

Online meeting of the Medico-Legal Society of India was organised on Tuesday 3rd of January 2023 between 8:50 PM to 10 pm It was attended by

Dr. Mukesh Yadav
Dr. Nitin Dhande
Dr. Devraj Raichur
Dr. Manisha Jagtap
Dr. Deepak Shah
Dr. Hitesh
Dr. Lalit Kumar
Dr. Ashish Khatod

Dr. Surendra Saxena
Dr. Amogh Kumbhar
Dr. Hrishabh Rana
Dr. Prashant
Dr. Sayyed Kazmi
Dr. Ashok Veer
Dr. Rajeev Joshi

Apologies for missing names of a couple of members who joined late during discussion. Following points were discussed :

1. Filing PIL before Jabalpur HC by MOA

Dr. Saxena informed that he had forwarded the link of the meeting and requested to join the meeting to the legal head of MOA but he didn't not join.

Dr. Saxena and Dr. Deepak Shah informed us that we should talk with the president of MOA to which Dr. Joshi replied that he will talk and requested them to share his contact details.

2. Task discussed during previous meeting but not yet completed Dr. Saneeta Pikale was absent hence task given to her couldn't discussed

3. Attendance of members and steps to be taken to increase participation: Dr. Khatod informed that he had already shared attendance of last year's meetings in google sheet to Dr. Joshi on which Dr. Joshi requested to add contact details of attendees in the google sheet to which Dr. Khatod agreed.

Dr. Joshi asked what should be done to increase attendance in meetings and members of society?

Dr. Saxena said that we should allow paying fees in instalments to which Dr. Rajeev said that it will be difficult to maintain accounts of instalments so it will be better for existing members who are bringing prospective members to pay the fees of that prospective member and then recover that amount from that prospective member. Dr. Joshi advised that we should promote our association at every possible platform.

04. Efforts for increasing membership couldn't discussed as Dr. Gupte was absent

05. Brochure : Flyer and web based promotion couldn't be discussed as Dr. Dhande left the meeting due to not feeling well.

06. Certificate program in LAMP Dr. Joshi informed that the course is postponed as there is delay in getting accreditation from MMC. Dr. Yadav suggested that MLSI should have control over content which is to be delivered during lectures, this can be achieved through a coordinating committee. Dr. Yadav further suggested that there must be a document in the form of a URL on our website providing brief information about things which are going to be delivered in the LAMP course. Dr. Joshi

requested him to do this on which Dr. Yadav said that he will do this task but it is not possible to complete it before the deadline. Dr Joshi said that he will request all faculty members to provide one slide of their introduction and one slide about contents of the lecture / learning objectives.

07. Receipts and Payments : Dr Rajeev Joshi informed that membership fees received from 35 members as of date, and 3 participants have joined the course till today. There was no other income, and expenses done for formation of association, payment to lawyers in Delhi, Payment made for filing case in Kerala high court have been discussed by the group. Since Dr Nagarange was absent, all details could not be discussed.

08. The secretary's report couldn't be discussed as Dr. Das was absent.

09. Hurdles in LAMP : Dr. Joshi told about difficulties faced during and requested other members to apply for accreditation to their respective state's medical council to which Dr. Yadav and Dr. Raichur agreed.

10. Dr Joshi informed about an incident in Shivam Hospital, Hadapsar area near Pune where a patient was admitted one and half month ago, and relatives were neither paying money to hospital nor were they shifting patient to government hospital. The patient had become critical on 31st December, and relatives were threatening the doctors, when Dr Kalbhor from that hospital called Dr Joshi. Dr Joshi suggested that the hospital should file a police complaint immediately saying that the patient's relatives are not willing to shift the patient to any other hospital, and also not making any payment.

The complaint was filed at 2 pm, the patient expired at 5 pm. As a result, the police came in 10-15 mins and controlled the crowd. In the meantime the patient party had approached government authorities complaining about the hospital not releasing the body without payment. The civil surgeon of pune contacted the doctor asking details about the episode, but in the meantime the doctors in that area assembled in the hospital and discussed with relatives who agreed to reach a compromise formula. Out of 6.5 lacs balance amount, 1 lac was paid in cash, 2 lacs agreed to pay on stamp paper 3.5 lacs concession given to the patient. The concerned doctor thanked Dr Joshi for timely advice because of which he filed a police complaint, and police helped to diffuse the tension. Also since a police complaint was filed before the patient party complained, the hospital had strong footing.

Dr. Rishabh Rana said that we should publish such stories. Dr Rajeev Joshi requested him to take responsibility for such activity to which Dr Rana agreed.

Meeting ended at 10 pm with decision to meet again on 17 January

Dr. Ashish Khatod
Joint Secretary, MLSI