

# **Indian Medical Association**

Assam State Branch: 2019 – 2021





152<sup>nd</sup> State Working Committee: 8<sup>th</sup> September 2019, Hotel Megna Cygnet Park, Bongaigaon.

Report of Honorary State Secretary

Respected President, Past Presidents of IMA ASB, and esteemed members of the State Working Committee, It is indeed my great pleasure to welcome all of you to the  $152^{nd}$  SWC.

### Membership Growth

We have enrolled 9 new Members since last SWC, at Green Ashiyana Palace, Sollong, Nagaon. 3 SLM & 3 CLM. (Nalbari 4, Nagaon 2, Sibsagar 2 & Tezpur 1).

#### Meetings / Conference Attended

- Dr Rajumani Sarma attended the *IMA MSN* National Council meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019 at IMA HQ, N Delhi. Rajesh Ranjan Baishya of GMCH and Arnab Goswami of AMCH, the 2 student leaders represented IMA MSN Assam State Branch in the meeting.
- Dr Hiranmay Adhikary and Dr Hemanga Baishya attended "*Delhi Andolan*" on 29th July, 2019. Staging NMC bill protest in front of AIIMS and later protest in front of Nirman Bhawan, N Delhi, before police arrest along with other national leaders and members.
- Dr Manjima B Ganguly, Dr Bimala Deka, Dr Bijuli Goswami, Dr Sikha Sarma & Dr Manjula Hazarika from IMA WDW ASB actively participated in the *National EVECON &WIMALS 2019*, held at Goa on 22nd & 23rd June, 2019. Dr Bijuli Goswami from Assam State received the Women Empowerment award at the Inauguration function of conference.

*Violence on Doctor* - It is painful on our part to express our serious concern at the recent assault on the Medical Officer of Teok TE. *On* 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2019 at around 4pm, Dr Deben Dutta on duty at Teok TE was manhandled and physically assaulted by miscreants of Teok TE and he expired on his way for treatment to Jorhat Medical College. As a mark of protest against the gruesome incidences and low convictions in previous cases, failure on the part of the government to provide security to the doctors and showing our solidarity, IMA Assam State Branch, calls for a "24 hours Withdrawal of medical services excluding emergency" by doctors all over the state from 6 am of 3<sup>rd</sup> September to 6 am of 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Also candle light peaceful silent procession in the evening of 3<sup>rd</sup> September by all the doctors, joined by their family members. Dr Satyajit Borah, Dr Hemanga Baishya & Dr Rajumani Sarma attended a meeting at Doctors Club, Jorhat and on behalf of IMA ASB visited the family members of Late Dr Deben Dutta at Teok and expressed our heartfelt condolences. National President Dr Santanu Sen, and Head Quarter team compromising Dr R N Tendon, Dr Ramesh Dutta and Dr Sibabrata Banerjee accompanied by HSS IMA ASB visited the family members of Late Dr Deben Dutta, all meet DC Jorhat district and submitted memorandum.

I thank all our members all over the state for the peaceful protest. I also thank the print and electronic media for supporting us and spreading the message to the general public.

IMA ASB condemned the assault on Dr. Naba Kr Bailung, of Umrangshu on 19/05/2019 and similar incidence of assault on doctor at N Lakhimpur on 17/06/2019.

## Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Week - May 24-31, 2019

IMA Tinsukia, IMA Cachar & IMA DISPUR along with IMA WDW and IMA MPH ASSAM conducted programs.

**WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY** (31/05/2019) was observed by Morigaon, Kokrajhar & Tezpur Branch.

**World Environment Day** (05/06/2019) was observed by Tezpur and Tinsukia branch.

#### All India Protest Day against Violence on Doctors (14/06/2019)

Was observed all across the state by wearing Black Badges and casework from 10 AM to 12 Noon. This was followed by submission of memorandum to the Prime minister through respective DC. Delegation from IMA Assam State Branch submitted a memorandum to the Prime minister through DC, Kamrup.

#### **24 hrs Nationwide Strike** (17/06/2019)

The State Office of IMA ASB extends sincere thanks and gratitude to all the local branches, leaders and each IMA member for the successful agitation programme. All doctors in government/ private/ public sector/ organised private sector participate in the strike. Non-emergency services of all government/ public sector/ private/ corporate hospitals and clinics remained closed. Routine diagnostic services also remained suspended during this period.

A great show of unity and solidarity against violence on doctors all throughout the state. Both print and electronic media covered the programme. And members participate in the talk shows also.

**Doctors Day** (01/07/2019) the theme this year is "Violence in Health Care"

Doctors day was celebrated all over the state – Dibrugarh, Golaghat, Digboi, Barpeta Road, Dhubri, Pathsala, Jorhat Medical College, Sibsagar, Bongaigaon, Duliajan, Dhekiajuli, Nalbari, Morigaon, Cachar, Gohpur, Kokrajhar and others.

**Burn NMC Bill, 2019** (25/07/2019) Local Branches of IMA ASB symbolically burning the NMC Bill as nationwide agitation against NMC Bill, 2019.

24 hrs Nationwide Strike (31/07/2019) to oppose the NMC Bill, 2019

Was observed in Bongaigaon, Mangaldoi, Nagaon, Dergaon, Tezpur, Nalbari, Tinsukia, Gohpur.

**Lokabandhu Day** (04/09/2019) was observed in almost all branches of Assam.

**Flood Relief and Health camps** were organized by Tinsukia, Gohpur, Mangaldoi, Bongaigaon, Nalbari, Tezpur Branches and also WDW along with IMA ASB.

#### **Chief Ministers Relief Fund Assam**

IMA Assam State Branch contributing Rs. 2 lakh to Chief Minister's Relief Fund dedicated to the people in distress. IMA Nalbari donated Rs 1 lakh & IMA Hojai Rs 32000.

**Branch Activity Reporting-** I thank Honorary Secretaries of Tezpur, Kokrajhar and Duliajan Branch for sending quarterly activity report for  $2^{nd}$  Quarter 2019 (April – June 2019).

CME activities by Local Branches- Dispur, Pathsala, Rangia, Tezpur, Mangaldoi conducted CME's.

#### **SIMACON 2019** was held successfully by Sibsagar Branch.

A Press Meet was held by IMA Sibsagar on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2019 in tune with IMA's nationwide call against the NMC Bill, 2019. All the branches of IMA Assam State Branch was prepared for the Nationwide 24 hrs Total Withdrawal of Medical Services from 8 August 6 am to 9 August, but on 7<sup>th</sup> August IMA HQ defers its call for withdrawal of services to a later date.

 $\it NATCON~2019$ - The  $\it 94^{th}$  National Annual Conference of IMA, is on 27th &  $\it 28^{th}$  December, 2019, at Biswa Bangla Convention Centre, Kolkata

IMA ASB website in functional, please visit www.imaasb.org and give your feedback

With these few words, I conclude my brief report and solicit your continued guidance and co-operation in continuing my responsibility as the Hon. State Secretary of the IMA ASB in the days to come. Long Live Indian Medical Association!

(Dr. Hemanga Baishya) Hony. State Secretary, IMA-ASB