

*Future Trends in Healthcare**Industry*

Friday, 19th February 2016, The Hilton, Chennai

FICCI Tamil Nadu State Council had conducted its 8<sup>th</sup> Edition of TANCARE 2016 conference, which is an annual event organized in association with Times of India as exclusive partner for the event with support from the Government of Tamil Nadu.

The event was well received with a participation of about 200 delegates comprising of Doctors, Medical Equipment manufacturers, pharmacists and participation from medical information technology sector.



(L-R) : **Mr. Anand Moorthy**, Asst. Vice President & Metro Head, Times of India, Chennai, **Dr. Rajan Ravichandran**, Director, Institute of Nephrology, MIOT Hospitals, **Ms. Rohini Molleti**, film maker, actor and social activist, **Dr J Radhakrishnan IAS**, Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, **Mr. P. Murari IAS (Retd)**, Adviser to FICCI President and Former Secretary to President of India, **Mr. Ram Ramasundaram**, MD & CEO, Nagarjuna Oil Corporation, **Dr G S K Velu**, Convener – Health Care Panel, FICCI TNSC & Founder & Managing Director Trivitron Group of Companies

**Dr J Radhakrishnan IAS**, Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department, Government of Tamil Nadu delivered the Chief Guest Address at the event and distributed the awards to the awardees. He said that the goal of the state government is to excel in the standards of



delivery of healthcare services and facilities. There is a need for clinical skills to be handed down by seniors to their juniors, bringing in the concept master and trainee in healthcare. He said that Tamil Nadu should continue to be the health.

**Ms. Rohini Molleti**, film maker, actor and social activist said that her experiences of making short films for various health awareness programmes like AIDS and Mental Health. She said that her relationship with Healthcare sector has been through the various healthcare related short films, she quoted her efforts and experiences in setting up psychological healthcare centre along with Banyan an active leading Mental Health NGO in a village but it was not received very easily so it was converted to a regular health clinic. She said that focusing on a healthy mind is as important as a healthy body.



**Mr. Ram Ramasundaram**, MD & CEO, Nagarjuna Oil Corporation said that Tamil Nadu is the Mecca of Medical and Health care and that Health care should be a fundamental right. He also indicated that the public health achievements are usually overlooked, when actually the primary healthcare centres are a cost effective way of reducing expenses in the tertiary care sector.

**Mr. Anand Moorthy**, Asst. Vice President & Metro Head, Times of India briefly spoke about how the Times Group is happy to associate with FICCI in organizing this event and also Times Group in bringing out the coffee Table book on the leading healthcare centres and specialist in Chennai.

**Dr G S K Velu**, Convener – Health Care Panel, FICCI TNSC & Founder & Managing Director Trivitron Group of Companies said that Medical Devises estimates to about 45000 crore industry with 85% imports. Pharma and IT seem more attractive than this sector. He said that we import some basic medical equipment like glucometer, which needs to be looked into and also added that 100 FDI is now allowed in Medical Devises which will change the scenario, He said that Medical Devises sector has been identified as a different sector. He also said that technology costs are high today, that needs addressed, and it has to be the fourth pillar in the healthcare sector when looking at the future.

**Mr. P. Murari IAS (Retd)**, Adviser to FICCI President and Former Secretary to President of India said that the Tamil Nadu has already excelled in the health care sectors and must be preeminent in providing quality health care and the leader in Medical Tourism in India.

**Mr. Ruban Hobday**, Head, FICCI TNSC said that the proceedings of the event with the experts speakers inputs would be collated and submitted to the government for necessary action. He also gave the vote of thanks for the event.

This year a special Awards Function was organized at the conclusion of the Conference which was well appreciated by everyone. This year FICCI Awarded the following in different category:

- 1 Lifetime Achievement Award for **Dr. Rajan Ravichandran**, Director, Institute of Nephrology, MIOT Hospitals
- 2 Best Primary Health Centre Award for **Uchipuli PHC**, Madapam Block, Ramanathapuram District
- 3 Best Government Hospital for **Government Head Quarters Hospital, Metter Dam**, Salem District
- 4 Best Private Hospital for **Kovai Medical Center and Hospital**, Coimbatore
- 5 Best Non Profit Hospital **Jeevan Blood Bank and Research Centre FICCI**