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ASU NEWS Letter

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President's Column

It gives immense pleasure and honour to address you as the President of the ASU for one last time in a Newsletter.

As we move forward as an Association, we as a council felt there is a need to have an Advisory committee for the Association and also a legal committee. The details we shall put forward to you in the GBM for your approval. We also felt the need to look into our guidelines as it needs to be reviewed every five years and have come up with a few changes for your approval.

We as a scientific body have improvised a lot in the last few years. We had been able to keep pace with the latest technological developments around us. Thanks to the teaching of our seniors and endurance in learning the new techniques by our youngsters. Our Annual Conferences have always reflected this scientific improvement.

*SZUSICON 2025 at Vijayawada will be no exception to this. It had been our Plea right from the beginning of this year that we need to interact with the other zones and USI frequently in our programs as it would help our youngsters showcase their abilities to everyone across the country. We are sure you would support this in the present and in the future
I am extremely thankful to our Secretary Dr. Chandra Mohan Vaddi who is vibrant and committed to the cause. I am also blessed with an excellent council that had always been contributory and supportive.*

As we stand united and strong as the largest zonal body of our country, it's your continued support to the present and future councils which will help us all achieve greater heights as an Association in the years to come

Thank you for your support and blessings



Thank you and regards,

G. Chengalvarayan

Dr.G Chengalvarayan.

President

Association of Southern Urologists



Secretary's Column

Dear Esteemed Members of the Association of Southern Urologists,

It gives me immense pleasure to share updates from the past few months, which have seen robust academic activities and significant milestones within our fraternity.

Our flagship event, SZUSICON 2025, is scheduled from July 11th to 13th, 2025 at CK Conventions, Mangalagiri, Vijayawada—a venue known for its modern amenities and convenient location. I would like to acknowledge the tireless efforts of Dr. C. V. Satish Kumar, Dr. Dheeraj Kasaraneni, Dr. G. Ajay Kumar, and the VAGUS (Vijayawada Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons) team for their meticulous planning.

The scientific program has been thoughtfully designed to accommodate the large number of abstracts received, ensuring a comprehensive academic experience for all attendees. It includes engaging sessions such as Master Classes, Black Pearls on “Dreadful Complications in Urology” (submissions invited until 20th June), and competitive segments like Best Paper, Best Video, Best Poster, Quiz-O-Mania, Ideas and Innovations, as well as Moderated and Free Paper/Video Presentations.

Additional highlights include Expert Talks by senior faculty, the USI-ISU Session focusing on nuclear medicine and new technologies in urology, and the ASU Inter-Zonal Session led by ASU President Dr. G. Chengalvarayan under the theme “The Old Order Changes – Yielding Place to New”.

I would like to place on record my sincere appreciation to our President, Dr. G. Chengalvarayan, for his constant support, encouragement, and meticulous oversight of all ASU activities. His insightful guidance has been instrumental in helping me deliver on the responsibilities of the Secretary effectively. I also extend my heartfelt congratulations to the entire ASU Council for their valuable inputs and collective effort in shaping and strengthening our association's academic and organizational pursuits.

Recent months have also seen impactful academic activities including the Women Urologists Webinar, ASU Andrology Masterclass in Karnataka, and the Step-by-Step Surgical Techniques Program of AP & Telangana. I thank the convenors and faculty for delivering high-quality educational content that strengthens our community's academic rigor.

The Journal of the Association of Southern Urologists (JASU) has continued to flourish. I extend my sincere appreciation to Dr. Mallikarjuna Reddy (Editor-in-Chief), Associate Editors Dr. Bobby Viswaroop and Dr. Arun Ramdas Menon, and the entire editorial and advisory teams for their dedication to academic publishing.

I am confident that with your continued support, we will make all our initiatives a resounding success. Let us continue to uphold the academic spirit and camaraderie that define ASU.



With best wishes,

Dr. Chandra Mohan Vaddi
Honorary Secretary,
Association of Southern Urologists

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Treasurer's Column

Dear Esteemed Members and Colleagues,

It is my great honour to serve as the Treasurer of the Association of Southern Urologists. As we advance our mission of promoting excellence in Urology across Southern India, I am pleased to share an update on our financial health and future plans.

ASU continues to maintain strong financial stability, thanks to responsible fiscal management and your support. Sturdy growth in membership numbers have contributes significantly to our revenue. Corporate sponsorships have enabled academic events and augmented our journal initiative. Contributions from annual conference organizers, have also helped increasing funds for the activities of the association. Digitalization of member registrations and netbanking has improved transaction efficiency and accuracy.

The General Body had approved conducting conferences under the ASU pancard. We are looking forward to implement the same starting SZUSICON 2026, Mangaluru.

Meanwhile, the organizing committee of SZUSICON Vijayawada is working tirelessly to ensure a successful conference. The ASU Council has also planned a rich academic schedule.

Looking forward to meeting you all at Vijayawada for a memorable conference filled with academics, wisdom and camaraderie.

Long live ASU

Best regards



Dr Nischith DSouza
Treasurer
Association of Southern Urologists



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SZUSICON 2025

Welcome to the 36th Annual Conference of the Association of Southern Urologists – SZUSICON 2025

Dear ASU Members,

I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to each of you for the 36th Annual Conference of the Association of Southern Urologists, SZUSICON 2025, to be held in Vijayawada from **July 11th to 13th, 2025**. This year's conference promises to be a memorable event, thanks to the tireless efforts of the organizing team led by **Dr. C. V. Satish Kumar (Organizing Chairman)**, **Dr. Dheeraj Kasaraneni (Organizing Secretary)**, and **Dr. G. Ajay Kumar (Organizing Treasurer)**, along with their dedicated team and the dynamic support of VAGUS (Vijayawada Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons).

Organizing Committee Updates

The arrangements for SZUSICON 2025 are progressing smoothly, with over 800 registrations already confirmed. The conference will feature a wide array of exciting activities, including a cricket tournament with 60 participants on July 10th, followed by a host dinner and faculty dinner. Special darshan at Kanakadurga Temple has been planned on all three days from 5:30 am to 7:30 am. On July 11th, an evening workshop will be conducted by **VAGUS**, and a trek to Eco Park, 2 km from the venue, will be organized on Friday morning from 5:30 am to 7:00 am. Additionally, on Saturday morning from 6:00 am to 7:00 am, there will be a public awareness walkathon on BPH, to be flagged off by ASU leadership. I also discussed with Dr. Dheeraj to ensure that the arrangements for the scientific sessions are seamlessly executed, making this conference an academic feast for all participants.

Scientific Program Updates

As Secretary, I am pleased to report that we received an impressive number of abstracts for SZUSICON 2025, reflecting the keen interest and enthusiasm of our members to contribute to this scientific platform. The scientific program has been thoughtfully crafted to accommodate these submissions and is designed to include as many ASU members as possible while maximizing the use of HALL A and HALL B. We are preparing power-packed sessions across various themes to ensure a comprehensive and enriching academic experience for all attendees.



The **Black Pearls** session will focus on the theme —Dreadful Complications in Urology,|| and I encourage members to submit their challenging cases and participate actively in this session before the **20th of June**.The academic program will feature **Best Paper, Best Video, Best Poster, Quiz-O-Mania, Ideas and Innovations Session, Moderated Posters, Free Papers, Free Videos, and Unmoderated Posters**—offering ample opportunities for knowledge exchange and recognition.

Master Classes have been thoughtfully curated to cover diverse aspects of urology:

- 1. Andrology Master Class: Dr. Gajanan Bhat**
- 2. Robotic & Laparoscopy Master Class: Dr. M. Ramalingam**
- 3. Pediatric Urology: Dr. Chandra Singh**
- 4. Urolithiasis Master Class: Dr. Muthu Veeramani**
- 5. Reconstructive Urology: Dr. Arabind Panda**
- 6. Renal Transplant Master Class: Dr. T.A. Kishore**
- 7. Uro-Oncology Master Class: Dr. Rakesh Kumar Manilal**
- 8. WOU Master Class: Dr. N. Rajamaheswari**
- 9. Youth Urology Master Class: Dr. Abheesh Hegde**

Other sessions:

- **Reclaim Urology** by Dr. N. Mallikarjuna Reddy
- **Expert Talks** by Dr. Ganesh Gopalakrishnan, Dr. Mallikarjuna C, Dr. Sanjay Sinha, and Dr. Madhusudan Agrawal
- **Infodemics** by President USI – Dr. Rajeev TP
- **USI – ISU Session**, to be conducted by Dr. Sujata Patwardhan, Dr. Surya Prakash, and Dr. Bobby Viswaroop, focusing on nuclear medicine and new technologies in urology
- **ASU's Inter-Zonal Session** by ASU President Dr. G. Chengalvarayan, under the theme: "The Old Order Changes – Yielding Place to New."

Conference Venue:

SZUSICON 2025 will be held at CK Conventions, located in Mangalagiri, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh. CK Conventions is a premier event venue known for its spacious halls, modern amenities, and convenient location, making it an ideal setting for our conference. The venue's state-of-the-art facilities will ensure a comfortable and productive environment for all attendees. Together, with the hard work and support of the organizing team and VAGUS (Vijayawada Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons), we are set to create a rich academic experience and forge memorable connections. I look forward to welcoming you all in Vijayawada and to a conference that will truly showcase the vibrant spirit and collaborative excellence of ASU.

Warm regards,

Dr. V. Chandra Mohan

Hon. Secretary, Association of Southern Urologists



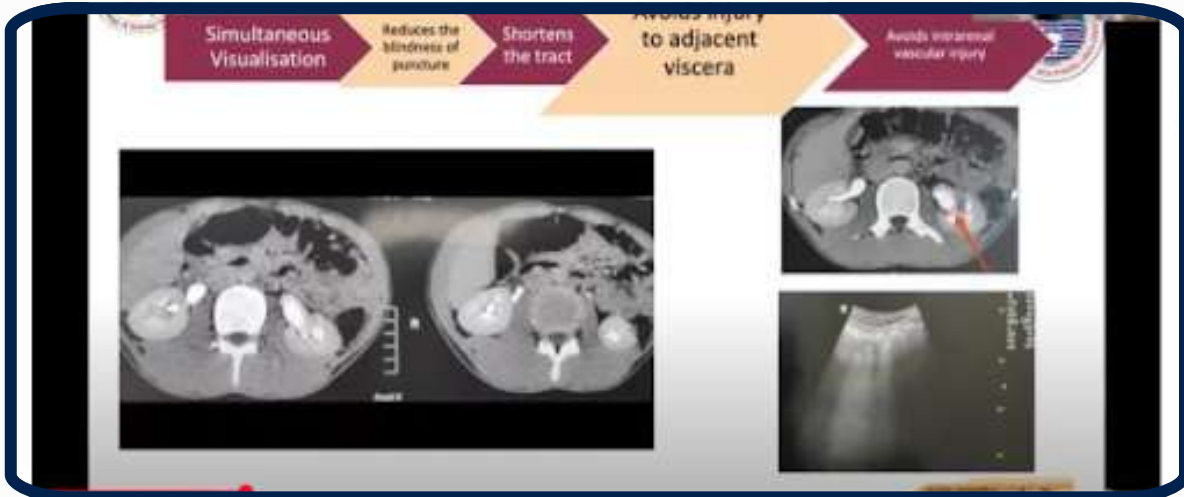
Activities completed in the academic year

ASU Webinar – "By Women Urologists"

The Association of Southern Urologists (ASU) successfully hosted an insightful live webinar on 27th February 2025, titled "By Women Urologists", focusing on common urological practices. This session highlighted the growing role of women in urology and provided a platform for leading female urologists to share their expertise and experiences. The event was skillfully moderated by Dr. K. Lalitha, Dr. N. Raja Maheswari, Dr. Srikala Prasad, Dr. Muthulatha, Dr. M. Deepti Sureka, Dr. Nithya R, and Dr. T. Manasa, ensuring an engaging and productive discussion.

The session featured distinguished speakers covering a wide range of key topics in modern urological practice: Dr. G Soundarya on USG Guided Access in Supine PCNL; Dr. Sarika Pandya on Interpretation of Urodynamic Graphs; Dr. S Madhuri Evangeline on ERAS for Major Urological Procedures; Dr. Anu Ramesh on AI in Renal Transplant; Dr. Karthi on Laparoscopic Management of Upper Ureteric Stricture; Dr. Jeni Mathew on Low Power HOLEP Technique; Dr. Abhigna Panda on Robotic Renal Recipient Management; Dr. Divyashree on Open vs LAP vs Robotic Sacrocolpopexy; Dr. N Raja Maheswari on Cystocele Repair & Reconstruction; and Dr. J Induja on Institutional Experience of BMG Urethroplasty. The webinar saw an active participation of 80 to 90 attendees who joined online, making it a highly interactive and engaging session. This event reinforced the excellence of women urologists and provided a valuable learning experience for attendees. We extend our gratitude to the ASU Council, moderators, and speakers for their valuable contributions in making this session a grand success.





Anterior colporrhaphy NTR :
Midline plication of the fibromuscular layer of the AVW

by Women UROLOGISTS
About common urological practices.

27th February 2025 6:30 to 8:30 PM

[Click here to join Zoom Link](#) Meeting ID: **854 8592 8032** / Passcode: **872528**

MODERATORS :

Dr. K. Lakshmi	Dr. N. Raja Maheswari	Dr. S. Madhuri Evangeline	Dr. Anu Ramesh	Dr. Karthi	Dr. Jeni Mathew	Dr. Abhigna Panda	Dr. Divyashree	Dr. N. Raja Maheswari

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SPEAKERS :

- Dr. G Soundarya**
USG Guided access in Supine PCNL
- Dr. Sarika Pandya**
Different Urodynamic graphs and how to interpret
- Dr. S. Madhuri Evangeline**
ERAS for Major Urological Procedure
- Dr. Anu Ramesh**
Human limits and beyond: the use of AI in renal transplant
- Dr. Karthi**
New avenues in Laparoscopic Management of upper Ureteric Stricture : Journey so far
- Dr. Jeni Mathew**
Low Power HoLEP Technique
- Dr. Abhigna Panda**
Robotic Renal Recipient Management and Experience
- Dr. Divyashree**
Open vs LAP vs Robotic Sacrocolpopexy
- Dr. N. Raja Maheswari**
Cystocele Repair - What a reconstructive Surgeon needs to know?
- Dr. J. Indira**



ASU COUNCIL MEMBER ACTIVITY – AP & TELANGANA

Theme – "Step by Step Surgical Technique of Common Urological Surgeries"

The Council Member Activity of ASU, titled "Step by Step Surgical Technique of Common Urological Surgeries," was successfully conducted by Dr AV Ravi Kumar , ASU Council Member on 23rd February 2025 at T-Hub, Hyderabad. This one-day physical meeting brought together renowned faculty and urology experts to discuss and demonstrate various surgical techniques in urology. The event was inaugurated by ASU President Dr. G. Chengalvarayan, Honorary Secretary Dr. Chandra Mohan Vaddi, and Organizing Secretary Dr. A.V. Ravi Kumar, marking the commencement of a highly informative and engaging academic session. The program featured expert faculty members who delivered insightful lectures and demonstrations on key surgical techniques: Dr. George P. Abraham on Lap Donor Nephrectomy; Dr. C. Mallikarjuna on Lap/Robotic Partial Nephrectomy; Dr. Sanjay Kulkarni on Panurethral Stricture; Dr. M. Ramalingam on Lap/Robotic Ureteric Reimplant; Dr. N. Mallikarjuna Reddy on Lap/Robotic Pyeloplasty; Dr. S.K. Pal on Prone PCNL; Dr. Yuvaraja T.B. on Robotic Radical Prostatectomy; Dr. Chandra Mohan Vaddi on Supine PCNL; Dr. V. Surya Prakash on Lap/Robotic VVF Repair; Dr. Tanuj Paul Bhatia on Prostate Enucleation; Dr. Vinod K.V. on Sheathless RIRS; Dr. Gautam Banga on Penile Implant; and Dr. N. Karthickeyan on Retrograde Intrarenal Surgery (RIRS). With an overwhelming attendance of 270 participants, the event was a grand success, demonstrating the meticulous planning and execution by Dr. A.V. Ravi Kumar and his team. The organizing team, consisting of Dr. Koushik, Dr. Madhusudhan, Dr. Parth Sri, and Mr. Krishna, played a crucial role in ensuring seamless coordination, hospitality, and execution of the event. The event was highly praised for its excellent selection of venue, well-structured sessions, smooth event flow, and impeccable hospitality, making it one of the best programs conducted by ASU. This program stands as a testament to ASU's commitment to surgical excellence and continuous learning, setting a new benchmark for future academic initiatives. It is very sad that this was the last academic program of Dr George P Abraham sir before he left us.





ASU COUNCIL MEMBER ACTIVITY – KARNATAKA

Theme – " ASU Andrology Masterclass"

The ASU Council Member Activity of Karnataka—the Andrology Masterclass—was successfully conducted on March 23, 2025 (Sunday) at RG Royal Hotel, Bangalore, under the leadership of Dr. Kumar Prabhu M, ASU Council Member, in association with NU Hospitals, Bangalore.

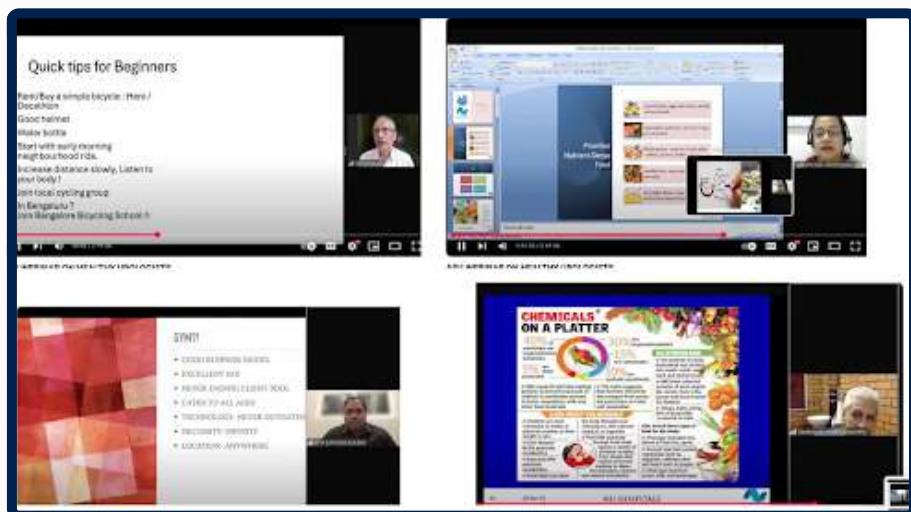
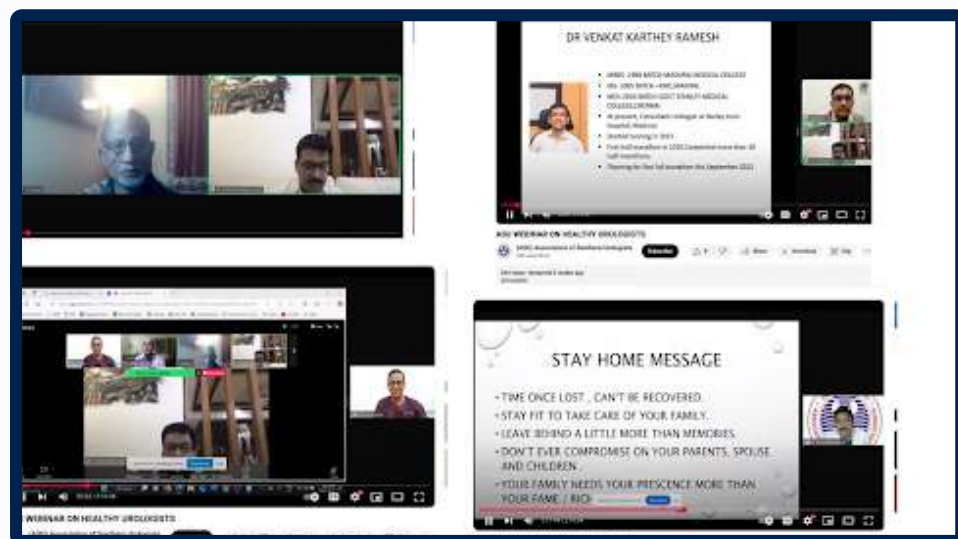
The event received an overwhelming response with over 170 delegates in attendance, including consultants and postgraduates. The session was formally inaugurated by Dr. Keshavamurthy, President Elect – USI; Dr. G. Chengalvarayan, President – ASU; Dr. V. Chandra Mohan, Honorary Secretary – ASU; Dr. Kumar Prabhu, Organising Secretary; and Dr. Prasanna, Managing Director – NU Hospitals. The day-long sessions covered a range of andrology topics including Erectile Dysfunction, Penile Prosthesis, Peyronie's Disease, Premature Ejaculation, and Male Infertility. Speakers for the event included Dr. G Chengalvarayan, Dr. Pramod Krishnappa, Dr. T S S Rao, Dr. Arun Karthik, Dr. Rahul Reddy, Dr. Vasan S S, Dr. Gajanan Bhat, Dr. Srinivas B V, Dr. Sanjay Prakash, and Dr. Vinod K V.

All sessions were scientifically rich and clinically relevant, keeping the audience engaged throughout.. The event was accredited with 2 KMC credit hours. The hall remained packed till the closing, with excellent interaction and feedback from attendees. This Masterclass was widely praised as one of the most memorable academic events under ASU and a benchmark for future focused specialty programs.



ASU WEBINAR ON "HEALTHY UROLOGISTS"

The Association of Southern Urologists (ASU) conducted a unique and refreshing webinar titled "Healthy Urologists" on April 29, 2025, from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Moderated by Dr. Ganesh Gopalakrishnan (Coimbatore) and Dr. Krishna Kishore (Vijayawada), this special session focused on health, fitness, and wellness—areas not often addressed in urology meetings but crucial for the well-being of healthcare professionals. Attended by over 100 delegates, the session received enthusiastic feedback for its refreshing and relevant theme. Participants appreciated the practical insights and personal experiences shared by the speakers. The webinar successfully highlighted the importance of a healthy lifestyle for urologists, reinforcing that self-care is essential for sustained professional performance. This well-conducted session by ASU is a valuable initiative that promotes wellness and balance in the urology community and sets a precedent for similar sessions in the future.





ASU Research Methodology Course

The Association of Southern Urologists (ASU) is currently conducting a structured Research Methodology Course for urology postgraduates and ASU members. This three-month online program, held virtually via Zoom every week from April to June 2025, aims to strengthen research knowledge and academic skills among budding and practicing urologists. Dr. Denis Xavier, a leading figure in clinical research from St. John's Medical College, is the course director.

Topics covered so far include research question framing, cross-sectional and cohort studies, case-control studies, and randomized controlled trials, while upcoming sessions will focus on advanced trial designs and registry-based research. Expert opinions are shared by Dr. Apul Goel and Dr. Arvind Ganpule, enhancing the value of each session. Sessions are conducted from 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM, with good attendance and active participant interaction. This course has been well received, with consistent feedback on its practical relevance and clarity. It is a flagship academic initiative by ASU to promote high-quality research and publication among its members.

Association of Southern Urologists (India)

Urology Residents Research Training

14 Apr to 20 June 2025; **Thursdays and Fridays** 6.30pm to 8.00pm

Ver.15 Apr 2025

Sl no.	Date	Title / Topics covered	Methodology
1	14 Apr 2025	• Inaugural • Program Orientation • Research Study Designs	
SECTION 1:			
Research Question and Study Designs			
2	24 Apr 2025	• Cross Sectional • Registry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interactive lectures focusing on methods, results and interpretation; • Examples from relevant journals • STROBE, CONSORT, PRISMA, COREQ
3	25 Apr 2025	• Case Control Studies	
	1 May 2025	• Break	
4	2 May 2025	• Cohort Studies	
5	8 May 2025	• Randomized Controlled Trials	
		• Quasi Experimental Studies	
		• Systematic Reviews	
6	9 May 2025	• Meta Analysis: Pooling Methods & Interpretation • RevMan	
SECTION 2:			
Biostatistics and Data Management			
• Short lecture on key principles • Several illustrations • Examples from Urology journals			
7	22 May 2025	• Types of data • T tests: independent sample; paired;	
		• ANOVA • MANOVA • ANCOVA	
8	23 May 2025	• Chi squared tests • Mann Whitney U • Kruskal Wallis • Wilcoxon's	
		• Correlation: Pearson's and Spearman's	
9	29 May 2025	• Regression: Linear, Multiple Linear & Multiple Logistic Regression	
10	30 May 2025	• Survival analysis: Kaplan Meier curves, Hazard ratio, Cox models	
11	5 June 2025	• Sample Size Estimation; • Data needed for SS • Principles in SS Estimation • Free Software • How to work with Statisticians	
SECTION 3: Research Management and Dissemination:			
Regulatory and Ethics, Funding and Grants, Presentations, Scientific Writing and Publications			
12	6 June 2025	• Data Collection Instruments (DCI Or CRFs) • Data Bases • Quality Checks	
13	12 June 2025	• Key Principles in Research Ethics • Essential Regulations in India	
		• Registering Studies • Dealing with Ethics Committees	
		• Funding for Research • Internal, External and International Grants	
14	13 June 2025	• Key principles in Grant Writing • Submitting grants • Grant Review Process • Managing Research Funding	
15	19 June 2025	• Scientific Writing • Sections of a Journal Article • Plagiarism Check	
		• Submitting to Journals • Responding to Reviewers • Publication Metrics	
16	20 June 2025	• Oral/ Podium Presentation • Poster Presentation • Online Presentation	
		• Valedictory and close	



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ASU RESEARCH ACTIVITY WEBINAR SERIES

Topic: **ASU RESEARCH ACTIVITY**
First introductory webinar on

APRIL 14th 2025 (Monday)
Timing: 6:30 PM India
Meeting ID: 852 2348 3482
Passcode: 281127

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ASU RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

Virtual On Zoom

24th April 2025
Thursday
6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

Meeting ID: 871 4481 1944
Passcode: 105118

TOPICS:

- Framing Research Questions
- Cross Sectional Studies

Course Director: **Dr. Deeksh Kaxler**
Expert Opinion: **Dr. Apul Goel**

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ASU RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

Virtual On Zoom

25th April 2025
Friday
6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

Meeting ID: 845 5883 2946
Passcode: 574666

TOPICS:

- Case Control Studies
- Registry

Course Director: **Dr. Deeksh Kaxler**
Expert Opinion: **Dr. Apul Goel**

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ASU RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

Virtual On Zoom

2nd May 2025
Friday
6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

Meeting ID: 845 2581 5902
Passcode: 302393

TOPICS:

- Cohort Studies

Course Director: **Dr. Deeksh Kaxler**
Expert Opinion: **Dr. Apul Goel**

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ASU RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

Virtual On Zoom

8th May 2025
Thursday
6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

Meeting ID: 881 7369 3726
Passcode: 436938

TOPICS:

- Cohort Randomized Controlled Trials
- Quasi Experimental Studies

Course Director: **Dr. Deeksh Kaxler**
Expert Opinion: **Dr. Apul Goel**

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ASU RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

Virtual On Zoom

9th May 2025
Friday
6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

Meeting ID: 813 0891 2085
Passcode: 173643

TOPICS:

- Randomised Control Trials-2
- Non Inferiority & Superiority Hypotheses
- Factorial Designs
- Cluster RCT
- Adaptive Trials
- Master Protocols
- BMBS, SMART

Course Director: **Dr. Deeksh Kaxler**
Expert Opinion: **Dr. Arvind Ganguly**

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ASU RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

Virtual On Zoom

22nd May 2025
Thursday
7:30 pm to 8:45 pm

Meeting ID: 827 7049 6566
Passcode: 297884

TOPICS:

- Systematic Reviews
- Meta Analysis

Course Director: **Dr. Deeksh Kaxler**
Expert Opinion: **Dr. Apul Goel**

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ASU RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

Virtual On Zoom

29th May 2025
Thursday
6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

Meeting ID: 885 0948 7594
Passcode: 894119

TOPICS:

- Types of Data & Parametric Tests (T Tests, ANOVA, ANCOVA)

Course Director: **Dr. Deeksh Kaxler**
Expert Opinion: **Dr. Apul Goel**

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ASU RESEARCH METHODOLOGY COURSE

Virtual On Zoom

30th May 2025
Friday
7:30 pm to 8:45 pm

Meeting ID: 826 5319 2332
Passcode: 970461

TOPICS:

- Non Parametric Tests (Chi Squared, Wilcoxon, Mann Whitney, Kruskal Wallis, Friedman's)

Course Director: **Dr. Deeksh Kaxler**
Expert Opinion: **Dr. Apul Goel**



ASU Webinar – LUTS & Carcinoma Prostate

The Association of Southern Urologists (ASU) conducted a focused academic webinar on “LUTS & Carcinoma Prostate” on May 27, 2025 (Tuesday), from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM via Zoom. Attended by 45–55 delegates, the session featured clinical insights, differential approaches, and case-based discussions on lower urinary tract symptoms (LUTS) and prostate carcinoma in younger individuals—topics of growing clinical importance. The topics covered included LUTS in a young male and BPH with LUTS in a young male by Dr. A Venkata Ravi Kumar, and carcinoma prostate in a young male by Dr. Ginil Kumar P. This informative session added significant value for the attendees through its practical insights and case-based perspectives.

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**LIVE ASU WEBINAR ON
LUTS & CARCINOMA PROSTATE**

**May 27th
2025 (Tuesday)
6:30PM to 8:30PM**

Meeting ID:
814 9264 8889
Passcode: **231827**

Topics :
LUTS in a young Male
BPH with LUTS in a young Male
- **Dr A Venkata Ravi Kumar**
Carcinoma Prostate in a young Male
- **Dr Ginil Kumar P**

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ASU YOUTH UROLOGY PROGRAM

The ASU webinar on “Young Urologists’ Perspectives” held on 4th June 2025 was a highly informative session, attended by over 100 participants. Moderated by Dr. Abheesh Hegde and Dr. Gopal Tak, the session featured young urologists presenting on relevant clinical and career-oriented topics. The expert opinion by Dr. Abhishek Singh added great value. ASU Secretary Dr. V. Chandra Mohan and President Dr. G. Chengalvarayan appreciated the excellent contributions and active participation.



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Speakers :



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Schedule :


<i>Time</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Topic / Role</i>
6:30 – 6:35 PM	Dr. G. Chengalvarayan	Presidential Address – ASU President
6:35 – 6:40 PM	Dr. V. Chandra Mohan	Secretary's Message – ASU Honorary Secretary
6:40 – 6:45 PM	Dr. Abheesh Hegde, Mangalore	Moderator Introduction
6:45 – 6:55 PM	Dr. Rohit Hegde, Sirsi	Freelancing Fresher in a Tier-3 City
6:55 – 7:05 PM	Dr. Shreyas N M, Mangalore	A Young Urologist's Dilemma: To Pursue Robotics or Laparoscopy
7:05 – 7:15 PM	Dr. Bala Ravi Teja, Kurnool	Intravesical Chemotherapy – Recent Advances
7:15 – 7:25 PM	Dr. Hemnath, Hyderabad	Off-Clamp Robotic Partial Nephrectomy
7:25 – 7:35 PM	Dr. Shashank Agrawal, Hyderabad	Subspecialize or Generalize: The Novice Urologist's Dilemma in India
7:35 – 7:45 PM	Dr. Vivek Meyyappan, Chennai	Lymph Node Management in Penile Cancer
7:45 – 7:55 PM	Dr. Ravi Taori, Bengaluru	Renal Hilar Masses – Focus on Intra-hilar Dissection
7:55 – 8:05 PM	Dr. Manas Ranjan Panda, Chennai	Novel Technique of Multiple Renal Stone Extraction Before Pyeloplasty
8:05 – 8:15 PM	Dr. Sandeep, Hyderabad	Practice in a Metro City as a Young Urologist: Navigating the Challenges
8:15 – 8:25 PM	Dr. Abhishek Singh, YOUSi, Chairman, Nadiad	Expert Opinion
8:25 – 8:30 PM	--	Closing Remarks

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UPCOMING UROLOGY PROGRAMS

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TOPICS:
Correlation And Regression


Course Director :
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TOPICS:
Survival Analysis

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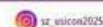
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ELECTIONS 2025 -26

CANDIDATES INFORMATION

The Notifications for Elections released on 7th February 2025 for **President Elect and Secretary Elect**. The last date for Submission of nominations was on 12th April 2025. Dr Avudiappan P , The Past President of ASU is the returning officer for the election.

The Following is the list of the candidates contesting for the Election.

President Elect:

- Dr. Jagadeeshwar Thirukovela – Hyderabad
- Dr. Shivalingaiah M – Bangalore
- Dr. S. Joseph Philipraj – Pondicherry

No nomination was received for the post of **Secretary Elect**. The last date for withdrawal of nominations is **15th June 2025**.

CONTESTANTS BRIEF INFORMATION

Know Your Candidate

Dr. Jagadeeshwar Thirukovela, Candidate for the post of President- Elect



Name: Prof. Dr. Jagadeeshwar Thirukovela

Current Designation:

Professor, Senior Consultant & HOD Urology in ESIC, Sanathnagar, Hyderabad.

- **Born in 1960**
- Had School and intermediate in **native Adilabad district**.
- Completed **M.B,B.S in 1983 in K.M.C, Warangal**
- Did **M.S general surgery in Osmania Medical College between 1984 and 1987**



- Worked as **Asst Prof of Surgery** in Osmania Medical College/ OGH from 1987 to 1994 (Six and half years teaching plus one year leave during which worked as surgeon in private)
- Did **M.Ch Urology** from Gandhi Medical College between 1994 and 1996
- Worked as **Asst.Professor of Urology** in Osmania Medical College /Hospital for 16 yrs. from January 1996 to May 2011
- Worked as **HOD urology** in GMC/Gandhi Hospital from May 2011 till Retirement in **August 2018 (Six and half years)**
- Retired as **Professor of Urology** from GOVT SERVICE on 31st August 2018.
- Since retirement **Worked as Professor & HOD Urology** in Kamineni Hospital, LB Nagar, Hyderabad till August 2021(Two and half years)
- **Presently From September 2021 till date working as Professor, Senior Consultant & HOD Urology** in ESIC, Sanathnagar, Hyderabad.
- **Has been in Teaching nearly for Thirty Six years (36 years)**
- **Has been practicing in private as senior consultant and transplant surgeon in Hyderabad Kidney & Laparoscopy Centre and other Hospitals.**
- **Have 15 publications to the credit**
- **In dedicated professional work, performed many renal transplants, radical procedures other reconstructive procedures of complex nature and very long duration with very good success rate.**
- **Have been selected by Union GOVT of India and imparted training as "TRAINER OF TRAINERS" in National Family Planning department for Microscopic Vas& Tubal Recanalization as well as No scalpel Vasectomy.**
- **Did Basic Medical Education**
- **Did Advanced Medical Education (ACME) course of MCI in Belgaum.**
- **Passed BCBR Exam**
- **Conducted many State and National level conferences**
- **Conducted many Workshops & Academic programmes**
- **Presented many papers, Involved in debates & Chaired sessions in various conferences**
- **Served Association of Southern Urologists as council member for two years.**
- **Served SOGUS AP & TS as council member, treasurer, honorary secretary and presently serving as the president**
- **Part of a few teaching faculty associations**
- **Participated in many social events**

Dr. M. Shivalingaiah, Candidate for the post of President- Elect



Name: Dr. SHIVALINGAIAH. M

MBBS, MS, M.Ch. (Urology)

Current Designation:

Director & Professor Institute of Nephro Urology,
Victoria Hospital Campus, Bangalore, Karnataka-560002

KMC Registration No.: 26,106

Age/Date of Birth: 62-years, / 24-03-1963

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EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

M.B.B.S. Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Medical College, Bangalore University - 1986,

M.S. (General Surgery) on Deputation – GOK Ref.: (HFW123:MPS98 dated 19/09/1998) M.

S. Ramaiah Medical College, Bangalore, RGUHS – 2001

M.Ch. (Urology) on Concurrent duty as Lecturer GOK - Bangalore Medical College,
Bangalore RGUHS – 2007

Awards

1. KARNATAKA "SUVARNA MAHOTSAVA PRASHASTI" 2024 STATE AWARDEE
2. NADAPRABHU KEMPEGOWDA PRASHASTI 2014 STATE AWARDEE



WORKING & ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

- JOINED GOVERNMENT SERVICES THROUGH KPSC SELECTION – 07/11/1987
After Graduation (Beginning of government service) – MBBS
- Medical officer cum Assistant Surgeon General Hospital – Bagepalli, Kolar District
7/11/1987 to Aug' 1988
- Medical officer cum Assistant Surgeon Pandavapura & Narayanpura DHU Aug'1988 to 1995
- Senior Medical Officer & Deputy Chief Medical Officer Chikka Byadarahalli PHC
Mandya District - Pandavapura 1995 to 1998
- Senior Specialist & Deputed to Post Graduation – M.S GOK M.S. Ramaiah Medical
College 1998 to 2001

ADMINISTRATIVE & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- After Post-Graduation – MS (General Surgery) Continued in Government Services in
Medical Education Department
- Senior Specialist/Deputy Chief Medical Officer Bowring & Lady Curzon Hospitals 17-
10-2001 to 05-07-2002
 - Cadre change HFW to Medical Education OOD Lecturer in Urology (HFW2MCL2005
dated 20/10/2005) Department of Urology, Bangalore Medical College. 05-07-2002 to
01-08-2004
 - After Super Specialty – M.Ch. (Urology) Continued in Government Services in Medical
Education Department
 - Lecturer in Urology (Concomitant post) During M. Ch. Super specialty, Department of
Urology, BMCRI, Deputed to Institute of Nephro-Urology. (05-07-2002) Sept 2007 to 24-
03-2008
 - Assistant Professor in Urology Department of Urology, BMCRI, Deputed to INU 24-03-
2008 to 15-01-2009
 - Associate Professor in Urology Department of Urology, INU. 16-01-2009 to
17.02.2015
 - VIP/VVIP (AT. NO : HFW314MSF2013 dated 08/11/2013) Consultant Additional
Responsibility Kumara Krupa Guest house, Govt. of Karnataka 2015 to 2017
 - DIRECTOR- Government of Karnataka INU –Autonomous institute. 08-06-2017 to 24-
06-2019
 - Professor of Urology - Department of Urology, Institute of Nephro-Urology.
18.02.2015 to 30.09.2024
 - Professor & HEAD OF DEPARTMENT (SIMS/PRI/APTS-SSH/2024-25) Sapthagiri Institute
of Medical Sciences 01.10.2024 to 27.01.2025
 - DIRECTOR & PROFESSOR (Permanent) - Institute of Nephro-Urology Autonomous
institute Government of Karnataka Bangalore 30.01.2025 till date



- Experience Certificate from the Appropriate Authority (No.:INU/EST(01)/01/2023-24 from INU dated 25/11/2024)
- Good Clinical Practice (GCP) Training Certification by National Institute of Health (NIH), Completed January 2024.

POSITIONS HELD

- 1987 to 1998 – Department of H&FW – Assistant Surgeon to Deputy Chief Medical Officer at Mandya district.
- 2002 to 2024 – Professor & HOU (Department of Urology), INSTITUTE OF NEPHRO-UROLOGY, Bangalore - 560002.
- 2017 to 2019 – DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE OF NEPHRO-UROLOGY, Bangalore - 560002.
- 2013 to 2015 - VIP/VVIP Consultant, Kumara Krupa Guest House, Government of Karnataka.
- 2017 to 2018 - CHAIRMAN – State Level Authorization Committee for transplantation of human organs.
- PG examiner for RGUHS and external examiner for M.Ch. (Urology) PG exams in other universities across India.
- 2018 till date – DNB assessor for initiation and seat enhancement for DNB (Urology) courses.
- 2016 to September 2024 – NMC inspector - pertaining to medical assessment and ratings board (MARB)
- 2023 till date - Chairman of Local Inspection Committee (LIC) for conducting inspection for starting new M. Ch. Urology course for RGUHS.
- 2024 till date – DNB/DrNB final practical coordinator examiner.
- Recognition of Teachers as Medical Super Specialty PG teacher to guide the DM / M.Ch Students. (Ref. AGA/DCD/E006/20189637/2018).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- ELECTED AS COUNCIL MEMBER FOR UROLOGICAL SOCIETY OF INDIA, 2025
- Treasurer, Association of Southern Urologists (South Zone), 2021-2023.
- Council Member, Association of Southern Urologists, 2018-2020.
- Karnataka Urological Association - PRESIDENT – 2017 to 2018.
- Karnataka Urological Association – Council Member – 2015 to 2017.
- President of Bangalore Urological Society - 2015.
- AUA Member (AMERICAN UROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION) - No. 00843774 since 2013.
- Life member of Urological Society of India (USI) - No. S331.
- Life member of Urological Association of Asia (UAA).
- Life member of Société Internationale d'Urologie (SIU).
- Life member of Association Surgeons of India - No. 13025FL.



- Life member of South Zone Urological Society, South Zone - No. S109.
- Life member of Karnataka Urological Association, Karnataka. – No. S031.
- Life member of Bangalore Urological Society, Bangalore.
- Life member of Surgical Society Bangalore, Bangalore.
- Life member of Indian Medical Association, India.
- M.Ch. Post Graduate Examiner, RGUHS (TIN No.10605).
- M. Ch. Post Graduate External Examiner, Rajasthan – RUHS (ID: OM02216)
- M.Ch.Post Graduate External Examiner, Maharashtra – MUHS.(Practical Appt: 2539251)
- M. Ch. Post Graduate External Examiner, Kerala – KUHS. (Practical Appt: 2539251)
- M. Ch. Post Graduate External Examiner, Andhra Pradesh – DR. NTRUHS.
- M. Ch. Post Graduate External Examiner, Telangana – KNRUHS.
- Member of Indian Continence Foundation.

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

1. "Renal biopsy: A better predictor of the outcome of pyeloplasty in adult ureteropelvic junction obstruction?" Bhat GS, Shivalingaiah M, Jayaram S, Siddappa S. Clinical Trial Urology 2012 Feb; 79(2): 321–325. DOI: 10.1016/j.urology.2011.10.018. Epub 2011 Dec 14.
2. "Doppler ultrasonographic assessment of early changes in kidney graft size and resistive index: Is it relevant and predictive of 1-year post-transplant graft function?" Shivalingaiah M, Rudrappa Hallikeri R, Rangaswamy NS. J Evolution Med Dent Sci 2019 Jun 3; 8(22): 1780-1784. DOI: 10.14260/jemds/2019/391.
3. "Transpubic urethroplasties for recurrent urethral strictures in pelvic fracture urethral distraction defects: A tertiary care center experience" Shivalingaiah M. Asian Journal of Medical Research 7(1): SG05-SG07.
4. "Correlation between Gleason's score and bone scintigraphy results in metastatic prostate cancer: The silent marauder – Is it a fact or fictitious?" Shivalingaiah M, Anvesh A, Srinidhi R, Adiga P. Asian Journal of Medical Research ISSN (O): 2347-3398; ISSN (P): 2277-7253.
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6. "The size of external urethral meatus on maximum stretch in Indian adult males" Published online: July 4, 2012 | DOI: 10.1007/s12262-012-0549-x. Bhat GS, Shivalingaiah M, Nelivigi GG, Ratkal CS. Urology 2014; 76(1): 85–89
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9. "Primary renal leiomyosarcoma: Case report and literature review" Bhat GS, Nelivigi GG, Shivalingaiah M, Ratkal CS. Afr J Urol 17: 15–17 (2011). DOI: 10.1007/s12301-011-0004-4.
10. "Dysfunctional voiding as a presenting feature of Marfan syndrome: A rare case" Bhat GS, Nelivigi GG, Shivalingaiah M, Ratkal CS. January 2011 | UroToday International Journal 4(1): art14. DOI: 10.3834/uij.1944-5784.2011.02.14.
11. "Analysis of short-term results of Monsieur's tunica albuginea urethroplasty as a definitive procedure for pan-anterior urethral stricture" Sharma AK, Ratkal CS, Shivalingaiah M, Girish GG, Sanjay RP, Venkatesh GK. Urology Annals 2013 Oct-Dec; 5(4): 228–231. DOI: 10.4103/0974-7796.120291.
12. "Keratoacanthoma of the penis: Masquerade of squamous cell carcinoma" Chauhan PK, Jain M, Singh R, Shivalingaiah M. World Journal of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences 9(11): 1620–1624. Case Report.
13. "An unusual case of non-disseminated bladder aspergillosis in a setting of transitional cell carcinoma" – Case Report. Siddappa S, Mythri KM, Kowsalya R, Shivalingaiah M. Year: 2012 | Volume: 30 | Issue: 1 | Pages: 106-108.
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15. "Breast lump: An uncommon metastasis of prostate cancer" Chauhan PK, Jain M, Adiga P, Shivalingaiah M. Arch Clin Med Case Rep 2020; 4(4): 624–628. DOI: 10.26502/acmcr.96550238.
16. "Evaluation of testicular workup for ischemia and suspected torsion score in patients presenting with acute scrotum" Manohar CS, Gupta A, Keshavamurthy R, Shivalingaiah M, Sharanbasappa BR, Singh VK. Urology Annals September 12, 2019.
17. "Urological manifestations in HIV and AIDS: A tertiary referral center study" Gachchi NR, Thakappa J, Jayaram S, Keshavamurthy R, Ramaiah, Shivalingaiah M. Journal of Clinical and Diagnostic Research 12(7): PC01- PC04. DOI: 10.7860/JCDR/2018/35903.11739.

ADMINISTRATIVE & ACADEMIC CONTRIBUTIONS

- Successfully achieved 100% of targets in Health & Family Welfare (H&FW) from 1987 to 1998, including key programs such as the National Family Planning Programme, Maternal & Child Health, and the Control of Epidemic Diseases.



- NMC assessor for recognition of seats under section 11(2), increase of seats under section 10(A) of the IMC Act 1956 and section 61(2) for various institutes and colleges across the country.
- As a DIRECTOR, initiated & secured approval for 2 additional DM NEPHROLOGY seats at INU, Approved by NMC.
- DNB assessor for physical assessment of hospital infrastructure for DNB(Urology) seats Ref. No. NBEMS/ACCR/Assessment/2710413242/355- F/2024.
- Successfully established a new 60-bedded INU wing within the premises of K.R. Hospital, Mysore.
- Initiated 150-bedded construction of a new annex building at INU.
- Chairman – State level authorization committee for Transplantation of Human Organs.

LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

- Persistent Mullerian Duct Syndrome – Poster presented at National Urological Society of India at Ahmadabad in 2005.
- Anastomotic Urethroplasty – Our experience at USICON 2006 at Varanasi.
- Posterior Urethral Values– Our experience at USICON 2007 at Patna.
- Eosinophilic Cystitis a Poster presented at USICON – 2006 at Varanasi.
- Management of Urolithiasis (Comparison between KUB X-ray, USG & CT Scan) presented at SUZICON 2007 at Thiruvananthapuram.
- Participated in the DEBATE – Management of 2 cm calculi in the lower pole at 53rd USICON 2020 at Kochi, Kerala.
- Presented scientific paper on “Parotidectomy and Complication – Our Experience” at 60th Annual Conference ASICON-2000.
- Given a Guest Lecture on BPH at KGMO Association and Conference at Mandya and Tumkur District

AWARDS:

- Karnataka "Suvarna Mahotsava Prashasti" (2024) – Awarded by the Hon'ble Chief Minister & Deputy Chief Minister of Karnataka for Lifetime Achievement in the Medical Field.
- "Nada Prabhu Kempegowda Prashasti" – State Award by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka organized by BBMP in 27/06/2014.
- Dr. Shivaramakaranth Sadbhavana Prashasti – Awarded for Outstanding Contribution in the Field of Medicine (2007).
- Kayakaratra Prashasti Award at 6th Annual Conference by Ranga Samaja Cultural Institute(R) on 10/02/2008 at Kannada Bhavana, Bangalore.



Dr. Rajkumar Rajyothsava Prashasti– Awarded by Dr. Rajkumar International Foundation(R), Bangalore on 24/04/2008.

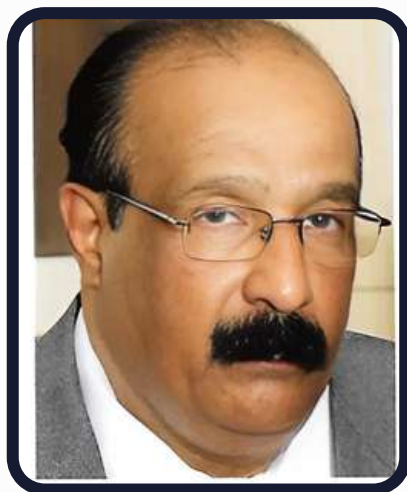
- Vaidhya Ratna Award – For Outstanding Contribution in the Field of Medicine held Nayana Auditorium, Bangalore (Kannada Bhavana) on 19/10/2008.
- AadharshaSamaja Seva Rathna Prashasti by AadharshaSugama Sangeetha Academy Trust (R) -awarded by His Excellency, the Governor of Karnataka in 2012.
- Best Paper in Surgical Society of Bangalore for “BCG instillation in Prevention of Superficial Carcinoma Bladder” on 24/11/1999.
- Rajyaprajaraathna – Awarded at 12th Annual Meet of Bangalore Ratnapatrike in 2016.
- Awarded first, second and third prizes at IATROSCAN’ 83 &85

Live Workshops:

- Attended and participated in various workshops, including the "Uro-Oncology" Workshop at Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai (2006).
- Attended PERCON 2010 as Faculty at the 4th International Workshop on Basic & Advanced Techniques of PCNL held at New Delhi in April 2010.
- Organized and performed Live Laparoscopic Operative Session on “Pediatric Urology” on October 17th and 18th, 2018 at INU as BUS President.
- Member of the Organizing Committee for SZUSICON – 2005 held in NIMHANS International:
- Attended the AUA Conferences in San Diego (2013), Orlando (2014), and New Orleans (2015).
- Presented a paper at the 34th World Congress of Endourology in Cape Town, South Africa (8th–12thNovember 2016) held in conjunction with South African Urological Association – SAUA meeting.
- Mentor for Residents Mentoring Session at SIU 2024, Yashobhumi, New Delhi.
- Attended and participated in SIU Instructional Courses in Urology as a Delegate Member at Mumbai, 2006.
- Guest Lecturer in AUA 2015 – New Orleans, USA.
- Participated as Faculty on “Management of Bladder Cancer – Current Dilemmas” at 8 TH INTERNATIONAL SUMMIT held at Muscat, Oman on 1 st April 2016.
- Delivered a lecture titled “Challenging case discussions with the Professors” and participated as a member of the symposium at the 11th IEUS Congress in Tehran, Iran (December 2019).
- Chaired a session and participated in symposium as Faculty at “Best of AUA 2024” at New Delhi in June 2024.
- Chaired a session and participated in symposium as Faculty at “Best of EUA.
- Ambassador for International SIU Conference - 2024 at New Delhi.
- Participated as faculty at Speciality Workshops at 44th Congress of SIU, held on October 23rd to 26th, 2024 at Yashobhoomi, Dwarka, New Delhi.



Dr S Joseph Philipraj, Candidate for the post of President- Elect



Name: Dr S Joseph Philipraj

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Educational Qualifications.

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- Dip.N.B.-Surg. National Board of Examinations New Delhi - 1990.
- MS Surg.- St. John's Medical College, 1991, Bangalore University
- MCh. Urology - Bangalore Medical College 1994, Bangalore University
- Dip. N.B. -Urology - National Board of Examinations-1998. New Delhi.
- MBA- Hospital Management-2017. DDE-Pondicherry University
- PGDMLE- National Law School- India University- 2018
- MBA- Human Resource Development- DDE-Pondicherry University
- PGDHE- IGNOU
- PGD Bioethics and Human Rights.

Editorial Committee member in Scientific Journal.

- Indian Journal of Urology
- Urology Annals
- World Journal of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Journal of Urology and Renal Diseases.
- Journal of Urology and Nephrology.



Reviewer in Scientific journal.

- Indian Journal of Urology
- Urology Annals
- World Journal of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Journal of Urology and Renal Diseases.
- Open Access Journal of Urology and Nephrology
- World Journal of Urology
- Asian Research Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics
- Scandinavian Journal of Urology and Nephrology.
- Journal of Men's Health
- African Journal of Urology
- Springer Nature- urology journals

Positions Held

. Member of Committees at SBVU & MGMCRI

1. Academic Council Member- SBV.
 2. Institute Research Council (IRC).
 3. Adjunct Faculty- IHPE- SBVU
- Executive Council Member of the Karnataka Urology Association. 2002-2004
 - Treasurer, IMA UDUPI-MANIAPL 2003- 2004
 - Executive Council Member of the Urological Association of Kerala. 2002-2005 and 2005-2007
 - Executive Council Member - Association of Southern Urologists. 2004-2007
 - Treasurer of the Karnataka Urology Association. 2004-2006
 - Executive Council Member IMA- Manipal 2004-2006
 - Vice President IMA – Manipal 2005-2006
 - Life Member of Academy of Health Professions Educators – India.

Awards:

- Best paper award – Role of Endo urological Interventions in Refractory Upper tract fungal infections - At the Annual Conference of Karnataka Urology Association - Held at Bangalore. Oct. 97.
- Best Paper Award – Comparative Study between SENS and Intracavernosal Papaverine in the Evaluation of Erectile Dysfunction, presented at the Annual Conference of the Karnataka Urological Association held in Bellary. In Oct, 99.
- 3rd Best VIJAYAWADA Poster Award - Histological Surprises of Prostate Biopsies - USICON 2000 held at Hyderabad.

**ASU****ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN UROLOGISTS**
LARGEST ZONAL GROUP OF USI

Gold Medal award - young surgeons of Bangalore- Rotary club Bangalore South- 2001.

- Dr. A.P. PANDEY travelling Fellowship for Members of ASU 2002.
- Dr. Augustine Komaranchath Prize for the Best Published Paper for the year 2003-2004. At the Annual Conference of Urological Association of Kerala held at Trissur 9th and 10th Oct 2004.
- Academic Excellence Award. Awarded during Annual Convocation of Sikkim Manipal University- 2007
- FAIMER Fellowship Awarded by regional FAIMER centre Seth GS Medical College- KEM – Mumbai- 2009-2011.
- USI Teacher Travelling Fellowship- 2016.
- ACME – SRMC Chennai- 2018
- Best Staff Sportsperson of the year 2004. - K.M.C Annual sports
- Best Staff Sportsperson of the year 2005. - K.M.C Annual Sports.



JASU

JOURNAL OF ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN UROLOGISTS

Journal of the Association of Southern Urologists (JASU) – A Year of Scholarly Excellence

I am pleased to report that the Journal of the Association of Southern Urologists (JASU) has continued to flourish, publishing two impactful issues during the current period:

- **July–December 2024 (Volume 1, Issue 2):** This issue featured a diverse array of articles, including original research, reviews, and case studies, reflecting the dynamic nature of urological practice in our region.
- **January–June 2025 (Volume 2, Issue 1):** The latest issue continues this trajectory, presenting cutting-edge research and clinical insights that are both relevant and practical for our members.

These publications serve as a testament to the vibrant academic environment fostered by the ASU community.

The editorial team of JASU, under the leadership of **Editor-in-Chief Dr. Mallikarjuna Reddy (Hyderabad)**, has played an instrumental role in bringing these issues to fruition. The team includes **Associate Editors Dr. Bobby Viswaroop (Coimbatore) and Dr. Arun Ramdas Menon (Kochi)**, along with **Editorial Committee Members** Dr. B M Zeeshan Hameed (Mangalore), Dr. Raghavender Kosgi (Hyderabad), Vijay Radha Krishnan (Kottayam), Dr. Nirmal John (Vellore), Dr. P Ginil Kumar (Kochi), and Dr. V Surya Prakash (Hyderabad). The **Advisory Board members**—Dr. Avudiappan (Tirunalveli), Dr. Nitin Kekre (Vellore), and Dr. Bhaskar Somani (Southampton, UK)—have also provided invaluable guidance and support.

I extend my heartfelt appreciation to the JASU editorial team for their unwavering commitment to maintaining high standards of academic publishing and ensuring that each issue contributes meaningfully to the field of urology.

A significant milestone this year was the **circulation of 1500–2000 copies of the print issues**, physically delivered to ASU members. We thank **Cipla** for generously sponsoring the printing of these issues, making it possible to reach members directly and ensure widespread access to the latest academic updates.

I encourage all members to engage with JASU by submitting manuscripts, sharing feedback, and utilizing the journal as a resource for the latest developments in urology. ASU is inviting applications for the post of Editor in Chief, with the last date for application as 30th June 2025. To apply visit www.szusi.com, use member login details for application process



CALL FOR PROPOSALS TO REPEAL, AMEND, MODIFY OR ADD TO THE EXISTING CONSTITUTION OF ASU

Proposals were invited from Full Members of the Association of Southern Urologists to repeal, amend, modify, or add to the existing constitution of ASU. The deadline for submission was **15th May 2025**, and the procedure for sending proposals was detailed in the ASU Handbook under the newly adopted constitution (2020), item no. 19. Proposals were to be submitted in the prescribed format via the ASU website (www.szusi.com). An email invitation was sent to all ASU members on **February 17th, 2025**, but no proposals were received.



RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE AMENDMENTS OF THE CONSTITUTION BY THE ASU COUNCIL

Page Number 17

For B Associate Members, point 2 regarding “Non-postgraduate residents working in the Urology department of an Institution recognized for the M.Ch or DNB course in Urology, provided they possess postgraduate qualifications meeting eligibility criteria for enrolment into the DNB or M.Ch courses in Urology,” should be removed.

Page Number: 21, Point 9a

Proposal: Mention Rs. 6000 + GST.

Decision: No specific amount will be mentioned, aligning with the rule that the fee changes every 3 years. The existing Rs. 5000 mention will also be removed.

- Financial Transactions and E-Banking Authority (Accepted by Council)

Page 22 - No 11, subdivision F

Existing:

The treasurer shall operate the bank accounts in the name of the Association. The treasurer of the Association shall sign all the cheques along with the Secretary.

Proposed change:

To add, Whenever e-banking facility is available, it can be utilized with the Treasurer and Secretary being the authorized signatories.

Page No.23 Item No.13

B. President Elect

Existing:

To be eligible for election to this post, the member should have completed one full term as Council member, Secretary or Treasurer of the Association. Consequently, a member who is elected mid-term, or has demitted office without completing a full term, shall not be eligible to contest merely on the grounds of having completed a part of the term.

Proposed change:

To be eligible for election to this post, the member should have completed one full term as Council member, Secretary or Treasurer of the Association at the time of applying for the post. Consequently, a member who is elected mid-term, or has demitted office without completing a full term, shall not be eligible to contest merely on the grounds of having completed a part of the term.

**Page No.24****Item 13 subdivision D****Secretary Elect****Existing:**

To be eligible for election to this post, the member should have completed one full term as Council Member / Treasurer.

Proposed change:

To be eligible for election to this post, the member should have completed one full term as Council Member / Treasurer at the time of applying for the post.

Page No.24**Item 13 subdivision E****Treasurer****Existing:**

To be eligible for election to this post, the member should completed one full term as Council Member/Secretary.

Proposed change:

To be eligible for election to this post, the member should completed one full term as Council Member/Secretary at the time of applying for the post.

Nomination Process and Election Guidelines**Page no 33, Item No 18, subdivision v****Existing:**

Nominations must reach the Secretary before 5pm on the last date for filing Nomination as announced in the election notice

Proposed change:

Nominations must reach the Returning Officer before 11:59 pm on the last date of filing nominations as announced in the election notice

Page 34 subdivision xi**Conveying their decision to withdraw from the contest.****Existing:**

This shall be done before 5 PM on a working day at least two weeks before the date of elections.

Proposed change:

This shall be done before 11:59 PM on a working day at least four weeks before the date of elections.

**Page 35****Item C subdivision I****Existing:**

Canvassing through circulation of pamphlets, display of posters, shouting of slogans, circulation of mass emails through mass mailing services, circulation of bulk SMS messages, circulation of bulk whatsapp or other messaging applications (like Telegram, Extra, My SMS, Viber, etc.) and social media networks like Facebook & Twitter is prohibited. Engaging in soliciting votes through any of the above platforms shall disqualify a contestant.

Proposed change:

Canvassing in any mode or format is allowed until the end, but no anti-canvassing is permitted.



ASU Council Suggestions on modifications in the existing guidelines in the ASU Hand Book 2022

Corpus Accounts

- **Page 98:** Update corpus accounts from ₹3 lakh to ₹5 lakh.

Funds for Working Expenses

- **Pages 101 & 102:**

- **Point 3:** Include expenditure on **website maintenance, Zoom platform, and official mobile expenses.**
- **Point 9:** Under "Secretarial Expenses" (Honorarium, Stationery, Postage, etc., as approved by the Council), add **secretarial assistant charges.**
- **Point 10:** Under "Expenditures for the council meeting" (venue, refreshments, and meals), add **accommodation and travel expenses.**

Additional Points to be Included

- **Registration-related expenses.**
- **Travel and accommodation expenses of officers or office bearers during official visits.**
- **Any other expenses, if deemed appropriate by the Council.**
- **The expenses for the Council Meeting, including venue, refreshments, meals, accommodation, and travel, shall be limited to the budget allocated for that specific fiscal year.**

Mandatory Updates

- **Pages 103 & 104:** To be updated
- **Page 104:** The ASU poster should be part of the mandatory sessions in the scientific program of SZUSIOCN.
- **Page 105:** Needs to be updated.
- **Page 108:**
- **Under "ASU Meritorious PG Award," remove PRATHEEKSHA.**
- **Change the submission deadline for applicants from July 1st to May 15th.**
- **Remove the sections:**
- **"Marks obtained in Uro Quiz conducted by ASU"**
- **"Marks obtained in the competitive exam held by ASU"**



- **Page 111:** Update the minimum endowment for an endowed event from ₹3 lakh to ₹5 lakh.
- **Page 112:** Under "**Specific Guidelines for Endowed Orations and Guest Lectures,**" remove reference to **page 205.**
- **Page 113:**
 - Correct spelling mistake: "**Panellist**" on **page 99.**
 - **Update: "The names of winners shall be announced, and the certificates & cheques for the prize amount/medal shall be presented at the valedictory ceremony of the conference."**
 - **Prize Paper Criteria:**
 - If a presenter fails to present or is absent, they will be barred from presenting for the next two years.
 - Must be present at the valedictory function.
 - Participants must attend the valedictory function if they are selected for a prize.
 - All certificates and medals should be prepared in advance.
 - Abstract submissions should include a mandatory conference registration number.
- **Page 113:** Add "**Convenor**" along with moderators and quiz masters in the application which should be submitted before the current annual conference.
- **Page 113:** Add "**Convenor**" six months prior to the current annual conference.
- **Page 127:** Remove "**At least one of them should preferably have adequate experience in organizing State/Zonal Annual Conferences as Organizing Secretary.**"(entire point to be removed)
- **Page 130:** The scientific committee will review papers and inform presenters at least six weeks prior to the conference.
- **Page 132:**
 - Complimentary registration, lodging, and local transport for the **President, Hon. Secretary and treasurer of USI (Treasurer is added)**
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 - Remove reimbursement of return airfare for the **Hon. Secretary of USI.**

Page No. 135: Service Tax to GST

Wherever the term "**Service Tax**" appears in the document, it shall be replaced with "**GST**" to reflect the updated tax regulations.



Revised Refund Policy – Page No. 135

Revised Refund Guidelines:

- 100% refund of the registration amount if the member informs at least 3 months before the annual conference.
- 50% refund of the registration amount if the member informs between 3 months to 1 month before the annual conference.
- The previous clause stating **“refunds shall not exceed fifty per cent of the registration amount paid”** is removed.

Page No. 135: Trade Participation

Upon extensive discussion, it has been decided to remove the following clause:

“The tariff for trade participation is to be approved by the Council of the ASU in comparison with the tariff at previous Conferences and considering the relative costs in different cities.”

Page No. 136: Financial Management (Point No. 2)

- The account to be opened should be in the name **“SZ-USICON”** appended with the respective year.

Additionally, the account should be opened under the **PAN** of **ASU**

PAGE NO 138 UNDER provision for expected expenditure: point no 11

the word treasurer has to be added after secretary.

Page No. 149: Memorandum of Understanding between ASU and the Organizing Committee

Point No. 6, Sub-Clause 2 – Modification

- The phrase **“its own PAN card”** in Sub-Clause 2 shall be replaced with **“ASU PAN Card”** to ensure all financial transactions are conducted under ASU’s official tax identity.

In Page No : 150 - Point no 7 - we should remove adequate experience.

Page No. 151

Point No. 21 – Modification:

- The Organizing Committee shall extend the privileges as per the Guidelines to the President, Secretary of **ASU & USI**, and the **Treasurer**.
- **“Treasurer”** is to be added to ensure financial representatives are included in the privileges.

Point No. 26 – Modification:

- The authorized signatories for the Conference will be the ASU Treasurer, Local Organizing Secretary, and the Conference Treasurer.
- ASU Treasurer shall be a mandatory signatory, and all cheques must be signed by any two of the three authorized signatories



Page No. 170: Application for Conduct of USI-ISU Mock Exams in South Indian Institutions

New Point to be Added:

- Applications for the **USI Mock Exam** must be submitted through ASU; institutions should not apply directly to **USI**.
- **ASU** will receive applications from institutions and allocate the mock exam on a rotational basis among the four state bodies that constitute **ASU**.
- If multiple institutions apply from a particular state, **ASU** will request the respective state body to make the final decision regarding which institution will host the mock exam

Page No. 185: Inauguration Ceremony of ASU – Prof. H.S. Bhat Mid-Term Workshop Modification in the Order of Events:

- After the Welcome Address by the Chairman – Local Organizing Committee, the event sequence should now include:
- Presidential Address by the **ASU President (to be added)**.

Amendment – Page No. 185: Inauguration Ceremony of ASU Council Member's Program

Modification in the Order of Events:

- After the Welcome Address by the Chairman – Local Organizing Committee, the event sequence should now include:
- Presidential Address by the **ASU President (to be added)**.

Inclusion of Treasurer in ASU Events & Official Meetings

For all ASU-related events and meetings, including:

- **ASU – Prof. H.S. Bhat Mid-Term Workshop**
- **ASU Council Member's Program**
- **All Inaugural Sessions of ASU Events**
- **All Official Meetings of ASU**

Modifications:

- The Treasurer shall be included in the Persons on the Dais for all ASU inaugural sessions.

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- 3.Prof P B Sivaraman endowment guest lecture to be added here

Page 228

- Mention has to be made that MIUC Travelling fellowship and ASU Prateeksha award for the Meritorious Postgraduate have been discontinued

All the other awards the corpus was increased to 5 lakhs

Institution of two new awards

- ASU award for Meritorious Postgraduate
- ASU Consultant travelling fellow award.



Notification for the Annual General body meeting on 12th of July 2025 at 5:30pm in Vijayawada

AGENDA

Call to order
Obituary
President's opening remarks
Confirmation of the minutes of the previous general body meeting
Secretary's report
Treasurer's report
Approval of the Auditor's report
Budget for the forthcoming year
Applications of fellowship/Awards
Prof H S Bhat orator 2026
Prof P B Sivaraman endowment guest lecture speaker 2026
Khivaraj memorial symposium convener 2026
Quiz master : Quiz o mania 2026
Prof Nalini Venugopal CPC Convener 2026
ASU - Prof H S Bhat Midterm Workshop 2026
ASU - NU Hospitals bengaluru medal for pediatric urology debate 2026
List of New members, change of membership status
Academic activities for the forthcoming year
Finalisation of the accounts of SZUSICON 2024
SZUSICON 2026
Venue SZUSICON 2027
Venue USICON 2029
JASU
Approval of Committees
State chapter meetings
Election of office bearers
Constitutional amendments
Changes to the existing guidelines of ASU
Letters from members
Approval of the Auditor
Any other matters
Adjournment

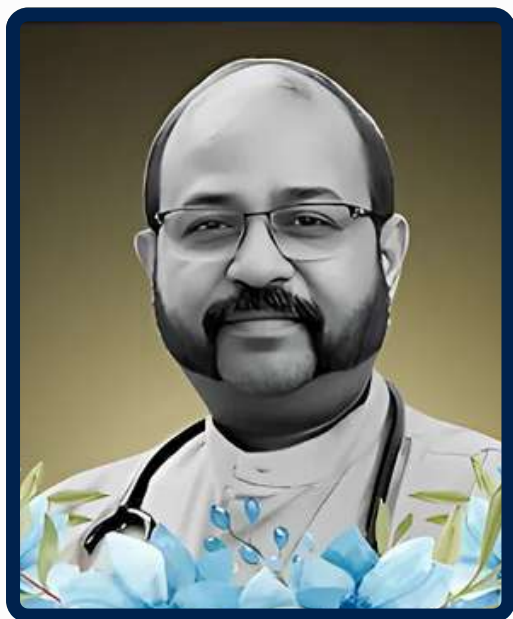
OBITUARY:



Dr Uddaraju Kalyan Varma

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the untimely demise of Dr. Uddaraju Kalyan Varma (27/06/1982 - 25/01/2025), a highly talented urologist from Hyderabad and a cherished member of the Association of Southern Urology. Dr. Varma tragically passed away in a road accident on January 25, 2025. He served as Senior Consultant Urologist and Andrologist at Citizens Specialty Hospital, Hyderabad, and was renowned for his expertise in advanced laser and laparoscopic surgeries.

Dr. Varma completed his MBBS and MS in General Surgery at Rangaraya Medical College, Kakinada, and earned his MCh in Urology from Osmania Medical College, Hyderabad. A compassionate doctor and brilliant professional, Dr. Varma's contributions to urology were immense. He is survived by his wife, Uddaraju Anantha Lakshmi, and son, Master Uddaraju Aaryan Sri Varma. The Association extends heartfelt condolences to his family. May his soul rest in eternal peace.



Dr N Sudhakar

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Dr. N. Sudhakar, a beloved urologist from Tambaram, Chennai, who left us on March 15, 2025. Dr. Sudhakar completed his MBBS from Madras Medical College and earned his MCh in Urology from Stanley Medical College. His academic brilliance was recognized through the Dr. Ramanathan Anatomy Gold Medal and the Pharmacology Gold Medal, and he was honored with the Indira Gandhi Award for Outstanding Doctor in 2013. A compassionate and humble individual, Dr. Sudhakar dedicated his life to the field of urology, earning respect as a knowledgeable surgeon and esteemed academician. He was a devoted husband and father, survived by his loving wife, son, and daughter. Despite facing numerous challenges throughout his life, Dr. Sudhakar remained a beacon of hope and kindness to all who knew him. His passion for music, particularly as a mirudangam player, brought joy to many, and he was known for his ability to weave melodies that resonated with the hearts of those around him.

In addition to his medical career, Dr. Sudhakar had planned to release a collection of Tamil kavithai (poems) shortly, showcasing his love for literature and the arts. The Association of Southern Urologists extends its heartfelt condolences to his family and shares in their grief. Dr. Sudhakar will be profoundly missed by his family, friends, and the countless patients whose lives he touched. His legacy will live on through the many lives he impacted with his expertise, compassion, and artistic spirit. May his soul rest in eternal peace.



Dr. George P. Abraham

With deep sorrow and heartfelt condolences, the Association of Southern Urologists (ASU) mourns the sudden and untimely demise of Dr. George P. Abraham on 2nd March 2025. A towering figure in Indian urology, Dr. Abraham was a pioneer in laparoscopic and renal transplant surgery, and a revered teacher, mentor, and academician. Born into a deeply principled household—his father a priest and headmaster—Dr. George P. Abraham was inspired early in life by the discipline and values instilled in him. His natural interest in surgery led him to pursue an MS in General Surgery, followed by a government medical service post. At the insistence of his father, he applied for MCh in Urology and was selected to train at the Government Medical College, Kozhikode, under the mentorship of Prof. Dr. Roy Chally, a legend with over 35 years of experience in the field.

His foundational training in renal transplantation began under Dr. Jayachandran at Guest Hospital, Madras, where he first gained exposure to kidney transplant procedures. A defining moment in his career came at a USICON, where he witnessed Dr. Mohan Rao, formerly from Vellore and then working in Adelaide, present his experience with laparoscopic donor nephrectomy. Deeply inspired, Dr. Abraham traveled to Adelaide for specialized training in the procedure and became one of the earliest urologists in India to adopt and introduce laparoscopic donor nephrectomy in Kerala. Dr. George P. Abraham's contribution didn't stop with clinical excellence—he was a committed educator. He trained many urologists through a structured transplant fellowship program, laying the foundation for a robust kidney transplant ecosystem in Kerala and across India.



He was a sought-after surgeon for live operative workshops and demonstrated complex laparoscopic and transplant procedures not only in Kerala but at numerous national conferences across India, inspiring a generation of urologists.

Based in Kochi, Kerala, he served as the Head of Department and Senior Consultant in Urology and Renal Transplantation at VPS Lakeshore Hospital, where he remained actively engaged in patient care, surgical innovation, and academic leadership until his final days. Just a week before his passing, Dr. Abraham delivered a memorable lecture on Laparoscopic Donor Nephrectomy at the ASU Conference held in Hyderabad. His talk was marked by humility, clarity, and profound wisdom—leaving an indelible mark on all who attended. That presentation now stands as a fitting tribute to his lifelong service to urology.

Dr. Abraham held an exceptional academic profile: BSc, MBBS, MS, MCh (Urology), and was a Fellow of the International College of Surgeons (FICS) and Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons (Glasg). Among his groundbreaking achievements were Kerala's first cadaver kidney transplant, first PCNL in Kerala, India's first 3D laparoscopic donor nephrectomy, and the training of dozens of urologists through fellowship programs. His surgical legacy includes over 3,300 renal transplants, over 8,500 PCNLs, over 12,000 URSSs, over 12,000 TURPs, and over 9,000 laparoscopic procedures. He also conceptualized and led India's first 3D laparoscopic urology workshop (Lapendofusion), and was widely respected for his live operative demonstrations across both regional and national platforms.

In recognition of his unparalleled service to Indian urology, he was honored with the Bharat Chikitsak Ratan Award, Bharat Vikas Ratna Award, and Lifetime Health Achievement Award. As a National Board-accredited postgraduate teacher, he mentored generations of budding urologists, shaping the future of Indian urology with wisdom, compassion, and excellence. On behalf of the ASU Council and all its members, we extend our deepest condolences to his bereaved wife, his son Dr. Datson George—an accomplished urologist himself—and the entire family. We share your grief and pray that you find strength and peace during this difficult time. Dr. George P. Abraham's legacy will remain a beacon of inspiration for the Indian urological fraternity. His unwavering commitment to clinical excellence, innovation, and education will continue to influence and uplift generations to come. May the noble soul of Dr. George P. Abraham rest in eternal peace.



Dr. Vishal Ratkal

Dr. Vishal Ratkal was a bright student who joined the Department of Urology and Transplant at KMC Manipal in 2013. During his residency, he was amiable, sincere, and hardworking. His patience and cool demeanor earned him the confidence of everyone in the department. Dr. Vishal had a special talent for explaining medical issues to patients in a way that impressed not only the patients themselves but also the entire support staff. He showed a keen temperament for not only learning surgical skills but also in academics, enthusiastically publishing clinical studies. After finishing his training, he joined the urology practice alongside his illustrious father, Dr. C.S. Ratkal, the former Director of INU Bangalore.

Extremely humble, well-mannered, friendly, and warm-hearted, Dr. Vishal Ratkal was snatched away by the cruel hands of death far too early. The Association of Southern Urologists (ASU) mourns the sudden and untimely demise of Dr. Vishal Ratkal and extends sincere condolences to his family to bear this irreparable loss. May God bless the departed soul and give strength to the family during this difficult time. May his soul rest in eternal peace.