



## President Speak...



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### Dear Members,

I am of the strong feeling that there will be something for everyone with an interest in education, career development and professional recognition. The Policy makers, apex bodies and institutions offering Pharmacy programmes should train the students with competency based education instead of existing conventional system of education to advance the career of Pharmacy Professional in India. Our education system particularly Pharmacy education should think on par with standards of global level. Globally “Entrustable Professional Activities” (EPAs) have been developed in medicine and Pharmacy and being applied to ensure educators that their students perform professional duties unsupervised in teaching and transforming practice. The importance of inter professional education, professional development tools, professional recognition and credentialing and competency-based assessment of education and training are the key factors to advance Pharmacy career.

IPA has taken initiative to play a major role in creating a pool of quality-conscious and well-trained human resources for the Indian Pharmaceutical industry by constituting a focus group with objective to facilitate and creation of human resources with a quality mind-set. Since well-trained faculty members are the key drivers to build and sustain the core capability of training undergraduate and postgraduate students, IPA with the help of Pharma Training Institute has developed necessary modules to bridge the gap between industry and Pharmaceutical institutions. The training modules expose the faculty members with training on advances in process development, manufacturing technologies and analytical methodologies to be able to teach and make the graduating students well versed with the current trends. I thank the team of industry resource persons who were travelling to institutions and training the graduating students in the required areas of expertise. IPA divisions particularly Hospital Pharmacy, Community Pharmacy and Education, have come forward with various collaborative projects and training modules for Pharmacy teachers, students, community and hospital pharmacists. The divisions have created revenue generation modules for IPA by signing

Contract/MoU with several institutions and agencies. I congratulate IPA-AP State Branch for the initiation taken organising such training module for teachers and students at Chebrolu Hanumaiah Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Guntur and Vikas Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Rajahmundry. IPA acknowledge the PCI initiatives of CEP programmes to teachers and online refresher programme for working pharmacists to update the knowledge bank in collaboration with identified institutions and State Pharmacy Councils.

“Pharmacists are your medicines experts” with the core message of this year’s World Pharmacist Day, the focus will be on the extensive expertise that pharmacist have and put to use every day to ensure better patient health. This expertise is applied through science and research, through educating the next generation and through transforming patient needs into services. The theme emphasize that pharmacists are a trusted source of knowledge and advice not only for patients but other health care professionals. For every patient who walks into a Pharmacy, Pharmacists need to ensure that the right medicine is provided at the right dose and in the most suitable formulation. I wish all the IPA members to work with other health care professionals to ensure that every individual receives optimal treatment. As one of the most accessible health care professionals globally, we use our learning to protect health and prevent illness.

The IPA building committee is working relentlessly to commence the dream project of IPA building from August 2018. I congratulate the team and also acknowledge the co-operation of IPA-MSB. The IPA team thanks for the whole hearted support of IPA Delhi branch and individual IPA members who contributed generously to make the IPA’s Building project the most momentous one. I earnestly request all the IPA state and local branches, members to collectively work to bring the dream project of IPA building in reality.

“Let the dream of all the members of IPA come true”

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