

### OUR GUEST EDITOR

**Prof. Maharajan Chandrasekaran**, a pioneer in the field of Endocrine Surgery, has made significant contributions to the field over the past 27 years. Maharajan Chandrasekaran graduated from Madras Medical College in the year 1976 and later obtained his Masters in General Surgery from the same college in 1981. After joining the Department of Endocrine Surgery in the year 1987, he has constantly endeavoured to take Endocrine Surgery to greater heights. During his tenure as the Head of the Department he started a super speciality course - M.Ch in Endocrine Surgery in the year 2007. He has been an undergraduate and post-graduate teacher for 30 long years.



Prof.Chandrasekaran was the founder secretary and past President of the “Indian Association of Endocrine Surgeons.” He also donned the role of Editor in Chief of the “Indian Journal of EndocrineSurgery” for three years. He designed and launched Med-ej, the official e-journal of the Tamilnadu Dr.M.G.R.Medical University - the first of its kind in India.

He has performed over 6,000 thyroidectomies and has devised a unique surgical technique to excise the Lingual thyroid. You can read more about this technique in the Article titled “ Excision of Lingual thyroid - How I do it.”

In recognition of his achievements in the field of surgery, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow conferred upon him FRCS and the Tamilnadu Dr.M.G.R.Medical University conferred upon him the Scroll of Honour twice.

### EDITORIAL

*Dear Fellows,*

*It gives me immense pleasure to bring out this special issue of JIMSA on “**Thyroid Disorders - New Horizons**”. Most of the pioneering work in the field has been published in this issue. Michael Aruldhas and his team has shown, in their original research work, that hormonal manipulation is likely to be introduced as one more modality of treatment for papillary carcinoma in the days to come. Article on “**Iodine excess and thyroid dysfunction**” has stressed upon the need for the availability of uniodised salt in the market so that patients with thyrotoxicosis, thyroiditis and cancer thyroid can be treated effectively.*

*A new surgical procedure has been described in the article on Excision of Lingual Thyroid. There are many more interesting articles on various topics related to thyroid and I am sure the readers would find them really interesting and beneficial.*

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