



Minutes of AHPI State Chapter office bearers zoom video call meeting held on 16th September 2020 at 03:00 PM

Participants

Dr. Girdhar Gyani, Director General AHPI
Dr. Alexander Thomas President AHPI
Mr. Kris Gopalakrishnan - Chairman of Axilor Ventures & Team
Dr. V C Shanmuganandan – Advisor AHPI
Dr. Mohan Maharaj, Secretary Andhra Pradesh Chapter
Dr. Santosh Kumar, Secretary Bihar Chapter
Dr. Mahesh Kumar Sinha, President Chhattisgarh Chapter
Dr. Anil Jain, Secretary Chhattisgarh Chapter
Dr. CM Bhagat, President Delhi NCR Chapter
Dr. Sanjeev Singh, Secretary Delhi NCR Chapter
Dr. Amit Dulia, Secretary Gujarat Chapter
Mr. Jogesh Gambhir, President AHPI Jharkhand Chapter
Dr. Naresh Shetty, President AHPI Karnataka Chapter
Dr. M I Sahadulla, President AHPI Kerala Chapter
Dr. Rajesh Pi, Secretary AHPI Kerala Chapter
Dr. Anoop Hajela, President, Madhya Pradesh Chapter
Dr. Rahul Khare, Secretary, Madhya Pradesh Chapter
Dr. Sujit Chatterjee, President, Maharashtra & Goa Chapter
Dr. Ashwini Jogade, Secretary Maharashtra & Goa Chapter
Dr. Palin Khundongbam, President, Manipur Chapter
Dr. James Elangbam, Secretary, Manipur Chapter
Dr. Amandeep Kaur, President, North Zone Chapter
Mr. Joy Das Gupta, Secretary, North Zone Chapter
Dr. Bishnu Prasad Panigrahi, President, Odisha Chapter
Ms. Nilanjana Mukherjee, Secretary, Odisha Chapter
Dr. Vikas Swarankar, President Rajasthan Chapter
Dr. Raju Sivaswamy, Secretary Tamil Nadu Chapter
Dr. Vishnu Reddy, Secretary Telangana Chapter
Dr. Zainab Zaidi, Secretary Uttar Pradesh Chapter
Ms. Suparna Sengupta, Secretary, West Bengal Chapter

Meeting Started by welcoming all State Office bearers and Special Guest for the Day, Mr Kris Gopala Krishnan, Chairman of Axilor Ventures, Executive vice chairman (former co-chairman) of Infosys by President and Director General-AHPI

Dr. Alex and Dr. Gyani welcomed the state office bearers and Dr. Alex briefed about past two weeks activities done by AHPI.

1. Sachin Jain vs Union of India Writ at Supreme Court, Supreme Court have impleaded all state governments in the case.
2. AHPI prepared a draft white paper pertaining to current challenges faced by healthcare industry.
3. AHPI Media Engagement committee- Seeking data from 6 states for treatment of covid patients in Private and Government hospitals.
4. National school of journalism have agreed to include 8 hrs. In its curriculum for healthcare for the medical tourism course.

5. Medico legal online course with National law school initiated
6. ANBAI-AHPI in talks for Training program for teacher keeping in view the new inclusions of PG courses for Doctors
7. MOU signed with ISRO and IIST certified course in technology.
8. Issued an advisory on UV lights for disinfectant purposes
9. Use of X-Ray in Covid assessment and diagnosis- The paper was circulated for expert views, DRDO has been asked to be part of study
10. AHPI Books on Quality, Health and Law, Health and Climate change are in process and in different phases for publishing
11. AHPI in constant touch with Labour ministry, written letters for early disbursements of hospital dues
12. Meeting with IRDAI for Senior citizens insurance
13. AHPI to take legal course for recent Delhi Govt. order for reserving 80% of ICU beds in Delhi Pvt. Hospitals
14. Wipro approached AHPI to be part of global coalition
15. It is proposed to revise the AHPI costing for Covid treatment, keeping in view the recent changes in various elements.

Mr. Kris Gopala Krishnan addressed the gathering and introduced Swasth alliance app along with his team.

Covid Update

Dr. Sanjeev Singh, AHPI's Technical expert briefed about Covid situating and current advancements in the vaccines and treatments;

- He informed that now More testing is being done in the country resulting more number of cases
- Re-infection- At-least 10 reinfected cases seen in India so far
- As per the recent clinical trials conducted by ICMR, it was found that Plasma Therapy is not helping much in treatment of moderate or severe cases.
- Vaccine update- There are various Protein based vaccine, DNA-RNA vaccine are in the different stages of trials with currently 8 vaccines in phase 3 trials.
- 149 mutations and 6 strains of Corona Virus identified so far.

State Chapter office Bearers updates.

Uttar Pradesh - Dr. Zainab Zaidi - Secretary

1. 10 lakh test being conducted so far in state
2. Pvt. hospitals being roped in for covid treatment
3. Rates capped for covid treatment at Pvt. Hospitals
4. Shortage of Ventilators in hospitals
5. No lockdown now in state now, People not following the Covid social distancing protocols resulting spread of infection in community

Telangana - Dr. Vishnu Reddy - Secretary

1. Infection in Village levels is now increasing
2. Availability of beds much better being medical colleges being asked to reserve beds for Covid at district levels
3. Pricing issues at Pvt. Hospitals

Tamil Nadu - Dr. Raju Sivaswamy- Secretary

1. More Severe cases coming in hospitals
2. Remdesivir helpful in treating moderate to severe cases

Rajasthan - Dr. Vikas Swarnkar - President

1. 27 lakh tests done so far in state
2. White Paper input: Pvt. sector to be consulted before fixing rates
3. Insurance co reimbursing on Govt. rates violating the agreement signed between Insurance co and Hospitals

Odisha - Dr. Bishnu Panigrahi - President

1. Remdesivir presenting good results in mild and moderate covid cases
2. Community spread in state
3. Rates struck down exponentially for testing and treatment reimbursements by Govt
4. Pvt. hospitals asked to reserve 80% ICU beds

North Zone- Dr. Amandeep Kaur - President

1. 2500 cases per day, 100 deaths per day happening each day due to Covid in state
2. Patients not reporting early resulting more severe cases turning up to hospitals
3. Capping is compromising care for severe covid patients
4. BMW disposal vendors charging exorbitantly

Manipur and North East - Dr. Palin - President and Convenor

1. Recovery rate in state is good
2. Trying to setup covid block with all facilities
3. Beds availability problem at all levels

Maharashtra & Goa- Dr. Sujit Chatterjee - President

1. 30000 deaths in state so far
2. Mortality rate in state is 2.4 which is one of the highest in country
3. Remdesivir in early stages is working
4. Passive antibodies helping in treating patients

Madhya Pradesh- Dr. Anup Hajela - President

1. Positivity rate among tests is around 11.3
2. Patients coming in from smaller cities in big numbers now
3. Govt. allowing only 40% extra on FEB treatment rates
4. RTPCR not capped

Karnataka- Dr. Naresh Shetty - President

1. Advising AHPI to collect treated patient's data with different treatments protocols, a study to be conducted

Kerala- Dr. M I Sahadulla - President and Dr. Rajesh Pai - Secretary

1. Community spread in state
2. Bed availability not a problem so far
3. Most patients are asymptomatic
4. Pvt. hospitals being asked to take covid patients
5. Death rate is less in Kerala

West Bengal- Ms. Suparna Sengupta - Secretary

1. Cost problem, discounts asked by Govt. ranging from 10-30% on treatments and medicines.

Jharkhand- Mr. Jogesh Gambhir - President

1. Capping on RTPCR now at Rs 1500
2. New Discharge policy- discharge after 10 days if there are no symptoms for 3 consecutive days
3. Administrative interference hampering the work at hospitals

Delhi NCR- Dr. CM Bhagat – President

1. Positivity rate stable from past 4-5 days
2. Role of Pvt. healthcare to be stressed at all levels
3. Health is 2nd best job provider in the country, to be stressed upon (white paper)
4. Treatment Cost at Pvt. Hospital is less than public sector hospitals
5. Decision making is faster in Pvt. sector (white paper)
6. Demand for Indian medical services (white paper)

Chhattisgarh- Dr. Mahesh Sinha - President

1. Govt. interfering in charges-SC can be approached?
2. Treating Serious non covid patient is problem in hospitals

Bihar- Dr. Santosh Kumar - Secretary

1. More number of serious cases coming in hospitals
2. Remdesivir being used in serious cases

Andhra Pradesh- Dr. Mohan Maharaj - Secretary

1. Community and village spread of Covid in state
2. Corporate hospitals facing problems in terms of bed availability and rates

Dr. Gyani summed up with emphasizing importance of White paper, asked office bearers to provide inputs. Based on which a professional body may be engaged to develop the White paper professionally. Dr. Gyani also reiterated the need of Professional regulatory body for Healthcare in country. He also stressed upon the usefulness of credible Research study as suggested by Dr. Naresh Shetty, to be commenced soon.

Meeting ended with vote of Thanks