

## 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of RSSDI, 2011

Between 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2011, at the Renaissance convention centre, Mumbai witnessed a great scientific feast under the auspice of 39th annual conference of RSSDI (Research Society study of Diabetes in India) which was hosted by Maharashtra chapter of RSSDI

With the able and expert leadership of Dr. Vijay Panikar and Dr. Shashank Joshi the arrangements made were par excellence. The infra structure of the convention centre offered the state of the art facilities to the speakers and the delegates as well

As said in rigveda - *Aano Bhadra kratavo yantu vishwataha* (which means let the knowledge and wisdom come to us from all sides) the scientific content designed by Dr. Vijay Negalur was appreciated not only by delegates but the members of the faculty too. The scientific content of the conference was not only crisp but also up-to-date and highly informative. More than 8 debates, mind blowing quiz and many interactive sessions were the star attractions of the conference. To make this event special it was noteworthy that the standing president of EASD (European Association of Study of Diabetes) Dr. Andrew Boulton and the president elect of the ADA Dr. Vivian Fonseca delivered excellent talks. There was an excellent talk by Dr. Michael Hollick on roll of Vitamin D in Diabetes these was a talk by the world authority on vitamin D. Besides, there were 13 other international speakers all authentic in their various subjects who took part in the conference.

The complaints by delegates that they could not choose which hall to attend as they felt interesting lectures was delivered simultaneously in all the halls at all the times! Those who missed the lecture in other halls requested to make a CD containing all the lectures so that they could listen to then back home.

The convention centre management also complimented us for the excellent program and an unique remarked, that “this was the only conference in the last 10 years that they had to arrange 200 extra chairs in the halls!” They also wished that this comment should go on record!

Dr. H. B. Chandalia, the patron of the conference offered all kinds of help and support to make this a great event.

An encouraging aspect of the conference was that all the speakers maintained their time of lectures so that the entire schedule could go on smoothly.