The 6th Annual Conference of the Association of Radiation Oncologists of India

The 6th Annual Conference of the Association of Radiation Oncologists of India (Bihar Chapter) was successfully organized by the Department of Radiation Oncology, Mahavir Cancer Sansthan from 14th – 15th September 2024 at Patna. This two-day academic feast with the theme "The Practice of Radiation Oncology: Benchmark and the Step Ahead" had around 200 participants, which included 26 eminent oncologists as speakers and moderators from different parts of India.

Day 1 of the conference started with a welcome speech from the Organizing Chairman Dr. (Prof) B. Sanyal. This was followed by highly informative sessions on head neck and lung cancer. After that, the prestigious "Dr. A. D Singh Oration" on "The Practice of Radiation Oncology: Benchmark and the Step Ahead" was delivered by Dr. (Prof) Ramesh Billimagga from Bengaluru. The oration concluded with the felicitation of Dr. (Prof) Ramesh Billimagga with the oration plaque and a shawl. After this, we had Dr Rangi Prasad Singh Oration" on "Relevance of AJCC 8th edition TNM in treatment of oral cancer" which was delivered by Dr. (Prof) S. N Senapati from Cuttack. The second oration also concluded with the felicitation of Dr. (Prof) S. N Senapti with the oration plaque and a shawl. After two inspiring orations, it was time for the lunch break.

In the first post-lunch session, breast cancer was discussed in detail by our speakers which was followed by an interesting and enthusiastic panel discussion. The last event for the day 1 conference was the Genito-urinary session. This session started with a debate on the organ-preserving approach in the management of urinary bladder cancer and concluded with a panel discussion on Prostate cancer.

Then after breaking for the high tea, everyone moved from the conference hall of Mahavir Cancer Sansthan to Darbar Hall of Hotel Chanakya for the inaugural ceremony. The inaugural ceremony for the 6th AROICON Bihar Chapter commenced at 7.30 pm with the welcome of the chief guest, Acharya Kishore Kunal jee, Secretary of Mahavir Sthan Nyas Samiti, Patna followed by soulful recitation of bhajan by Smt. Nandita. The welcome address was given by the Patron, Dr. L.B Singh. The organizing chairperson, Dr. B. Sanyal, and Co-Chairperson, Dr. Manisha Singh also addressed the guests. This was followed by a speech from Dr. Rajiv Ranjan Prasad, President AROI BIHAR Chapter. The Chief guest, Shri Kunal Jee also felicitated all the national faculties. Dr. Vinita Trivedi, Organising Secretary gave the vote of thanks. The inaugural ceremony was conducted by Dr. Richa Chauhan, Jt. Organising Secretary. The ceremony was followed by a musical evening and a sumptuous dinner.

Day 2 started at 8.00 am with seven papers and fifteen poster presentations from the postgraduate students, Residents, and medical physicists. The scientific program started with a session on Gynaecological Cancer, which was followed by two Keynote lectures. Dr. Reena Engineer presented the first Keynote lecture on "Neoadjuvant treatment in Rectal cancer" and Dr. Sarbani Ghosh Laskar discussed "Reirradiation in head and neck cancer" as the second Keynote lecture. The session concluded with felicitation of both the speakers with an award and a shawl. This was followed by a session on Gastrointestinal cancer. The scientific program concluded with a talk on Paediatric cancer. The last event of the day was the Valedictory at 2.00 pm in which Dr. Tanmoy Roy received the Dr. (Prof) K.K Singh Award

for the best paper presentation in the Radiation Oncology category. Dr. Nilesh Kumar won the Mr. Ramchandra Prasad Award in the Medical Physicist category. The award for the best poster presentation was given to Mr. Raghubansh Kumar.

The conference concluded on a happy and satisfying note with appreciation from the participating faculties and delegates.

Warm Regards,

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