

ASSOCIATION NEWS



Association of Pharmacy Professionals (APP) Andhra Pradesh State Branch organized **10th Indo-Gulf International Conference on "Recent Trends and Scenario of Artificial Intelligence and Pharmaceutical Sciences"** on August 17, 2024 at Narasaraopeta Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences (NIPS), Yellamanda, Narasaraopet, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, in collaboration with APP Gulf International Branch and APP Community and Clinical Pharmacy Division, in the commemoration of "World Humanitarian Day 2024", which is an international day dedicated to recognize to recognize the dedication, commitment and sacrifice of humanitarians globally. During this scientific conference, **Sri Mittapalli Venkata Koteswararao**, Chairman, NIPS, Yellamanda; **Mr. Ramesh**, Secretary, Narasaraopeta Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Yellamanda; **Mr. Chakravarthi Mittapalli**, **Mr. Kishore Mittapalli**, Directors, NIPS, Yellamanda acted as 'Patrons'; **Dr. Sunita Dahiya**, General Secretary APP from School of Pharmacy, University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico, United States as 'Organizing Chairman'; **Prof. J. N. Suresh Kumar**, Secretary, APP Andhra Pradesh State Branch and Principal, Narasaraopeta Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Yellamanda as 'Convener'; **Dr. Anil K. Philip**, Vice President, APP Gulf International Branch & Associate Dean, School of Pharmacy, University of Nizwa, Sultanate of Oman as 'Co-Convener'; **Dr. Zia Ur Rehman**, Secretary, APP Gulf International Branch & Associate Professor, Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, College of Pharmacy, Jazan University Jazan, Saudi Arabia as 'Scientific Committee Chairman'; **Dr. Purushothama Reddy K**, HOD, Department of Pharmacy Practice, Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women, Enikepadu, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh as 'Scientific Committee Co-Chairman'.

Scientific session of the conference was initiated with online keynote lecture of **Prof. Gaurav Gupta**, President, APP Gulf International Branch & Adjunct Research Professor, Centre of Medical and Bio-allied Health Sciences Research, Ajman University, Ajman, United Arab Emirates who addressed the gathering on the topic "AI Innovations in Drug Discovery: A Faster Route from Lab Bench to Patient Bedside". Other two lectures were delivered by **Prof. K. Karthickeyan**, Head, Department of Pharmacy Practice, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Vels deemed to be University (VISTAS), Pallavaram, Chennai, Tamil Nadu and **Dr. Sagar Kumar Mishra**, Lecturer, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha on topics like 'Advancement in Clinical Pharmacy Practice' & 'Scientific Evaluation of Ethnomedicinal Plants: Perspectives for Effective Therapeutic Agents'. During the valedictory function, **Prof. K. Kathickeyan**, Head, Department of Pharmacy Practice, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, VISTAS, Palavaram, Chennai, Tamil Nadu honored with 'APP Fellow Membership Award 2024' by **Prof. J. N. Suresh Kumar**, Secretary, APP Andhra Pradesh State Branch. Also appreciation awards were extended to chairman and principal of hosting college. In addition, **Dr. Sk. Farhan Subahan**, Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice, NIPS, conferred with 'Best Teacher Award'; **Dr. Sk. Mulla Mobin**, Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmacy Practice, NIPS, felicitated with 'Best Talent Award'; **Dr. A. Swetha Prathima**, Assistant Professor, NIPS, honored with 'Best Performer Award'; **Dr. K. Venkata Gopaiah**, Associate Professor, NIPS, conferred with 'Best Achiever Award'; **Mr. Deselli Mohan** and **Ms. Bathula Manasa**, B.Pharm (Year 4) Students, NIPS, with 'Best Student Awards'; **Mr. Jagupilla Pavan Kumar** and **Ms. Pendela P V K N Sai Rama Pujitha**, Pharm.D (Year VI) Students, NIPS, with 'Best Student Awards'. Various posters were presented during scientific session of this Indo-Gulf International Conference and best poster prizes were distributed. At last, the scientific event ended with 'Vote of thanks' by the Convener & Principal, Narasaraopeta Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Narasaraopet, Guntur.

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