

ORGANISATIONAL NEWS

32nd Annual Scientific Meeting of the Research Society for the Study of Diabetes in India. RSSDI 2004. November 5, 6 and 7, 2004, Patna

THEME SUBJECTS

Nutrition Section: Nutritional management of Obesity
Ahuja Symposium: Type 2 diabetes mellitus in young (below 20 years age)

Life members may please register by sending Rs. 1400 (non-life members Rs. 2000, Associate members Rs. 1000) before March 31, 2004 favoring RSSDI 2004. For students and Residents, proof is required from Professor or Head of the Department. Children above 12 years age and spouse may please be registered.

Remittances: All remittances must be made by bank draft/bankers cheque to RSSDI 2004, payable at PATNA. Outstation cheques should carry an additional amount of Rs. 50/- towards banking charges.

Cancellation: Request for refund of cancellation of registration will be accepted upto 30th September 2004 only. An amount equivalent to 50% will be deducted for each individual refund. All refunds will be made after the conference.

Spot Registration is only for a few. The Registration is mandatory for delegates who are presenting papers. All delegates are required to bring the receipt to the registration desk for authentication. Registration fees for delegates includes: Admission to the scientific sessions and exhibition, Conference documentation (abstract volume etc.), Admission to the Opening Ceremony, Social events and closing ceremony, Conference Lunches, Coffee/Tea during breaks and Certificate of attendance. Registration Fees for Associates/Accompanying Persons include: Admission to the Opening Ceremony, Social events and three Lunches. Diabetes researches are invited to collect relevant data for presenting theme papers and for sending research abstracts of oral or poster presentations to Chairman, Scientific Committee.

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LIFE MEMBERSHIP OF RSSDI

RSSDI is the largest Indian organization of diabetes health care professionals and researchers. In October 2003, 3050 life members are represented from 29 Indian States and Union Territories, and Nepal as follows: Andamans and Nicobar (2), Andhra Pradesh (502), Assam (65), Bihar (87), Jharkhand (27), Chandigarh (16), Delhi (133), Gujarat (135), Goa (9), Haryana (62), Himachal Pradesh (17), Jammu and Kashmir (12), Karnataka (253), Kerala (148), Manipur (8), Meghalaya (4), Mizoram (3), Madhya Pradesh (109), Chattisgarh (35), Maharashtra (380), Orissa (118), Pondicherry (5), Punjab (73), Rajasthan (126), Tamil Nadu (332), Tripura (9), Uttar Pradesh (232), Uttaranchal (8), West Bengal (136).

In addition to becoming a member of the most prestigious society of diabetologists in India, it entitles you to a free copy of the International Journal of Diabetes in Developing Countries published quarterly.

Life membership subscription is Rs. 1500/- (Rs. 2500/- from 2004). For cheques, add Rs.50/- as outstation charges. For life membership of RSSDI kindly make your cheque/bank draft payable to RSSDI at Hyderabad and send it to Prof. P.V. Rao, Secretary, RSSDI, Professor and Head, Department of Endocrinology and Metabolism, Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad 500 082.

Important proceedings at Executive Committee Meeting and Annual General Meeting of the Research Society for the Study of Diabetes in India on October 9 and 11, 2003 in Jaipur

- a. Following non compliance by Prof. R.J. Dash, it was decided to
 1. Suspend RSSDI life membership of Prof. R.J. Dash for 3 months
 2. Announce his suspension in RSSDI News and IJDDC
 3. Inform concerned auditors and bank in Chandigarh
 4. Initiate legal proceedings in this matter
 5. Seek the indulgence of the Director, P.G.I.M.E.R. and the RSSDI life members in Punjab, Haryana and Chandigarh to restore RSSDI funds.

b. President reviewed constitution for RSSDI State chapters with following considerations.

1. The Chapters shall only be branches without independent registration as Societies;
2. There shall be no conflict in the interest of the RSSDI and such chapters;
3. The final and ultimate powers regarding any policy decision shall remain only with RSSDI and not Chapters;
4. The Chapters shall propagate science, academics and research for the benefit of diabetes within specified jurisdiction;
5. The Chapter Constitution shall be uniform for all such branches;
6. Patrons, starting of institutions, courses, collaboration abroad etc. shall only be vested with the parent body and the parent body may delegate any chapter to implement the same. No chapter on their own can undertake these activities;

c. Constitution amendments are as follows: Head Quarters of RSSDI may give 50% of unspent money deposited by the Organizing Committee of the annual scientific meeting of RSSDI to the respective state chapter as grant in aid for purpose of research and education.”

d. There was only one valid nomination for the post of President of RSSDI for year 2004 by Dr. R.V. Jayakumar. His unanimous election the post of President of RSSDI was approved.

e. 63 life members from Kerala applied and were approved for starting Kerala Chapter of RSSDI. 64 life members from Karnataka applied and were approved for starting Karnataka Chapter of RSSDI

f. Income tax returns for RSSDI accounts between April 1, 1996 and March 31, 2003 were filed. In addition to PAN (AAAAR1259B), RSSDI was given TAN (HYDRO 1683D RANGE-14) for TDS and tax claims.

g. Life membership of RSSDI is increased to Rs. 2500 w.e.f. January 1, 2004

h. Following are guidelines for recording proceedings of RSSDI meetings in future:

“All academic proceedings at the annual conference of the RSSDI are the intellectual property of the RSSDI. The papers read or Orations delivered have to be preceded by submission of the manuscript in hard copy (two copies) and in floppy/CD Rom to the Chairman, Scientific Committee. Failure to do so shall make the speaker ineligible for delivery of the lecture.

All academic papers so collected will be reviewed by the Editor, International Journal of Diabetes in Developing Countries (IJDDC) for preferential publication in IJDDC, if found suitable. This shall be published in one of the regular issues or a special issue of IJDDC. Authors of articles not found suitable for publication will be informed within two months of completion of the conference and will be at liberty to publish them elsewhere.

If the proceedings are recorded (e.g. in a CD Rom) or abstracted for distribution, these cannot be released till the conference issue of IJDDC is published and distributed.

The Organizing committee of the conference has no rights on the academic proceedings and is not authorized to publish them elsewhere.”

ELECTION OF THE RSSDI PRESIDENT FOR THE YEAR 2004

The tenure of the President shall be one RSSDI year (2.5.2 item i), and (2.5.3) to get elected as the President, a candidate should have held an elected position in the EC for three years. (3.1). Only one nomination was received from Prof. R.V. Jayakumar from among the eligible members for the post of the President, duly proposed by a valid member and seconded by a valid member, accompanied by his consent and biodata, by the Secretary before the September 15, 2003

NEW BOOKS

PRIMER ON INSULIN RESISTANCE; Dr. Shashank Joshi. Send Rs. 250/- favoring Asian Health Care to Dr. Shashank R. Joshi, B 23 Kamal Pushpa, Bandra (W), 6 Bandra Reclamation, Mumbai 400 050 MS, Tel 022 26400580 Fax 26443572 srjoshi@vsnl.com

CONQUEST OF DIABETES BY DIET AND EXERCISE; Dr. H.B. Chandalia and Ms. Sonal Modi.

In 160 pages, 2 colors, laminated and soft bound, unique in content, style of writing and layout, of great educational value and utility to people with diabetes and obesity, general practitioners and nutritionists . Send Rs. 250 favoring DENMARC at 104 Lady Ratan Tata Medical and Research Centre, Maharshi Karve Road, Mumbai 400 021.

DIABETIC FOOT: A CLINICAL ATLAS; Dr Sharad Pendsey. Foreword by: Marvin Levin, ME Edmonds, AVM Foster. The atlas is hardbound book with 48 chapters, 53 case studies and 640 photographs covering all the aspects of Diabetic Foot. For procuring your copy, please send a DD of Rs. 1500 in the name of DREAM Trust, payable at Nagpur to DREAM Trust, Shreeniwas, Opp. Dhantoli Park, Nagpur 440 012, Tel 0712 2521898 fax 2545989. sharad@nagpur.dot.net.in

SEMINARS/UPDATES

Madras Diabetes Research Foundation (MDRF) – American Diabetes Association (ADA). Second Postgraduate Course 2004 on September 24, 25 and 26 at Chennai. Further details from: Prof. V. Mohan, 4 Conran Smith Road, Gopalapuram, Chennai 600 085. Tel 044 28359048, 28359051. 28353351, fax 28350935. mvdsc@vsnl.com

5th Diabetes in Asia Conference. Diabetic Association of Pakistan. On April 16, 17 and 18, 2004 in Karachi. Further details from: Dr. A. Samad Shera, 5 E/3 Nazimabad, Karachi 74600 Pakistan. Tel +92-21 661 6890, Fax 668 0959, 454 6759. dapkhi@cyber.net.pk

3rd Annual Conference Diabetic Foot Society of India; on September 11 and 12, 2004 at Jaipur. Tentatively approved for 5 Credits hours. Register by sending Rs. 1000 by draft favoring Diabetes Foot Society of India, Jaipur to Dr. Surendra K. Sharma, 11 Shivaji Nagar, Civil Lines, Jaipur 302 006 RJ, 0141 2229202, 2229335, skumar7@rediffmail.com.

Annual Meeting RSSDI (Maharashtra Chapter), April 3-4, 2004

Will be held at Nagpur, Venue : Hotel Center Point, Ramdaspath, Nagpur. Organising Chairman : Dr. Sunil Gupta Registration : Rs. 300/- upto 15th Feb. 2004; Rs. 500/- thereafter. Spot Rs. 1,000/- Pay by draft (payable at Nagpur) to "RSSDI-Maharashtra Chapter 2004". Address : Diabetes Care and Research Centre, Radha Palace, 1st Floor, Abhyankar Road, Dhantoli, Nagpur - 440 012. Email: drsgupta_ngp@sancharnet.in