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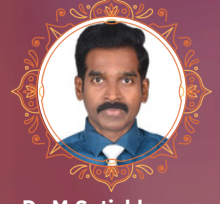
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## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



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Dear brothers and sisters,

### Expression of Gratitude

At the outset, may I express my humble namaskarams to each and everyone of you for assigning this prestigious position as "CHAIRMAN" of TNASI. Let me assure you that I will follow the noble footsteps of legends of surgery who headed this great academic body and lead the organisation with great ethics and dedication to the humanity.

May I dedicate myself in upholding the principles of our TNASI and serving the scientific body at all times.

### Academic Activities of ASI

I am here for the welfare of young surgeons updating them with the advances in the field of Surgery. We have excellent academic programmes for the benefit of surgical postgraduates and scientific programmes for updating the skills of young surgeons and the practising surgeons with wide experience. Academic programmes are prepared by excellent team of executive committee and academic council. We are guided by the experience of galaxy of senior surgeons in this regard. We also have a social welfare council with primary objective of the benefit of poor and downtrodden masses of the society.

I am receptive to the ideas of fellow surgeons towards the moral values of the science of surgery for the welfare of the organisation.

### Safety of the Patient and Safety of the Surgeon

Our prime aim in streamlining the healthcare delivery is the "safety of the patient". We strive hard to achieve this motto with our updated knowledge and skill which we deliver to the patient irrespective of caste, colour and creed. At the same time, we often note that our surgeons are put to lot of hardships and are subjected to various forms of litigations. **This necessitates that we had to concentrate on the "safety of surgeon" in his surgical practice.** We always follow ethics in our practice. In spite of our honesty we face lot of litigations. It is all due to misconceptions by the patient. This results in undue harassment doubting our genuinity resulting in litigations.

Litigations are due to poor understanding of the disease, severity of the disease and final outcome of the treatment by the society.

### Steps for Surgical Practices

1. We should sit and discuss with the patient. We should sensitize the patient and relatives about the probable outcome of the treatment. They should be made to understand that we offer the best treatment but the outcome is not in our hands.
2. At the same time, we should not take everything granted. Surgeons should be sensitized about the importance of documentation detailing the discussion with the patient and relatives.
3. In the current era of knowledge explosion the social media should be sensitized about these issues so that there is no misinterpretation and propagation of false and unauthenticated information in the media. We should have cordial relationship with media.
4. Scientific body like ASI should have the CONSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT. We should make all attempts to bring the change in the constitution. Like the quota in Rajya sabha for eminent personalities, our scientific body should have representation in legislative councils and Rajya sabha. This will help in making our voice heard loud in state assemblies and parliament.

### Association of India With Advisory Role in Constitutional and Administrative Bodies

The constitutional and administrative bodies often pass various draconian directives which hamper our surgical practice. They do not understand the ground realities and gravity of problems and pass the directives and decisions arrived unilaterally. Our real voices of dissent and unheard. If we have an advisory role in these constitutional and administrative bodies, Association of India can give appropriate constructive suggestions before enactment of law. To cite a few, GST council, Pollution control board, electricity board, local bodies like corporation, judiciary etc often pass various laws and directives which are not conducive in day to day practice.

### Surgeon as the Leader of the Team

My prime aim is in Upholding the dignity of the surgeon as the "leader of the team" in our dedication to the welfare of the patient.

We should strive hard to restore the glory of surgeon and he should be regarded with prime role in management of the patient.

**Long live TNASI!**



## HONORARY SECRETARY'S MESSAGE



**Prof. Dr. S. Marimuthu MS, DNB, M.Ch**  
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Dear Surgical brethren and Esteemed Members,

### Greetings from ASI TAMILNADU State Chapter,

Hope all of you are doing well. We are happy and overwhelmed by your participation in TNASICON 2024 at Kanyakumari Hosted by ASI Kanyakumari city branch, under the leadership of Prof. Dr. J. A. Jayalal. We deeply appreciate the work done by the Dr. Jayalal and his team.

Next year TNASICON2025 is going to be organized by Salem city branch under the leadership of our past chairman Dr A Rajasekar and his team in the Yercaud hills in the month of August 2025. The ambience will be beautiful and breathtakingly super. All are requested to plan in advance to have comfortable stay and enjoy the climate and conference.

Our chairman Dr P Sundarraj is vibrant and eager to visit each branch during your monthly CME and will deliver TNASI Chairman Oration in each branch during his official visit. Write us regarding your monthly CME and send the reports regularly to get best branch awards given during our Annual conference.

Our website is updated regularly and visitors are increasing. Please visit and go through our website for more information regarding our chapter activities and branch activities. Please feel free to contact us for any queries, information or grievances.

**Long live TNASI..!!**

### Facial nerve Anatomy after conservative Parotidectomy by Dr. S. Marimuthu



### PROF R JOTHIRAMALINGAM

Jothi gave Jothis to all surgeons  
Jothi is amalgamation of all  
Jothi incorporating Ram and lingam  
Leader inspired all surgeons all over India  
Made mega surgeons from Madurai  
Made a Madurai in the map of ASI  
Made mega event of ASI in Madurai  
The Endocrinologist of Entire Tamilnadu

*With memories of Jothis*

Dr saravanamuthu marimuthu  
Thanjavur

### SOCIAL ACTIVITY – DONATION OF SEWING MACHINES



In solidarity with poor needy people to enhance their livelihood, the Association of Surgeons of India, Tamilnadu state chapter, stepped forward to offer essential help:

5 sewing machines given on 18.08.2024

We served 5 sewing machines to poor needy peoples in the presence of Lions district governor Mr. Savariraj and Pragadeeswarar Lions club president & our TNASI secretary Dr. Marimuthu and Member of Social welfare council of TNASI Dr G Karthikeyan on 18.08.2024 at Vijay Mahal Trichy Road, Thanjavur, Tamilnadu. Thanks to our Chairman Dr P Sundarraj and Social welfare Chairman Dr JAYALAL and Our national Social welfare Director Dr D Maruthupandian for their guidance and support



# The 47th Annual Conference of The Association of Surgeons of India - Tamilnadu State chapter

Hosted by ASI KANYAKUMARI City Branch



The 47th Annual Conference of The Association of Surgeons of India, Tamil Nadu State Chapter Hosted by ASI KANYAKUMARI City Branch was conducted on 08th to 11th August 2024 at Rohini College Of Engineering, Kanyakumari.

First day on 08.08.2024, live surgical workshop was done and live relay done from various Hospitals to venue. 14 surgeries were done by various eminent faculties from all over India. Second day on 09.08.2024, live surgical workshop and Prof.Sarathchandra CME was conducted. 3 surgeries done on that day. 12 lectures, one panel discussion and one quiz were done by eminent surgical faculties from all over Tamilnadu.

On third and fourth day(10.08.2024 and 11.08.2024, 10 Invited lectures, 6 orations, two symposium, award and free papers were organized and done. 336 free papers and 350 posters were presented by postgraduate students from various medical colleges and postgraduate institutions across Tamilnadu and Pondicherry.

700 postgraduates students, 175 Delegates and 50 Faculties participated in this mega event from all over Tamilnadu. Our ASI National president Dr PROBOL NEOGI participated as Guest in Inaugural Function conducted on 10.08.2024 Annual General Body meeting and Executive committee meeting were conducted on 10.08.2024. Another Executive meeting was conducted by incoming chairman Dr P Sundarraj on 14.08.2024



## World Cancer Day Symposium and Rally in Tanjore

**இந்திய மருத்துவ கழகம், தஞ்சாவூர் கிளை , இந்திய அறுவைசிகிச்சை நிபுணர்கள் சங்கம், தமிழ்நாடு மற்றும் விவ்ணு புற்றுநோய் மருத்துவமனை தஞ்சாவூர் (பிப்ரவரி 04 - உலக புற்றுநோய் தினத்தை முன்னிட்டு) இணைந்து நடத்தும்**

**புற்றுநோய் விழிப்புணர்வு கருத்தரங்கு & பேரணி**  
இடம்: இராசா மிராகதார் மருத்துவமனை, பழைய பேருந்து நிலையம்-அருகில், தஞ்சாவூர்.  
நாள்: 04/02/2024, நேரம்: காலை 8 மணி முதல்

**தீர்ப்பு விருந்தினர்:** மரு. S.பாலசுப்பிரமணியன்,MS, MCh  
முன்னமை மற்றும் மருத்துவமனை மருத்துவ நி.ணை. S.B. மருத்துவமனை, தஞ்சாவூர்  
இந்திய மருத்துவ சங்கம் தஞ்சாவூர் கிளை  
**மரு.ப.ரவீந்திரன்** மரு. A.சரவணவேல் மரு.மேத்தியூஸ்  
தலைவர் செயலாளர் பொருளாளர்  
**இந்திய அறுவைசிகிச்சை நிபுணர்கள் சங்கம், தமிழ்நாடு**  
**தலைவர்:** மரு M இளங்கோவன், செயலாளர்: மரு ச மாரிமுத்து  
**திருமதி சங்கீதா மாரிமுத்து, நிர்வாக இயக்குநர், விவ்ணு மருத்துவமனை**

**அனைவரும் வாரீர்! விழிப்புணர்வு பெறுவீர்!**



On the occasion of World Cancer Day, All India Surgeons Association Tamilnadu Branch, Indian Doctors Association Thanjavur Branch and Vishnu Hospital organized awareness seminar and

The rally took place near Thanjavur Raja Mirasudar Hospital. The seminar was presided over by Dr. Ilangoan, President of the Tamil Nadu Branch of the Association of Surgeons of India. Indian Medical Association Tanjore Branch President Dr Ravindran welcomed. Indian Surgeons Association Tamil Nadu Branch Secretary Dr. Marimuthu Treasurer Dr. Karthikeyan Indian Physicians Association Thanjavur at the seminar Branch Secretary Dr. Saravanavel Treasurer Mathew, Past President Dr. Sankara Narayanan, Dr. Ambujam, Dr. Bharati, Dr. Balamurugan, Women's Team Dr. Saraswathi Singharavelu, Vishnu Hospital Managing Director Sangeetha Marimuthu and others were present. Later the procession left from Thanjavur Raja Mirasudar Hospital. The rally was flagged off by Dr. Balasubramanian, senior urologist. The rally reached by rail through Gandhiji Road.



### தஞ்சையில் உலக புற்றுநோய் தின கருத்தரங்கம் மற்றும் பேரணி

தஞ்சாவூர், பிப்.5 உலக புற்றுநோய் தினத்தை முன்னிட்டு அகில இந்திய அறுவை சிகிச்சை நிபுணர்கள் சங்க தமிழ்நாடு கிளை இந்திய மருத்துவர் சங்க தஞ்சை கிளை மற்றும் விஷ்ணு மருத்துவமனை இணைந்து விழிப்புணர்வு கருத்தரங்கு மற்றும் பேரணி தஞ்சை ராஜா மிராசுதார் மருத்துவ மனை அருகே நடந்தது. கருத்தரங்கிற்கு இந்திய அறுவை சிகிச்சை நிபுணர்கள் சங்க தமிழ்நாடு கிளை தலைவர் டாக்டர் இளங்கோவன் தலைமை தாங்கினார். இந்திய மருத்துவர் சங்க தஞ்சை கிளை தலைவர் டாக்டர் ரவிந்திரன் வரவேற்றார். கருத்தரங்கில் இந்திய அறுவை சிகிச்சை நிபுணர்கள் சங்க தமிழ்நாடு கிளை செயலாளர் டாக்டர் மாறிமுத்து பொருளாளர் டாக்டர் கார்த்திகேயன் இந்திய மருத்துவர் சங்க தஞ்சை கிளை செயலாளர் டாக்டர் சரவணவேல் பொருளாளர் மேத்தியூ, முன்னாள் தலைவர் டாக்டர் சங்கர நாராயணன், டாக்டர் அம்புஜம், டாக்டர் பாரதி, டாக்டர் பாலமுருகன், மகளிர் அணி டாக்டர் சரஸ்வதி சிங்காரவேலு, விஷ்ணு மருத்துவமனை நிர்வாக இயக்குனர் சங்கீதா மாறிமுத்து மற்றும் பலர் கலந்து கொண்டனர். பின்னர் பேரணி தஞ்சை ராஜா மிராசுதார் மருத்துவமனையில் இருந்து புறப்பட்டது. பேரணியை மூத்த சிறுநீரக அறுவை சிகிச்சை நிபுணர் டாக்டர் பாலசுப்பிரமணியன் கொடி அசைத்து தொடங்கி வைத்தார். பேரணி காந்திஜி சாலை வழியாக ரெயிலடி சென்று அடைந்தது.

### Prof. Dr. V. VARADHARAJAN Oration (25.08.2024)

We from Thanjavur city branch regularly conducting our monthly meetings. On behalf of that last month on 25.08.2024 we conducted our monthly meeting as prof. VVR Oration. Prof. Dr Sujay susikar from Chennai delivered the oration on cancer stomach - recent updates . About 51 members were participated

**THE ASSOCIATION OF SURGEONS OF INDIA  
ASI THANJAVUR CITY BRANCH**

Dear Members,

We cordially invite you for our CME on 25.08.2024  
"Prof. Dr. V. VARADHARAJAN Oration"

Date: 25.08.2024 Time: 6.30 pm - 9.30 pm  
Venue: Hotel La Orchid, Thanjavur

**ORATOR**

**Prof. Dr. SUJAY SUSIKAR**  
MBBS, MS, Mch. (Surgical Oncology)  
Associate Professor, Dept. of Surgical Oncology  
Kalaignar Centenary Super Speciality Hospital,  
Gandiy, Chennai

All are Welcome

Dr. J. Balamurugan  
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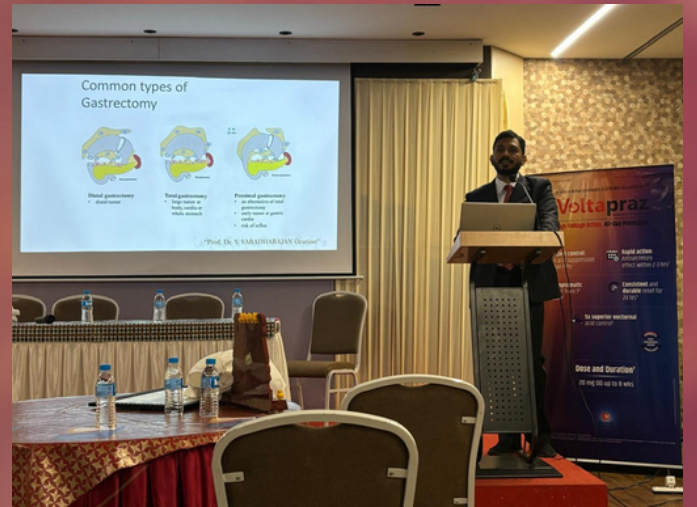
**Programme**

1. Surgeons Prayer
2. Welcome Address : Chairman
3. Secretary Report : Secretary
4. Prof. Dr. V. Varadharajan Oration,  
Topic : CANCER STOMACH -  
RECENT UPDATE  
- Prof. Dr. Sujay Susikar
5. Vote of Thanks
6. Dinner

All are Welcome

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## ASI TRICHY CITY BRANCH MONTHLY MEETING AUGUST

Event : Continuing Medical Education Monthly Meet

Date : 31.08.2024, Saturday

Venue : Chitiram Hall, Hotel Oxina Lygon

No of Delegates: 32 Surgeons & 19 Postgraduates

Under the auspices of Association of Surgeons of India Tamil Nadu Chapter, we conducted the Monthly CME meet on "Robotics in GI Surgery" and "Recent Advances in Breast Cancer Management" for all the surgical faculty. The meeting was well attended by 51 members [ 32 Practicing Surgeons and 19 Post Graduates]

The meet was started with "The Surgeon's prayer". Dr.S.Velmurugan delivered the Chairman's Address. The Secretary's report for the meeting held in July was given by Dr.S.Vishnu Kumar.



The program started with a Post Graduate session with case presentation. Dr.Bragu Mishra, Post graduate from KAPV Govt. Medical College presented a case of Mass Abdomen. A detailed exam based discussion was done by Post Graduate Examiners awarded a token of appreciation.



Dr.Shanthini, Dr.Karthick, Dr.Uma and Dr.Shankar. It was very informative for all the post graduates with discussion on recent advances and the PGs could feel the vibe of a live exam session. He was The Guest Lecture was given by Dr.Balamurugan, Consultant Surgical Gastroenterology & Robotic Surgeon from Apollo Proton Center, Chennai. His talk was well received by all members where he covered from the Basic setup for robotics to complex and advanced surgeries. His videos of Robotic surgeries for Upper and Lower GI pathologies was fantabulous. The session was chaired by Dr.Rajasekhar, Dr.Guruprasath, Dr. VijayGanesun and Dr.Mansoor.



We shared with all Trichy ASI members that our branch was awarded with City Branch Appreciation Award in the TNASICON 2024 held in Kanyakumari.

The next session was on Recent Advances in Breast Cancer Management by Dr.Priya Kapoor, Consultant Surgical Oncologist, Apollo Proton Center, Chennai. Her lecture was very comprehensive and concise covering all aspects of Breast Cancer from basic investigations to molecular level discussions and also covered oncoplastic breast surgeries. The talk was very informative for the post graduates also. This session was chaired by Dr.Mahalakshmi, Dr.Anuj Srinivasan, Dr.Pradeep and Dr.Vijayasarathy.





## TNASI Midasicon Conference 2024 at Kumbakonam

The Midasicon Conference 2024, organized by the Kumbakonam branch of the Tamil Nadu chapter of the ASI, convened at the Hotel Quality InnViha in Kumbakonam on March 10th, 2024. The conference organizing committee consisted of the following individuals: Dr. Prabhakar U, MS, MCh, served as the Organizing Chairman; Dr. Bharathidhasan V, MS, held the role of Organizing Secretary; and Dr. Nataraja Sethupathy, MS, was the Organizing Treasurer. The academic coordinators were Dr. Kumaran GP, MS, and Dr. Mohammed Niyamathullah, MS, MCh.



The conference was organized under the leadership of senior surgeons, including Dr. S. Selvarajan and Dr. Selvam, as well as the collaborative efforts of all members of the local city branch.

The conference was attended by the current office bearers of the organization, including the Chairman, Prof. Dr. M. Elangovan; the Honorary Secretary, Dr. S. Marimuthu; the Joint Secretary, Dr. Ravindran Kumeran; the Honorary Treasurer, Dr. S. Karthikeyan; the Immediate Past Chairman, Dr. K. Govindaraj; and the Chairman-Elect, Dr. P. Sundarraj. Additionally, office bearers from the state and local branches, such as Dr. D. Maruthu Pandian, Dr. G. Chandrasekar, and Dr. S.G. Balamurugan, were present at the conference.



A total of 214 delegates, including 118 postgraduate participants, attended the conference.

The conference program included a preliminary session for oral free papers, followed by a laparoscopic video session featuring presentations by Dr. J. Balamurugan from Thanjavur, Dr. S. Velmurugan from Trichy, Dr. R. Kumeran from Chennai, and Dr. J.A. Jayalal from Nagercoil. This was followed by a series of invited lectures on topics such as hereditary colon cancer by Dr. S. Marimuthu from Thanjavur, the basics and ergonomics of laparoscopy by Dr. U. Aravindan from Thanjavur, and a one-step approach to bile duct stones by Dr. K. Govindaraj from Trichy. The inauguration and guest speaker address featured Dr. C. Palanivel from Coimbatore discussing his innovations in minimal invasive surgery. In the afternoon, there was a panel discussion on the management of gastric cancer, moderated by Dr. S.G. Balamurugan from Madurai, as well as additional invited lectures on biomechanics in diabetic foot by Dr. Madhu Periyasamy from Coimbatore, fistula-in-ano radiology by Dr. J. Arunkumar from Kumbakonam, and surgical and medico-legal cases by Dr. M. Elangovan from Thanjavur. The program also included a panel discussion on urological emergencies, moderated by Dr. V. Praveen from Thanjavur, and postgraduate clinical case presentations on parotid swelling and locally advanced breast cancer.

Dr. U. Prabhakar, President of the ASI Delta Branch, delivered the Valedictory Address to conclude the conference.





## Announcement of New Chairman for Selam Branch - ASI Members



Dear Members of the ASI,

I am delighted to announce the appointment of Dr.P.Chandrasekaran as the new Chairman of our Selam Branch. His selection reflects the trust and confidence our community has in his leadership and vision.

Dr.P.Chandrasekaran has demonstrated dedication, integrity, and a deep commitment to the mission and values of ASI Members. We are confident that under his guidance, the Selam Branch will continue to grow and make a positive impact on our collective goals.

Please join me in welcoming and supporting Dr.P.Chandrasekaran in his new role as Chairman. We look forward to working together to achieve greater success in the months and years ahead.



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# Thank You

