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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Friends,

Greetings to all. As we gather for the much awaited 12th edition of our state conference in the wonderful city of Latur, there have been a flurry of academic activities in our state through the year. The strength of a professional association would be the scientific endeavors it takes up for its members as it is the ladder for professional ascent. The year began with a Professional Continuing Education titled 'Orosulpt' hosted by Govt. Dental College, Mumbai in the month of February 2025.

This was followed by Nagpur hosting a mini state CDE on Diagnosis and Management of Oral Cancer on in the month of April 2025. The Dept of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery of Rural Dental College, Loni hosted the 2 day CME on the 'Recent Advances in orthognathic surgery' along with the MSC AOMSI sports along that was a Runaway success that had luminaries drawn from both OMFS and Orthodontics.

The month of August was also marked by the glittering ceremony of launch of the website of the 50th conference of AOMSI which is scheduled in the last week of November 2026 in Mumbai. It promises to be one of the most thrilling conferences to be held in our country. The dedication and innovative concepts of the organizing teams is absolutely praiseworthy and since the Maharashtra Branch is hosting it let's all register for it and be the most gracious hosts to make it a stupendous success. The very next day the Pune city maxillofacial surgeons and Orthodontists held a CME 'Orthosurgical Rendezvous' that had the crème-de-la-crème of OMFS and orthodontists attending and contributing for the success of the event. A matter of Pride was the fact that Mumbai and Nagpur got to host the 'Masterclass 2026' in physical form. Both centers hosted over 54 speakers in each centre to share their wisdom for the final year MDS students.

Apart from the CMEs, many of us were a part of the large Indian contingent at the ICOMS, Singapore in May 2026 and took active part in the scientific deliberations. Last but not the least this term saw almost all the festivals and events being observed by the state office in the form of flyers. I also wish the hosts of the Latur conference all the best for an awesome events for which the organizers are taking great efforts.

I was blessed with a great team following which we were able to achieve almost all that we had set for in the beginning of the year. I'm sure that the team that succeeds us would be raising the bar higher.

Jai Hind, Jai Maharashtra

Warm Regards,
Dr. Ramakrishna Sheno
President
Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



**Dear Friends.
New year Greetings!!!**

It's a pleasure to share my thoughts as immediate past president of the Maharashtra state chapter of the AOMSI. I feel extremely proud to hold the office of the President 2024. Apart from the minor events we had two major events AOMSI Cricket league held in Mumbai as well as National workshop on Maxillofacial Pathology held in Chh. Sambhajinagar, Aurangabad. Our annual 12th Maharashtra state conference of AOMSI is being held in Latur on 5th to 7th February 2026, as a conference secretary have designed scientific session to uplift the knowledge, skills, current concepts

will be delivered by Maxillofacial surgeons of our state, national as well as international levels. We expect more than 300 delegates & PG students. Elite preconference courses have been designed to upgrade surgical skills & to open new vista for the PG students & fresh Maxillofacial surgeons.

We all are looking forward to 50th Golden jubilee annual conference of the AOMSI 2026 being held in Mumbai soon, let's make it memorable by all means. As a scientific advisor I wish to implement newer things, concepts in the scientific proceedings.

Preparation for the Maxillofacial Surgeons Day are on the way as 13th February is approaching fast.

Proud to be Maxillofacial Surgeon!!!

Warm Regards

**Dr. Vijay Deshmukh
Immediate Past President
Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI**

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Respected Members,

Greetings as Vice President of Prestigious Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI. I am delighted to address through the newsletter. We all are committed to the Basic & advanced education, excellent patient care, professional advancement and excellent research outputs.

This newsletter is a reflection of the our collective efforts towards enhancement of knowledge, skill and public awareness all of our speciality. Effective strategies focus on translating specialized knowledge into actionable information that directly impacts patient outcomes along with growth of our speciality.

I congratulate the editorial office lead by Dr. Aishwarya Nair and her team for the consistent efforts & for this newsletter. I express an appreciation to all Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons for their dedication towards the speciality. Let's remain focused and together to nurture our speciality. Wishing all a good health, along with productive and enjoyable life.

Jai Hind, Jai Maharashtra

Warm Regards
Dr. Varsha Sunil Manekar
Vice president
Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI

HON. GENERAL SECRETARY'S MESSAGE



Dear Respected Members,

As I conclude my tenure as Honorary General Secretary of the Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI, I do so with a deep sense of gratitude and fulfillment. It has been an honour to serve this vibrant professional community and to work alongside colleagues committed to the advancement of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

I sincerely thank our senior members, Executive Committee, office bearers, faculty, and all members for their constant guidance, trust, and support throughout my term. The collective spirit, cooperation, and dedication of our members have been central to every initiative undertaken by the chapter.

This newsletter reflects the academic and clinical contributions of our members over the past year and serves as a platform to create awareness about our specialty while inspiring the next generation of maxillofacial surgeons. I commend the Editorial Team, led by Dr. Aishwarya Nair, for their commendable efforts in bringing out this final issue.

As I hand over the responsibility, I remain confident in the continued growth of our chapter and extend my best wishes to the incoming team. I look forward to supporting AOMSI Maharashtra in all future endeavors.

With warm regards,

Jai Hind

Dr. Anuj S. Dadhich
Hon. General Secretary
Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI

TREASURER'S MESSAGE



Dear respected members,

Greetings to all the esteemed members of the Maharashtra State Chapter of the Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons of India. As my term as treasurer comes to an end, coinciding with the annual conference at Latur, I wish to thank all office bearers, executive committee members, and our association for giving me a chance to serve our society. In the past few years, we have been working to streamline both our state chapter and conference accounts.

We have successfully achieved our objectives regarding the streamlining of both our state chapter and conference accounts. To promote awareness of our specialty and celebrate International Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons' Day, we will be disbursing a supportive sum of money as cleared by the EC committee during the annual conference of MSC-AOMSI at Latur. A total of 10 lakh, as approved by the head office, has been placed under fixed deposit for future use.

I hereby wish our treasurer-elect and the team of new EC all the very best. I again thank our society and look forward to serving all in the capacity as deemed necessary.

Jai Hind. Jai Maharashtra.

Warm Regards
Dr. Nilesh Mishra
Treasurer,
Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI

EDITOR'S MESSAGE



Greetings to all,

I hope this newsletter finds you in the best of health and spirits!

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to this annual edition of the Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI's Newsletter. Your consistent support and collaboration are what make this publication a success each year. In this edition of Maha Maxfac Newz, we're proud to showcase the impressive achievements and activities of Maharashtra's dynamic Maxfac surgeons.

This issue highlights significant events, including the successful celebrations of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (OMFS) Day across Maharashtra, CDE program and other events all of which underscore our collective commitment to community health and well-being. These activities not only contribute to the growth of our field but also bring positive changes to society at large. We also have an inspiring *Dronacharya interview* with the esteemed Dr. Neelam Andrade, who is a true legend in the field of Maxillofacial Surgery.

We've made every effort to include all activities shared with us until the publication of this issue. However, if anyone missed the deadline, we encourage you to send in your updates for future issues so we can highlight your efforts in the next edition. Thank you once again for your ongoing support and we look forward to receiving more of your contributions in the upcoming year!

Warm Regards,
Dr. Aishwarya Nair
Editor,
MSC - AOMSI

EDITOR ELECT MESSAGE



It is a privilege to contribute to this edition of the AOMSI Maharashtra State Chapter Newsletter in my capacity as Editor-Elect, as it comprehensively reflects the academic activities, professional initiatives, and noteworthy achievements of our fraternity across the state over the past year. This newsletter stands as a testament to the sustained academic enthusiasm, clinical excellence, and collective commitment demonstrated by our members, making it a valuable record of the chapter's dynamic journey.

Over the course of the year, the Maharashtra State Chapter has successfully

conducted a wide range of academic programs, scientific meetings, hands-on training initiatives, and collaborative activities, alongside celebrating significant achievements of its members at state and national levels. The consistent involvement of postgraduate students, the scholarly contributions of senior colleagues, and the expanding scope of academic engagement highlight the progressive momentum of our association.

A newsletter is not merely a compilation of reports, but a reflection of the academic culture, values, and aspirations of an organisation. It serves as a vital medium to connect members across institutions and regions, to recognise excellence, and to preserve the collective memory of our academic and professional milestones. This issue brings together year-round activities, recognitions, and accomplishments in a structured manner, offering both inspiration and insight to its readers.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the editorial team, contributors, and office bearers whose dedication and collaborative efforts have made this publication possible. I am happy to take on the responsibility of this newsletter for the next four years, as I will be assuming charge as Honorary Editor at the 12th Maharashtra State Chapter Conference, Latur, and I look forward to working towards documenting and showcasing the continued growth and achievements of the Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI.

Warm Regards

Dr. Anuj Jain

Editor-Elect

AOMSI, Maharashtra State Chapter



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MSC AOMSI Conference

**Pre-Conference : 30th January 2025 at Nanded
Conference: 31st January 2025 and 1st February 2025
at Tirumala Lawns, Hingoli.**



11th MSC AOMSI Conference

The 11th Annual Conference of the Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons of India (AOMSI), Maharashtra State Chapter, themed “Together Towards Excellence”, was successfully conducted with remarkable academic depth and organisational excellence. The Pre-Conference Courses were held on 30th January 2025 at Nanded, followed by the main conference on 31st January 2025 and 1st February 2025 at Tirumala Lawns, Hingoli. The conference witnessed the participation of approximately 250 registered delegates, including senior consultants, academicians, and postgraduate students from across the state and neighbouring regions.

The event was organised under the leadership of Conference Secretary Dr. Kiran Gadre, with Dr. Sushil Yemle as Organising Chairman and Dr. Kapil Kurtadikar as Organising Co-Chairman. Dr. Vijay Kumar Girhe served as Organising Secretary, while Dr. Anuj Jain managed the finances as Treasurer. The scientific program was curated by Scientific Chairman Dr. Ravi Bhujbal, supported by Scientific Co-Chairmen Dr. Vinay Patil and Dr. Anuj Jain. Pre-conference activities were coordinated by Dr. Vinayak More and Dr. Mukund Rathod, while registration, trade, accommodation, logistics, and hospitality were efficiently handled by a dedicated team of office bearers and committee members.



The Inauguration Ceremony held on 31st January 2025 was graced by the Honourable Collector of Hingoli, Shri Abhinav Goel, as the Chief Guest. The Guests of Honour included Shri Krishna Mokate, Superintendent of Police, Hingoli District; Shri Shrichakradhar Mungal, Dean, Government Medical College, Hingoli; Shri Tanhajirao Mutkule, MLA, Hingoli Constituency; and Shri Bangar Santosh Laxman Rao, MLA, Kalamnuri Constituency, adding dignity and social significance to the academic gathering. Two Lifetime Achievement Awards were conferred upon Dr. Rajesh Oswal and Dr. M. K. Gupta for their outstanding contributions to Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.

11th MSC AOMSI Conference

Five full-day pre-conference courses conducted at Nanded provided extensive hands-on exposure and advanced clinical training. These included Cadaveric Flap Dissection, Basal Implantology with Hands-on Training, Surgical Oncology with Live Case Demonstrations, Surgical Walkathon with Stalwarts, and Full Mouth Rehabilitation with Immediate Temporization using Conventional Implants. These courses were highly appreciated for their clinical relevance and expert faculty involvement.



The main conference featured a comprehensive scientific program with various keynote lectures covering all aspects of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, two breakfast Sessions and the prestigious Late Dr. M. A. Wadkar Memorial Oration delivered by Dr. Hemant Dhusia.

In addition, the conference hosted four major panel discussions covering pediatric and geriatric trauma, oral cancer management, temporomandibular joint disorders, and benign maxillofacial pathologies, ensuring rich academic interaction and multidisciplinary perspectives. The scientific sessions spanned trauma, orthognathic surgery,

aesthetics, infections, oncology, TMJ disorders, pathology, implantology, third molar surgery, postgraduate-focused learning, and practice management, supported by lectures, video demonstrations, and interactive discussions. Academic participation was a major highlight of the conference, with a total of 107 scientific paper and poster presentations by delegates and post graduate students, reflecting the strong research culture among clinicians and postgraduate students. Following a rigorous evaluation process, Dr. Sohini Chaudhari won the Best Paper Presentation award in the Delegate Category, while Dr. Rachana Pujari secured the Best Paper Presentation award in the Postgraduate Category.

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The conference received strong industry support, with Osstem Implants as the Principal Sponsor, along with Simpladent, V R Ortho, Orthomax, Chesa, Norris Implants, Nobel Biocare, and Loyal Surgical. Notably, Dr. Hedgewar Smruti Rugna Sewa Mandal's Dental College and Hospital extended exceptional institutional support, contributing significantly more than any sponsor towards the success of the event.

The conference also marked a significant organisational transition, with the new AOMSI Maharashtra State Chapter body formally taking charge during the Hingoli conference and Dr. Ramakrishna Shenoi assuming office as President. The 11th AOMSI Maharashtra State Conference concluded on a high note, leaving behind a legacy of academic excellence, seamless organisation, and strengthened professional camaraderie, truly embodying the spirit of "Together Towards Excellence."



11th MSC AOMSI Conference





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OMFS DAY CELEBRATION

Government Dental College & Hospital

It is with immense pride that we present this report on the successful execution of OROSCULPT: Uneven Faces, United Solutions, a symposium on facial deformities conducted under the banner of GDC, Mumbai and MSC AOMSI on February 11, 2025. This event marked the beginning of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon's Day celebrations and was a resounding success.



The symposium was honored by the esteemed presence of DMER authorities, including Dr. Ajay Chandanwale, Director of DMER, and Dr. Vivek Pakhmode, Joint Director of DMER. Additionally, we were privileged to host the President of the AOMSI Maharashtra State Chapter, Dr. Ramakrishna Sheno. The event was further enriched by the avid support of our Dean, Dr. Wasundhara Bhad Patil, and the participation of Veteran Alumni OMF Surgeon, Dr. Dabir, along with distinguished colleagues in the field, Dr. Mukul Padhye, Dr. Jayesh Vahanwala, and Dr. Heemanshu Dave.

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The symposium witnessed active participation from both the Oral Surgery and Orthodontics communities, as well as enthusiastic engagement from General practitioners, undergraduate interns, third-year, and final-year students. A series of engaging orations were conducted, focusing on the theme of Dentofacial Deformities were given. These included in-depth discussions on diagnosis, treatment planning, and corrective maxillary and mandibular surgeries. Furthermore, participants were introduced to the digitization of treatment workflows within the field.

In addition to the scientific discourse, a special session was conducted on the importance of mental health wellness among students, delivered by Dr. Richa Pampaliya, Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry.

The scientific sessions concluded with an insightful panel discussion, where esteemed speakers shared their perspectives and advocated for best practices in the field.

Post- test was circulated and the participants were encouraged to fill the feedback as well. Following this, the valedictory function was concluded with a brief report presentation by Dr. Samir Khaire.



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As part of OMFS Day celebrations, an On-the-Job Training Session was conducted by the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Department staff on Day 2 (12th Feb 2025). This session was aimed at third-year and final-year undergraduate students, as well as clinical assistants and interns, to enhance their practical skills in suturing. The participants were educated on various types of wounds, the need for suturing, principles of suturing, types of sutures, and types of needles. They were also provided hands-on training in commonly used suturing techniques such as Simple Interrupted, Figure of Eight, Horizontal and vertical mattress. The session concluded with guided independent practice on foam pads, ensuring that students gained confidence in their newly acquired skills.



OMFS DAY CELEBRATION

Additionally, a Poster Making and Painting Competition was held, themed “Scope of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.” The competition showcased remarkable creativity and knowledge from students, with posters addressing topics such as TMJ disorders, Genioplasty, Local Anesthesia, Exodontia, and dietary implications in cancer. The event concluded with certificate distribution for the participants.

The celebration of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon’s Day was an unequivocal success, fostering scientific learning, practical skill development, community engagement, and public health awareness. The overwhelming participation and enthusiasm from students, faculty, and medical professionals underscored the significance of these initiatives. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all those who contributed to making this celebration a memorable and impactful event.



OMFS DAY CELEBRATION

Oral Cancer Awareness Program - GDC & H, Mumbai

On the 13th of February, a public awareness rally was held at Marine Drive. 55-60 participants, including students, clinical assistants, postgraduate students, and faculty members, engaged with the local community to educate them on the scope of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Emphasizing the importance of tobacco cessation and early cancer detection, the rally featured chants such as “Quit Tobacco” and “Tobacco Addiction = Miserable Life,” while flyers were distributed to further disseminate the message.

An intuitive and informative skit was performed by third-year and final-year undergraduate students. This initiative was highly appreciated by the Dean, Dr. Wasundhara Bhad Patil, and Department Heads.

On 14th Feb 2025, an Oral Cancer Screening Camp was conducted at Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSMT) as a joint effort by departments including OMFS, Oral Pathology, OMDR and Public Health Dentistry, one of Mumbai’s busiest railway stations, accommodating nearly half a million passengers daily. This location was strategically chosen to maximize outreach. After securing permissions and overcoming logistical challenges, the camp was successfully set up for three days—14th, 15th, and 16th February 2025.

The first day of the camp saw an excellent turnout. Postgraduate students and staff from these departments, screened approximately 800+ patients over an eight-hour period. The event featured an awareness video displayed on the central screen and a public awareness skit. Patients with positive findings such as oral submucous fibrosis, leukoplakia, or ulcers were provided with referral pamphlets, while others were counseled on oral health maintenance, tobacco cessation and self-examination pamphlets. Tobacco cessation and self-examination pamphlets were also distributed to taxi drivers and street shop vendors.

This initiative aligned with the AOMSI theme, emphasizing early screening and timely intervention for patients, and the camp was continued for three days. At the end of three days camp, almost 1800+ patients were screened.

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Oral Cancer screening at CSMT, Mumbai Railway Station



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AOMSI clips display at CSMT, Mumbai Railway Station for 10 days

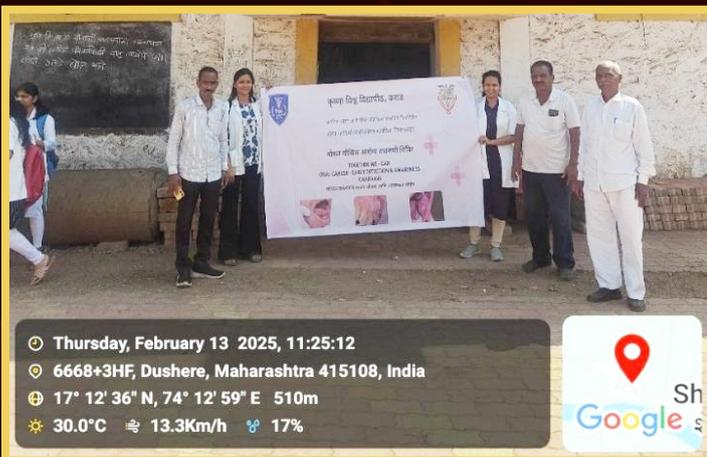


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School of Dental Sciences, KVV, Karad

13th February is celebrated as Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons Day globally. This day was celebrated in the School of Dental Sciences, KVV, Karad, on 22nd February 2025. Maxillofacial surgery deals with a very complex area of the body and involves treating diseases, injuries, malformations, and reconstruction of the mouth, jaws, and surrounding structures. Maxillofacial surgeons perform a range of procedures, from surgical removal of wisdom teeth, benign and malignant tumors of the mouth and jaws, cysts in the jaws, cosmetic surgery for dental and facial deformities, diseases of the jaw joints (TMJ), cleft lip and palate and associated deformities, and major injuries to the face, including fractures of the jaws and other facial bones. It is a unique specialty bridging dentistry and medicine/surgery.

The current theme chosen was Regional Oral Cancer: Together We Can. As a feature of the special day, two camps and an awareness program were conducted. The first camp is at Dushere on 13th Feb, and the second camp is at Dushere on 22nd February. Elements like oral cancer screening, general dentistry screening, and free medicine distribution were made available. An awareness street play organized to cease the consumption of tobacco and its products was an added highlight.



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The core of the event was the CDE program, focusing on the healthcare practitioners from various clinical specialties like medicine, dentistry, homeopathy, and Ayurveda. The event was hosted by Dr. Dimple and Dr. Revati. The event began by welcoming the dignitaries to the dais. Inaugural ceremony was preceded by a felicitation.



Welcome address by the dignitaries :- A dedicated portion of the event welcome address was delivered by Hon'able Registrar. Following this, our esteemed dean shared his insights about the program. As the last part of addressing the audience, Dr. Anand Gudur offered a comprehensive overlook on cancer awareness and possible treatment available in our institution.

Lecture on Oral Cancer :- The crude part of the event was lectures by eminent faculties. The first talk was delivered by Dr. Nilesh Mishra on Oral Cancer—Diagnosis Early, Treat Promptly. The lecture provided valuable insights. The second speaker was Dr. Ankush Bandari, elaborating on the management of oral cancer together. The lecture was intellectually stimulating and deeply engaging. The lecture was followed by a vote of



OMFS DAY CELEBRATION

Interactive Session : - The event concluded with an active interactive session addressing the queries and doubts of clinicians regarding oral cancer by Dr Nilesh Mishra, Dr Anand Gudur, and Dr Ankush Bandari. Dinner with exotic delicacies was served to all attendees.



D Y Patil School of Dentistry, Navi Mumbai

International Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery Day celebrated on 13th February 2025 with CDE on " Insights into Diagnosis & Management of Oral Cancer" by the Dept of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery D Y Patil School of Dentistry Navi Mumbai



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INTERNATIONAL ORAL & MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY DAY SYMPOSIUM ON 'INSIGHTS INTO DIAGNOSIS & MANAGEMENT OF ORAL CANCER'

ITINERARY FOR 13TH FEBRUARY, 2025

8:00 am :	REGISTRATION
8:30 am - 9:30 am :	DR. PANKAJ CHATURVEDI - RECENT ADVANCES IN MANAGING ORAL CANCER
9:30 am - 10:00 am :	INAUGURAL CEREMONY
10:00 am - 10:30am :	DR. AMIT JANU - ROLE OF CT, MRI, PET SCAN IN ORAL CANCER
10:30 am - 11:00am :	DR.MUNITA BAL- PATHOLOGY REPORT AS A GUIDE TO TREAT ORAL CANCER
11:00 am - 11:15 am :	BREAK
11:15 am to 12:45 pm :	DR. SAGAR VAISHAMPAYN, DR. AMIT DATE, DR. PRANAY PARDESHI, DR. HITESH SANGHAVI, DR. YASH MATHUR, DR. RISHI KHOSA, DR. MUDDASIR BHATI, DR. SOHIN CHAUDHARY, DR. AKASH TIWARI- PANEL DISCUSSION
12:45 pm - 1:15pm :	LUNCH BREAK
1:30pm :	DR. DARSHAN PARULKAR - LIVE SURGERY : THIRD MOLAR SURGERY

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OTHER ACTIVITIES

Ortho-Surgical Rendezvous

It's a moment of pride to share that on 24th August, 'Ortho-Surgical Rendezvous', an Interdisciplinary meet on Orthognathic Surgery was organised by the Pune District Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons, Maharashtra State Chapter, AOMSI alongwith Pune Orthodontic Study Group at PYC Community Hall, which was a resounding success!

The interdisciplinary meet brought together experts in Orthodontics and Oral and Maxillofacial surgery, fostering knowledge sharing and collaboration. Attendees benefited from insightful presentations and engaging discussions by our esteemed speakers Dr.Jayesh Rahalkar, Dr.Gauri Vichare, Dr. Pushkar Gadre, Dr.Pushkar Waknis and Dr.Laxmi Shetty.



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The chairpersons for the sessions were Dr. Shrirang Joshi & Dr. Sonali Deshmukh. Panelists for the panel discussion were Dr. Kiran Gadre, Dr. Rajesh Kshirsagar, Dr. Shailesh Deshmukh, Dr. Rajshekhar Halli, Dr. Lt Col Amrit Thapa and Dr. Salil Nene. The moderators were Dr. Rajganesh Gautam and Dr. Samrat Sablok. Dr. Archana Joshi and Dr. Aheli Pal conducted the power-packed scientific program seamlessly. Dr. Ramkrishna Shenoy, President, MSC, AOMSI graced the occasion.



It was a first-of-its-kind where the two specialities shared their knowledge, experiences and views on a common platform.

The organising team of Dr. Pushkar Gadre, Dr. Rajshekhar Halli, Dr. Archana Joshi, Dr. Saurabh Khandelwal, Dr. Sushant Parbat, Dr. Pratik Raut, Dr. Mohit Survade, Dr. Aheli Pal, Dr. Sanket Agarkar, Dr. Apoorv Sahu and Dr. Ashwith Hegde organised it wonderfully to make it a memorable event.



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The Orthognathic Surgery Update 2025

The Orthognathic Surgery Update 2025, held at AFMC, Pune, was a comprehensive academic programme that brought together senior faculty from the Armed Forces and leading experts from the academic stream across the country. The update focused on contemporary concepts, evolving surgical techniques, interdisciplinary planning, and advances in technology related to orthognathic surgery. The programme included structured scientific sessions, interactive discussions, and hands-on training, providing participants with both theoretical and practical perspectives. The event saw enthusiastic participation from postgraduate students and clinicians from various dental colleges, creating a vibrant platform for learning, professional interaction, and the exchange of ideas aimed at advancing excellence in maxillofacial surgical practice.



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AOMSI DEFENCE CHAPTER

ORTHOGNATHIC SURGERY: BRIDGING EVIDENCE & EXCELLENCE
28 & 29 NOV 2025
HANDS-ON WORKSHOP 2025

FACULTY OF DENTAL SURGERY & ORAL HEALTH SCIENCES, AFMC, PUNE

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Date: 06th April 2025 (Sunday)
Time: 11 am to 02 pm
Venue: 44, Parwana Bhawan, Kingsway, Nagpur - 440 001,

Speakers:

Topic : Diagnosis and management of Oral cavity Cancer.



Dr. Krunal Khobragade
MS, Mch (TMH, Gold medal)
UICC fellow - Seoul, South Korea, Robotic surgery
ESSO fellow - Barcelona, Spain, (HIPEC)
Sr Consultant Surgical Oncology, GI HBP,
Gynec and Robotic Surgery

Topic : Oral Potentially malignant disorders (OPMD'S) & Screening & Diagnostic tools used in Oral cancer



Dr. Pranav Ingole
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Dental College & Research Center, Nagpur

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Mr. Roshan Devikar
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Followed by lunch

For more information: 9890975848

The Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery of Ranjeet Deshmukh Dental College & Research Centre, Nagpur with Kingsway Hospital under the aegis of Maharashtra State Chapter of AOMSI conducted CME Program on Diagnosis and Management of Oral Cancer held on 6th April 2025. Dr. Krunal Khobragade and Dr. Pranav Ingole were the speakers for the CME. There were sixty attendees. The objective of this event was to enhance concepts and knowledge regarding the same.





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DRONACHARYA INTERVIEW

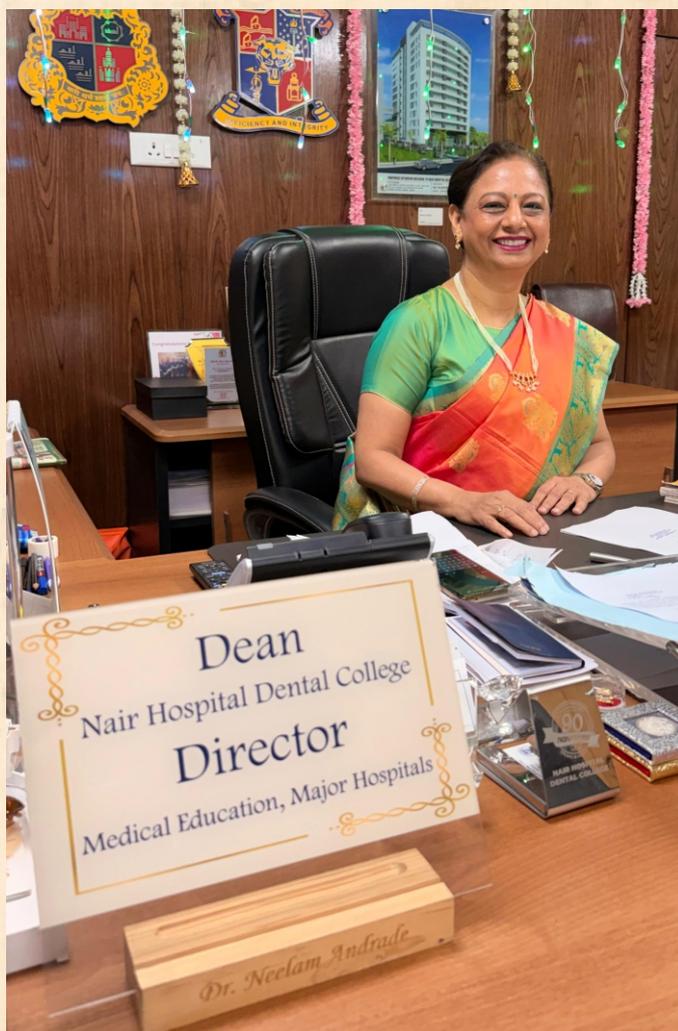
Dr. Neelam Andrade

Why did you choose to be an Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon?

Two reasons I had secured second highest in OS in University though I was first highest in Perio and also 2nd highest in Ortho it was my fiance Dr Noel Andrade he wanted me to do only Oral Surgery I wanted to do Perio.

How do you balance your roles as a Surgeon, Dean, Director, Homemaker?

Balancing act very very difficult, could do only because of great family support, home duties to a large extent were shared by my husband, was fortunate to have good house help when children were small and parents who pitched in regularly to help out, had developed good Team support at work with identified, capable doctors, students and office staff whom I trained and motivated. Decentralisation and giving independence to Team and appreciation always helps in a big way.



What's the biggest challenge you think we face in advancing and promoting Maxillofacial Surgery in India?

Unawareness amongst the public as well as medical fraternity regarding our vast scope of work. Overlapping of procedures with para allied medical fraternity such as ENT, General surgeons, plastic surgeons, HFN oncologists, dermats, prosthodontists, etc. Most of the medical, Govt hospitals do not have mandatory OMFS posts, insurance non covers for OMFS done surgical cases also add to it

DRONACHARYA INTERVIEW

What advice would you give to young women pursuing a career in Maxillofacial Surgery ?

Be patient, pursue, do not give up, keep at it, recognition and acceptance takes a long time for women, but rewards come, time factor is the main issue.

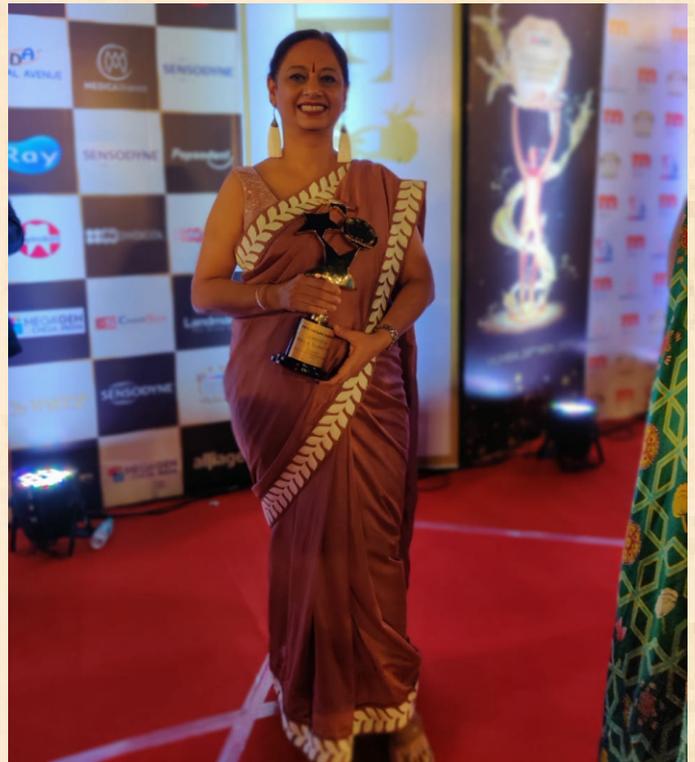


You have played multiple roles in your professional career... one role you enjoyed the most ?

As Director and a PG teacher

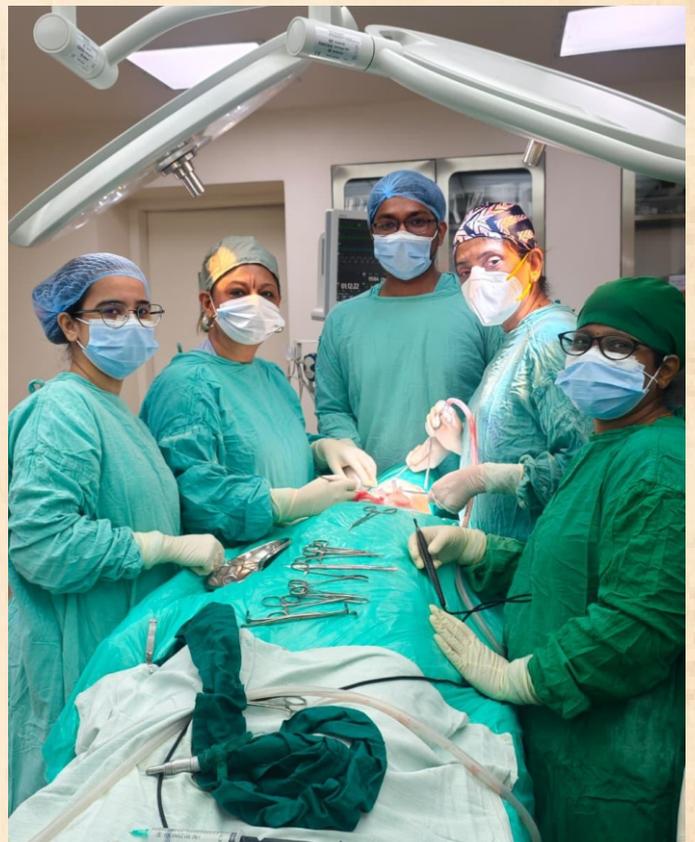
Can you share a challenging case that pushed your skills as a surgeon?

Yes an Osteochondroma of the condyle, initially I mistook the case as a differential mandibular prognathism I did a BSSO after 2 yrs patient came back with a relapse when I investigated with a coronal CT I found the tumour arising from the medial side of the condyle once I gained access on removing the zygomatic arch and the entire tumour the occlusion fell in place.



What's the most rewarding part of being a leader in OMS?

Patient satisfaction and delight of pg students when they conduct surgeries independently



DRONACHARYA INTERVIEW

What were the biggest challenges you faced in managing the NESCO COVID center during the peak of the pandemic?

1. The sudden overnight oxygen no supply and I had 219 patients on oxygen
2. When cyclone Tauktae.....came and all temporary erected jumbos critical patients were shifted to Nesco overnight I had to take 450 critical, ICU patients in one go from other centers
3. When labour manpower with the cover of PPE not identifiable on cct cameras would steal from the ICU patients, dead bodies, senior citizens I had to bring in police cover, extra security and physical frisking to control things.
4. During wave 2 when on a day we lost 18 patients I broke down unconsolable and needed counseling to continue work



You have played multiple roles in your professional career... one role you enjoyed the most ?

It was compulsory to wear a mask N 95 for all staff in control room, no one ever removed the mask I followed it so so strictly that others had to practice the same, we never ate or drank tea together, each ate separately, when drinking beverages too it was against a wall or Ur table participant never facing another. If anyone got symptoms they had to do RTPCR and go home wait for report if positive then quarantine for 14 days if not they showed report n joined back. This way none of us got infected for 2.5 yrs.

Those going inside PPE had to be worn n donning n doffing correctly was strictly followed. For patient management I had a tracking team 24hrs for 2.5yrs, non stop, all patients were tracked thru the software HMIS system n CCT cameras n the app, even at home I could check n see any of the 2000 or 3000 admitted pts on my mobile app, any red flags we immediately would shift the patient out in ICU or HDU coz of our special software and tracking in time our death rate was the lowest only 730 patients in total 27000 admissions.

DRONACHARYA INTERVIEW

What strategies did you implement to manage the surge in cases and optimize patient care?

Strengthened the tracking team on HMIS, in control room, got oxygen pipelines placed in two big Halls with capacity to admit 1000 each, increased Drs n consultants n nurses in ICU and HDU, got consultant to be in control room in every shift in touch with ward Drs and ICU asked for cardiac ambulances from disaster cell for quick out movement of very critical patients to tertiary centers, got CT scan and 24 hrs patho lab center started in house, arranged for medical consultants from KEM for my ICU, got Liquid oxygen gas plants installed and duracells bank.



How did you collaborate with other healthcare teams and authorities to manage COVID 19 cases?

I never took any private agency such as Cardiac Health or Lifecare I was the only Covid Jumbo out of 10 Jumbo centers to refuse a private agency.

I strictly scrutinized their manpower n realized the I'll qualified personnel and the problems that could come, I insisted only on BMC drs or straight direct recruitments and I explained to authorities n put my foot down on this point n put up a total of 13 files why I don't want.

I directly appointed very good 3 matrons n nurses n ward attendants n dental fraternity oriented n trained them in patient management.



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DRONACHARYA INTERVIEW

How did you prioritize mental and physical well being of yourself and your staff during the Covid 19 crisis ?

Was a very difficult task we were working very hard with practically no physical activity all my staff I saw to it that they had only 7 hrs duties I used to work 10hrs at site and then from home. There was no relaxation at least for me.



Do you think this experience as Head of Nesco covid -19 center has changed you as a person or changed your outlook towards life ?

Yes it changed me a lot Thru the experience I became a good administrator, my skills sharpened, I did capacity building in others and got a large number of young gsters ready to face an eventuality, I got to work in a pandemic which comes once in 100 yrs was very satisfying, I became much much stronger mentally having faced daily issues, strikes, union problems, political pressures, police stations, legal notice answering, answering authorities, justifying actions taken, but most of all I lost trust in humanity when I saw how low humans can stoop for their benefit.



DRONACHARYA INTERVIEW

Most memorable day of life till date ?

The birth of my first child and holding her in my arms





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DRONACHARYA INTERVIEW - RAPID FIRE

Q Mumbai's Healthcare system:
What's the Biggest Strength?

A Robust Budget and
Experienced, Dedicated
Doctors

Q Life Mantra?

A Never be Hasty
in your Decisions

Q Favourite Hobby outside
of Surgery?

A Latin American
Ballroom Dancing -
8 different styles

Q What would you do if you
weren't a Maxillofacial Surgeon?

A Anaesthetist

Q Best Advice you've
Received?

A All problems
have a Solution

Q One Positive,
One Negative Trait?

A Never give up
At times I am short
tempered

Q Favourite Food?

A Dal, Chawal
and Papad

Q Favourite Song ?

A Hello ...by Adele

Q Favourite Surgical
Procedure ?

A T M Joint
Surgery

Q A Sport you enjoy ?

A Snorkeling in the
Deep Ocean



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