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# ACTA

Indian Association of Cardiovascular Thoracic Anaesthesiologists

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## Message from the President

Greetings to all Cardiac Anaesthesiologists!

It has been a fruitful year till date. There has been a very good response for the FIACTA and the FTEE examination and we are happy that a significant number of students have got through the examinations successfully! We are still awaiting the Paediatric Fellowship and the December FTEE examinations

The women's participation committee has submitted their final report, and we are now awaiting the final approval from the GBM. More women should be part of the society since a significant percentage of the cardiac anaesthesiologists are now ladies. It is my humble request to all zonal heads that we should encourage more women participation in the coming elections and for this, we have to encourage them to come forward and take part on the elections.

The bye-law committee have met a few times during this period and they are in the final stages of preparing the final draft that should be presented for registration. The final draft should be ready by early February. It is also my pleasure to inform everyone that IACTA has joined the International Academy of Cardiac Anaesthesiologists on a temporary basis for a period of two years. This is based on the recommendation of the executive committee of IACTA, as we would otherwise be losing a golden opportunity to be a founder member of the world community of cardiac anaesthesiologists. We need more discussion on this matter, which is being scheduled during the next GBM where the final decision can be taken.



The venue for the next conference is ready, and the organizing team is competing the scientific program. Very soon the invitations for talks would be send. We have a host of foreign faculty also as part of the deliberations. Please register for the conference at the earliest to show your support for the organizing team.

Once again, greetings to all cardiac anaesthesiologists!

#### Dr. Suresh G. Nair

President, Indian Association of Cardiovascular Thoracic Anaesthesiologists



## Message from the Secretary

Dear IACTA Members, Greetings from IACTA...

It is with great pleasure we are sharing the Newsletter of IACTA.

The main contents of the newsletter are:

- 1. ICCA- Indian College of Cardiac Anaesthesia Notification
- 2. Applications for the vacant IACTA posts
- 3. Applications/nominations for Vacant ICCA posts
- 4. Applications/nominations for Lifetime Achievement Award 2027
- 5. Application form for IACTA National and International Travelling fellowship.
- 6. IACTACON 2026, Visakhapatnam
- 7. Web Links of IACTA

Long Live IACTA!



**Dr. S Kumar** Secretary, IACTA



### **ICCA- Notification**

ICCA will start the basic perioperative TEE course for for non-cardiac anaesthesiologists tentatively from April 2026 onwards. The course will be tailor made to address the needs of non-cardiac anaesthesiologists with a 60 percent emphasis on transesophageal echocardiography and 40 percent on transthoracic echocardiography. The aim of the course will be to make the non-cardiac anaesthesiologists comfortable with the use of echocardiography as a perioperative monitoring modality. The one year course will include online lectures, hands-on workshops, simulator based training and have an exit exam at the end for certification of the candidates. Details of fees and other training modalities will be updated in IACTA website once approved by the general body.

#### Dr. Satyajeet Misra

Registrar, ICCA

## INDIAN ASSOCIATION OF CARDIOVASCULAR THORACIC ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS

#### Election Notification: Executive Council Posts IACTA 2026

Applications are invited for the following executive council posts of IACTA. Please submit the applications via email to the Secretary of IACTA at iactasecretariat@g-mail.com Kindly refer to the application forms for the eligibility criteria. All applicants are required to attend the General Body Meeting (GBM) scheduled at the National Conference IACTACON 2026 in Vizag.

1. Associate Vice President: Tenure February 2026 to 2027 (1 year).

2.Executive Council Members: Tenure February 2026 to 2028 (2 years). Eight posts will be vacant. The table gives the zonal distribution of the posts and the vacant posts.

#### Zonal Distribution of EC Member Posts and Vacancies

Zones	States included	Total no. of Posts	VacantPosts (Feb 2026)
North	Delhi, Haryana, Punjab, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and UT of Chandigarh and Ladakh	3	
West	Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Goa	3	2
Central	Madhya Pradesh, Utter Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana	2	2
East	West Bengal, Assam, Orissa, Sikkim, Tripura, Meghalaya, Manipur, Nagaland, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh	1	1
South	Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Pondicherry	4	3

Duly filled application forms with relevant proof must be received by the IACTA Office by November 30, 2025. The deadline to withdraw applications is December 15, 2025.

Election notification and application forms given below

https://iacta.co.in/election-norification-2026.html

Secretary, IACTA

### **NOTIFICATION**

Applications/nominations are invited for the following positions at the Indian College of Cardiac Anaesthesia (ICCA).

- 1.Advisor
- 2.Dean Academics
- 3.Academic Council Member

The tenure of posts 1 to 2 is 3 years, and that of Academic Council Member is 2 years only. Please ensure the application forms and supporting documents are duly filled and submitted to our official email (iactasecretairat@gmail.com) by 30th November 2025. All applications will be reviewed for content and referred to the selection committee. The selection committee will make recommendations to the executive committee of IACTA. Following approval by the executive committee, the decision will be presented to the GBM during the IACTA conference, which will take place in Vizag in February 2026, for final approval. IACTA life members may apply or nominate another life member for a position. If you are nominating someone else for any of the mentioned posts, please include the nominated member's CV as per the eligibility criteria and the nomination/application form. The two-page application forms in PDF and Word formats provide the eligibility criteria for each of the above-mentioned posts.

Notification and application forms given below

https://iacta.co.in/ICCA.html

Secretary, IACTA



## Notification - Applications/nominations for Lifetime Achievement Award 2027:

Applications/nominations are invited for Lifetime achievement award during 2027 annual conference. The applications/nominations forms should reach the IACTA office by 30.11.2025 by email to iactasecretariat@gmail.com.

Criteria / Guidelines for Lifetime Achievement Award are given on the IACTA website

https://iacta.co.in/pdf/application%20form/Criteria\_Guidelines-Lifetime-Achievement-Award.pdf

Emails: iactasecretariat@gmail.com (cc to: skumardr@yahoo.com)

#### Dr. S Kumar, Secretary IACTA

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### APPLICATION FORM FOR TRAVEL FELLOWSHIP

National / International (Tick whichever is applied for)

Name:					
IACTA Life Membership No	0:	.Year of Joining IACTA:			
Mobile No:		Email:			
	Date of Birth:				
Name and address of the institute/ hospital where the applicant is working:					
Institute / Hospital to which applicant proposes to visit (give full address):					
Signature of applicant:	Place:		Date:		
DOCUMENTS (SCANNED COPIES) REQUIRED					
1. Acceptance letter from	center to visit				

- 2. Age proof (school leaving certificate/birth certificate/passport/ADHAR card)
- 3. No objection certificate from the head of department where applicant is working.
- 4. Copy of the PAN

#### SEND TO

(Emails and Surface mail)

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#### **GUIDELINES**

IACTA invites applications/nominations for travel fellowships from young anaesthesiologists. It carries an award of Rs 40,000/- for visiting a center of excellence in India and Rs 75,000/- for an overseas hospital/institute. The applicant can choose to visit a center within India (in a city other than the applicant's place of work) or overseas.

- 1. Total one Indian and one International travelling fellowship per year.
- 2. The center should perform at least 1,000 cardiac procedures annually or excel in performing a particular surgery/procedure/technique.
- 3. The duration of the fellowship is normally one month.
- 4. The travel grant is awarded every year to a suitable candidate.
- 5. The applicant should be a life member of IACTA and have a minimum of two years of experience in cardiac anesthesia.
- 6. If working in a department, he/she should obtain approval from the head of the department. The acceptance letter from the center of the visit should be attached.
- 7. The applicant's age should be less than 40 years on the last date of application.
- 8. Application in the prescribed format should reach the IACTA office before 30<sup>th</sup> November 2025.
- 9. The IACTA office will scrutinize applications and finally approve them by EC and GBM.
- 10. The name of the anaesthesiologist selected will be announced during the GBM at the national conference of IACTA in February.
- 11. After completion of the observership, the anesthesiologist should submit a brief report to the IACTA.

#### **GUIDELINES & APPLICATION FORM**

https://iacta.co.in/pdf/application%20form/Application-Travelling-Fellowship.pdf



## IACTACON **2026 VIZAG**



29th National conference of Indian Association of Cardiovascular Thoracic Anaesthesiologists

Innovating care, Integrating interventions & Transforming practice

ORGANIZED BY ASSOCIATION OF CARDIOVASCULAR ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS (COMBINED TELANGANA & ANDHRAPRADESH) CHAPTER OF IACTA

Venue: Vizag Convention Centre, PM Palem, Visakhapatnam

**CONFERENCE DATES** 

FEB 27TH, 28TH & MARCH 1ST 2026

**WORKSHOP DATE** 

FEB 26TH 2026

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## **Conference Registration Packages**

#### **CATEGORY**

IACTA life member (national)

IACTA life member (international)

**SAARC Members** 

Non IACTA Members

PG/Fellowship students

Accompanying person

Regular Tariff (Reg + Workshop) upto 20th Dec, 2025

₹ 18,500+ \*Workshop =>2,500

375 USD

250 USD

₹ 19,500 + \*Workshop > 24,500

₹ II,000 + \*Workshop = 16,000

₹ 10,000

Early Bird Package (Reg + Workshop) upto 20th Dec, 2025

₹ 21,500

275 USD

**225 USD** 

₹ 22,500

₹ 15,000

₹ 10,000

\*Note: The above package shows the difference of Early Bird and Regular prices, Workshop price will be based on the selection.



Dr.Y.Ramesh Babu



Dr.T.Mohan S Maharai



Dr. P. Sateesh Kumar Joint Organising Secretary



Dr.B Srinivasulu Reddy Treasurer



Dr R Gopinath



Dr.Harishbabu Ravulapalli Scientific Co-Chairperson



Dr.Syama Sundar Ayya Scientific Co-Chairperson







## IACTA Important weblinks

IACTA: www.iacta.co.in

IACTA secretary: iactasecretariat@gmail.com

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ICCA registrar: iccaregistrar@gmail.com

Annals of cardiac anaesthesia: https://journals.lww.com/aoca/pages/default.aspx

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IACTA Echo Library: www.iactaecholibrary.co.in

Chief Editor: iactaecholibrary@gmail.com

IACTA conference 2026: www.iactacon2026.com, Email: iactacon2026@gmail.com

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Medanta TEE workshop (Gurugram, Delhi NCR): echomedanta@gmail.com

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