INDIAN PHARMACUTICAL ASSOCIATION – GOA STATE BRANCH SECRETARY'S REPORT 2021-2022

WORLD PHARMACIST DAY 2021

World Pharmacist Day Celebrations were held on 25th September 2021 at the Auditorium, Goa College of Pharmacy, Panaji. Shri. Vishwajit Rane, Hon. Health Minister, Govt. of Goa was the Chief Guest. Dr. Vinod Kotwal, Member Secretary, NPPA was the Special Guest, while Dr. Vivek Kamat, Director, Directorate of Technical Education, Govt. of Goa and Dr. Praveen Khullar, Sr. Director, Development Centre, Goa & Regional Coordinator, APJ Generic BU, Sanofi Synthelabo India Pvt. Ltd, Verna-Goa were the guests of honour.

The event was celebrated by felicitating the pharmacists, *Mrs. Jyoti Sardessai*, Director, Directorate of Food & Drugs Administration, Govt. of Goa, *Mrs. Medha Dessai*, Deputy Director, Directorate of Food and Drugs Administration, Govt. of Goa, *Mr. Harold De Sa*, Assistant Pharmacy Chemist, Directorate of Food and Drugs Administration, Govt. of Goa, and *Mrs. Nilima Mishal*, Senior Scientific Officer (Drugs), Food and Drugs Laboratory, Directorate of Food and Drugs Administration, Govt. of Goa, for their yeomen services rendered and invaluable contribution to the general public as a part of health care team.











Also, the first batch of Ph.D. scholars from Goa College of Pharmacy were felicitated. Dr. Rajesh Suresh Parab, Managing Director, South Asia, Colorcon Ltd. and Dr. Rajashree Gude, Associate Professor, Goa College of Pharmacy, were honoured for the successful completion and being awarded with Ph.D. degree from Goa University. The Ph.D. guides, Dr. Gopal Krishna Rao, Principal, Goa College of Pharmacy and Dr. Arun B. Joshi, Professor, Goa College of Pharmacy were also felicitated on the occasion.

Also, the meritorious students from both the pharmacy colleges were awarded on the occasion of the World Pharmacist Day.

Dr. Vinod Kotwal, Member Secretary, NPPA, Special Guest highlighted on the role and importance of National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority. The event concluded with a guest lecture by Ms. Shweta Dessai, Dy. Director, FDA, Goa on the topic "Availability, Accessibility & Affordability of Drugs" was organised.

NATIONAL PHARMACY WEEK 2021

The 60th National Pharmacy Week was celebrated from 22-27 November, 2021. The theme selected was: "Pharmacist: An integral part of the Healthcare". On this occasion, various competitions were held for the students.
