



# The Indian Pharmaceutical Association

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## Head of the Organization



President - Dr. Rao V.S.V. Vadlamudi

## Organization Structure

Immediate Past President - Dr. J.A.S. Giri; Vice Presidents - Mrs. Manjiri Gharat, Prof. T.V. Narayana, Dr. Ramesh Adepu, Dr. Subhash Rijhwani, Dr. Subhash Mandal; Hon. Gen. Secretary - Mr. Kaushik Desai; Hon. Treasurer - Dr. Hemant Mondkar; Editor, Pharma Times - Dr. Alka Mukne; Editor, Indian Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences - Dr. Divakar Goli; Associate Secretaries – 5; Central Executive Council Members – Representation from all State branches

## About the Association

Indian Pharmaceutical Association (IPA) is the premier professional association of pharmacy professionals in India, with a member base of over 11,000, spread across the length & breadth of the nation. IPA operates in India through 20 state branches & more than 46 local branches. The members represent various facets of pharmaceutical profession viz. Industry, regulatory, community pharmacy, hospital pharmacy & education. IPA is also actively associated in managing several academic programmes. IPA is actively involved in advising the government on matters of professional importance, as a member of the Drug Technical Advisory Board, India, (Apex Govt. body responsible for framing regulations). IPA is affiliated with international pharma associations like FIP, FAPA, CPA, AAiPS, IPSF & WHO, for carrying out various collaborative professional activities, which include organizing training programmes for professionals from industry, academia, regulatory & practice, making representations to the authorities on matters of professional interest & working towards constantly upgrading the standards of professional services offered by the pharmacists.

## IPA Awards

- **The Eminent Pharmacist Award** – This award is given to recognize a Pharmacist of Indian origin for his/her outstanding contributions towards the advancement of pharmaceutical profession covering any of the fields in the pharmacy.



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- **The IRF Life Time Achievement Award** – This award is given to honor senior pharmacists who have made noteworthy contributions in the field of Pharmacy throughout his/her life.
- **Fellowship** – This award is an honor to a member of the Association who has made distinguished / outstanding contribution to Pharmacy profession and the activities of IPA.
- **Prof. M.L. Khorana Memorial Lecture Award** – This award is to recognize the contributions made by eminent personalities towards the profession of pharmacy
- **Dr. M. Venkateswarlu Memorial Lecture Award** – An eminent pharma professional is selected for the memorial lecture.
- **Best Branch Awards** – This award is given to IPA Branches who have done significant IPA activities in their State / Local area.
- **IJPS Best paper Awards** – This award is given for the best paper published in Indian Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences every year.
- **Prof. M.L. Khorana Medal** – This medal is a prestigious award instituted by IPA for students scoring the highest marks in the Final year B. Pharm. examinations amongst all the Universities and colleges in India.
- **Prof. M.L. Shroff Medal** - This medal is a prestigious award instituted by IPA for students scoring the highest grade in the Final year B. Pharm. examinations amongst all the Universities and colleges in India.
- **IPA ACG-Scitech Innovation in Solid dosage forms Award** – This award is given for the best innovations in the development and packaging of Solid Dosage Forms in Industry / Academia.

## Publications

- Dissemination of information to the members and pharmacy professionals at large through the official monthly mouth piece of Association, **Pharma Times** and special issues are published on various theme every quarter.
- The official bi-monthly peer reviewed scientific publication of the Association, **Indian Journal of Pharmaceutical Sciences** publishes Research papers, Short communications and Review articles.
- Bimonthly **CPD eTimes** which gives information on updates to community pharmacists and distributed to all pharmacists.
- Biweekly publication of e-newsletter **Drug Information Bulletin** containing all the important updates, developments and detail of one new drug.
- Published **Handbook on Responsible Use of Medicine** for consumer awareness.
- A practical handbook for healthcare professionals in India entitled “**All you need to know about Spurious Medicines**” is published in association with Indian Medical Association, FIP and Indian Nursing Council with support from World Health Professional Alliance.



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## Activity Highlights

- Recently, IPA completed 75 years of its existence and this historic Platinum Jubilee year was celebrated by organizing training programs and workshops independently for the industry & regulatory in collaboration with international bodies like European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & Healthcare (EDQM) and IPA annual flagship event IPA Convention, which has international/Indian regulatory consultants and industry professionals participation as Resource persons.
- Release of Postal Stamp by Govt. of India to commemorate 75 years of IPA.
- IPA has organized the 71<sup>st</sup> International Congress of FIP from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at Hyderabad, India.
- 61<sup>st</sup> International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation World Congress 2015 was held from 31<sup>st</sup> July to 8<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at Hyderabad, India. This conference was organized by Students' Forum of IPA under mentorship of Education Division.
- IPA Students' Forum activities are recognized with Vampire Cup from International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation (IPSF) for collections of maximum number of blood units consistently for three years.
- The programs for regulatory and industry professionals are organized regularly with support from Pharmaceutical Export Promotion Council (Pharmexcil), US FDA, Indian regulatory authorities and industry leaders.
- IPA participates in the sub-committees formed by the Govt. of India on various matters of interest to healthcare reforms.
- National Pharmacy Week is celebrated across India on different themes every year through organizing consumer awareness campaigns, poster displays, street plays and press releases. It is always celebrated during third week of November. The theme for the year 2016 is "Pharmacists for a Healthy India; Role in Prevention and Management of Diabetes"
- Representation sent to various Ministries on number of advocacy issues related to pharmaceutical profession and regulations. These has been appreciated and due consideration has been given in the policy deliberations.
- Celebrating 25th September as World Pharmacist Day across India by highlighting the role of Pharmacist to the community.



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- The training programmes are conducted for pharmacists in Good Pharmacy Practices across India through various collaborated projects with Government and Industry.
- There is an ongoing training project on DOTS TB Pharmacist with support from Govt. of India.
- Campaign for Responsible Use of Medicines (CARUM): The first of its kind of consumer education activity is carried out by widely circulating posters in seven languages.
- National Elocution Competition is organized by Education Division of IPA every year to create a platform for the students to express their views freely and also gain an exposure to the wisdom of the co-participants.
- IPA has a distinction of organizing FAPA Congress in the year 1998 along with Indian Pharmaceutical Congress at Mumbai, India.
- Ishidate Awards – The distinguished personalities, Dr. K. Anji Reddy, Dr. Parvinder Singh and Dr. B. Suresh have been recipients of FAPA Ishidate awards in the past. Mr. Subodh Priolkar has been selected for the award in the current year 2016.
- IPA is hosting 68<sup>th</sup> Indian Pharmaceutical Congress from 16 to 18 December 2016 at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, India with a theme “ **Pharmacists for a healthy India: Quality Pharmaceuticals and Patient Welfare**”. There will be a gathering of 6000+ pharma professionals during three days distributed in multiple scientific tracks supported with an exhibition of machineries and allied services.
- IPA has been playing very active role in the executive positions of FIP, CPA and FAPA.
- IPA has been conferred the best Association Award during 5th India Association Congress in the year 2015.