orleans, USA	10,000/-
32	Dr. Vedantam Rajshekhar	_____do_____	15,000/-
33	Dr. Rajnesh Kachharia	_____do_____	10,000 /-
34	Dr. Manish Singh Sharma	9 th ICCVS meeting Nagoya, Japan	15,000 /-
35	Dr. Sumit Sinha	_____do_____	20,000 /-
		Total	4,85,000/-

Year 2009

Annexure -V

Financial Assistance to Doctor for training in India from Abroad

Sr. No.	Name	Particular	Amount in US Dollars
1.	Dr. Feda Anisah Makkiyah	Senior Neurosurgical Resident from	800
		Indonesia was awarded World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies (India) Trust scholarship	(Rs.39314 plus Rs.899 conversion charges)
		Total in Indian Rupees	40213

TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIPS OF THE NSI ARE AVAILABLE

Travelling fellowships are available for members of the Society fulfilling certain requirements. The application forms and the eligibility criteria are available on the website (www.neurosocietyindia.org) under the Download Forms section.

BIDS FOR 2012 ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEUROLOGICAL SOCIETY OF INDIA

Bids are invited for hosting the 2012 Annual Conference of the NSI. Format for submitting bids can be downloaded from the website (www.neurosocietyindia.org). Please note the terms and conditions for hosting the meeting carefully before submitting the bid. The bid should come from a Neuro Club of a city and not from an individual. *The conference is allotted to a city and not to an individual.*

The bids in the prescribed format should be submitted to the Secretary, NSI by 31st March 2010. The bids may be sent in an electronic format to secretary@neurosocietyindia.org and by mail to the address of the Secretary listed in the website of the Society.

WHY SHOULD YOU HAVE A MEMBERS' USERNAME AND PASSWORD

1. To change your address and personal details in the database maintained on the website. Since this is the only Address Database used by all the Officials of the Society (Editor, Secretary, Treasurer, President Elect), it is in your interest to ensure that your address and email address are accurate.
2. To be able to submit an abstract for the NSI annual conference you need a username and password. Without these you cannot submit an abstract.
3. We plan to electronic voting for election of office bearers soon. This will require you to have the username and password to exercise your franchise.

All members (Full/Life and Associate) are eligible to obtain their Username and Password to access their profile on the NSI website (www.neurosocietyindia.com).

All members are requested to obtain the same by writing to the webmaster@neurosocietyindia.org. **This is an appeal to all members to provide their email id to the Webmaster so that the communications between the Society and the Members will be easy and paperless. You will also benefit by being sent Email Alerts about various activities of and news about the Society** Please cooperate by immediately applying for your username and password.

JOINT MEETING OF THE NEUROLOGICAL SOCIETY OF INDIA WITH THE CONGRESS OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS (USA)

We will be hosting the CNS in Jaipur from 15 to 18 December 2010. For further details please visit the conference website www.neurocon2010.com

Please note that last date for submission of abstracts is 31st July 2010 and not 31st August 2010. All abstracts have to be submitted online and for that all members have to have their username and password. Those of you who do not have the same are requested to obtain them by applying to the webmaster (webmaster@neurosocietyindia.org)

CONFERENCES

National:

- 1) Neurology Update 2010
Dates: February 19-21, 2010
Organizer / Venue: Dr. B.S.Singhal, Taj Land's End Hotel, Mumbai.
Contact: Ms. Katie Vania in Dr. B.S. Singhal's Office, 131, MRC, Bombay Hospital, 12, New Marine Lines, Mumbai 400020.
Ph: +91-22-2206 8787, 2206 1322.
ktvania@vsnl.com
- 2) Vth National Congress of the Indian Stroke Association and the International Stroke Conference
Dates: March 12-14, 2010
Organizer/Venue: Department of Neurology, AIIMS, JLN Auditorium Complex, AIIMS, New Delhi.
Contact: isacon2010@gmail.com, isacon2010@rediffmail.com
- 3) 2nd Annual Conference of Indian Society of Neuro-Oncology
Dates: April 2-4, 2010
Organizer/Venue: Radisson Temple Bay Beach Resort, Chennai
Contact: Dr. K. Sridhar, Room 106, 'A' Block, Fortis Malar Hospital, 52, I Main Road, Gandhi Nagar, Adyar, Chennai 600020, isnocon2010@gmail.com
- 4) ICNR 2010-International Congress on Neurology & Rehabilitation
Dates: April 23-25, 2010
Organizer/Venue: Holiday Inn Resort, Mobor Beach, Cavelossim, Goa, India
Contact: icnr2010@varriance.com, <http://www.icnr2010.org>
- 5) 19th Annual Conference of Neurotrauma Society of India
Dates: August 20-22, 2010
Organizer/Venue: Taj Coramandel, Chennai
Contact: Dr. V. Sundar, Organizing Secretary, www.neurotrauma2010.com
- 6) 21st Annual Conference of the Indian Society of Pediatric Neurosurgery
Dates: November 18-21, 2010
Organizer/Venue: Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad
Contact: Dr. Suchanda Bhattacharjee, Organising Secretary, Neuropedicon 2010, Dept. of Neurosurgery, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad
www.neuropedicon2010.org

International:

- 1) Annual Symposium on Clinical Neurology and Neurophysiology
Dates: February 15-16, 2010
Organizer / Venue: Metroplotan Hotel, Israel
Contact: www.neurophysiology-symposium.com

- 2) AAFITN/ANZSNR Meeting
 Dates: April 22-25, 2010
 Organizer / Venue: Melbourne, Australia
 Contact: www.aafitn2010.com
- 3) 5th International Neurosurgical Congress
 Dates: April 23-25, 2010
 Organizer / Venue: Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel, Dhaka, Bangladesh
 Contact: bdsns_bd@yahoo.com, ehsan1312@yahoo.com
- 4) 15th Endoscopic edition of International Workshop on Endoscopic Neurosurgery
 Dates: May 9-12, 2010
 Organizer / Venue: Belgium, Ghent
 Contact: www.bsn.be, www.neuroendoscopy.org
- 5) 5th International Hydrocephalus Workshop
 Dates: May 20-23, 2010
 Organizer / Venue: Creta Maris Hotel, Crete, Greece
 Contact: pr@artion.com.gr
- 6) 28th Annual National Neurotrauma Symposium in collaboration with the AANS/CNS Section on Neurotrauma & Critical Care
 Dates: June 14-17, 2010
 Organizer / Venue: Paris Las Vegas Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada
 Contact: NNS@neurotrauma.org
- 7) 14th International Conference on Spine Management (ICSM), in association with, 15th Annual Meeting of Indonesian Neuro-Surgical Society (PERSPEBSI)
 Dates: June 17 - 19, 2010
 Organizer / Venue: Discovery Kartika Plaza Bali - Indonesia
 Contact: www.icsm-bali2010.com,
www.geoconvex.com/2009/14th-international-conference-on-spine-management
- 8) International Society of Pediatric Neurosurgery
 Dates: October 9-13, 2011
 Organizer / Venue: Goa
 Contact: Dr.Chandrashekhar Deopujari, 126-B First Floor, MRC Bombay Hospital, New Marine Lines, Mumbai 400020. cdeopujari@hotmail.com

FELLOWSHIP

ASIAN AUSTRALASIAN FELLOWSHIP FOR 2010

The Fellowship is offered for a neurosurgeon to come to Australia to attend and present at the NSA Annual Scientific Meeting facilitating the interchange of neurosurgical knowledge between Asia and Australasia.

Deadline for application: 18th February 2010

Dates: 30th September 2010 - October 2nd 2010

Venue / Organizer: Hyatt Regency Coolum, Queensland, Australia

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LIST OF RETURNED BALLOT PAPERS

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