

TAMILNADU PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES WELFARE TRUST

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2019 – 2020

The 29th Annual General Body Meeting – 26th September 2020

The 28th Annual General Body Meeting of TNPSWT was held on the 15th June 2019, at 12.00 Noon at The Presidency Club, 51, Ethiraj Salai, Chennai – 600 008.

I brief here the main activities of our Trust during year 2019 – 2020. **Due to epidemic COVID 2019** by mid march, sum of the activities got disrupted.

1. AWARDS:

i) "G. Rangachari Memorial Award" - M. PHARM & PHARM D SCHOLARSHIP:

We are pleased to inform that we have received **154** (219) synopsis, including M.Pharm & Pharm D

- Distributed **Rs. 2,31,000/-** as stipend
- Awarded to 18 M. Pharm students (**Rs. 12,000/- x 6, Rs. 10,000/- x 6, Rs. 8,000 x 6**) in Six different branches.
- Awarded to 13 Pharm D Students (**Rs. 15,000/- x 1 (3 students), Rs. 12,000/- x 1, Rs. 10,000/- x 1 (4 students), Rs. 8,000/- x 1 (4 students) and Rs. 6,000 x 1**).

Evaluated by **Dr. G. Krishna Mohan, Center for Pharmaceutical Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Kukatpally, Hyderabad** & his team for evaluation of the above scholarship synopses.

I take this opportunity to thank Dr. G. Krishna Mohan and an honorarium of **Rs. 30,000/-** was distributed to faculty members for the excellent work done.

ii) "G. Swaminathan Memorial Award" – Essay Competition For B. Pharm Students

For the 9th year, the Trust has conducted an essay competition for Final year B. Pharm students on topic **"Multi Facets of a Competent Pharmacist"**. In order to get more applications from the student, as decided by the Governing Body, a new designed poster was sent to 45 colleges of Tamilnadu & Puducherry.

We have received 37 applications received from 7 institutions, this need to be reviewed again for more participation.

Three students were awarded, a total prize amount of **Rs. 25,000/-**

(First prize: Rs. 10,000/-, Second Prize Rs. 8,000/- and Third Prize Rs. 7,000/-).

The essay's were evaluated by **Dr. A. Ramesh**, Principal, Vishnu Institute of Pharmaceutical Education & Research, Hyderabad.

An honorarium of **Rs. 10,000/-** was paid to the evaluator, for the excellent work done.

We thank M/s. Pharm Products, Thanjavur for their donation of **Rs. 25,000/-** towards this.

We should also thank, Prof. K. Chinnaswamy, for provided the names of evaluators, who did excellent job in evaluation.

iii) "Fourrts Merit Award" – University Merit Award For B. Pharm Students

Based on the communication from The Tamilnadu Dr. MGR University, Four top ranking students were awarded a total prize amount of **Rs. 30,000/-** increased from Rs. 25,000/-

(First prize: Rs. 10,000/-, Second Prize Rs.8,000/-, Third Prize Rs. 7,000/-, and Fourth Prize Rs. 5,000/-).

We thank M/s. Fourrts (India) Labs Pvt, Ltd, Chennai for their donation of **Rs. 30,000/-** towards this.

2. SPONSORSHIP – LECTURE AND SEMINARS:

- i) Instruments donation to College of Pharmacy, Madras Medical College, Chennai. June 2019 – Rs. 68,629/-**
- ii) Pharmacist Day Celebration on 25th September 2019 – Rs. 2,48,724/-** for Advertisement in Times of India.
- iii) National Pharmacy Week Celebration on 22nd November 2019 – Rs. 4,50,000/-** with IPA TN Branch (Theme: "Pharmacist Your Medication Counsellor")

3. PHARMA KNOWLEDGE AND TRAINNG INSTITUTE (FINISHING SCHOOL)

For the year 2019 – 20, the 8th Training program for the fresh Pharmacy graduates by Pharma Knowledge and Training Institute (Finishing School) was conducted from 9th to 30th **September 2019**. The total 36 trainees from Karpagam College of Pharmacy, Coimbatore, PSG College of Pharmacy, Coimbatore and School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, VISTAS (Vels University) Chennai students were trained in this training program.

The students were given training both theoretically and practical on the subject of "**Industrial Orientation Training on Production and Quality management Personnel**".

We thank M/s. Fourrts (India) Laboratories Pvt Ltd., M/s. Medopharm, M/s. Apex Laboratories Pvt Ltd., M/s. Tablets (India) Pvt Ltd., M/s. Sai Mirra Innopharm Pvt Ltd., M/s. Madras Pharmaceuticals, M/s. Spinco Biotech Pvt Ltd, Chennai for providing faculties and facility for Training.

After completion of the theory and Practical Training, final examination was conducted and 3 top ranking students were awarded. On the final day we have conducted placement interview to all the trainees.

Placement interview conducted for the trainees on 30th September 2019 and the participants companies were M/s. Apex Laboratories Pvt. Ltd., Alathur, Chennai, M/s. The Madras Pharmaceuticals, OMR, Chennai and M/s. Sai Mirra Innopharm Pvt. Ltd., Chennai.

All the trainees who were interested in placement were appointed.

We planed yet another training program by end of March 2020 "Workshop on Current Regulations & Standardization of ASU Drugs", under the guidance of Dr. R. Ilavarasan, however we couldn't proceed on this training program, **due to COVID 2019 lockdown.**

We thank Mr. R. Narayanaswamy, our Trustee, for the dedicated efforts taken to organize all the training programs.

4. **NEWSLETTER – PHARMA WEB:**

The Trust newsletter PHARMA WEB is now in its 12th year, with 4 issues during 2019 – 2020 and continues to be much appreciated by eminent persons in the field for its useful and informative contents – thanks to Mr. R. Narayanaswamy. On behalf of all the Trustees, I thank and place on record the services rendered by him.

In view of the lockdown we have published the 2 issues of Pharma Web e-newsletter.

5. **PHARMA INFORMATION CENTRE:**

Queries – This year we received a total of 52 queries. As observed earlier, this year also the queries were less, since all the colleges have their own facilities for students to obtain information.

6. **IPA ACTIVITY:**

For the consecutive 2nd year best – state branch award was received by IPA TN Branch, during the 71st IPC held in Chennai. We are all honored by this and wish the same be continued.

Mr. A. Krishna Dev, Vice Chairman, of Trust and Chairman, TANIPA Trust, received, IRF Life time achievement award for the year 2019.

We wish IPA TN Branch to continue the activities as enthusiastic as before and wish them to get such awards in future years to come.

7. A. **GOVERNING BODY MEETINGS AND MEMBERS:**

Between the AGMs of 2019 and 2020, we conducted 6 Governing Body meetings.

B. ELECTION OF GOVERNING BODY MEMBERS

Six Governing Body Members, Mr. R. Thiruvengadam, Prof. K. Chinnaswamy, Mr. R. Sabapathy, Mr. M. M. Yousuf, Mr. M. Kannan and Mr. T. Ravichandiran, retired by seniority.

The above Six trustees were re-elected, based on the nominations received, as member of Governing Body for period 2019 to 2022.

8. **LIBRARY:**

During the year, Trust purchased books worth **Rs. 7,000/-** IP Addendum 2019 and spent **Rs. 1,700/-** only for subscriptions for journals and periodicals.

9. **OTHER PLANS FOR 2020 – 2021 INCLUDE:**

i) We can only plan, after the situation come to normal, after the present epidemic and lockdown. To conduct more training programs for final B. Pharm students and Pharmacovigilance programme for final M. Pharm and Pharm D Students

We welcome suggestions from the members, for new activities, conforming to our by-law.

ii) To support IPA TN Branch for conducting seminar lectures and for activating local branches in Tamilnadu

I take this opportunity to thank Chairman Mr. S. V. Veerramani, and Governing Council members for the excellent co-operation in the progress of the Trust.

I thank the Board of Trustees for the co-operation extended during the year and the advertisers in Pharma Web and still look forward to suggestions to improve the activities of the Trust.

I congratulate Mr. N. Mogan Babu, Deputy Director, PIC, for co-operation in the day-to-day administration of the Trust.

Date: 4th September 2020

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Hon. Gen. Secretary