

Annual Report 2019-2020

Hon Pres Dr Abdul Aziz resp Teachers senior colleagues and dear friends I am pleased to present the secretary's report for the year 2019-2020. Took over as secretary on 20.10.2019.

USICON2020 - The immediate task was to make USICON 2020 a grand success. USICON 2020 was unique in many ways . It was the first time a state association was organising the national event. Also the organizers were from different parts of the state. There were doubts about the fund raising ability of the organizers. For the first time a national conference was held at a five star hotel . Delegation of responsibilities and team work based on the trust among the organizers worked wonders for the conference. Delegates went back with sweet memories and there was a public demand to make Kochi a permanent venue for USICON in the coming years. All payments were made in time, GST account settled and audited account presented to the USI council. After hosting an elegant conference we could save a healthy amount and details will be reported by organizing secretary in his report. USICON 2020 elevated the status of UAK as the best state unit in the country and we all can be proud that we are members of this great organisation. The blot on UAK due to the USICON 2004 was wiped by the brilliantly organised USICON2020.

Virtual UAKON-Preparations for organising a memorable UAKON2020 was initiated by the organisers in Feb 2020. Organising committee meeting was held on 29th February 2020. All urologists working in Kottayam participated in the meeting . Various committees were formed .Venue was booked and arrangements were made for starting registration . During this time the first nationwide lockdown was announced due to the COVID 19 pandemic. ECM met on 09 August and decided to call for awards and papers for conference hoping that the situation will improve and annual meet could be held as usual in Oct. All efforts were made to hold a physical conference if feasible. EC on 13th September decided to conduct UAKON on 8th November and to reassess the situation in October. EC held on 04th October decided to conduct a physical conference in January and if physical conference is not possible to hold a virtual annual conference during last week of January. Hence this Virtual UAKON and the decision was proved right since still the permission is only for a gathering of fifty persons and we had a record registration of 175 delegates.

Executive Committee Meetings - Seven ECM were held , one physical and six virtual. First was held on 24th January at Grant Hyatt. Virtual meet was held on 14th January, 9th August, 13th September, 04October 10th December and 22nd January and important issues of the association deliberated. Members felt that the virtual EC was more convenient and decided to recommend the same to GB for consideration. Physical meetings will be held as feasible (in connection with USICON / SUZICON). Mandate of the GB is requested for this decision.

Website was upgraded to make the activities of the association paperless – a green initiative. The website is interactive and payment gateway is integrated.

It was envisaged to organize peripheral meets of local clubs as UAK academic program. First meet was hosted by Department of Urology , Government Medical College Kottayam on 4th July 2020.It was well received by the members. It is requested to take up this initiative and make it a success.

Association needs to have a permanent address. The present address with the Office of Registrar is Nirmala Hospital Calicut and with the Income tax office is Department of Urology Calicut. This is creating administrative hassles. The EC deliberated on it and decided to have a permanent office for the association. The UAK is registered under the Society Registration Act XXI 1861 and filing report at registrar Office Calicut. As the act is applicable to Malabar region of Kerala, the office has to be in that region. EC appointed a subcommittee to look into the matter with the Hon President as Chairman. Hon president will give further details of the committee deliberations.

Deficiencies in the handbook was pointed out by many members. So the EC decided to update the same. Dr Vinod K.V. was entrusted the task with the help of Hon secretary, Jt secretary and treasurer. Needed correction and addition have been made and will be uploaded in the website. Mandate of the house is requested for the same.

Council felt that the accounting charges levied by the auditor was exorbitant. Deliberated on the matter and requested Hon Pres Elect to negotiate with the auditor and if unsuccessful recommend to GB for possible change of Auditor

Academic activities - Two webinars were conducted.

First was on 4th July. First on line peripheral meet. Hosted by Dept Urology GMC Kottayam. 2 short topics were presented.

- 1) Energy sources in intracorporeal lithotripsy and
- 2) Urological practice during COVID pandemic followed by case discussion on BPH. Faculty from all teaching hospitals in the state participated. Attended by 47 members.

Second was on 5th November. Intra vesical BCG in management of Bladder cancer . Attended by 150 members. The topic was covered in 4 session with 2 speakers in each session followed by comments by an expert. The presentation was followed by panel discussion. Virtual platform was provided by Cipla Urology Association was richer by Rs 50,000/- (rupees fifty thousand) by academic grant from Cipla Urology.

Awards - UAK team won first prize in the QUIZOMANIA conducted during SUZICON 2020. Dr John Peter ,Dr Mithileshkumar Yadav and Dr Krishna Mohan B were the team members. Dr Kishore T.A. won the 2nd beat video prize in the SUZICON 2020.

Received 11 papers for Komaranchath Prize. Around 20 papers have been published by members of UAK during this period. It is an achievement and fulfilling the objective of our association for more impetus for research and publication among members. Received 11 papers for review article which is a good trend.

ASU Council Member - Dr Vijay Radhakrishnan was elected unopposed as the ASU council member from Kerala. Dr Krishna Moorthy had objected to this stating that a criminal case is pending against him. EC took a serious note of it deliberated on this and decided to recommend disciplinary action against Dr H Krishnamoorthy to the GB.

New Asso Members

- 1) Dr Midhun Mohan
- 2) Dr Srikant Sukumar Pai
- 3) Dr Mohammed Anwar Aslam
- 4) Dr Amit Kumar
- 5) Dr Karthik V P
- 6) Dr Karthi A P
- 7) Dr Mithileshkumar Yadav
- 8) Dr Monil Dedhia
- 9) Dr Jayanth D H
- 10) Dr Ravinder Singh

I would like to place on record my sincere gratitude to Hon President Dr Abdul Aziz President elect Dr Prasad EC members and all members of UAK for a peaceful and successful UAK year. Together we can take our organisation to greater heights in the coming years

Thank you all. Jai UAK .Jai HIND.