

EDITORIAL

With the blessings and good wishes of the readers, doctors and researchers on Rabies in general and the members of the Association of Physicians for Prevention and Control of Rabies in India in particular we are here with the new edition of our prestigious journal.

I would like to acknowledge the services of the editorial board members and the contributions of our dynamic Secretary General for his tremendous amount of help and cooperation to publish this issue of the journal.

Since the new committee took over the charge of this journal, we are trying our best to reach out each and every corners of the country to collect, collate and encourage for articles on different aspects of rabies control and its management.

Unfortunately we are not receiving sufficient number of papers from the respected teachers, researchers and scientists. We appeal you all through this to submit your works for publication.

As you all know that it's not easy in our country to go for hassle free rabies management of rabies, similarly it's not possible to manage the disease without proper knowledge and information among the practitioners at large. That's why we have incorporated some important angles of rabies management through different articles.

You will be glad to know that we have included the current global scenario and the efforts of the World Health Organisation (WHO) in this issue along with the most neglected aspect of our health care, the psychological impact of animal bites particularly in the children. We have included one article to make people aware regarding the seasonality of animal bites in our country with a specific intention to encourage our members to work further to document the epidemiological scenario, if any.

We emphasize that after the last National level guidelines on Rabies provided in 2015 should be rewritten and a fresh and effective national guidelines be published by our national Government incorporating different recommendations of the WHO and other agencies working in the field of rabies control and management without further delay.

Let us hope for the best to be able to achieve the goal of Rabies elimination from our country by 2030.

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