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Message from the President



Hello members of IACTA.

We have fond memories of IACTACON 2023, Jodhpur. Congratulations team Jodhpur for conducting IACTACON successfully in Feb 2023.

IACTA is going leaps and bounds ahead in all its endeavours.

Congratulations team ICCA for conducting FTEE and FIACTA exams successfully this year too. Record number of candidates appeared for FTEE exam this year. Experimentation of conducting FTEE theory at different centres online was also satisfactory and successful. This year ICCA conducted FTEE practical exam at Vaidehi Advanced Simulation Academy (VASA), Bengaluru. We are in a process of finalising VASA centre for conducting FTEE practical exam every year.

IACTA has also started one year of paediatric cardiac fellowship and conducted first Paediatric fellowship exit exam successfully this year.

We are also revamping our IACTA and echo website to make it more modern and interactive. More and more students and IACTA members are now visiting echo library on website and we will like to see this number increase in future.

Our indexed journal Annals of Cardiac Anesthesia (ACA) is receiving good number of research articles from India and abroad. All IACTA members should send more and more research articles to ACA for publications.

We eagerly await to meet at Nagpur IACTACON, 8th-11th Feb, 2024. IACTACON 2024 at Nagpur and all conferences in future will face more and more funding problems due to new government regulations. To overcome some of these problems, I invite all IACTA members to attend these meetings in large numbers. Nagpur society of cardiac Anesthesia (SCAN) has put up great academic feast with 8 workshops and big number of national and international faculty.

I take this opportunity to thank all my IACTA office bearers for their enthusiastic and constructive participation in every decision making meetings of IACTA, ICCA, echo library and ACA.

See you soon at Nagpur.

Long live IACTA.

Dr. Uday Gandhe
President, IACTA



Dear IACTA Members,

Greetings from IACTA.

Wish you all a very happy new year.

It gives us immense pleasure to present the Second newsletter after IACTACON2023.

The main contents of the newsletter are related to:

- Details of Lifetime achievement award, Orations, Fiacta & FTEE Awards
- Agenda of the Annual General body meeting of IACTA,2024.
- ICCA Report
- Details of IACTACON 2024.

Dr. Kanagarajan N

Secretary, IACTA

Attention Members

Dear IACTA Member,

As per the advice from CA, all IACTA members who joined IACTA from 01/01/2019 should submit both PAN card and one address proof (Aadhar/DL/Voter id/passport) and for the members who have joined before 2019 any one Id proof should be sufficient. And it should be considered as an urgent matter. Each member should write to secretariat with the following message "This amount should form part of the Corpus of the funds of IACTA and should be utilized for Objects of the Trust / Society only" in addition to the ID proof.

Please fill the Google form given below at the earliest.

<https://forms.gle/pKuWKFiLzMP6YXWz8>

With best regards from

Dr. N. Kanagarajan

Secretary IACTA



IACTA Lifetime achievement award – 2024

Dr. K Bhaskaran

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Day 1 - 9 February 2024, Hall A

Session Time: 06:30 PM - 08:00 PM

Brig. P N Bhatt Oration

Evolution of Practice in Cardiac Anesthesia - My Experience of 35 Years

Dr. Praveen Kumar Neema

Day 2 - 10 February 2024, Hall A

Session Time: 10:45 AM - 11:30 AM

Chairperson: Uday Gandhe, N Kanagarajan

Dr. V A Punnoose Oration

Safety in Cardiac Anesthesia Practice

Dr. Mukul Chandra Kapoor

Day 3 - 11 February 2024, Hall A

Session Time: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Chairperson: Thomas Koshy, N Kanagarajan

GENERAL BODY MEETING

Day 2 - 10 February 2024, HALL B

Session Time: 05:30 PM - 07:30 PM

Honorary FIACTA Award

Dr. Rajesh Arya

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Day 1 - 9 February 2024, Hall A

Honorary FTEE Award

Dr. Dheeraj Arora

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Day 1 - 9 February 2024, Hall A

FIACTA 2023, FIACTA (Paed) 2023, FTEE 2023

certificate will be awarded during the Inaugural ceremony

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Day 1 - 9 February 2024, Hall A



IACTA-Belani Award 2023

(Highest marks in FTEE 2023)

Dr. Sohini Majumdar

IPGME&R and SSKM Hospital, Kolkata

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Day 1 - 9 February 2024, Hall A

IACTA-Kabeer Award 2023

(Highest marks in FIACTA 2023)

Dr. Gargi Deshpande

P D Hinduja National Hospital, Mumbai

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Day 1 - 9 February 2024, Hall A

IACTA President Award FIACTA (Paed) 2023

(Highest marks in FIACTA(Paed) 2023)

Dr. Kartheek Hanumansetty

Manipal Hospital, Bengaluru.

INAUGURAL CEREMONY

Day 1 - 9 February 2024, Hall A

JANAK MEHTA YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD - 2024

Day 2 - 10 February 2024, Hall A

Session Name: Session 3 - Janak Mehta Award

Session Time: 11:30 AM - 01:00 PM

Jury: Thomas Koshy, Mukul Chandra Kapoor, Manish Sonkusale



Agenda of the Annual General Body Meeting of IACTA, 2024

It is hereby informed to all the life members of IACTA that the Annual General Body Meeting (GBM) of the association will be held on 10th February 2024.

Chairperson: President IACTA, **Conducted by:** Secretary IACTA, **Date:** 10.02.2024 (Saturday), **Time:** 05:30 PM to 07:30 PM, **Venue:** Main Hall, IACTA 2024, conference venue, Nagpur (Maharashtra).

The meeting will be audio and video recorded.

Meeting clerks: Mr. Manoj KM, Mr. Satinder Pal Singh.

Special Invitee: NIL

Scheduled proceedings and agenda for the meeting:

1. Assembly called to order & welcome address by the President, IACTA.
2. Confirmation of the minutes of previous GBM held on 18th March 2023 at IACTACON23, Jodhpur.
3. Secretary's report
 - a. New life members of IACTA joined since last GBM (18/02/2023)
 - b. Election for IACTA EC vacant posts
 - Approval of Unopposed members
 - Voting for EC posts wherever applicants are more than seats declared
 - One Govt approved Id card must for casting vote
 - c. IACTA website-
 - PAN/Aadhar card are compulsory for members who joined after 01/01/2019.
 - Total no of members submitted so far.
 - Any one Id proof is a must for all existing members.
 - Upgradation of the website
 - Details about the new vendors
 - Quote
 - Website committee report and EC approval
 - d. Progress on issue of IACTA membership by "IACTA Life Membership Committee".
 - Report on 'Associate member'
 - Approval of the IACTA membership committee report
 - e. Report on IACTA permanently endorsed echo conferences.
TEE workshop at Bangalore; TEE workshop Medanta, 3D workshops (Ahmedabad)
 - f. Orations and Lifetime achievement award for 2025 conference (IACTACON 2025, Kochi)
 - g. Recipients of Honorary FIACTA and honorary FTEE award
 - h. Separate IACTA Zoom link for academic activities of the regional branches.
4. Applications for Hosting IACTACON2026
5. Approval of expenses/reimbursement for Office bearers/examiners/office clerks
 - Revision of FIACTA / FTEE examiners fee
 - CCA core member honorarium for FIACTA/FTEE exam
 - President/Secretary/Treasurer and Registrar's Honorarium
 - Salary rise for Office clerks
6. IACTA Travelling fellowship (National and International):
 - a. Status of the previously awarded travelling fellowships.
 - b. Award of travelling fellowship for the year 2024-25



- c. Changes needed for norms in the IACTA Travelling fellowship.
 - Duration/Grant/Situations where extension can be granted.
7. Announcement of selected persons for the different posts of ICCA.
 - ICCA Adviser post (One) – Report of the selection committee
8. Selection and Approval of Venue for 2026 conference.
9. Treasurer's report:
 - a. 2022-23 IACTA ITR
 - b. IACTA FTEE and FIACTA accounts
 - c. NH Bangalore TEE account
 - d. Medanta TEE account
 - e. IACTA SBI and HDFC savings and FD accounts
 - f. Financial summary of IACTACON 2023
10. ACA Chief editor's report – Dr. Mukul Kapoor
11. Echo Library Chief editor's report – Dr. Kumar C
12. Report of the Registrar, Indian College of Cardiac Anaesthesia (ICCA): Dr. Rajesh Arya
13. Report of regional Branch Coordinator: Dr. Nagaraja PS
 - President's Trophy to best regional branch for 2023
14. Presentation of Janak Mehta Best Paper Award & participation certificates by President IACTA.
15. Financial report on IACTACON2023: Dr. Kamal Manoj
16. Any other matter with the permission of the chair.
17. Declaration of result for various EC posts for which voting was done.
18. Presentation of certificate of honor to outgoing President and organizing secretary IACTACON 2024.
19. Concluding remarks by outgoing President IACTA.
20. Installation of new Executive Committee office bearers for 2023-24
21. Address by incoming President, IACTA.
22. National Anthem.

All IACTA members are requested to email their suggestions/quarries to IACTA SECRETARIATE by 02/02/2024 so that it may be included in the agenda of the GBM. Life members are free to ask their concerns during the GBM with the permission of President. We shall be starting on time; we request all members to be present on time. A humble request to all members to come with positive attitude and constructive suggestions with short and crisp discussion, so that we can justify time to all issues coming for discussion.

Secretary IACTA,
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Copy to:

1. To be circulated to ALL IACTA members by email and IACTA website.
2. ICCA registrar, regional body co-ordinator.
3. Chief editor ACA, Chief editor Echo Library
4. Organizing sect. 2023 IACTA national conference.
5. Organizing sect. 2024 IACTA national Conference.
6. IACTA chartered accountant.



Report - ICCA Board

A. Fellowship exams: Since last newsletter, ICCA has conducted the following fellowship exams:

- FTEE 2023: We completed the FTEE 2023 exam successfully with 70 candidates taking part in the exam process and 43 finally passed the theory and practical exam.
- FIACTA: The FIACTA exam was concluded in September and total 21 candidates have passed the exam.
- FIACTA (Paed): The FIACTA (Paed) exit exam was conducted for the first time in Nov. 2023 and total 12 candidates have passed the FIACTA(Paed) exit exam.

The candidates who have cleared Fellowship exam, will be presented the Fellowship certificates during IACTACON 2024 at Nagpur on 9th Feb. 2024.

B. Schedule of fellowship exams in 2024:

- FTEE Theory: second week of April (multicity computer based MCQ test)
- FTEE Practical (August session): first week of August (at VASA, Bangalore)
- FIACTA: Second weekend of September (Multicity two days exam)
- FIACTA (Paed) Second week of November (Multicity two days exam)
- FTEE (December session): First week of December (at Medanta, Delhi NCR)

The core committee of FIACTA and FIACTA (Paed) (Dean exam and Dean academics and Registrar), appeal for candidates to enrol for FIACTA, and FIACTA Paediatric course. Similarly, the core committee for FTEE (Dean exam and Dean Echo and Registrar) requests more and more people should take the FTEE Exam. This year we had highest ever number (70) of candidates taking part in FTEE exam and we expect more to come forward for FTEE exam.

C. Applications are invited for FIACTA and FIACTA PAEDIATRIC teachers and examiners. Application forms and protocol is available on IACTA website under “College(ICCAs)” column.

D. A proposal of splitting the theory and practical exam of FIACTA (like the pattern of FTEE exit exam) is under discussion at administrative level at ICCA.

E. Fellowship in ECMO: ICCA is ready to start the ECMO fellowship and the format will be presented to the GBM at Nagpur for approval.

F. FTEE participation by foreign candidates: This is under discussion at ICCA board and after approval of EC, it will be presented to GBM.

G. ICCA research cell: CCA invites applications for funded research from all its members to a maximum of two lakhs per project for a duration of two years. All proposals should be clearly drafted outlining explicitly the objectives of the study, the value addition or novelty of the study, the proposed budgetary expenses,



and the timelines for completion of the project. Complete proposals should be mailed to ICCA Dean Research at iccadean.research@gmail.com. Please visit the website www.iacta.co.in for more information under the section ICCA (notifications)."

A session to promote the research activities in IACTA is planned during the IACTACON 2024 at Nagpur. We request all to attend the session so that we give a thrust to research projects in IACTA.

H: IACTA echo library: The website is running smooth again after a short time break in November end. The Chief Editor requests all members to contribute manuscript and to weekly quiz and participate more actively in this.

I: Collor/Coat pins for fellowship candidates: This is in discussion, if approved, they will be made available during IACTACON 2024 at Nagpur which the fellowship passed candidates (FTEE/FACTA/FACTA (Paed)) can purchase from IACTA counter at conference venue. The details will be informed once a decision is taken on this.

J. Online academic teaching session: This program is continued without any break and now taken care by Dean academics now.

ICCA chancellor Dr. Prabhat Tewari, on behalf of entire ICCA board, wishes all IACTA members a very Happy New Year. We also wish good luck to IACTACON-2024 at Nagpur and thank entire IACTA EC and each member of IACTA for helping the ICCA board to carry forwarding the academic activities at ICCA.



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Adapting To Changing Trends And Innovations



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Workshop - 8th Feb 2024, Conference 9-11 Feb 2024			



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Greetings from IACTACON2024! The Organising team is delighted to roll out an enriching and exciting programme for everyone.

Key highlights of the scientific agenda -

Workshops Thursday 8th February 2024	No of delegates
Cardiac Advanced Life Support	40
Hemodynamic Monitoring	50
Problem Based Learning Discussion	50
Transthoracic Echocardiography	25
Transesophageal Echocardiography	30
Lung Isolation & Regional Blocks	50
Point of Care Ultrasound	50
Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenator	50

**Main Conference -Friday 9th February to Sunday 11th February 2024****Day 1**

BACK TO BASICS	Pediatric Cardiac Session -Pearls	Recent updates & guidelines
THE PRIMUS	Hematology Master class	Fast Five
RIGHT is not always RIGHT	Cathlab conundrum	Year in Review Top Ten
CALS PROTOCOL	Organ Protection	
Valve Conclave	Single Ventricle -listen from experts	Poster Presentations
Shifting Paradigm	CPB -basics to advanced	Interesting Echo Images Presentation
Vexus and US		
Challenges with lungs		
Quiz 1 -Cardiac Anaesthesia		

Day 2

Breakfast with the best	Breakfast with TGA experts	Brainy Breakfast
LVAD and ECMO -Get it right	Congenital Heart Disease session	Pro Con Session youngistaan
Brig PN Bhatt Oration	Unlock the Future	Holistic Care
Janak Mehta Award Session	Ask the Experts	Free Paper Presentation
Transplantation Conclave	Postoperative Challenges	
Burning Issues		
ONCAB vs OPCAB tug of war		
Quiz 2 ECHO QUIZ		
GBM		

Day 3

Breakfast with the masters	PBLD session postoperative care in pediatric cardiac surgery
On the horizon	Complex Pediatric Issues
Dr VA Punnoose Oration	Young minds -upcoming stars
Research in Cardiac Anaesthesia	Pro con session -youth zone
New Drugs -are they really better?	

We are privileged to have been blessed with a galaxy of very accomplished faculty members both national and international, for making this gathering a unique experience for everyone.

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