JOINT CONFERENCE OF ODOAN AND PFA INDIA SECTION AND SPECIAL PFA CONVOCATION AT KATHMANDU, NEPAL

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The Orthodontic and Dentofacial Orthopedic Association of Nepal (ODOAN) organized their Second International Conference jointly with Pierre Fauchard Academy (PFA), India Section at Dhulikhel Hospital, Kathmandu University during November 15-16, 2011. The theme of the conference was 'Orthodontics beyond Boundaries'.

The objective of the conference was to promote Dentistry in Nepal to an International level and encourage all the orthodontists along with other specialists in Dentistry to foster standard quality service to the patient.

The Conference was inaugurated by lighting the ceremonial lamp by the Minister of State for Education, Ms. Leela Bhandari and Vice Chancellor of Kahtmandu University, Dr. Suresh Raj Sharma. The president of ODOAN, Dr Anjana Rajbhandari, highlighted the history of ODOAN, which was established in the year 2007, when there were only 9 orthodontists in Nepal. At present, ODOAN has 29 Members, 25 Life and 4 Associate. The Organizing Secretary, Dr Rabindra M Shrestha, emphasized the vital role of Orthodontics on the development of Dentistry as a whole in Nepal. Dr. Sambhu Man Singh, the first Orthodontist of Nepal, was felicitated. 16 International Speakers from India, U.A.E and Bangladesh, along with 19 National Speakers made the Conference program innovative. There were 120 participants from 4 countries. Best Paper and Best Poster Awards were presented to the Post graduate residents.

The Pierre Fauchard Academy India Section held a Special Convocation in the evening of November 15, 2011. Of the 14 new inductees into the Fellowship of PFA, 7 were from Nepal and 3 were from India. 4 from India were inducted 'in absentia'. The new Fellows were awarded PFA Fellowship Certificates, PFA Ceremonial Ribbons and PFA Lapel Pins and Badges. The Convocation was followed by an excellent Entertainment Program of cultural activities by undergraduate dental students, followed by a Grand Gala Dinner.

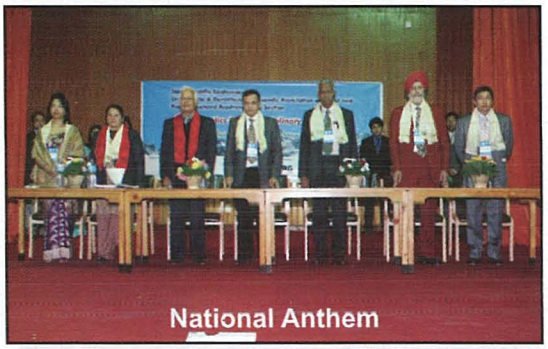
ODOAN is looking forward to organize such International Conferences in the future, not only for the progress of Dentistry in Nepal, but also to strengthen the relationship between different countries and bring about overall oral health awareness around the world.

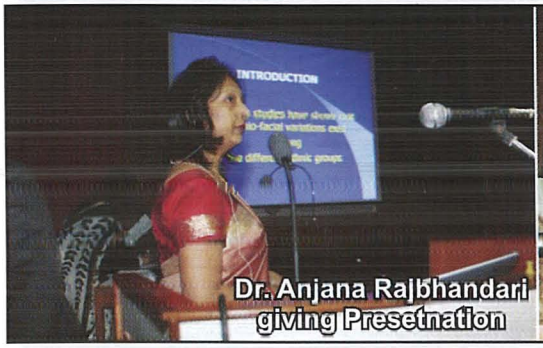
New Fellows:

1 DR. ANJANA RAJBHANDARI
2 DR. BASANTA K SHRESTHA
3 DR. HARISH JOSHI
4 DR. SANDHYA SHRESTHA
5 DR. JYOTI DHAKAL
6 DR. HEMANT KUMAR HALWAI
7 DR. USHA GHIRAIYA
8 DR. M.K. SUNIL
9 DR. PRASAD KULKARNI
10 DR. AMAN CHOWDHRY
11 DR. SUMEET JAIN
12 DR. RAJESH KISHNANI
13 DR. C. KARUNANITHI
14 DR. P. NARAYANA PRASAD

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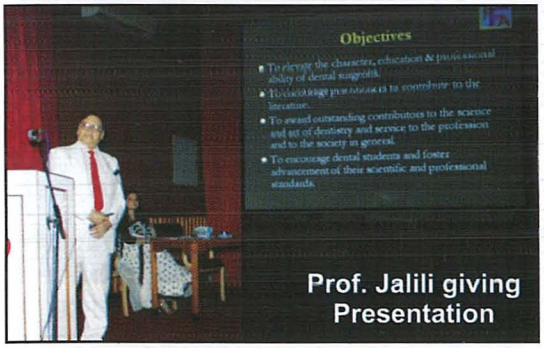

Inauguration - Joint Conference


National Anthem



Dr. Anjana Rajbhandari giving Presetnation


Vice Chancellor Dr. S. R. Sharma Releasing ODOAN First Journal



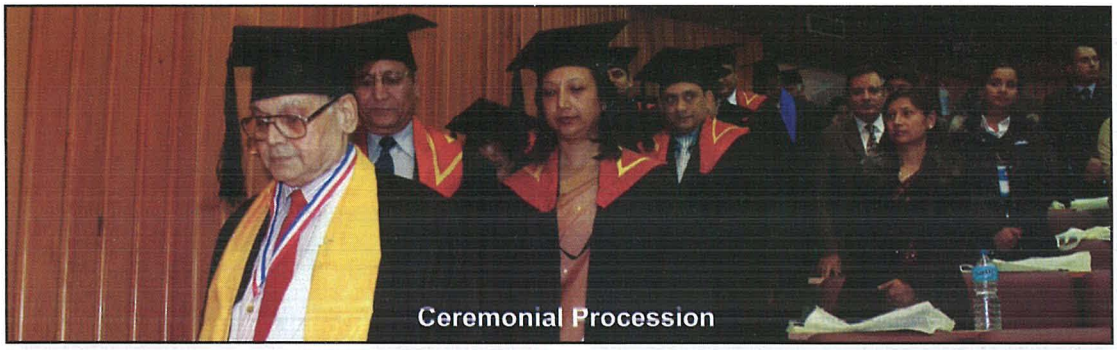
Prof. Jalili giving Presentation

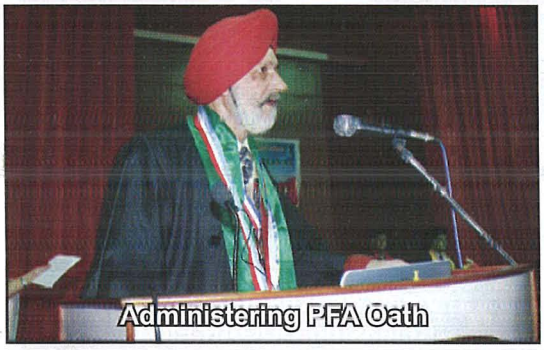

Folk Dance - Cultural Programme



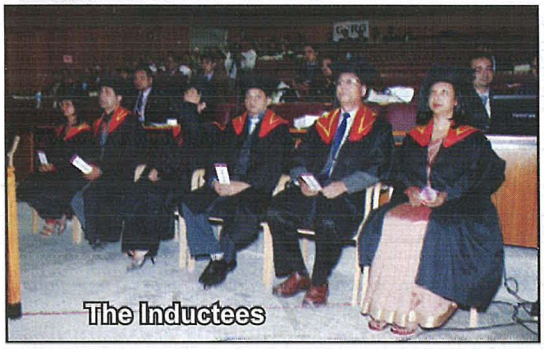
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Special Convocation - PFA India Section, Kathmandu
Nov. 15th, 2011


Ceremonial Procession


Administering PFA Oath


New Inductees / Taking Oath


The Inductees


Vote of thanks



New Fellows & Section Office Bearers