

**DISTINGUISHED PERSONALITIES & ORGANISATIONS WHO/WHICH  
INSTITUTED VARIOUS ENDOWED AWARDS, ORATIONS, LECTURES AND  
SYMPOSIA OF ASU**

**PROFESSOR HATTANGADI SHASHIDHAR BHAT**

Professor Hattangadi Shashidhar Bhat, HSB as he is fondly known, was born into a simple family in Udupi on 21 January 1921. After his early school education in Mangalore, he went on to complete his undergraduate medical studies from Stanley Medical College, Chennai in 1946. He was the best student in his batch and showed a keen interest in surgery in his early days. He joined CMC, Vellore in 1945 and worked in various departments and later completed his Masters in General Surgery in 1953. HSB was a man who believed that to become a successful consultant, one needs God's Grace, an accurate understanding of the fundamentals and basic principles of surgical techniques, intense desire to do unto the patient what you would like done unto yourself and expectation of nothing in return for your services. There were four mentors in the surgical school of HSB. Dr.Somerwell, known for his surgical skills, Prof.Raghavachari, known for his surgery classes, Prof. John Spencer Carman, who motivated HSB to start the Urology Unit and Prof. Roger Barnes from California, who baptized HSB in the art of TURP.

An academician of outstanding repute, HSB has won nine gold medals and is the winner of the prestigious Dr.B.C.Roy award. As Chairman of the special committee of Indian Council of Medical Research and as a member of the academic committees of several universities, Professor Bhat has devised and updated courses for students in Urology.

HSB organized the first Urological Society of India meet in Vellore in 1961. He had the honour of being the President of the Urological Society of India during 1970-71. He has also served in the Council of the National Academy of Medical Sciences of India and has been a member of the Editorial Board of the Indian Journal of Urology. He has various papers and publications in Urology.

HSB worked as Honorary Professor in Bangalore Medical College for a brief period. He also worked at St Philomina's Hospital in Bangalore before he joined Puttaparthi in 1990-91 where he is at present the Chairman of Department of Uro-Nephrology which is recognized for training DNB students in Urology.

The late Dr.Prema Bhat, wife of HSB was a renowned Microbiologist, who had done pioneering work in the field of Urinary Tuberculosis for ICMR. The couple is blessed with four children, Dr.Usha (Clinical Pathologist), Dr. Tara (Microbiologist), Gurudath (Engineer) and Dr. Sanjay (Urologist).

HSB left for his heavenly abode on 19 November 2010

**SHRI KHIVRAJ CHORDIA**

Shri Khivraj Chordia was born in the year 1914 in the village Nokha, Rajasthan. At the age of 14, he moved to Agra to join the family business and at the age of 18, migrated to Madras and started his career in the business of finance with hardly any capital. He soon became the pioneer in the Automotive Higher Purchase Industry, spreading its business in Tamil Nadu and Coastal Andhra Pradesh., venturing into Auto Retailing business by taking the Franchisee for Hindustan Motors and thereafter added to its portfolio, the dealership of Bajaj Auto, Bajaj

Tempo and Escorts. Gradually the Group had spread to the Auto business, to Bangalore. Parallel to this, Shri.Khivraj Chordia established his foot prints in the Real Estate business. The land mark properties developed by him include Khivraj Mansion in Mount Road, one of the multi storeyed buildings in Chennai, Lotus Court, one of the first buildings with basement car parking and Khivraj Complex at Nandanam which attracted the top names like Ashok Leyland, IDBI, M N Dastur & Co in early '80s. KhivrajChordia was associated with number of social organizations and educational institutions. He established M/s KhivrajChordia Trust to perpetuate the Group's objectives. KhivrajChordia Trust has established a Higher Secondary School in Village Nokha, constructed a Prayer Hall and has recently established Khivraj Chordia Memorial Dialysis Centre in Chennai. This Dialysis Centre offers services at highly subsidized rates by recovering just the cost of consumables from the needy patients. The legacy left behind by Shri Khivraj Chordia is carried on by his sons and grandsons by successfully running the businesses in Chennai and Bangalore and continues its social objectives by contributing to the causes of Education and Medical for the poor and needy. In memory of Shri Khivraj Chordia, who was a patient of Dr.Chinnaswamy, the Khivraj Memorial Symposium has been instituted.

#### PROFESSOR P.B.SIVARAMAN

Prof.P.B.Sivaraman was born on 10 August 1947. He graduated in Medicine in 1969, MS (General Surgery) in 1974 and MCh in Urology in 1978 from the University of Madras. He joined Tamilnadu Government Medical Service in 1974 as Assistant Professor, got promoted to Associate Professor of Urology in various Medical Colleges in Tamilnadu and finally held the post of Professor from 1997- 2001 and Head of Department of Urology in Madras Medical College from 2001 till his superannuation in August 2005. He has been an eminent teacher for undergraduates, postgraduates and Urology superspeciality course for more than 30 years. He has been an examiner for MCh and DNB (Urology) for most of the Universities in India. He was deputed for expert training in Renal Transplant Surgery and Endo-urology for 5 years in United Kingdom from 1980-84. During this training, he acquired FRCS at the University of Edinburgh in 1983. He was also deputed for Cadaver Kidney

Transplantation Training at the Medical Centre and Transplant Laboratory, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw, Poland, as a scholar of the Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi. He underwent training in ABO incompatible renal transplantation at Tokyo Medical College, Tokyo, Japan. Since returning, he was involved in live and cadaver kidney transplantation for the past 2 decades. He was the first person to start cadaver kidney transplantation in Govt. Medical College Hospitals in Tamilnadu. Of his several attributes, his approachability was the hall mark. A friend more than a professor, he introduced a paradigm shift in the way students were trained. A teacher in Urology and more importantly a teacher who taught by example, inculcated into his students that patient welfare was of utmost importance. Appreciating this, the Rotary Club honoured him with 'Vocational Excellence Award'. He has been the past President of Madras Urological Society and Tamilnadu and Pondicherry Association of Urologists. He is the founder member of the Cancer of Prostate Endeavour (COPE) and Urosphere. In remembrance of his services in the field of Urology, the students and well-wishers instituted Prof.P.B.SivaramanEndowment Guest Lecture in ASU.

#### DR. N.D.JEYASEKHARAN

Dr. Noel Daniel Jeyasekharan was born on 15.3.1925 to Dr. Joseph Noel Daniel and Mrs. Annilet Thayammal Daniel of Agastheeswaram, Kanyakumari District, Tamilnadu. He completed his Intermediate from Scott Christian College, Nagercoil in 1942, and BSc. Zoology from University College, Trivandrum. During his university days he was selected in the Officers Training Cadre for Pilot training and had some hours of flying to his credit. Then he joined American College, Madurai as a Demonstrator in Zoology for one year until he got admission for MBBS at Madras Medical College from where he graduated. He started his professional career at Catherine Booth Hospital at Nagercoil. He was offered CSI Mission Scholarship for leadership training in UK in 1956 and he completed his FRCS from Edinburgh, UK in 1958. He joined the CSI Mission Hospital, Neyyoor on his return from UK and worked there for 7 years. During his tenure, this hospital was recognized for S.H.O. by Madras University in India and Edinburgh University in UK and the 125th anniversary of the institution was celebrated on a grand scale. The funds raised were used to buy the adjacent land on which the present International Cancer Centre was built. He was also instrumental in restarting the Nagercoil Mission Hospital. He used to cycle to work and through sheer hard work and determination he brought up the institution. In 1965 he started his independent private practice in Nagercoil town in a small way at Henry Lane, which was followed by an outpatient clinic at Veppamoodu junction. In 1967, the present Jeyasekharan Hospital and Nursing Home was inaugurated. He was a hard-working, daring surgeon who was well versed with medical and other specialities. He had performed more than 900 hemi-mandibulectomies for Carcinoma cheek patients and innumerable major abdominal surgeries. He maintained medical records meticulously and took pains to teach his staff and doctors. In spite of his busy schedule he always made time to read journals and participate in IMA activities. With hard work, assistance of his colleagues, staff, blessings of his patients and well-wishers, the hospital grew in to the present 'Jeyasekharan Medical Trust'. He was a man with varied interests. He followed politics closely and had a short period of association with leaders like Mr. Kamaraj, the former Congress President and Chief Minister of Tamilnadu and later with former Prime Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai. He was a good Tennis and Volleyball player captaining the teams in college and later played Badminton in Nagercoil. He was always conscious about his physical health and did regular exercise, took long walks, and did yoga. His interests also included gardening, carpentry and livestock. His love for travelling took him to places near and far. He and his other doctor friends started a Doctors Family Club which brought them together for many medical and social events. He was honorary member of the Rotary Club of Nagercoil, founder member of Friends and Nature Society, Patron of Kanyakumari Institute of Sports and Adventure (KISA) and a member of IMA. He was associated with many public organizations and churches. He was president of YMCA, Nagercoil for some years. He was an active participant in many projects concerning the welfare of the needy like flood, fire and war victims. He was a good public speaker and wrote letters to the newspapers highlighting public interests. He also worked as a correspondent of the CSI Matriculation School, Nagercoil. During his tenure, the school metamorphosed and became a Higher Secondary School of good repute. He died on 30.01.2006 leaving behind his wife, five children and a well reputed Health Care Institution. The entire staff family of Dr.Jeyasekharan Medical Trust love and consider him as a father and "Periavar".

PROFESSOR AWADHESH P PANDEY

Prof. Awadhesh P Pandey, born on 28th August 1938, had his earlier curriculum at Queen's College, Varanasi. He passed BSc in 1961 from Banaras Hindu University, MBBS in 1965 and MS (General Surgery) in 1970, both from Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi. In 1974, he attained MCh (Urology) from CMC, Vellore. Prof. Pandey started his career in Urology as Registrar in the University Medical College Hospital, Varanasi. Later he shifted to CMC, Vellore, where he worked as Senior Registrar in Urology (1972-74), Lecturer (1974-76), Consultant (1976-1985) and finally as Professor of Urology (1985-2002). He was in charge of Transplant Surgery in this Institute. In 1989, Prof. Pandey was posted in Post Graduate Medical Institute, Dhaka, Bangladesh as a WHO Consultant for three months to start Renal Transplant Programme. He also had short stints in UK as Transplant Surgeon during the period 1993-2002 and currently continues to work in Belfast City Hospital, Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK as Consultant Transplant Surgeon. He has immense experience in teaching and clinical practice in Urology and has been an examiner for MCh and DNB (Urology) in various universities all over India. The Department of Urology, CMC, Vellore has performed over 2500 renal transplant surgeries, under his guidance and association. Prof. Pandey was a keen research worker and scholar and was involved in various scientific research projects. He has over 50 publications in various national and international journals and has been the author of three chapters in various scientific text books. Most of his articles were on renal transplantation, its results and complications. For his distinguished services to the mankind, Prof. Pandey was awarded Padmashri in 1984 by the President of India. He was also awarded the B.C.Roy National Award in 1987, President's Gold Medal in Urology in 1998 and Urology Gold Medal in 2002 for his contribution in Medical Education. He was also the President of the Urological Society of India, during the period 2000-2001. Prof. Pandey has presented scientific papers in innumerable conferences and has delivered the prestigious Col. Pandalai Oration of ASI, Ginde Memorial Oration of ICS, and Himadri Sarkar Oration of USI. Besides his academic interest, Prof. Pandey was a noted volley ball and hockey player and a public debator, who has won many laurels. He used to preach and practice yoga regularly and travel to places far and wide.

#### PROFESSOR V. RAVINDRANATH

Born on 20.06.1951, Dr. Ravindranath had his MBBS in 1974 from Madurai University, MS (Gen. Surg.) in 1977 from Madurai Kamaraj University and MCh (Uro) from Madras University in 1981. He had his MNAMS in 1980 and worked as Assistant Professor of Urology, Madurai Medical College and Govt. Rajaji Hospital, from 1981 – 1997. He has been Professor and Head of the Department of Urology in the same institution from 1997 – 2001 and from 2005 onwards. During the period 2001 – 2005 Dr. Ravindranath worked as Professor and Head of the Department of Urology, Coimbatore Medical College Hospital. Dr. Ravindranath is currently member of the board of studies, Tamil Nadu, Dr. M.G.R. Medical University and Examiner for MCh in various Universities. As has presented many papers and chaired scientific session in various National and International Conferences. He was the President of Association of Southern Urologists during 1994 - 1995. Organizing Secretary of ASUCON 1995 at Kodaikanal and Organizing Chairman of TAPASUCON 2001 again at Kodaikanal.

#### PROFESSOR K. RAVI SHANKAR

Prof.Kailasam Ravi Shankar was born on 1 march 1934. He passed his MBBS in 1956, MS (Gen. Surg.) in 1963, and MCh (Genito Urinary Surgery) in 1967, all from Madras University. He worked as demonstrator in Anatomy from 1960 - 1963. Hon. Assistant Professor of Surgery from 1963 - 1968, Hon. Assistant Professor of Urology from 1967 - 1971, Hon. Reader in Urology from 1971 - 1975 and Hon. Professor of Urology from 1976 – 92, all these posts being in Madras Medical College, Madras. He was an examiner for MCh (Urology) in various universities of South India and examiner for PhD for Kerala University. He was the recipient of Chipper – Field gold Medal in 1992 - 1993. He was also the Pinnamaneni Orator in the Silver jubilee Conference of USI at Kanyakumari in 1992. Prof. Ravi Shanker was the first fully Indian trained urologist in India and studied in the first batch of MCh Urology from Madras University. A teacher par excellence, Prof. Ravi Shankar has trained more than 75 MCh (urology) candidates who are spread all over India and Abroad. He also started Renal Transplantation programme Madras Medical College in 1986. He has presented more than 30 papers in various national conferences. He was the President of Madras Urological Society, Member of USI Governing Council and life member of various national professional borders. He has various original contributions in the field of Urology including ladel retractor for bladder operation and newer technique for Suprapubic Prostatectomy, Meatoplasty, VVF repair, Epiurethrafor Epispadiasis, treatment of Post Prostatectomy Incontinence (Down-turn urethra), Perineal Urethrostomy, UrethroNeovagina for Hijras etc.

#### PROFESSOR N. KRISHNAMURTHY

Born on 14.3.1941, Prof.N.Krishnamurthy qualified MBBS in 1963, MS (Gen. Surg) in 1973 and MCh (Uro) in 1976 from Madras Medical College, Madras. He worked as Tutor from 1973 - 1976 and as Assistant Professor from 1976 – 1986 in the same institution. From 1986 – 1994, he worked as a Specialist in Urology in the Ministry of Health, Saudi Arabia. On his return, he became the Professor and Head of Urology at Madurai Medical College, Madurai. Being a brilliant academician, Prof.N.Krishnamurthy has a string of degrees and post graduate degrees to his credit - MA, M.Phil (Tamil), MA (Phil &Rel), PGDJMC, DH & HM, PGDIM, PGDHRM and MBA. Prof.N.Krishnamurthy has been the Secretary of Madras Urological Society, President of Madurai NephroUrology Society, Founder Secretary & President of TAPASU and President of ASU. He is also the Founder Secretary, Vice President and Treasurer of Federation of Hospital Administrators and has organized many National Conferences on Hospital Management. He has also been the General Secretary and President of Tamil Nadu Assistant Surgeons Association, Central working Committee Member of IMA, Senior Vice President of IMA, Tami Nadu State Branch and Director of Studies, CGP, TNSB. He has been the District Chairman for AIDS Awareness from 2002 – 2007 and Assistant Governor from 2005 – 2006. Prof.N.Krishnamurthy has edited one volume of Anatomy in Tamil (Abdomen & Lower Limbs) published by Tamil University

#### PROFESSOR C.L.ASHOK KUMAR

Professor C.L.Ashok Kumar was born on 3rd Sept 1939. He graduated in 1961, passed his MS (Gen. Surg.) in 1967 and MCh (Urology) in 1969, from Madras Medical College, Madras. He joined Govt. Service in 1963 as Assistant Surgeon and continued his services till he retired in 1997 as Professor and Head of Department of Urology, Madras Medical College, Madras. During his career, he went as Common Wealth Scholar to UK for higher training in

Urology and Renal Transplantation. He had the privilege of working with Prof. John Swinney, Keith Yates and Uldall in UK. Prof. Ashok Kumar has been examiner for MCh and DNB (Urology) in several universities in India and an Inspector for MCh/DNB (Urology) courses. He was the President of Madras Urological Society, Association of Southern Urologists, TAPASU and Indian Society of Organ Transplantation (ISOT).

#### DR. N.SETHURAMAN

Born on 6th April 1943, Dr.Sethuraman had on outstanding undergraduate career and graduated from Madurai Medical College in 1969, being the Best Outgoing Student and receiving Dr.C.K.P.Menon Gold Medal. He got the First Rank in MBBS from Madras University and later secured Dr.Vadamalayan's Gold Medal for getting First Rank in MS from Madurai University. He also secured First Rank in MCh (Urology) from Madras University. He is the Founder President of S.R. Trust, a public charitable trust which has organized a 600 bed charitable multi-speciality Meenakshi Mission Hospital and Research Centre at Madurai. He is also the Founder of Mahasemam (Federation of Womens Group with 2.5 Lakh members), Founder and Managing Partner of MeenakshiBhavan Group of Hotels and Founder, Patron/President of a large number of Social Organizations in Tamil Nadu. Being the Founder Patron of Humour Club in Madurai, he achieved success in all fields with sense of humanity and humour in his deeds. He was also the State Vice President of IMA, Tamil Nadu Branch (1994 -1995), National Vice President of Indian Society of Health Administrators and Chairman of Senthamil College Committee. He has also been a member of various voluntary and professional bodies aiming at delivering Health Care. He was also the publisher of Madurai Medical Journal and Meenakshi Maruthuva Malar. He was the first man in Association of Southern Urologists to volunteer instituting an award and generously contributed at the Annual Conference held at Yercaud for giving the Best Paper Award during the Conference. Dr.Sethuraman was the recipient of Dr.B.C.Roy National Award from the President of India for Medico Social Relief in the year 1998 and the Life Time Achievement Award of the Federations of Tamil Sangams in North America.

#### PROFESSOR NALINI VENUGOPAL

Dr Nalini Venugopal was Professor of Pathology at Kasturba Medical College, Manipal. She was not only an eminent equal to her husband Dr P. Venugopal, she was also a regular participant in scientific sessions at Urology conferences. She was one of the earliest pathologists to take special interest in Uropathology, bringing the pathology insights into urological disease. Her clinico-pathological conferences greatly enhanced clinicians' understanding of Uropathology.

#### PRATHEEKSHA CHARITABLE TRUST

Pratheeksha Charitable Trust is a charitable organisation at Kochi doing social services to the poor and needy people in the community. The organisation offers financial help for treatment of various illnesses, conducts free medical camps, distributes patient awareness brochures, gives cash incentives and scholarships to the bright but economically backward students in schools etc in addition to various other social and charitable activities. Dr.H.Krishna Moorthy has been the Managing Trustee of the organisation. Dr.Krishna Moorthy has been a noted Urologist practicing in Kochi, was the President, Hon.Secretary (Twice) and Council Member of Association of Southern Urologists, President, Hon. Secretary (Twice) and

Editorial Secretary of UAK, Council Member of USI and President and Secretary in the local professional organisations in Kochi. In addition, he was the Organising Secretary for USICON 2004, SZUSICON 2014, UAKON 2000, 2005 (Sri Lanka), 2008 and 2016 (Andamans) and Annual UAK Workshop 2006. Dr.Krishna Moorthy was also a Member of Subject Expert Committee (Urology), DCG (I), Govt of India and Member, Editorial Committee, IJU. Dr.Moorthy has made significant contributions and made reforms in the professional bodies wherein he was an office bearer during his career. He has over 80 scientific publications, presented over 250 papers, published 2 books and written a chapter in a Urology book. Has won Best Presentation Awards on 15 different occasions and the Govt of Kerala presented him with the Best Young Scientist Award in the field of Medicine.

#### NU HOSPITALS, BENGALURU

NU Hospitals was started in July 1999 as a superspeciality hospital for nephro-urology care with facilities for DNB (Urology) post graduate training and Pediatric Urology Fellowship Courses at Padmanabhanagar, Bengaluru, India having a branch in Rajajinagar, Bengaluru. It is one of South India's leading nephro-urology hospitals and Karnataka's first dedicated nephro-urology centre. The hospital is NABH (National Accreditation Board of Hospitals & Healthcare Providers) & NABL (National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories) accredited. NU Hospital is the first stand-alone Nephro Urology hospital in India to achieve this dual distinction. The institute has always been a front runner in managing Paediatric Urological disorders over the last two decades. Paediatric Urologic Laparoscopy, Paediatric Complex Endourology, Paediatric Urodynamics & Neuro-Urology, Hypospadias, Nocturnal Enuresis, Dysfunctional voiding, Genetic Testing and Paediatric Reconstructive Urology are all done on a routine basis apart from Paediatric Nephrology and Renal Transplantation. The institute delivers quality services on evidence-based medicine to the community and they have published numerous articles in various journals.