

## **OMAG 2020 Midyear Virtual Meeting**

Due to COVID – 19 pandemic the annual midyear meeting was held VIRTUALLY on 27th Sept 2020, Sunday from 09.00 – 13.00 IST .

The following attended the meeting:

### **OMAG Executive Members**

1. Prof. Dr S. Natarajan
2. Dr Ishwar Gilada
3. Dr Sagar Galwankar
4. Dr Sunil Raina
5. Dr Ramesh Bhatt
6. Dr Raman Kumar
7. Dr. Praveen Aggarwal

### **Other Association Participants**

1. Dr Uday Bhodhankar- COMHAD, Executive Director
2. Dr . Yashwant Patil - COMHAD, International President
3. Dr. Bakul Parekh - IAP, President 2019
4. Dr. Basavaraj - IAP, Secretary
5. Dr. Santosh Soans – IAP President 2017
6. Dr. Vijay Shah - EMA, Chief Pradhan Bharti
7. Dr. K. M. Venkatagiri- ISA Executive Board Member
8. Dr. Naveen Malhotra - ISA, Secretary.
9. Dr. Arul Raj - API, President
10. Dr. AM Kadri - IAPSM, Secretary
11. Dr. Suneela Garg- President Elect, IAPSM 2021
12. Dr Sunil Khaparde, Advisor, Public Health SPL,
13. Dr. A. C. Dhariwal, Director, NCDC

### **Invited Speaker**

Dr Soumya Swaminathan: The Chief Scientific Officer for The World Health Organization

The meeting started with a welcome Address & Presidential Address by Prof. S. Natarajan, President OMAG followed by reading out of the annual report & rolling out the agenda for the meeting by Dr. Ishwar Gilada, Secretary General, OMAG

The Vision Statement was read out by Dr. Sagar Galvankar, Scientific Chair, OMAG. This was followed by a discussion on Future of OMAG by all members, with each registered association representative from their association perspective.

**Issues of Immediate Attention:**

- Communication with the Media was entrusted to leaders for Organization to make sure correct Messaging was done so public could be appraised.
- Recruitment Process of Organizations not a part of OMAG was discussed and Leaders of OMAG undertook responsibilities to connect with current leaders of Professional Bodies to invite their organizations to Join OMAG.
- Inter Organizations Initiative Based Partnerships were encouraged namely Lifestyle Diseases, early detection of disease etc.
- Current Status of the COVID Pandemic was discussed in Detail and Vaccine Roll out for a Billion People was also a point of detail discussion.

**The invited speaker Dr Soumya Swaminathan spoke on the role of OMAG in current crisis and how it can benefit health care delivery can benefit by an active organisation like OMAG.**

The vote of thanks was read by Dr. Sunil Raina, Convenor, OMAG