

Clinical Meeting

Theme - 'Technology is essential, however clinical medicine still reigns supreme'

Chief Guest: Prof. P N Tandon

Prof. P N Tandon, decorated with Padam Vibhushan, great Georgian, teacher of the teachers, eminent neuro scientist, academician, one of those rare medical teacher who is fellow of all four prestigious national academics NAMS, INSA, ISA-Allahabad, ISA-Bangalore, founder Director of NBRI, role model for so many, with such an excellence lifestyle which has kept him strong and vibrant even at age 85 plus, Sir, we are feeling blessed with your presence.

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A special session of clinical society meeting focusing on theme ‘**Technology is essential however clinical medicine still reigns supreme**’ was held on 6th May, 2014 at 3.00 PM in the lecture theater- 2 HIMSR with Professor P N Tandon, an eminent Medical Scientist and founder-Director of NBRI as a chief guest. Dr. Prem Kapoor, Secretary of Clinical Society Meeting introduced the theme of this special session to the house. Professor Shridhar Dwivedi, Dean/Principal welcomed the chief guest and initiated the discussion by giving illustrations of some cases wherein clue to correct diagnosis was provided by a detail history and meticulous clinical examination. Dean’s presentation set the ball rolling for specific case presentations.

The first case was presented by **Dr Praveen K Malik**-Assistant Professor Medicine describing a case of acute abdomen initially diagnosed as rupture of appendix or acute pancreatitis. The patient presented to the hospital again with pain in right lower abdomen. It was noted that pain was localized in right lower abdomen along with marked tenderness on that area. Thinking it to be abscess there a drain was put in there. Patient improved after daringly CT abdomen confirmed the diagnosis of localized collection in the same site.

Second case was presented by **Dr Mushrraf Husain**-Associate Prof from the Department of Surgery presented a case of ‘post traumatic colonic perforation-delayed diagnosis or delayed perforation. “ He discussed a case of blunt trauma abdomen from roadside injury leading to perforation of large bowel where a high index of suspicion of based on clinical presentation lead to an exploratory laprotomy despite no evidence of perforation on radiological investigations which could clinch the diagnosis of large bowel perforation.

Dr Aruna Nigam -Associate Prof from the Department of Obst & Gynaecology presented a case of a very long umbilical cord with coiling and supercoiling which was not picked up by any other modality but clinical detection of early foetal distress by the attending Obstetrician eventually lead to the diagnosis.

Dr Sandeep Kumar-Associate Prof from the Department of Orthopaedic presented a case illustrating 'Hip pathology misquandring as knee pain' . A case of chronic knee pain which was initially attributed to a disease of the knee joint but on detailed and systematic clinical examination turned out to be due to hip pathology. He also discussed the concept of referred pain for the benefit of the undergraduate students.

Prof. S S Anand, HOD, Radiodiagnosis and MS, HAH-Centenary Hospital raised a very pertinent issue regarding provision of clinical details while requisitioning imaging procedures for correct interpretation of images. The house fully endorsed his views.

Chief guest Prof. P N Tandon lauded such an effort for laying emphasis on good clinical history and comprehensive clinical examination. He recalled several illustrative cases where answer to correct clinical diagnosis was based on history and physical signs alone. Notable among than was a case of foot drop due to meningioma, severe bony pain due to multiple myeloma, Takayashu's arteritis presenting as blindness etc. Medical students and young faculty of the Institute fully enjoyed his discourse and the theme of this clinical session.

In summary it is the man behind technology who matters. There is clinician in every one in all branches of medicine be it clinical, paraclinical or preclinical.