

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

“Tuberculosis in the past, present and in future”

Annals of SBVU is a prestigious biennial scientific journal published by Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth, Deemed to be University, Puducherry, each issue with a specific theme. The responsibility of bringing out the current issue has been assigned by SBVU to the constituent off campus institution Shri Sathya Sai Medical College & Research Institute which is situated near Tiruporur in Kanchipuram District, Tamilnadu. As the Head of SSSMCRI, I am privileged to be the Issue Editor for the July-Dec 2015 issue. As a consensus opinion in view of the endemicity of disease Tuberculosis in Kanchipuram district, with large number of different varieties of Tuberculosis cases coming in to our Hospital it has been decided to dedicate this issue with the theme “Tuberculosis in the past, present and in future”. This title is more apt as the famous Tambaram TB sanatorium started during 1928 is in Kanchipuram district and an important WHO/ICMR clinical trial on the efficacy of BCG vaccine was carried out in Chengalpattu of Kanchipuram district during 1968. Dr.A.Sundaramurthy, a sincere and dedicated specialist in Pulmonology who is the HOD, TB& CD has been the Associate Editor for this issue to review the articles for the scientific validity of the contents. Mr.Glad Mohesh MI, Asst. Professor of Physiology and Dr. Saurabh R. Shrivastava Assistant Professor of Community Medicine rendered the manuscript edition and editorial assistance respectively for this issue. Dr. AN Uma, Asst. Professot in Medical Genetics, Dept. of Anatomy, MGMCRI also rendered support in the edition of this issue. Hope all readers will be exposed to all varieties of Tuberculosis in a scientific way and enrich their knowledge on this very old and still a dreaded disease due to multidrug resistance and its co-existence with other dreaded companions like HIV.

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