

DENTAL SNIPPETS

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Report on FDI Nepal Dental Association Dental Conference

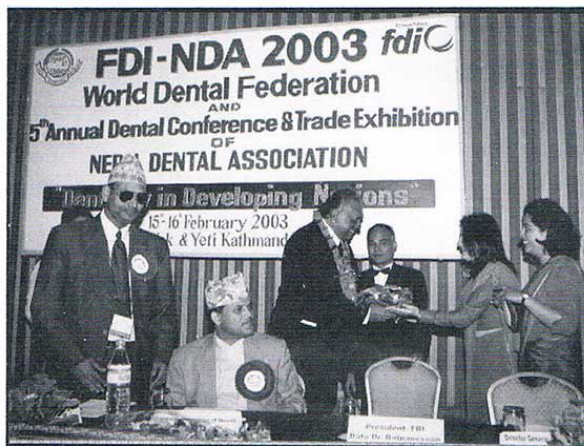


Report on FDI Nepal Dental Association Dental Conference on 15th and 16th February, 2003 at Kathmandu, Nepal. Compiled by Dr. Neil Pande, FDI National Liaison Officer - Nepal

February 15th and 16th was a memorable day in the history of Nepalese dentistry, with the opening of an inauguration ceremony of FDI-NDA2003 by the Honorable Minister of Health of His Majesty's Government of Nepal Prof. Dr. Upendra Devkota, by lighting up a lamp in presence of the FDI President Dato Dr. A. Ratnanesan. A brief introductory programme was followed by an address by the FDI President, Minister of Health and the President of Nepal Dental Association. The programme was attended by 205 dental surgeons as participants and other dignitaries from the medical sector, government health sector, World Health Organization, members of the press, traders and so on.

FDI President in his encouraging speech remarked at the rapid development of dentistry in Nepal, the

developing country scenario as well as the FDI's commitment towards helping the member nations with its expertise. Minister of Health in his speech reiterated his commitment towards facilitating the formation of the dental council in the near future and helping in implementation of the National Oral Health Policy, which is in the pipeline. He also hoped that the formation of the separate dental council would not only help curb illegal dentistry but also protect the public from the hazards of such practices. He requested the FDI to help Nepalese dentistry with its resources and vast expertise along with continuing education programmes. Nepal Dental Association President on his remark appreciated the FDI's contribution to raise the status of dental professionals in the country and the



government's support towards its development. He mentioned the day as being one of the milestones in the history of dentistry and thanked the FDI and World Dental Education Society, Singapore for making this happen.

Dato Dr. A. Ratnanesan, Prof. Hari Prakash, Prof. Wing Kong Yip, Prof. Goran Koch, Prof. Stephen Wei, Prof. Newell Johnson, Dr. Prakash C. Gupta and Dr. Prashanta Shrestha were the speakers at the



conference, which was widely participated by 205 dental surgeons from Nepal, India, Sri Lanka. This programme was formulated and implemented on the support and guidance of Dr. Choo Teck Chuan, President of the World Dental Education Society, Singapore and co-ordinated by Dr. Wing Kong Yip along with the General Secretary of Nepal Dental Association Dr. Neil Pande. The World Dental Education Society, Singapore, principally sourced the funds for the expenses incurred on facilitating the speakers.

Nepal Dental Association would like to express its sincere thanks to Dato Dr. A. Ratnanesan, Dr. Choo Teck Chuan, Dr. Wing Kong Yip, Dr. J.T. Barnard for their support and further hopes for a stronger relationship between the FDI, World Dental Education Society, Singapore and Nepal Dental Association in the days to come.

FDI PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO NEPAL

On the Top of the Hill with the Everest view and meeting with the Nepalese dentists over dinner FDI President Dato Dr. A. Ratnanesan's visit to this Himalayan Kingdom of Nepal has boosted the development in the field of dentistry. His meeting with the Health Minister, Health Secretary and WHO Representative for Nepal all ended up in a highly positive note, with them reiterating their commitment towards oral health development. His visit to the hospitals, dental college and dental health care providers were taken with a great enthusiasm. Nepal Dental Association has conferred its Honorary Membership to Dato Dr. A. Ratnanesan for his extensive contribution towards the oral health development around the world.



FDI President at the closing ceremony (lunch) at the venue of the conference.

FDI PRESIDENT'S INSPECTION OF NDA OFFICE BUILDING



Much to the delight of Nepalese dental Surgeons, Dato Dr. A. Ratnanesan, the President, FDI World Dental Federation paid a courtesy visit to the NDA building on 16th February, 2003.

VISIT OF NDA PRESIDENT & GENERAL SECRETARY

The President and the General Secretary of Nepal Dental Association, Dr. Praveen Mishra and Dr. Neil Pande, respectively, attended FDI World Dental Parliament and World Dental Congress in Sydney, Australia in September 2003.

WORKSHOP ON INFECTION CONTROL

Oral Health Programme of the United Mission to Nepal, recently conducted a two day workshop on infection control. A large number of dental surgeons and dental assistants attended the workshop.

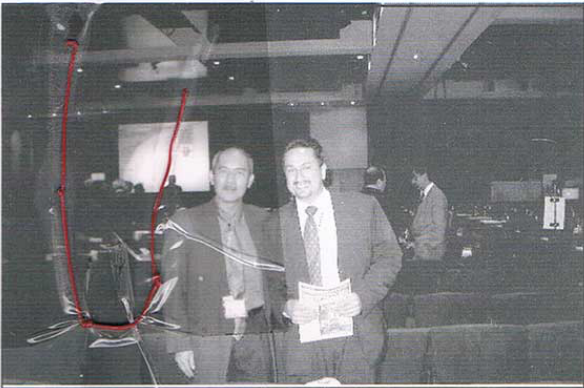
GENERAL SECRETARY DR. PANDÉ PROMOTING NDA



Representing in World Congress



Representing NDA at the APDF meeting after Nepal being accepted as a regular member.



With APDF President



Congratulating the new President-elected of the FDI



Receiving A Fellowship of Academy of Dentistry International in Sydney, Australia.



With IDA President Dr. Shetty, Dr. Bali and Dr. Veerabahu

ORAL HEALTH POLICY

National Oral Health Policy has been passed by Ministry of Health, HMG on 2060, Poush 25th. The policy aims at promoting preventive, curative and rehabilitative dental care in every nook and corner of our nation.

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