



# Vice Chancellor's Report

## Fifth Convocation of

### Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune

(Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2014)

Hon'ble Padmashree Dr. D. Y. Patil, Governor of Bihar, Hon'ble Shri. Shrinivas Patil, Governor of Sikkim, Dr. P. D. Patil, President of the University; Prof. K. B. Powar, Chancellor of the University; Members of the Board of Management and of the Academic Council; Deans of Faculties; the proud grandaunts of the day; Students; Parents; Faculty & Staff members of the Vidyapeeth; Distinguished Guests; Members of Press and Media; Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is my profound pleasure to welcome all of you on this auspicious occasion of the Fifth Convocation of Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune. It gives me great pleasure to welcome Hon'ble Shri. Shrinivas Patil, Governor of Sikkim. We are extremely grateful to you Sir, for agreeing to spend your valuable time to inspire our students and provide them your experienced counsel regarding life and education. This is a very special moment, since we are blessed with the presence of an iconic visionary like Hon'ble Dr. D. Y. Patil, Governor of Bihar and founder Chancellor of the university. Sir, we have been receiving your wise counsel, support and encouragement in all our endeavours towards achieving excellence.

It is my privilege to congratulate all the grandaunts, their teachers and parents. Degrees will be awarded in this Convocation to a total of 416 undergraduate, 333 postgraduate students and 10 Ph.D. fellows who have completed their studies and passed the examinations during this period. University medals will be awarded to 19 candidates who have secured highest marks in different disciplines.

Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune through its activities of teaching, research and extension has contributed significantly to the creation and dissemination of knowledge relevant to the need of the society. It has gained a unique place on the national academic map through its quality researches both in area of fundamental disciplines and other emerging areas. As a result of the intellectual acumen and incessant devotion of its teaching community, DPU takes immense pride in creating professionals who are globally competitive and locally responsive. The undergraduate and postgraduate courses are designed to build a strong foundation, while also offering a wide range of value added and innovative courses.

Let me take this opportunity to share with you some of the recent achievements and incessant developments at Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth Pune. There are many milestones that DPU has crossed this year. Some of our institutes have figured high in rankings released by various agencies, be it the Faculty of Medicine, or Faculty of Dentistry. I cannot do justice to all the important landmarks attained by DPU during the year, but let it suffice to say that there are many, and I am sure more will follow in the days to come.



At the heart of this effort is the conscious development of innovative curricula that prepare professionals for the demands and challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The university has created unique learning experiences that focus on all-round student development. It provides market-driven curricula, developed, tested and continually improved upon by faculty and other stakeholders through regular outcomes assessment. The curricula aim at providing competency-based patient-centered education in medical and health sciences. Recently Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Government of India has given its approval to start MD in Emergency Medicines, which is first such programme in Pune region.

## Research

Across its academic departments, the University can boast of the commendable performance of its faculty members, particularly of their quality research output, which is evinced by nearly 450 publications since the last convocation in various peer-reviewed, national and international journals as well as conference proceedings, books and monographs. The Ph.D. programme in the University has also enhanced considerably during the recent years. Presently, there are 199 registered doctoral students. All thesis and research publications are checked for plagiarism through software available in the Vidyapeeth. It is not possible to give a full list of publications in esteemed refereed journals and individual research funding received, however, an account of some achievements given below, is an indication of the quality of research at DPU today.

- Recently 29 ICMR-STs projects have been sanctioned by ICMR to our Medical College, which is probably the highest number of projects sanctioned by ICMR to a single Medical College during 2014. Similarly 6 ICMR-STs projects have been approved for our Dental College.
- Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA), had sanctioned two joint research projects between our university and University of Skövde during 2011-12 for a sum of Rs. 66 lakh. It is my pleasure to report that both these projects have been successfully completed and apart from number of papers published, it is also proposed to submit a joint patent to the competent authorities. Similarly three ongoing research projects sanctioned by DST for about Rs. 90 lakh to DPU have provided excellent opportunity to our faculty and students to work on applied aspects.
- Institute of Biotechnology has already submitted five more research projects to external funding agencies for more than one Crore.
- Department of Paediatrics of the Medical College has received a grant of Rs. 30 lakh from Panacea (WHO) for developing EPI Polio Vaccine to find out Polio End-Game Strategy.
- Department of Oral Pathology and Microbiology of the Dental College, has received a grant of Rs. 8.5 Lakh from ICMR for Study of oral psychosomatic disorders in caregivers of oral squamous cell carcinoma patients and their co-relation with salivary cortisol level, salivary dehydroepiandrosterone levels and psychological factors.



## **International Research Collaborations:**

DPU has been able to achieve the highest levels of teaching and research in the health care by mentoring some of the finest students, producing outstanding research publications and achieving path-breaking research findings. International assignments for Teaching, Research and Consultancy and for exploring possible exchanges are a regular feature at DPU. The International linkages of DPU have helped it in drawing upon the wisdom built up at the partner institutions of repute.

- The Department of Global Health Education John Hopkins University, plans collaboration with the medical and nursing institutes of DPU to provide global health training to their students at DPU by fostering a collaborative learning environment. Last year a group of engineering and medical students from John Hopkins University were with us to discuss the development of innovative and low cost medical devices.
- DPU is soon starting an inter-disciplinary collaborative research project with the John Hopkins University on “Pattern of Antibiotic Resistance in Febrile Illness Cases” which will involve the Departments of Microbiology along with the Department of Medicine & Department of Paediatrics of our Medical College.
- Since March 2012, DPU is regularly participating in India HIV Case discussion, through video conference on every third Wednesday conducted by Department of Clinical Global Health Education, John Hopkins University, with number of participating centers & this program is witnessed live worldwide in many countries & recently our undergraduate students also had an opportunity to interact with John Hopkins medical students to discuss Integrated approach to Coronary Artery Disease.
- Indo-Tunisia Joint project entitled 'Comparative Study of Actinomycetes Biodiversity in India and Tunisia: under the POC with Tunisian Government funded by DST has already generated very interesting results.
- Under a MoU of DPU with University of Hong Kong, for Collaborative Research in the areas of Dentistry, our faculty Dr. Aneesha Acharya, is pursuing a joint collaborative research project titled “Microbiological and Host-Response Bio-Markers of Peri-implant Mucositis at Hong Kong for partial completion of her M.Phil degree from University of Hong Kong.
- Linnaeus Palme programme for supporting long term collaboration between Sweden & India, initiated in 2012, has been operationalised with the faculty exchange between two universities.
- Following collaboration of DPU with the highest body of Dental Implantology of World, Academy of Osseo integration USA, as Indian Charter. “Centre of Excellence for Dental Implants” is been established in the Dental College



## Faculty/Students participating in International Conferences

- **UG students from Medical College** participated in the IPPNW (International Physicians for Preventions of Nuclear War) Conference held at Germany in May / June 2013.
- **Dr. Parikshit Gogate** from Department of Ophthalmology, attended “International Conference on Intercontinental Perspective of Paediatrics Ophthalmology & Strabismus” on 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> July 2013 in Singapore.
- **Dr. Anu Gaikwad** from Department of General Medicine, attended “Symposium Metabolic Update 2013” on 29<sup>th</sup> July to 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2013 in Guangzhou, China.
- **Dr. Megha Kotecha and Dr. Pallavi Patil** from Department of Ophthalmology, attended “9th International Symposium of Ophthalmology” on 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 2013 in Guangzhou, China.
- **Dr. P. S. Shende** from Department of General Medicine, attended “Conference on Heart, Diabetes & Hypertension” on 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> September 2013 in Kathmandu, Nepal.
- **Dr. Chirag Bhandari** from Department of General Surgery, attended “21<sup>st</sup> United European Gastroenterology Week” on 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> October 2013 in Berlin, Germany.
- **Dr. Sachin Sarode** from Department of Oral Pathology and Microbiology, Presented a Scientific Paper and Poster at “International Association of Oral Oncology” on 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> May 2013 in Rhodes Island, Greece.
- **Dr. Pushkar Waknis** from Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, attended “21st International Conference on Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery” on 21<sup>st</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2013 in Barcelona, Spain.
- **Dr. D. Gopalakrishnan and Dr. Rahul Kathariya** from Department of Periodontology, attended and presented a Scientific Paper at “2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the International Association for Dental Research Asia Pacific Region” on 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand.
- **Dr. Neelu Nawani** visited University Medical Centre, Mannheim, Germany for research collaboration and University of Skövde, Sweden during 17<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2013.
- **Dr. M. B. Khetmalas**, visited University of Skövde, Sweden under Linnaeus-Palme Foundation programme from 7<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2013 for possibilities of faculty & student exchange
- **Dr. M. B. Khetmalas** attended an International Conference on “International des Sciences Biologiques- 2014” held at De Hammed, Tunisia on 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2014.
- **Dr. Neelu Nawani and Ms. Rupali Aursang** from Biotechnology Institute, presented a paper on Algae & Actinomycetes in the International des Sciences Biologiques 2014 held at De Hammed, Tunisia on 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2014. They also presented a paper on COPD markers in the International Conference of Arts & Sciences held on 30<sup>th</sup> March to 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2014 at Paris, France





## Conferences, Seminars, Workshops organized at DPU

Various institutes of DPU have been engaged in organizing seminars / conferences / workshops / invited lectures / refresher courses etc. with financial support from the university or in collaboration with other funding agencies/organization. By way of such events, our opinions are put forth and shared with others in the same field and weighed against criticism. Some of the events organized are as follows;

- The Dr. D. Y. Patil Biotechnology and Bioinformatics Institute organized the “**International Conference on Advances in Biotechnology and Bioinformatics (ICAAB-2013)**” during 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2013. In addition to about 50 delegates from 22 countries, over 500 biotechnologists from India participated in the conference.
- Workshop on “**Diversity of Actinomycetes in India & Tunisia a geographic perspective**” was organized at DPU on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 wherein apart from Indian workers, scientist from Tunisia & Sweden also participated.
- Workshop on “**COPD: persuasions on diagnosis & prevention**” funded by Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, SIDA was held on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 during which possibility of prevention & new diagnostic methods in COPD were discussed by the scientists of university of Sweden & DPU.
- Workshop on '**Metal Menace**' funded by Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, SIDA was held on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2013. The status of metal pollution in some water bodies around Pune city & possible biological remedies were discussed during the deliberations.
- A CDE Program on “**Sub-epithelial connective tissue graft – A Clinicians Perspective**” was held on 28th October 2013 by Department of Periodontology and Oral Implantology. Live Surgical Demonstration for the first time in India was conducted by Dr. W Peter Nordland, President, International Society of Periodontal Plastic Surgeons from USA, 250 participants from all over India attended the programme.
- Department of Paediatrics organized Annual National Conference of Adolescent Health Academy “**ADOLESCON 2013**” on 23rd and 24th November 2013. The theme of this conference was “Towards stress free Adolescence”. More than 300 delegates from all over the country had participated actively in the conference.
- Workshop on **Oral Oncology** was organized by Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery in collaboration with Tata Memorial Cancer Hospital, Mumbai on 21st & 22nd September 2013. Live Surgical Demonstration was conducted by Dr. Anil D'cruz & Team.
- A CDE Programme on Esthetic Dentistry sponsored by Ellem Tokoyama, Japan on was organized by Department of Conservative Dentistry and Endodontics and Department Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry on 6th August, 2013 in association with Dental Institute for Continuing Education (DICE) & International Association of General Dentistry (IAGD).
- Dr. Yoshitaka Nijitomi from Japan was the Key Note Speaker for a CME Program entitled “**Dementia**” on 21st September 2013 organised by Department of Psychiatry.



- Department of Microbiology organized a CME Program entitled **“Recent advances in the early diagnosis of sepsis”** on 13th September 2013.
- Department of Pulmonary Medicine organized a CME Program entitled **“MDR and XDR TB”** on 10th December 2013.
- Department of Radiology organized a CME Program entitled **“Interventional Radiology”** on 24th December 2013.
- A CDE Program entitled **“How to get started Implantology”** by Dr. Ashok Patel was conducted on 21st & 22nd November, 2013.
- Department of Conservative Dentistry & Endodontics organized CDE Programme on **“Selecting a Composite Restorative material/combinations that work”** on 5th September 2013.
- Department of Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopaedics organized CDE Programme on **“Lecture on Practice Management”** on 5th September 2013
- Department of Prosthodontics organized CDE Programme on **“Implants for One & All”** on 20th September 2013.
- Department of Public Health Dentistry organized CDE Programme on **“Research Methodology and Biostatistics”** in association with Indian Association of Public Health Dentistry Maharashtra on 26th to 28th August 2013.
- Department of Anaesthesiology organized a CME Program entitled **“Hypertension and Anaesthesiology”** on 14th September 2013.
- Seminar on **“Child Psychology”** was organized by Physiotherapy College on 27th September 2013
- Physiotherapy College organized a Seminar on **“Obesity Management”** on 17th October 2013.
- Physiotherapy College organized a CME on **“ICU Management”** at Life Point Hospital, Pune on 21st September 2013.
- Physiotherapy College organized a workshop on **“Mulligan's Concept”** during 12th to 15th & 26th to 29th September 2013 at Hotel Kapila, Pune.
- Hands-on Workshop on **“Bobath and Adult Hemiplegia”** was conducted at Physiotherapy College on 21st February 2014.

## Faculty Achievements

The sustained efforts of our faculty members aiming to acquire updated techniques of teaching have been widely acknowledged at various forums. Our faculty members were invited to address and participate in various conferences/workshops as key note speakers or to chair the technical sessions. Recently one of our faculty members from Dental College, Dr. Sachin Sarode completed his 6 month **Fulbright Nehru Doctoral and Research Fellowship** Program at The Ohio State University USA. Details of some of the achievement of faculty:



- The **Department of Radiology** have made thirteen oral presentations and eleven posters presentations in the 6th edition of "Ultrafest 2014" conference organized by Maharashtra state at Mumbai on 18th to 20th April, 2014.
- **Dr. Vasanti Arole** has been awarded Founder Fellowship of Anatomical Society of India at 61<sup>st</sup> National Conference of Anatomical Society of India in Chandigarh on 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November 2013.
- **Mrs. Anita Barde** shortlisted for GUFIC prize in Oral Presentation in IPS Conference held at NIMHANS, Bangalore on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
- **Dr. A. L. Kakrani** was invited as a Guest Lecture at the National Seminar on Hospital/ Healthcare Management, at Symbiosis International University, Pune on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2013.
- **Dr. S. K. Sharma** chaired a session and felicitated as a "Revered Teacher" at the National Medicine Update at AFMC, Pune on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2013.
- **Dr. S. P. Dubhashi** –
  - Invited as Chairperson for the Session on "Pilonidal Sinus" at the 17<sup>th</sup> National Fellowship Training Course in Coloproctology held at Varanasi on April 2013.
  - Invited as Chairperson for Scientific Session for FICS at the 59<sup>th</sup> National Conference of International College of Surgeons held at Lucknow on November 2013.
  - Invited as Chairperson for Scientific Session at the 73<sup>rd</sup> National Conference of Association of Surgeons of India held at Ahmadabad on December 2013.
- **Dr. Girish Bhopale**, delivered guest lecture on "Recent advances in the development of HIV drugs" during UGC sponsored National seminar organized by Dept. of Microbiology, J. M. Patel College, Bhandara on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2013.
- **Dr. CVJ Franklin**, delivered guest lecture on Office Ergonomics - Mobility Account in TCS Company, Sayadri Park, Pune, on 26th December 2013.
- **Dr. Priyadharshini** was awarded 1st prize in Paper presentation at National Conference of "Electrophysiology and Neurology Trends in Electrodiagnosis and Research" ENTER-2014 held on 31st January - 1<sup>st</sup> February 2014 in D. Y. Patil University, Kolhapur

## Students Achievements

I am happy to share with you the achievement of our students who have made the university proud on many occasions. I cannot exhaustively list all the laurels earned by you, my dear DPU students, but it is my hope and dream that these are but stepping stones, to bigger achievements that await you in your life.

- Dr. Venkatesh Nutangi, Medical College Student awarded **2<sup>nd</sup> prize for Best Paper** at the 6<sup>th</sup> National Conference of Association of Obstetric Anesthesiologist held at Mangalore on 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2013.
- Dr. Jaimy John, Medical College Student awarded **3<sup>rd</sup> prize for Best Paper** at the 6<sup>th</sup> National Conference of Association of Obstetric Anesthesiologist held at Mangalore on 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2013.



- Dr. Bhushan Shah, Medical College Student awarded **3<sup>rd</sup> Prize in Poster session** at the APICON-2014 held at Ludhiana, Punjab on 20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2014.
- Dr. Anika Ansari, Medical College Student awarded **1<sup>st</sup> Prize for E-paper** on “Amniotic Band Syndrome” in the conference held by POGS and FOGSI held at Pune on 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> July 2013.
- Dr. Kajal Parikh, Medical College Student awarded **2<sup>nd</sup> Prize for E-paper** on “Encephalocele” in the conference held by POGS and FOGSI held at Pune on 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> July 2013.
- Dr. Kajal Parikh, Medical College Student awarded **1<sup>st</sup> Prize for Paper Presentation** on “Suturing & Non Suturing of Visceral & Parietal Peritoneum in Post OP Pain in Caesarean Section” in the held by Karnataka State Obstetrics & Gynaecology Conference, held at Hubli on 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2013.
- Dr. Abhishek Mahajan, Medical College Student awarded **2<sup>nd</sup> prize for Best poster** presentation at the National Conference theme “Public health challenges in the current millennium” held at AFMC, Pune on 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2013.
- Dr. Rajat Sindwani awarded **3<sup>rd</sup> Prize for Best Paper** Category at the ASICON 2013 held at Ahmedabad on 24<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
- Dr. Alexis Rego, Dr. Pritesh Jagtap & Dr. Tanaya Kumar awarded the **1<sup>st</sup> Prize for Best Paper** Presentation at IDENT 2013 State Zonal Conference organized by Indian Dental Association, Pimpri Chinchwad Branch held on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013.
- Dr. Arpita Agarwal & Dr. Pooja Gupta awarded the **1<sup>st</sup> Prize for Best Poster** Presentation at IDENT 2013 State Zonal Conference organized by Indian Dental Association, Pimpri Chinchwad Branch held on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013.
- Dr. Khushbu Ajmera awarded the **1<sup>st</sup> Prize for Best Paper** Presentation at 28th IACDE & 21st IES National Conference held at Hyderabad International Convention Centre, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh on 14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2013.
- Dr. Archana Gupta awarded the **Best Poster Presentation** at IDENT 2013 State Zonal Conference organized by Indian Dental Association, Pimpri Chinchwad Branch held on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013.
- Dr. Sreeja Das & Dr. Abhignini Gavvaraju awarded the **Best Paper Presentation** at IDENT 2013 State Zonal Conference organized by Indian Dental Association, Pimpri Chinchwad Branch held on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013.
- Dr. Meenakshi Nankan, awarded the **Best Poster Presentation** at IDENT 2013 State Zonal Conference organized by Indian Dental Association, Pimpri Chinchwad Branch held on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013.
- Dr. Amrita Bansal & Dr. Akansha Rathore awarded the **Best Paper Presentation** at IDENT 2013 State Zonal Conference organized by Indian Dental Association, Pimpri Chinchwad Branch held on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013.
- Dr. Pallavi Vaidya awarded the **1<sup>st</sup> prize for Best Paper Presentation** at IDENT 2013 State Zonal Conference organized by Indian Dental Association, Pimpri Chinchwad Branch held on 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013.



- Dr. Upasana Dang awarded the **2<sup>nd</sup> prize for Scientific Poster Presentation** along with Bio-Horizon Surgical Implant Kit worth INR 90,000/- at Bio-Horizon Asia Pacific Symposium, Mumbai held on 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2013.
- Dr. Upasana Dang awarded the **Best Session Paper** for “Eloquence Paper Presentation” at 41st Indian Prosthodontic Society National Conference, Ahmedabad, Gujarat on 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November 2013.
- Dr. Kushboo Takkar awarded **Best Scientific Paper** Presentation held at 18th National Conference of Indian Association of Public Health Dentistry organized by Sardar Patel Post Graduate Institute of Dental and Medical Science, Lucknow held on 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> November 2013.
- Ms. Vaddavalli Pavana Lakshmi awarded the **1<sup>st</sup> prize for Poster** Presentation at International Conference on "Advances in Biotechnology and Bioinformatics" held on 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2013.
- Mr. Abhiram Gokhale awarded the **1<sup>st</sup> prize for Poster Presentation** at International Conference on "Advances in Biotechnology and Bioinformatics" held on 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> November 2013.
- Mr. Snehasish Mukherjee (2013 Pass out) **selected as SRF at National Institute of Immunology, New Delhi.**
- P. Desale awarded **2<sup>nd</sup> Prize for Scientific Presentation** at 12<sup>th</sup> International UFZ-Deltares Conference on Groundwater-Soil-Systems and Water Resource Management at Barcelona, Spain on 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> April 2013.
- Dr. Deepshikha Trivedi awarded the **1<sup>st</sup> Prize for Paper Presentation** at 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Physical Therapy held at AIIMS, New Delhi on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
- Dr. Yuganta Mhatre awarded the **2<sup>nd</sup> Prize for Paper Presentation** at 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Physical Therapy held at AIIMS, New Delhi on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
- Dr. Ketaki Karandikar awarded the **2<sup>nd</sup> Prize for Paper Presentation** at 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Physical Therapy held at AIIMS, New Delhi on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
- Dr. Swati Jadhav and Dr. Manisha Mistry awarded the **2<sup>nd</sup> Prize for Poster** Presentation at 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference of Physical Therapy held at AIIMS, New Delhi on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
- Dr. Trishna Korde was awarded **1<sup>st</sup> Prize for Poster presentation** at International Conference on Developmental Pediatrics & Childhood disability in 21<sup>st</sup> century held at KMC Mangalore on 18-20<sup>th</sup> December 2013.

### Value addition by renowned Visitors

Faculty members from International Institutions regularly visit our campus. Such interaction with like-minded intellectuals from across the globe epitomizes the spirit of scientific enquiry in our faculty and students and facilitates subsequent uplifting of their capabilities. I would like to throw light on the value addition brought in by some visitors to Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune.





- **Dr. W Peter Nordland**, President, International Society of Periodontal Plastic Surgeons visited DPU on the occasion of a CDE Program entitled “Sub-epithelial connective tissue graft – A Clinicians Perspective” on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2013.
- **Dr. S K Ojha**, Hon. Secretary, Dental Council of India visited DPU on the occasion of a CDE Program entitled “Sub-epithelial connective tissue graft – A Clinicians Perspective” on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2013.
- **Dr. Shankargouda Patil**, Hon. Secretary, International Association of General Dentistry (IAGD) had a formal visit to Dr. D. Y. Patil Dental College & Hospital, Pimpri, Pune for Cognize IAGD Meet, Pune 2013.
- **Prof. Dr. Josephine Hegarty, Dr. Eileen Savage**, President & Chairman and Prof. Carol Condon from School of Nursing & Midwifery, University College Cork, Ireland visited Nursing College on November 2013.
- **Prof. Allan Murray** delivered a Guest Lecture on “Biosafety of Medical Equipments” on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2014.
- **Dr. T. Venkatesh**, Principal Advisor, Quality Council of India & National Referral Centre for Lead Poisoning in India and Professor Emeritus, Dept. of Biochemistry & Biophysics, St. John's Medical College, Bangalore delivered a Guest Lecture on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2013.
- **Dr. Swati Naik**, Deputy General Manager, Medical Services, EMCURE pharmaceuticals Ltd. Pune delivered a Guest Lecture on “Drug Chirality” on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2013.
- **Dr. R. Gangakhedkar**, NARI delivered a Guest Lecture on 'HIV/AIDS' 'Current status and control of HIV/AIDS' on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2013.
- **Dr. Vinay Kulkarni**, Director, Prayas Health Group delivered a Guest Lecture on 'HIV/AIDS' 'Prevention of parent to child transmission of HIV' on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2013.
- **Dr. Senthil Tyagrajan**, Lab Director & Chief Scientist, NCORD Biotech India, Pune delivered a Guest Lecture on “Molecular Biomedicine” on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2013.
- **Mr. Osama Sait**, from Biorad Lab. Pvt. Ltd, India delivered a Guest Lecture on the “Application of 2D electrophoresis” on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2013.
- **Dr. Sudhir Kumar**, from the School of biotechnology, I2IT Pune delivered a Guest Lecture on “Aquaculture: Gastropode, bivalve, and crustacean production” on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2013.
- **Dr. Ranjan Banerjee**, IISER, Pune delivered a Guest Lecture on “Small RNA and Micro RNA” on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2013.
- **Dr. Max Zamanian**, HOD, Economics from Skövde, Sweden had visited GBSRC to discuss about the intellectual exchange between the two institutes on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2014.
- **Mr. Rajesh Chavan** delivered Guest Lecture on Personality development on 22<sup>nd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> February 2014
- Guest Lecture on “Placement Aboard” was delivered by **Ms. Abhilasha** on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2013.



## Extracurricular Activities/Awards by students

- Mr. Dheeraj Pande, Ms Arfa Kamal and Ms Prachi Kangaokar won the **first prize in a National Quiz Competition** organized by Lotus Business School, Punawale, Pune, on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2014.
- Ms. Vaddavalli Pavana Lakshmi Ravindra selected for **BioCamp 2013** (NOVARTIS BIOTECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP CAMP)
- MBA Students **won the management events "DHRUV 14"** organized by PUMBA (Pune University).
- Ms Prajakta Jagtap, Nursing Student received **First Prize in Solo Singing** at TNAI Pune City Branch Competition.
- The team from Medical College won the **First Prize in Group Dance** at the National Competition at AFMC in February 2014. The Medical College also bagged third prize in Singing and Debate Competitions.
- Students of Physiotherapy College have bagged **prizes in the Inter-college physiotherapy sports competition** organized Modern college of, Physiotherapy Pune

## Social Outreach

The university has also developed a very effective interface with the society, through sustainable health care for underserved population, with special attention given to women and children in different villages through trainings, workshops, resource mobilization and technical support to improve the maternal and child health status in the community at large.

- Medical College of DPU has been selected to be a part of The **Rajiv Gandhi Jeevandai Arogya Yojana** by Government of Maharashtra, wherein, cashless medical facilities are provided to large population of this semi urban region.
- All indoor patients in our hospital are **provided free treatment** along with highly hygienic diet. All types of sophisticated investigations such as MRI, CT Scan, Mammography, Colour Doppler, Ultrasonography, 2D Echo, are carried out free of cost for indoor patients.
- **Dental College** has organized more than 250 outreach programmes in collaboration of various NGO's around Pune District. The department also functions as the tobacco cessation centre, wherein, assistance is given to patients who want to quit tobacco habit.
- The Department of Pediatrics has started "**Yashoda Human Milk Bank**". It is the first Human Milk Bank in Pimpri-Chinchwad area and second in Pune District. More than 100 low birth weight and pre-term babies received Human Milk from this bank monthly which helps for the survival of these babies.
- Nursing students participated for **Pulse Polio Programme** from 19th January 2014 to 24th January 2014 in PCMC & Alandi area, wherein 8,086 Polio Doses were administered during their visit to 29,741 Houses in the area.
- **Obesity screening camp** was conducted by Physiotherapy college in ThyssenKrupp company, Pimpri, Pune on 11th July 2013 Wherein employees were screened and obesity management was advised.



- On occasion of breastfeeding week, College of Physiotherapy organized an awareness lecture on **“Antenatal and postnatal Back pain”** at Alandi on 5th August 2013.
- On occasion of **World Heart Day**, Screening camp of risk factor of heart disease was organized on 27th Sept. 2013
- On occasion of **World Cancer Day**, College of Physiotherapy organized “Awareness lecture of breast and cervical cancer” Alandi on 4<sup>th</sup> Feb. 2014.

## Infrastructure

The biggest challenge as we prepare to take our plans for academic expansion forward is the need to augment our existing infrastructure, which requires resources for which we have got active support from our President Dr. P. D. Patil. Sir, we constantly turn to you for support and it comforts us to know that you will always stand by us. Not only has the physical infrastructure been extensively modernized, the facilities and equipment have improved at a faster pace. Various equipments like High-end 128 slice CT scan, 1.5 Tesla MRI are available in the hospital, keeping in view the tertiary health care facilities, which is commensurate with matched Clinical laboratory support with latest equipments catering more than 10,000 investigations per day. Eye bank with eye ball retrieval service round the clock along with renal and corneal transplant facilities are also available. The college and the hospital functions so well, that we can actually work at that interface between the bench and the bedside which ensures us to undertake research that will bring the real benefits to the healthcare system. The seven story Hi-Tech hospital with a capacity for 1500 patient beds is having state of art JCI standard Department of Emergency Medicine, with its own Operation Theater, Labour room, and diagnostic equipment for management of emergency patients round the clock. Shortly 18 operation theaters of international standards for Cardiac, Neuro, Organ Transplant, Joint replacement, Robotic and other advanced surgeries will become functional. DPU is setting up a state of art Implant Centre at the Dental College for excellence in Implant care for teaching, research & collaborative exchange across the globe. I am happy to announce that we will soon be starting a full-fledged Research Centre, which will provide excellent opportunity for fundamental research in life sciences.

I would like to end by saying that DPU today is a university whose campus, facilities, infrastructure and academic breadth compare favourably with any health-care university in India. But the aspect of DPU that gives me the greatest satisfaction is you: our students. I congratulate you once again on everything you have achieved and, on behalf of this great institution, wish you every happiness and success in the great adventure of life. This is the fruit of your efforts in the pursuit of knowledge. Make the best use of your time and opportunities that come your way. Dear graduadents as you step out of the precincts of this glorious university know in your heart and mind that there is no mountain high enough for you to climb. Set your goals high and the glory will be yours. Always shoot for the moon, if even you miss, you will land among the stars. As you progress in practical life, never forget the deep debt you owe to your Alma Mater and urge you to remain worthy ambassadors and great Alumni of this institution by upholding the virtues of honour and excellence in service to humanity.