



Editorial

Dear colleagues,

Greetings from Manipal.

It's indeed a happy moment for all us as our society, Karnataka Medico Legal Society is completing 25 years. It is "Silver Jubilee Year" and a celebration time for us. Now, we are happy that the society is still continuing with its good deeds based on the motto by which it was established in 1990. Our senior forensic fraternity struggled hard to set up the society when there were lack of resources and scarcity of forensic medicine personnel to join hands to start, sustain and grow into a stable society. The society started by a small group of like-minded forensic persons like Dr. M Ramu and Dr. TS Arasu and many others, has now grown as a banyan tree with nearly 1000 life members and the number is still increasing.

The Karnataka Medico Legal Society is doing its best to support the subject of Forensic Medicine as a whole. But more constructive works are warranted by every member of the society by joining hands with each other. More and more constructive work needs to be done in research to provide local data, in clinical forensic Medicine to highlight our importance and necessity and to create interest among both undergraduate and postgraduate students as they are the future supporters of our subject.

We need to work towards supporting the important objectives of post-mortem examination through research. Till today the accurate or near accurate time since death is possible in only few cases. As the body starts decomposing, the estimation becomes still more difficult. The available parameters are insufficient in such cases. Accurate identification is another paramount objective to solve any crime. Though DNA and other circumstantial evidences help, they have their own limitations. Sudden deaths are challenging cases for any Forensic expert. Even though advanced medical and other facilities help to find out the cause, still the incidence of negative or obscure autopsies is high. Every death has a cause. Only it is for us to find it out so that the departed soul rests in peace and the justice is done.

Let us join our hands in solving these mysteries of Forensic Medicine so that the future generation remembers us for our work. Let us make up our mind to contribute to our subject through scientific research. There is nothing better than this as a contribution to KAMLS at this Silver Jubilee celebration year.

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