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FROM EDITOR'S DESK

In the present issue, approach to "Hypertension in pregnancy" has been brilliantly discussed by Prof. Richa Dewan, in an *editorial* which in supplementry to the observation made by Prof. G. Rath in the two original articles, published in this issue. The experimental work from Iran, shows that the long term exposure to the electronomegnetic field can have damaging effect on fertility; this may have human application. Abdominal tuberculosis is still quite prevalent in our country and often presents a diagnostic enigma; ultrasonography specially ultrasound-guided FNAC could be confirmatory; other original papers and few interesting case reports appearing in this issue will of interest to the readers of JIMSA. An article on Gallstone IIeus by Dr. Dr. Shelat Vishalkumar G gives an updated information on its comorbidity; the paper rightly highlights this condition as a silent epidemic. Two invited articles- one by Prof. Biswas and the other by Dr. V.S. Kumar emphasise the revolutionary management of dyslipidimia and sciatica, respectively.

This issue also contains a symposium on "**Sexually transmitted disease (STDs)**" under the Guest Editorship of **Prof. R.C.Sharma,** formerly Director Head, Department of Dermatology and Venereolgy, Lady Harding Medical College, New Delhi India. The topics are well selected and have been contributed by experts in the field from different regions of the country. STDs constitute a major health problem and can have a tremendous impact on the normal health of the population. The problem is further compounded by the increasing prevalence of HIV/AIDs. The symposium clearly highlights the changing spectrum of STD in the world as well as in this country; the syndromic approach has undoubtedly revolutionized the overall management of the STDs.

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P. D. Gulati

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Rank II: **Correlation of expression of Androgen Receptors and Estrogen Receptors in female breast cancer cases** – *Dr. Kushal Gupta, Dr. B. Rekhi, Dr. Chintamani, Dr. S. Saxena*

Rank III: **Effect of Indoor Air Pollution During Cooking in Women belonging to Rural, Urban and Slum Areas of Delhi** – *Dr. Manish Gupta, Dr. Pratibha Gupta, Dr. Satish K Bhargava*

Each award consists of a medal, citation and cash prize; the awardee is required to preferably receive the award at the forthcoming IMSACON 2007 at Manipal (*contact* urgently Dr.H.K.Chopra, Secretary General IMSA). In case he or she is unable to attend IMSACON 2007, he/she should intimate the Editor JIMSA, accordingly

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