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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members

I bring you best wishes from Chennai. The past two years have seen many happenings in the AOFOG. The active participation of Myanmar was welcomed and the entire council visited Yangon. The involvement of Mongolia and the interest taken by Saudi Arabia have been feathers in the AOFOG cap. The involvement of the council in the All India Conference was also appreciated by the over ten thousand delegates. The annual meetings of Taiwan, Japan, Korea, Hong Kong and the RANZCOG were excellent scientific sessions that were on par with the best in the world. The Philippine meeting had a lot of fun added as well.

The massive quake at Nepal was shocking as just two weeks before many of us were at Kathmandu for a conference. So many of our local NESOG members had problems with their houses, clinics and hospitals. It is impressive how the AOFOG in little time has raised over 30,000 US\$ for a massive relief effort. We are committed to long-term reconstruction projects.

The AOFOG officers and the committees have been active in so many projects that it left me wondering - is this enough for AOFOG? The answer is no - this is only the beginning. Seeing the activity of most national societies has made me feel that AOFOG truly represents Asia. Like the proverbial Mighty Oak that was once a little nut that stood it's ground

the AOFOG will continue to grow and spread the care of women's health in Asia. We look forward to our next meeting at Kuching Welcome to Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia for the biennial conference of the AOFOG. This quiet town in the rainforest, which is the home of the Orangutan, has several beautiful spots around it. This meeting hosted by the OGSM promises to be quite different from the earlier meetings. Starting with the Pre Congress workshops followed by the plenaries and the sessions there appears to be something to satisfy everyone. The highlight for the young gynecologists will be a visit to the local people with an opportunity to stay and interact with them. The social program is also action packed and will keep your feet tapping late into the night. The accommodation is comfortable and pocket friendly. With all these advantages I look forward to delegates of the AOFOG making use of the opportunity to improve their knowledge, learn new tricks and go away making many new friends. Let Kuching be the start of new plans for the society and for the new Millennium development goals.

Thank you for the great opportunity to serve as your President

Regards

Dr A Kurian Joseph MD
Chennai

EDITORIAL

Dear friends

Welcome to the biannual AOFOG congress being held in Kuching, Borneo, Malaysia.

Wish you all the best, enjoy academics and Borneo.

Please contribute your experience to the newsletter.



N Malhotra
Dr. Narendra Malhotra
Publication Committee

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE



Welcome to the 24th AOCOG Congress in Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia!

From an initial core of 12 countries, it is nice to know that we have grown to become a strong contingent of 27 nations who, despite varying cultures, religions and language, have for its common objective fostering Women's Health. It has often been said that we are the primary physicians for women. To achieve women's health, it is obvious that their caregivers must be continually aware of the best practice recommendations in handling the various disease conditions of our specialty. Thus, education for caregivers of women's health has a pivotal central role in our daily work. The work of the various committees towards this goal are admirable and there will always exist room for improvement.

We are particularly proud of our Crown Jewels, the Young Gynecologist Awardees (YGA) and the alumni. To further enhance development, there was a

Community Fellowship Programme and the best 3 YGA research papers in Kuching will be our new "shining stars" in FIGO Vancouver 2015 together with 3 senior lecturers at the AOFOG Session in FIGO. We salute the YGAs of Class 2015.

AOFOG can surely stand alone but it also needs to intermix in the global arena. Thus, it has liaison with other international organizations (WHO, FIGO, RCOG, ACOG). This mixture will be clearly evident in Kuching.

I will be remiss if I do not congratulate the OG Society of Malaysia (OGSM), the Congress officers led by Dr Ravi Chandran and Dr Mohamad Farouk and committee members for the preparations of this event.

A fraternal salute to all!

Prof. Walfrido W. Sumpaico
MD (Secretary General)

AOFOG SESSION AT AICOG FOGSI 2014 CHENNAI



WELCOME INCOMING PRESIDENT'S



Prof. Joo-Hyun Nam

A PONDICHERRY TEMPLE AOFOG FAMILY



AOFOG COUNCIL 2013-2015



SOGP PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR AOCOG 2015



Dear Esteemed Colleagues and friends.

It is a matter of great pleasure and satisfaction that the 24th Asian and Oceanic Congress of Obstetrics and Gynaecology is going to be held in Malaysia.

Theme of the conference "Old world charm meeting new technologies" is self explanatory and exciting. This conference would provide a forum for discussion about new and old controversies and advances in new technologies. It will be a great opportunity for the participants to share their research, experience and to get new ideas. The venue of the conference Kuching Malaysia would be a great chance to explore the natural beauty of Malaysia and relish privileges. I wish great success for AOCOG 2015.

Prof Tasneem Ashraf
President SOGP

ASPIRE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear colleagues & friends of AOFOG region,

I extend my warm greetings to all of you from ASPIRE (Asia Pacific Initiative Reproductive Endocrinology). ASPIRE is relatively a new organisation but the 3rd largest organisation of Infertility specialists of the world (After ASRM & ESHRE). We work towards problems of Infertility in our region and balancing of treatment and academic protocols of highly developed countries vis a vis developing and low resource countries of our region. A liason and close interaction of AOFOG & ASPIRE (common members) will go a long way. Wishing AOCOG Kuching a grand success and welcome all to ASPIRE Jakarta in 2017.


Prof Jaideep Malhotra
President ASPIRE

WELCOME BY ORGANISING CHAIR



It is our pleasure and privilege to welcome you to the XXIV Asian and Oceanic Congress of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (ACOGG 2015) to be held in Malaysia from June 3-6, 2015. The

Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Malaysia (OGSM) will celebrate the Golden Jubilee of its official formation in 1965 and we are delighted with the singular honour of marking this important moment in our history as the host of ACOGG 2015.

ACOGG 2015 is set to be a truly diverse experience on several counts. The scientific program will be contemporary, cutting edge and comprehensive providing a forum for intellectual discourse on new, exciting and controversial issues in Women's Health. Borneo Convention Centre Kuching, Sarawak, the conference venue, is a state of the art, environment friendly and green convention centre that meets all possible conference requirements and more on just one level. This One Conference - One Venue - One Level Meeting will make attending the various sessions a breeze and a pleasure.

Kuching, the largest and most cosmopolitan city in Borneo, successfully merges avant-garde infrastructure with the unblemished splendour of a lush tropical rainforest as a unique backdrop. Sarawak is a value for money destination for all your accommodation, shopping, dining, leisure and tour needs. Hotels for all budgets. Food for all tastes, palates and dietary requirements. Tours for all ages and inclinations. All these in a city with the rainforest and its ecotourism attractions right at your doorstep.

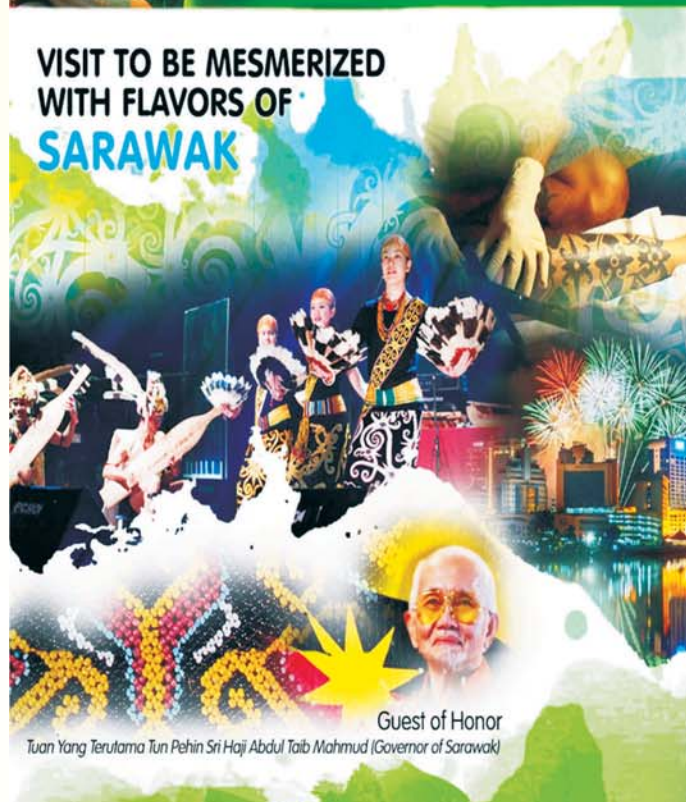
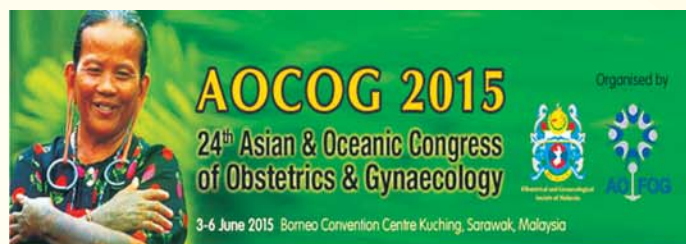
The social program will be equally alluring. We promise sumptuous food, great entertainment and the fraternizing that is synonymous with the O&G fraternity of our region, blended in an east-meets-west manner that only Borneo can offer.

The OGSM has a long and illustrious history of having organised several successful regional and international Congresses including FIGO 2006 in Kuala Lumpur and RCOG 2012 in Kuching. We at OGSM, pledge that ACOGG 2015 in Sarawak Malaysian Borneo will be unforgettable in every way. A milestone congress that will be scientifically, intellectually and spiritually fulfilling.

We look forward to seeing you in Kuching for an invigorating meeting that will meet and exceed your every expectation.

Dr Ravi Chandran
Congress President ACOGG 2015

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EDITOR OF AOFOG JOURNAL A REPORT

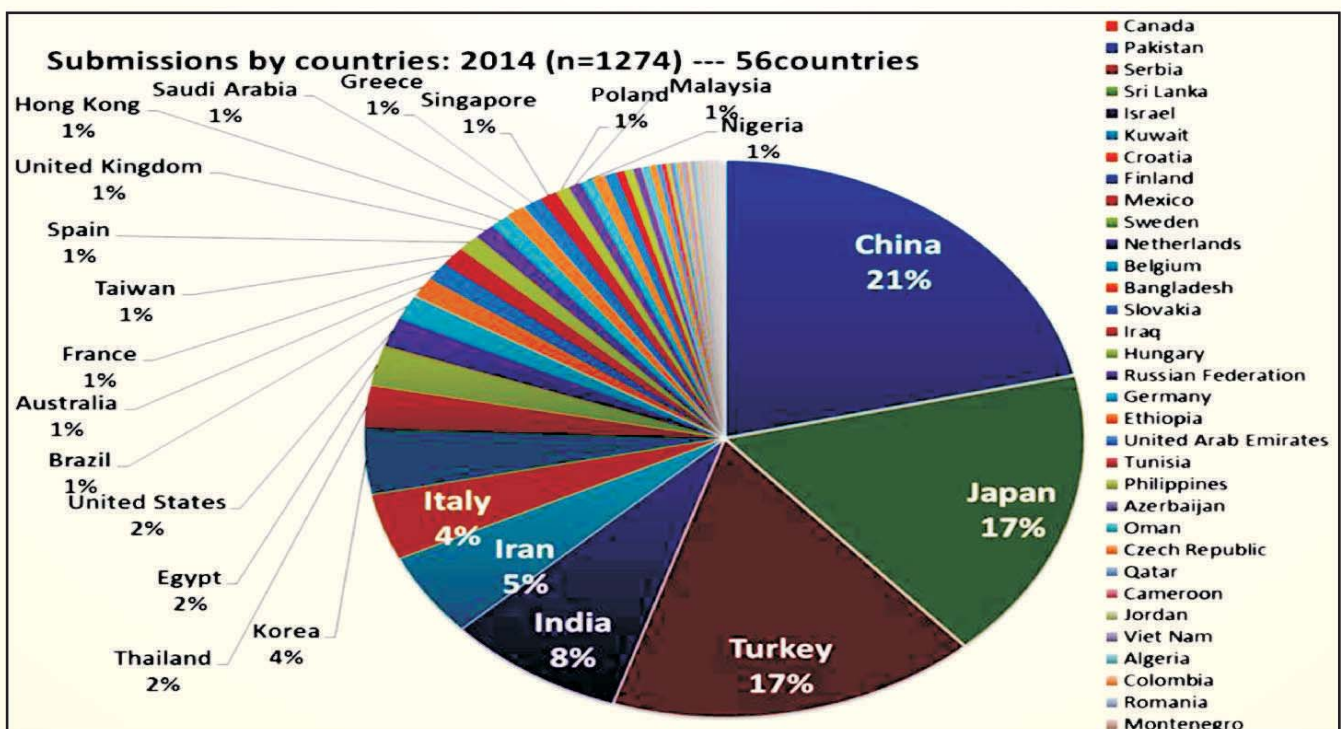


Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology Research (JOGR) is the official journal of AOFOG. The journal started to be published as Asia-Oceania Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology about 30 years ago. The journal aimed to become an international scientific one as well as the AOFOG official journal, and changed its name 15 years ago. When the name was changed into the present one, the annual number of submission to the journal was only 100. In 2014, JOGR has 1274 submissions and 292 published articles yearly in monthly issues, an acceptance rate of 17%, a recent impact factor of 0.931, 4554 licensed libraries in all over the world and 149,945 downloaded articles by human yearly. JOGR is becoming one of prestigious journals in the field of Obstetrics and Gynecology. The journal welcomes submissions from researchers worldwide on clinical and experimental investigation in all area of Obstetrics and Gynecology, including perinatology, oncology, reproductive endocrinology and infertility, urogynecology and women's health care. The article categories include original articles, case reports, reviews, and letters to the editor. The acceptance criteria for all papers are the quality and originality of the research

and its significance to our readership. Except where otherwise stated, manuscripts are peer reviewed by anonymous reviewers and the Editor. A term for peer review has been becoming shorter, the average of 36 days for newly submitted original articles and 26 days for case reports in 2014. Peer reviews provides a kind of quality certification for published papers, which means that published authors can be proud of their achievement, and that readers can have confidence that what they read has been deemed to be acceptable. Recently, inappropriate acts in the publication process such as plagiarism or double publication have drawn a great deal of attention. We are using the plagiarism-checking software not to let them published. JOGR has been developed as a scientific journal in the field of Obstetrics and Gynecology, but the function as the official journal of AOFOG is unsatisfactory in the present status. The official journal of societies generally introduces their activities and exhibits their products to readers. We will insert valuable information into JOGR related to AOFOG activities done by a number of committee. I appreciate the support that JOGR continues to garner from AOFOG members, with an increasing number of submissions of high scientific quality.

Professor Tomoyuki Fujii

Submission by country 2014



COUNTRY REPORT OF PAKISTAN

Activities of Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Pakistan (SOGP)

During the last two years SOGP remained very busy with different academic and social activities. Few of the highlights of these activities are.

1. SOGP Based Academic Activities : CME & Seminars
2. SOGP Conference:
SOGP Biennial International Scientific Conference
38 Pre conference workshops were organized all over the country and were facilitated by the top resource persons of the medical field.
3. AOFOG Activities
AOCOG Conference in Oct 2014 at Bangkok Thailand was attended by president along with delegates from different parts of the country. President SOGP also attended the AOFOG General Assembly and council meetings.
4. SAFOG Activities:
President along with delegates from SOGP attended conference & CME at Agra, Colombo and Maldives. Delegates for Nepal Conference have been nominated.

5. FIGO Initiative

Different workshops were conducted at Karachi, Quetta, Multan, Peshawar on MVA & Family planning counseling & method adoption after PAC Services.

FIGO Regional meeting conducted at Colombo where Pakistan plan of action was presented.

Regional co coordinator Dr. Shahiada Zaidi convened the sessions. Focal person

Dr. Haleema presented the progress in Pakistan plan of action.

Data collection from different centers was shared.

6. Misoprostol for reproductive Health Indications:

Four workshops on "Management of PPH with Misoprostol" in collaboration with USAID were conducted at BMCH and SPH.

7. National Collaborating Partner:

SOGP is working in close collaboration with Pop Council, PMA, NCMNH, PNFWH, AMAN, FPAP, Green Star and P&G.

8. Cervical Cancer Screening Report

9. SOGP Public Awareness Report



HILANTAGAAN STORY

On behalf of all the donors of the Rebuild Hilantagaan School Project, I would like to thank you, your teachers and students for the warm welcome extended to our group during the turnover of the Grade 1 and Grade 3 buildings on February 12. It was truly heartwarming to see the joy in the faces of the teachers and students and their pride in their new building.

Please share the story of the Rebuild Hilantagaan Elementary School with your teachers, students and their parents. Let them know:

That the first group to donate money for the build was the University of the Philippines Medical Society in America (UPMASA). They were followed soon after by the Philippine Community of Southern New Jersey, Inc. (PCSNJ) a tax exempt organization through which major donors like the Virtua Medical Staff, the Handang Tumulong Foundation and the Spine Institute made their donations. And locally, through the leadership of Dr. Walfrido Sumpaico (Doc Reddie) the Asia and Oceania Federation of Obstetrics and Gynecology (AOFOG) gave a major portion of the funds raised. You can see the names of the many donors who gave

so generously to this project on the tarpaulin hanging in front of the build.

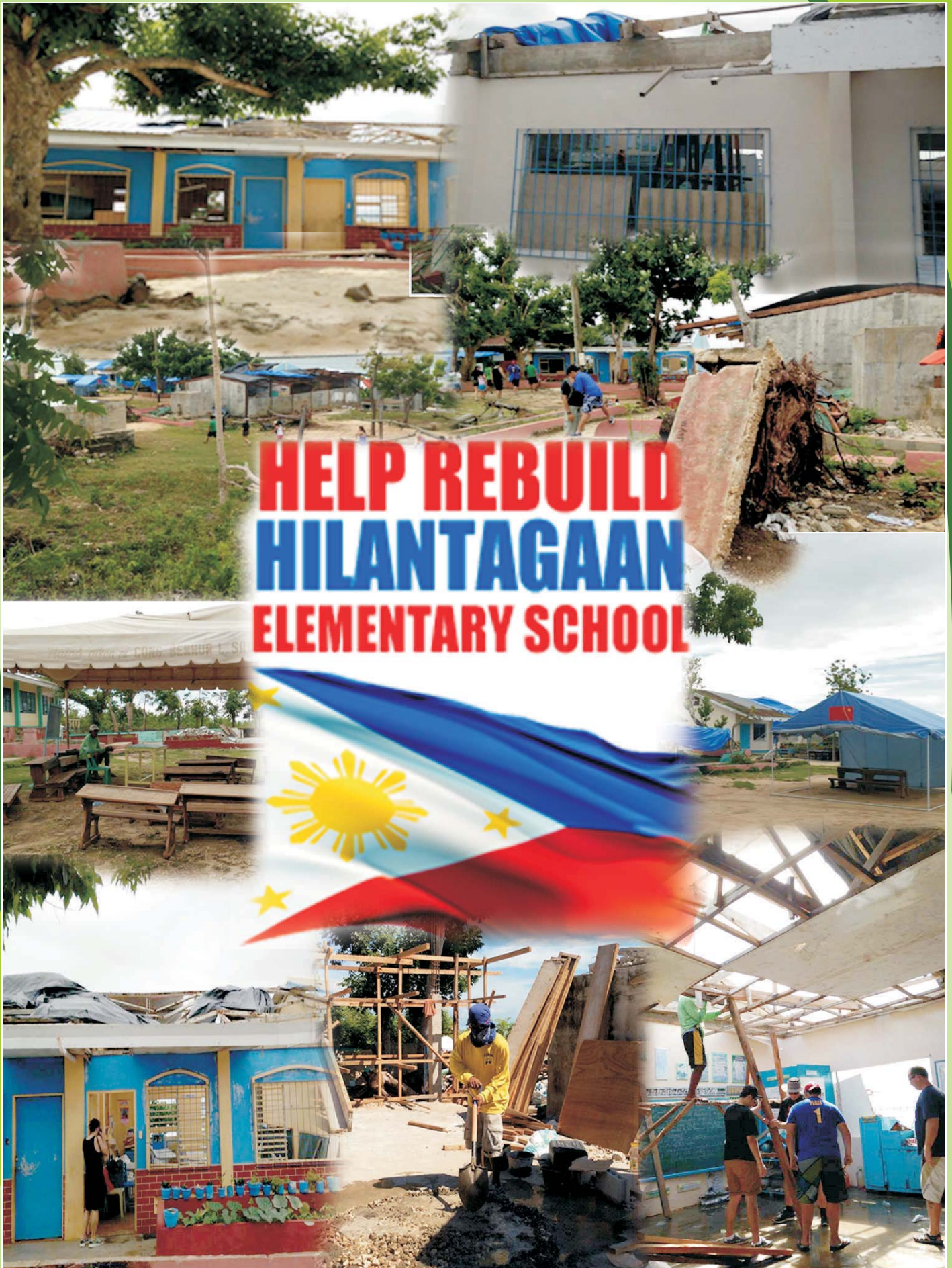
Additional funds were donated by AOFOG through Dr. Reddie, the UPMASA Delaware chapter, PCSNJ from the funds raised by the California cousins and most recently, the Shell Foundation of the Philippines. To save on the cost, this build was attached to the Grade 1 building utilizing the existing firewall. Thus we now have a beautiful building housing the first and third graders.

That is the story of the Rebuild Hilantagaan Elementary School saga. It is the work of a lot of people who came together for a worthwhile cause. It has been an exhilarating, highly satisfying and incredible journey. It's amazing what a group of dedicated and generous people can do together. The fact that the build was finished in record time (13 months after conception and only 8 months of construction) is almost a miracle - thanks to the vision and persistence of Cris and Juvy Perfecto.

Dr. Neolita V. Hijapon

Principal, Hilantagaan Elementary School





**HELP REBUILD
HILANTAGAAN
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

A REPORT OF NEPAL EARTHQUAKE

It was 5am on Saturday, April 25, "A massive earthquake has hit Nepal. Magnitude 7.8 earthquakes had rocked Nepal, it's epicenter halfway between Kathmandu and Pokhara. Thousands of people lost their lives, and millions more were affected. More than 160 tremors have occurred and on 12 May again, Nepal experienced a second wave of big quakes that resulted in a huge loss of life and property again. Another massive earthquake has struck the foothills of the Himalayas in Nepal and urban support, in Kathmandu, Bhaktapur and Lalitpur, is centered around camps for displaced people, including camp management roles and the provision of food and water. In rural areas, several agencies are supplying food and shelter to remote communities in Ramechhap and Sindhupalchok Districts and around Ghoroka.

The situation in Nepal is horrifying. The death toll has surged past 8,000 since the earthquake struck on April 25th, with more than 17,000 injuries and still

thousands more people missing. This many people in need would greatly test even the largest, most well equipped hospitals. To add to this challenge, there's intermittent electricity, no running water, and a shortage of even the most basic medical necessities.

NESOG members immediately reponded to the disaster from their respective hospitals and NESOG has also started conducting free health camps to the victims in different areas and our members are providing care in remote areas as well.

For most patients, stabilization and evacuation remain the primary goal. In fact, the best-case scenario for most patients in disaster zones is to have them stabilized long enough to evacuate them to an equipped hospital.

Please consider making a donation to help the health professionals on the scene in Nepal.

Dr. Ganesh Dungal
Nepal





REPORT FROM COLOMBO

FIGO – SAFOG – SLCOG Conference 30th Oct – 2nd Nov 2014



FIGO regional meeting organised along with SAFOG and SLCOG was indeed a greatly successful event on “UNMET NEEDS IN WOMEN’S HEALTH”. The brain child of FIGO president Prof. Arul Kumaran this conference attended by 620 plus delegates from all over the world, with all major organisations participating in the delegates. 8 wonderful well attended workshops as pre congress were held. On 29th Oct we had (1) Scientific (2) Writing (3) ALSO (4) Maternal death surveillance & response.

On the 30th were workshops on Fetal Medicine, Operative endoscopy, high Dependency care, infertility and ALSO.

The conference was inaugurated by the President of Srilanka republic Honorable Mr. Mahinda Rajapaksa, who welcome a packed hall and stressed the need of a political will to save the mothers. He highlighted on the various Maternal Health programmes being successful run in Srilanka.

Prof. Arul Kumaran (President FIGO) gave an overview of FIGO organization and highlighted on the academic and social programmes and projects of FIGO all over the world for saving mothers. Prof. Arul Kumaran congratulated SLOG for the

wonderful work being done in Srilanka for women's health and also for successful organization of the conference. The organisations which officially participated were RCOG, ASPIRE, FOGSI, ICOG, NESOG, SAFOMS, SFTRS, POGS, OGSB, RAZCOG, JSOG and others like AOFOG were represented by the key office bearers. In this mega event hosted by FIGO – SAFOG – SLCOG, the scientific programme was very nicely crafted and conducted and covered all the topics related to maternal health & diseases issues of C. Section, fertility care, Post-Partum, Preterm births, Hysterectomy, Heavy menstrual bleeding, Fetal Growth restriction, GDM, Hydusfery, contraception screening for anenpladies, towards zero maternal Mortality, Urinary in continence, Carcinoma cervix, early pregnancy, quiz by ICOG on surgical procedures, Post-partum hemorrhage, Gender violence, Adolescent girl problems, unsafe abortions, polycystic ovarian disease, Fistula, Critical Care, MDG-5, Prolapse, making surgery safe (AOFOG), Post date pregnancy and Medical education and women's health.

A very successful event closed on 2nd Nov with emotional speeches and farewell from Prof. Arul Kumaran, Prof. Alokendu Chatterjee(SAFOG) and Prof. Rohana (Org. Sec.).

M. Narendra Malhotra

Dr. Narendra Malhotra

FOGSI Rep to FIGO, Hon. Sec. Gen. SAFOG



FIGO - SAFOG - SLCOG - COLOMBO 2014



NEWS FROM RANZCOG

Rapidly developing and evolving landscapes of communications, technologies, advances in health science and global awareness make this a challenging time for the practice of our specialty and RANZCOG remains cognisant of its responsibilities to those countries less fortunate than our own. As such, we have welcomed the opportunity to be involved with AOFOG in the YGA network and in strengthening professional networks between colleagues across member countries.

Australia and New Zealand have been very active over the past year in our college activities within our own countries and extending to our neighbouring region. In particular, the work of RANZCOG embraces our Pacific island colleagues. We have been, and will continue to be, closely involved and supportive of our geographically close O&G societies, the Papua New Guinea O&G Society and the Fiji O&G Society and the College is currently reviewing the requirements associated with the membership category of Associate Member in the Pacific Island. As well, RANZCOG is a major supporter of the Pacific Society for Reproductive Health (PSRH), which supports all the Pacific island countries spread over a massive geographical area in our region.

International meetings

In July 2015 RANZCOG Fellows will join with the Fiji O&G society in supporting the 2015 Biennial General Meeting of PSRH, to be held in Suva Fiji. The theme of the meeting is “Reproductive Health in the Pacific Beyond 2015 – Greater Investments and Partnerships for Improved Results”. Prior to the workshop, hands-on training workshops will be held in the areas of ultrasound, basic surgical skills, audit and research, Emergency Maternal and Neonatal training, Colposcopy, Fetal Surveillance Education, manual vacuum aspiration and Jadelle and IUCD insertion.

The RCOG World Congress 2015, Joint RCOG / RANZCOG Event, was held in Brisbane, 12-15 April. A joint event for the two colleges, this meeting attracted more than 2,300 participants from 43 different countries. The meeting including superb local and international keynote speakers, and has been acclaimed as an outstanding success.

In May 2015, RANZCOG will host meetings of the FIGO Executive and associated committees in Melbourne. The College appreciates this opportunity to “show case” not only our own College but also the work being done by many Fellows in Indigenous Women's Health—and the Pacific region.

Networking in the Asia Oceania region

The RANZCOG Fellowship recognises a number of valuable partnerships operating in the Asia Oceania region conducted independent to the College. To extend the global health network in obstetrics and gynaecology, RANZCOG is developing a strategy to promote opportunities, strengthen networks and share information.

If member O&G societies within the Federation are interested in accessing the RANZCOG volunteer network to provide teaching and clinical service in areas where help is needed, please contact the RANZCOG Asia Pacific Global Women's Health Unit, ongjames@ranzco.edu.au

Should you have any concerns or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the College.



REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES IN 2014 ULTRASOUND COMMITTEE



A. Meetings

1. USG workshop in Philippines on 10 Jan 2014: AOFOG PSUOG PSMFM joint meeting, organized by Prof. Angie Teotico, AOFOG speaker: Dr. Tony Tan and some local speakers. The organizers agreed that the proceeds of this event would be donated to the victims of the typhoon that hit the country recently. There were more than 200 participants.
2. AOFOG session in Annual Scientific Meeting of The Obstetrical and Gynaecological Society of Hong Kong (OGSHK) was held at Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Building on 24-25 May 2014. AOFOG speakers: Prof. Sumpaico, Prof. Kurian Joseph and Dr. Tony Tan. The meeting was well attended by 400 delegates. The travel expenses of AOFOG speakers were sponsored by

Hong Kong Tourism Board and The OGSHK. Prof. Sumpaico and Prof. Joseph had a site visit at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Center for the AOCOG 2017.

3. 9th International Symposium of Genomic Medicine, co-organised by Ultrasound committee of AOFOG in Taichung, Taiwan (Prof. Ming Chen) on 16 November, 2014. AOFOG speaker: Dr. KY Leung. There were 385 registrants. The meeting was very interactive.

B. Recommendations on ultrasound practice

1. Recommendations on mid trimester anomaly scan has been accepted for publication in JOGR (Dr. KY Leung on behalf of ultrasound committee)

Dr. K Y Leung

Ultrasound Committee

PLAN IN 2015

A. Meetings

1. Pre-Congress ultrasound workshop in AOCOG 2015: speakers from USG committee
2. Ultrasound meeting in Thailand in 2015 (Prof. Apichart Chittacharoen): details to follow, plan to apply funding from AOFOG

B. Recommendations on ultrasound practice

1. To prepare recommendations on first trimester scan including ultrasound diagnosis of first trimester miscarriage in 2015 (Prof. Angelita R. Teotico)
2. To prepare recommendations on first trimester scan including biometry, anatomy, nuchal translucency in 2015 (Prof. Jaideep Malhotra)

C. Academic exchange

1. Two-week fetal echo program in Korea in 2015 (Prof. HS Won)

ACTION PLAN 2015 BY USG COMMITTEE

Ultrasound Committee

Dr. KY Leung (HK) (Chairman)

Prof. Apichart Chittacharoen (Thailand)

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Prof. Jaideep Malhotra (India)

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Prof. P.K. Shah (India)

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Prof. HS Won (Korea)



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President, AOFOG 2015-2017

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AOCOG 2015 YGA TOP TEN BEST PAPERS PLEASE ATTEND TO ENCOURAGE YOUNGSTERS

Name	Country	Email Address	Title of the Paper
Dr. Nanise Sikiti	Fiji	drsikiti@yahoo.com	Audit of Cervical Cancer Management at the Colonial War Memorial Hospital Retrospective Study - Jan 1, 2010 - Dec 31, 2012
Dr. Ka Yu Tse	Hong Kong	tseky@hkucc.hku.hk	Compliance with Follow-up in patients after Colposcopy for abnormal cervical cytology results
Dr. Neharika Malhotra	India	dr.neharika@gmail.com	Chromosomal Microarray Studies - A Generation ahead in Fetal Genetic Testing
Dr. Atsumi Kojima	Japan	akojima@iwate-med.ac.jp	Neoadjuvant chemotherapy with docetaxel and carboplatin followed by radical hysterectomy in patients with stage Ib2 to IIB usual-type adenocarcinoma: Updated results of an advance study of SGSG-005
Dr. Muniswaran Ganeshan	Malaysia	gmuniswaran@yahoo.com	Universal Versus Population Specific BMI as a predictor of Maternal and Fetal Outcomes
Dr. Ohnmar Kyaw	Myanmar	dr.ohnmarkyaw003@gmail.com	A Comparison of Medical Evacuation Using Single Dose Vaginal Misoprostol (800ug) versus surgical evacuation in management of early pregnancy loss in North Okkalapa General Hospital, Yangon
Dr. Ajay Agrawal	Nepal	drajayagrawal@yahoo.com	Induction of Labor Using Misoprostol with or without Mefispristone in Intrauterine Death: A Randomized Controlled Study
Dr. Grace P. Cayabyab	Philippines	docgrace@yahoo.com	Evaluation of the Cesarean Section Rate of a Tertiary Referring Hospital Using the Robson Ten Group Classification System
Dr. C.D. Wasalthilaka	Sri Lanka	w_chandika@yahoo.com	Comparison of Peripartum Maternal and Fetal Outcomes in Cervical Ripening Using Foley Catheter and Prostaglandin E2 Gel
Dr. Matchuporn Sukprasert	Thailand	Matchuporn_m@yahoo.com	Reuse of Bacterial Artificial Clones Microarrays by Stripping with Sodium Hydroxide



“ROME TO VANCOUVER” AOFOG SESSION AT FIGO VANCOUVER OCT 2015

Theme - "AOFOG 2015 - From Rome to Vancouver - New Stars Shining"

(Capsule: A new project of the federation is to motivate 3 best presentations in the YOUNG GYNECOLOGIST AWARDEES session in the 2015 AOFOG CONGRESS in Kuching June 4-7 to present their winning papers in Vancouver... They are our new singing stars.)

Chair - Yu Shih Yang, MD (AOFOG Past President)

Co-chair - Rohana Haththotuwa, MD (YGAA Coordinator)

Lecturers:

1. Puzzlement in Management of Preterm Labor (15 min) Tomoyuki Fujii, MD (JOGRE Editor)
2. YGA Presentation 1 (10 min)
3. Is the Friedman's curve or partogram obsolete? (15 min) Walfrido W Sumpaico, MD (AOFOG Secretary General)
4. YGA Presentation 2 (10 min)
5. Ergonomics at Laparoscopic Surgery (15 min) Kurian Joseph, MD (AOFOG President)
6. YGA Presentation 3 (10 min)

ALL AOFOG MEMBERS PLEASE BE PRESENT AT FIGO

REPORT ON PAST YGAAs



Young Gynaecologists awards were commenced in 1991 during the presidency of Professor Masahiko Mizuno & it was renamed as S S Ratnam YGA in 2001 in honour of Late Emeritus Prof Ratnam who was the Secretary General for 21 years.

Initially the YGA were given only to the 16 developing countries but later in 2002 it was awarded to the developed countries and the expenses were looked after by the country itself. As this project has now been going on for more than 20 years we have more than 300 YGAAs in the Asia Oceania region. Most of these YGAAs are holding high positions and have contributed very much Nationally & Internationally and become leaders, and AOFOG is proud that they were able to identify these young Gynaecologists early and recognize them and give them a boost to their carriers.

During the last AOCOG conference in Bangkok we were able to have the first past YGAAs session we had six presentations, one each from Bangladesh, India, Mongolia, Nepal, Philippines & Sri Lanka. Following the session we had the first meeting of the Past YGAA Alumni .It was attended by about 30 YGAAs, and everyone who participated welcomed the move as it gave an opportunity for them to interact with fellow past YGAAs and also to get involved in the activities of the Federation. Secretary General Prof Sumpaico also graced the occasion.

1. to encourage, foster and promote close relations between the AOFOG and its alumni and amongst the alumni themselves
2. to promote, in the alumni body, an interest in the affairs and well-being of the AOFOG
3. to provide and disseminate information regarding the AOFOG to its Members, and to the alumni
4. to ensure that programs are initiated and developed for the benefit of the alumni
5. to assist and support the efforts of the Association in obtaining funds for development of the AOFOG to serve as a medium through which alumni may support and advance the pursuit of academic excellence of the AOFOG members
6. to guide and assist alumni to establish academic, professional and research collaboration, both nationally and internationally
7. to assist YGAAs in need of academic support
8. to develop interactions with other alumni associations of other societies
9. to guide interested groups who may wish to contribute to the objectives of the Association
10. to pursue any other activities consistent with the above aims and objectives of the Association

Dr. Rohana Haththotuwa
Sri Lanka



COME & HEAR THE YESTERYEAR WINNERS PAST YGAAs SESSION AT KUCHING

No	NAME	COUNTRY	E Mail	TOPIC
1	Deeba Farzaana	Bangladesh	deeba_51@yahoo.com	Multiple micronutrients in Infertile women undergoing ovulation induction
2	Narendra Malhotra	India	mnmhagra3@gmail.com	Role of Granulocyte colony stimulating factor (G-CSF) in thin endometrium in ART - A Study
3	N. Palaniappan	India	npalaniappan@hotmail.com	Caesarean Section on Maternal Request
4	Jitendra Parivar	Nepal	jjpariyar@yahoo.com	Factors associated with late diagnosis of Cervical cancer in Nepal
5	Lubna Hassan	Pakistan	lubnahassan53@gmail.com	Transitioning from MDGs to SDGs: Unfinished business and fresh challenges
6	Erlidia F. Llamas-Clark	Philippines	bckiribati@hotmail.com	Climate Change and what it means to Reproductive Health: Why should Obstetrician-Gynaecologists care?

APPEAL "REBUILD NEPAL"

Nepal Rehabilitation Fund

A 7.8 magnitude earthquake hit Kathmandu, Nepal on April 25th Saturday, initially 1,800 were reported dead and numbers are increasing as reports started to come in.

To help our colleagues in Nepal, the Executive Board approved to establish an account exclusively to help NESOG in their rehabilitation. I therefore appeal for both institutional and even personal donations to the Nepal Rehabilitation Fund. To expedite the process, please remit donations to the accounts given below, we will do the rest and give you a proper accounting.

Through Registered Mail :

Professor Walfrido W. Sumpaico

Secretary-General

GF POGS Building, 56 Malakas Street, Diliman

Quezon City, Philippines

(Please make your cheque payable to : ASIA & OCEANIA FEDERATION OF OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY, INC)

Through Bank Transfer :

Account Name : ASIA & OCEANIA FEDERATION OF OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY, INC

Account Number : 101650200000731
Savings USD

Bank Name : Robinsons Bank Corporation

Bank Address : Tomas Morato Branch, Quezon City, Philippines

Swift code : ROBPPHMXXX

AOCOG CONGRESS SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Sarawak, also known as Bumi Kenyalang, the land of the Hornbills, is famous for its unique culture, food, flora and fauna. The social program for AOCOG 2015 has been specially designed to showcase Sarawak in all her glory.

Mark Your Calendar

From the traditional dances to the modern talents of Sarawak, we hope you will be able to sample a little of all Sarawak has to offer while making new acquaintances and renewing old ties at the AOCOG.

President's Night (by invitation only) -

Wednesday 3 June

Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception -

Thursday 4 June

Come experience fascinating Sarawak culture at the Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception. We will be introducing traditional Sarawak through food, dance and activities unique to this part of the world.

Gala Dinner -

Friday 5 June

Experience 'Jungle Fever' at our Gala Dinner. It will be a night to let your hair down, rekindle old friendships and form new ones. Set in our very own rainforest, be prepared to walk amongst handsome warriors and beautiful maidens. Dance the night away in a tropical paradise. We may even surprise you with the hidden talents we have uncovered in our AOFOG family. See you there.

Closing Ceremony -

Saturday 6 June

Highlights include prize presentations for Free Communications and the handing-over ceremony to AOCOG 2017



AOFOG MAP

ACTION PLAN MEETING CHENNAI JAN 2015



DOCUMENTARY FILM MADE ABOUT MICHELE BALDWIN TO RAISE AWARENESS, TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF CERVICAL CANCER IN INDIA

Mrs. Ruth Frazier of U.S.A. today visited Agra (Rainbow Hospitals & Malhotra Nursing & Maternity Home) in memory of Ms. Michele Baldwin for making a documentary on cancer cervix awareness.

She completed her yatra on the river in 28 days, and set a woman's record for long distance paddleboarding. Michele returned to her home in New Mexico, USA, and died February 6, 2012.

Now her mother, Ruth Frazier, 71, and Michele's daughter, Audrey Baldwin, 15, return to India to the Agra on May 12, 2015, to continue Michele's message to promote awareness of and to advocate for prevention of cervical cancer in women in India.

Michele Baldwin's Starry Ganga expedition was in collaboration with the Global Initiative Against HPV and Cervical Cancer, GIAHC (www.giahc.org), an American nonprofit organization working in India to help prevent cervical cancer. GIAHC was founded by physician and author Dr. Shobha Krishnan. Cervical cancer is the second most deadly cancer among women worldwide, and is an especially serious problem in India, where it kills 74,000 women a year and accounts for the highest number of deaths for women there.

"This Expedition was a selfless idea," Dr. Krishnan said. "The river is sacred, and so are women's lives. Michele's dedication to the cause was remarkable, and we are grateful for her steadfastness to raise awareness about this disease. Hers is an effort that will go down in history some day. Millions of women will be grateful to Michele for saving their lives."

Baldwin first traveled alone to and lived in India at the age of 19, where she met Mother Theresa and fell in love with the country and its varied cultures. She returned for an extended stay several years later. She trained and worked as a nurse, midwife, doula, realtor, ski lift operator, white water rafting guide, kayak river guide, and near the end of her life, as a paramedic and emergency medical services technician.

"It was August of 2011 when, two months after being told there was no longer any treatment available for my cervical cancer, I came up with the idea of paddle boarding the Ganga," Baldwin said before the Starry Ganga Expedition. "It came to me like a little secret whispered in my ear. It's an original synthesis of pilgrimage, athletic challenge, and opportunity to raise awareness about the cancer I have, which kills 250,000 women a year worldwide. So it's not so much as a want but something I feel I must do."

Ruth and Audrey returned to Varanasi to bring Michele home to the Ganga. Both of these relations of Michele's continue to spread Michele's message of healing which came from her Starry Ganga Expedition:

1. Women, take care of your health, first. Then you can be the model for your husband, your children, and your family.
2. Cervical cancer is preventable. Vaccinations for young people, early detection for women, can stop this disease from being the killer that it is.

Do what you love. Dare to think boldly.





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