PRESS NOTE

26th February, 2019.

SVIMS Celebrates Foundation Day February, 26th with Special Chief Secretary, HM&FW as Chief Guest & UT Southwestern Faculty as Guests of Honour During the featured inaugural session at 11 am – 1 pm.

Special Chief Secretary, HM&FW Smt. Poonam Malakondaiah, I.A.S., joined SVIMS Director & UT Southwestern (UT-SW) collaborators, to speak on Health sector Innovations in Government of Andhra Pradesh. She was honoured by SVIMS for the recent SKOCH Awards, making A.P. the best health system in India. In his talk on ‘Road Map Update’ SVIMS Director cum VC, Dr. T.S. Ravikumar outlined the progress made in each of the Institutes of Excellence: Cardiac Sciences, Cancer & Allied Sciences, Renal Sciences, Neuro Sciences & Trauma / Emergency care. His efforts in raising more funds through SBAVPS during the last 3 years compared with 22 years prior was applauded. Dr. Ravikumar outlined the KPIs of SVIMS: Efficiency, Efficacy, Effectiveness, Growth, Market Share & Financials. Both Special Chief Secretary & SVIMS Director echoed the concept of Health systems strengthening by collaboration and Special Chief Secretary assured needed funding for SVIMS to pursue excellence.

An amazing talk with demonstration of Virtual Reality in Medicine was given by Dr. John Murala, Associate Professor of Heart Lung disease management. Dr. Vaidehi Kaza, Assistant Medical Director of Lung Transplant at UT Southwestern, USA spoke on modern medical therapy of patients with lung diseases caused by pulmonary hypertension and the role of Lung transplantation. She outlined the UT-SW system approach to managing patients with end stage lung diseases.

Dr. Alpesh Amin, Heart Failure specialist from UT, Southwestern, USA appraised the delegates on the current management of heart failure, which is the most important cause of hospital admissions. He outlined the collaborative plans for implementing heart failure program at SVIMS.

During his talk today on ‘Update in Cardiogenic Shock’ Dr. Alpesh further discussed the management of Cardiogenic shock, which is caused by Acute Coronary syndrome (common in India) in 70% of patients. The mortality from cardiogenic shock, while improved over the decade, remains very high at 30% during hospital stay. Early revascularisation with PCI or CABG results in not only immediate, but also long term mortality improvement & quality of life. He showed data that when multivessal disease causes Cardiogenic shock, treating culprit vessel alone is sufficient, and multivessel PCI makes outcomes crorse.

Dr. Harikrishna, Associate Professor, SVIMS updated the work of Advanced Lung Clinic, which was inaugurated by Dr. Vaidehi Kaza in July 2018. He outlined the multidisciplinary aspect with medicine, pulmonology, cardiology, radiology, physiotherapy, social workers, psychiatry & lab services working together during the last 6 months towards a patient centric approach.
Dr. Sreekanth Cheruku, faculty from UT-SW spoke about ECMO (Extra Corporeal Membrane Oxygenation) in improving the outcomes of patients with Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome. It is expected that SVIMS will receive training & mentoring from UT-SW Medical Centre to start ECMO program in ICU.

During the previous sessions conducted on 25-02-2019, as part of the three day workshop on critical care & heart lung transplantation, experts delivered talks on wide range of topics relating to critical care & heart lung transplantation. Workshops were conducted on Bronchoscopy/ Chest Ultrasonography at SVIMS RICU by Dr. Vaidehi Kaza, Emergency Echocardiography & Ultrasonography at SVIMS EMD by Dr. Alpesh Amin and Dr. Vinod Bhan giving a practical outlook on these procedures to participants.

The press is requested to publish the same in their main dailies.

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