

## INDIAN ORTHOPAEDIC RHEUMATOLOGY ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the IORA EX Comm Meeting held on 03.10.2021

Prof. Manish Khanna scheduled a meeting on 03.10.2021 over Zoom and invited all the EC members of the IORA to participate and give their opinions and feedbacks on the various agendas put forth by him.

The meeting took place for about 90 minutes from 8:15 pm to 9:45 pm IST

The minutes of the meeting were as follows:

- The meeting was attended by Prof Manish Khanna, Prof Dilip Mazumdar, Dr Rajesh Gupta, Dr Madhan Jeyaraman, Dr Sathish Muthu
- IORACON was scheduled to be held by the third week of January, 2022 to be held at Kolkata as planned earlier
- The program schedule has been discussed and decided to have a first one day of workshop and rest one and half days of lectures from Friday to Sunday noon
- The organizing secretary and the organizing chairman of the conference have been finalized

- From 2020 onwards we would be having Bienniel International congress of orthopaedic rheumatology ,next would be in Kolkata in Feb-Marc 2022( the 13<sup>th</sup> Congress ) Prof Sanjay Keshkar would be Organizing it at Kolkata.
- Prof Dilip Mazumdar suggested to have a session in the name of Young Surgeons forum to involve interested young and dynamic orthopedic rheumatologists of age < 40 yrs from the previous fellows of IORA
- It was suggested to form a school of teachers (SOT) to improve the quality of teaching for the fellows under FEIORA based on the curriculum followed in their fellowship
- A list of teachers has been identified from various parts of India to be involved in the SOT and further search for academicians in orthopedic rheumatology was declared necessary
- The fellowship exam has been decided to be even more stringent than the previous year to ensure the quality of the outgoing fellows to uphold the name of the association and fellowship in the community and academic forum
- All the ongoing fellows will be presenting their research work in a dedicated session in the upcoming IORACON
- It was also suggested to have more interactive sessions with the participants in the IORACON to make the event more lively
- It is was suggested to have a recognition in the form of medal or cash prize to encourage active participation in the fellowship
- Discussion was made on the future executive committee members, and their tenures
- It was suggested to have the tenure of the President ,President Elect ,Vice President Post of two years each and Secretary continue to be three years

- Potential candidates for the above positions have been suggested and it was unanimously decided to make Prof Lakhar as the President, Dr Rajesh Gupta as the President Elect, Dr Madhan as the Secretary and Dr Sathish as the Joint Secretary
- When it is was suggested to have individual state chapters to the association, it was decided not to go for individual state chapters and the association to be represented as a united single functional body
- Suggestions have been received on the topics to be covered in the IORACON and potential speakers for the same
- Dr Madhan and Dr Sathish volunteered to drafting the schedule of the IORACON, which will be handed over to the organizing chairman
- All the resolutions made in the meeting will be passed as a resolution in the IORA GBM in the upcoming conference in Kolkata

Dr Sathish Muthu

Prof Dr Manish Khanna