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Dr. Abhaya Indrayan Oration

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Presented to

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You have a really inspiring academic career. After finishing graduation from H.P. Medical College, Shimla, India, you pursued postgraduation from Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh, India. In the past thirty five years as a Pediatrician, you have gathered vast teaching and research experience. In 1995 you were trained as a pediatric Pulmonologist at the Children's Hospital, University of Pittsburgh, USA, and then became the Visiting Assistant Professor there on Pediatric Pulmonology. You joined as Assistant Professor at PGIMER, Chandigarh, India in 1989, and progressively grew in stature to serve as the Professor of Pediatrics at PGIMER. Your illustrious career includes being the President Elect of Telemedicine Society of India (2020), Founder Convener of IAP Evidence based Medicine Cell, Coordinator of South Asian Cochrane Network Site at PGIMER, and Coordinator SAARC, Telemedicine Network. You have been a pioneer in Evidence-based child health in India, and headed the department of telemedicine at PGIMER using technology developed by ISRO and DIT.

You have been the recipient of several fellowships such as from Nine Wells Hospital, UK in Pediatric Respiratory Medicine in 1994, American Association of Physicians of India in 1995, American College of Chest Physicians (FCCP) in 2002, and the Indian Academy of Pediatrics (FIAP) in 2003. Your research acumen has earned you several prestigious awards such as Sir Shri Ram Memorial Award of National Academy of Medical Sciences (2007), Prof. N Somu Oration award at the 28th National conference of IAP in 2016, and the Bharat Ratna Dr. Abdul Kalam Gold Medal at the Global Economic Progress and Research Association in 2018 at Chennai. Because of your excellent work in these fields, you continue to be the Editor of The Cochrane Library, the Nodal Officer of National Knowledge Network (NKN) at Regional Resource Centre (RRC) PGIMER, Chandigarh, and are the principle investigator for ICMR Advanced Centre for Research on Evidence based Child health. In July 2022, you have been appointed the Executive Director of AIIMS Rishikesh.

Dr. Abhaya Indrayan was born on 11th November 1945. He received his early education in Meerut from N.A.S. Inter. College and Meerut College. In 1977, he received his master's degree and Doctoral degree from Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, USA. He has more than 270 publications to his credit, 6 books, three of which are published in the US for international audience. He was the founding Professor and Head of the Department of Biostatistics and Medical Informatics in Delhi University College of Medical Sciences. In 1995, his department was set up as an independent division, and was upgraded to a full department in 2005. He has worked with different organizations and universities, including Delhi University College of Medical Sciences and the World Health Organization. He collaborated with the World Health Organization for several projects. Dr. Indrayan is the only biostatistician in India as of 2022 to be honored with the fellowship of the Indian Academy of Sciences (the same as Dr CV Raman). He has completed 32 assignments for the World Health Organization, 3 for the World Bank, 3 for UNAIDS and 2 for Danish Assistance to the National Program for Prevention and Control of Blindness. He stayed in the Delhi University College of Medical Sciences until retiring in 2010, and is currently working as a Biostatistics Consultant at Max Healthcare.

