

# News and Events

## **CME on Congenital Birth Defects Organized by Bangladesh Representative Committee—RCOG, FOGSI and Ian Donald School of Ultrasound**

The third CME, organized by the Bangladesh Representative Committee, RCOG, was held on October 31, 2010 in Winter Garden Hotel Sheraton, Dhaka. The CME consisted of an inaugural session where Prof MS Akber, MP graced the occasion as chief guest. National Prof. MR Khan, President of Bangladesh Perinatal Society, Prof Pran Gopal Datta, Honourable Vice Chancellor of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University were present as special guests. The program was chaired by Prof. Shahla Khatun, Chairman of Bangladesh Representative Committee, RCOG.

The panel consisted of Dr Narendra Malhotra, Dr Jaideep Malhotra, Dr Deepika Deka, Dr Ashok Khurana and Dr Nutan Agarwal from FOGSI, India. Prof TA Chowdhury, Prof MA Taher Khan, Prof AB Bhuiyan, Prof M Anwar Hossain Dr Fawzia Hossain from Bangladesh.

Dr Shahana Afroz was elected as the representative of Ian Donald School of Ultrasound in Bangladesh on an unanimous decision.



The CME was attended by about 450 participants. They were from Obstetrics and Gynecology Society, Pediatrics, Neurosurgery, Radiotherapy and Imaging professional bodies and postgraduate students. Participants also included delegates from the Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons, BCPS, Bangladesh Medical and Research Council, BMRC, Bangladesh Medical Association BMA, British Council, journalists and members from the media. The highly technological presentations were appreciated by all and this program had a huge media coverage in newspapers and television.

The vision of the RCOG is to promote excellence in healthcare for women everywhere by raising standards in clinical care through education and training.

This is the core value enshrined in the responsibilities of our membership. Our proud vision requires a clear mission. This creates its own tensions and conflicts about our strategic aspirations. We do not have all the answers but we need to reflect and create solutions. Through advocacy, teaching, healthcare, planning and leadership, we must help those women who have no voice and live in poverty with limited education and lack of autonomy. We need to support our colleagues at the grass root level. The RCOG International Office works with other international organizations to help lower maternal morbidity and mortality in under resources countries.

It was indeed an honour to have delegates from India as resource persons.

Reaching the unreached—our CME was on congenital birth defects. Diagnostic, preventive and curative aspects of birth defects were elaborately discussed. After the two scientific sessions, there was an Ian Donald Evaluation test, which was conducted by Dr. Jaideep Malhotra.

The Bangladesh Representative Committee, RCOG, looks further for the bilateral continuing medical education and exchange of technology in the near future.

**Jaideep Malhotra**

Vice President, FOGSI 2010

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## Report of AFSUMB 2010

IXth Conference of Asian Federation of Societies for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology, AFSUMB 2010 was held at Hotel Ashok, New Delhi from 18th to 21st November, 2010.

The conference was organized by Indian Federation of Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology (IFUMB).

International congress faculty consisted of 36 distinguished speakers from 15 member countries of Asian Federation along with speakers from WFUMB, EFSUMB and Australasian Society of Ultrasound in Medicine (ASUM) alongwith over 60 faculty members from India.



First day of congress was devoted to 3 live concurrent workshops in the field of abdominal sonography, vascular ultrasound, muskulo skeletal, contrast agents and obstetrics and gynecological ultrasound.

The main 3-day conference had symposia, debates, panel discussions, refresher courses and film reading sessions for delegates in three concurrent halls.

Highly successful conference was attended by 137 international delegates from 25 countries along with over 1000 delegates from all parts of India.

All the delegates enjoyed the evening, social events showcasing cultural programs and dances from different regions of India and danced to Bollywood music.

### **CV Vanjani**

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