

## ASSOCIATION NEWS



Association of Pharmacy Professionals (APP) Telangana State Branch organized **8th Indo-Gulf International Conference on "Global Scenario & Challenges in Drug Design, Development & Herbal Drug Technology"** on August 16, 2024 at SNS College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (SNSCPHS), Saravanampatti, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, in collaboration with APP Gulf International Branch and APP NatProd R&D Division, in the commemoration of "Sadbhavana Diwas 2024", which is a day to remember to practise nonviolent disputes, promote tolerance, and perform community service. During this scientific conference, **Dr. S. N. Subbramanian**, Chairman, SNSCPHS, Coimbatore acted as 'Chief Patron'; **Dr. S. Rajalakshmi**, Correspondent, SNSCPHS, Coimbatore and **Dr. S. Nalin Vimal Kumar**, Technical Director, SNSCPHS, Coimbatore 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. S. Sathesh Kumar**, Vice President, APP Tamilnadu State Branch & Principal, SNS College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu, as 'Convener'; **Prof. Rajiv Dahiya**, Founder President APP & Former Director, School of Pharmacy, Faculty of Medical Sciences, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad & Tobago as 'Scientific Committee Chairman'; **Prof. Susan Julia Chand**, President, APP West Indies International Branch and Former Director, Office of Research and Innovation, University of the Southern Caribbean, St. Joseph, Trinidad & Tobago and **Dr. Simone Faye Walcott**, Vice President, APP West Indies International Branch and Chief Technician, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Science & Technology, The University of the West Indies, Trinidad & Tobago as 'Co-Conveners'; **Prof. M. Vani**, Coordinator, APP NatProd R&D

Division from Vijaya Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences for Women Enikepadu, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh and **Prof. Malarkodi Velraj**, Coordinator, APP NatProd R&D Division from School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, VISTAS, Pallavaram, Chennai, Tamil Nadu as 'Scientific Committee Co-Chairmans'. Scientific session of the conference was initiated with 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 "Revolutionizing Drug Discovery: AI's Impact on Translating Research to Treatment". This was followed by two lectures from **Prof. P. Shanmugasundaram**, Dean, School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Vels deemed to be University (VISTAS), Pallavaram, Chennai, Tamil Nadu and **Prof. Suresh V. Chennupati**, HOD, Department of Pharmaceutical Analysis, Nalanda College of Pharmacy, Nalgonda, Telangana on topics 'In-Situ Gel for Ocular Treatment' and 'Significance of Peptides and Proteins in Pharmaceutical Sciences'.

During the valedictory function, the chairman and principal of the hosting institution were honored with 'APP Appreciation Awards' by President, APP Gulf International Branch. **Ms. G. Durgadevi**, Assistant Professor, SNSCPHS, felicitated with 'Best Researcher Award'; **Ms. Shammah C. J.** Assistant Professor, SNSCPHS, with 'Best Achiever Award'; **Mrs. Kalaivani Vetrivel**, Assistant Professor, SNSCPHS, with 'Best Pharmacist Award'; **Ms. P. Aishwaryah**, Assistant Professor, SNSCPHS, with 'Best Talent Award' and **Mrs. Swathi. S.** Assistant Professor, SNSCPHS, with 'Best Teacher Award' for their outstanding contribution in respective fields. In student category, **Mr. Manikandan K.** B.Pharm (Year 2); **Ms. Sandhiya V.** B.Pharm (Year 3); **Mr. Gokul S.** B.Pharm (Year 3); **Mr. Thirunavukarasu A** and **Ms. Anjana V S.** B.Pharm (Year 4) students, SNSCPHS, conferred with 'APP Awards' for their outstanding performances. The event concluded with presenting prizes to best poster winners and delivering 'Vote of thanks' by the Convener & Principal, SNS College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Saravanampatti, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu.

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