



## **Brainstorming session – Involving NBE, NITI Aayog , ANBAI and Small Hospital Stakeholders**

**Venue:** Board Room, Bhagwan Mahaveer Jain Hospital, Bangalore

**Date:** 20.April.2019

**Time:** 4:30 pm – 6:10 pm

### **Participants:**

- Dr.Vinod K Paul, Chairman, Board of Governors, MCI – **On Skype Call**  
Dr. Abhijat Sheth, President, NBE  
Dr. Rashmikanth Dave, Nonexecutive Director, NBE  
Dr. Devi Shetty, Patron, ANBAI  
Dr. Alexander Thomas, National President, ANBAI  
Dr.V.C.Shanmuganandan, ANBAI  
Dr. Venkatesh Krishnamoorthy, President, Karnataka Chapter, ANBAI.  
Dr. Rakshay Shetty, Secretary, Karnataka Chapter, ANBAI  
Dr. Kishore Babu, Treasurer, ANBAI  
Dr .Devaprasath Jeyasekharan, President, Tamil Nadu Chapter, ANBAI.  
Dr .Saffia PM, Secretary, Kerala Chapter, ANBAI.  
Dr. A Lingaiah, National Alumni Coordinator ANBAI & Telangana & AP  
Dr. Iqbal Bagasrawala, President, Maharashtra Chapter, ANBAI  
Dr. Bhabatosh Biswas, Vice President, ANBAI & President, West Bengal Chapter, ANBAI  
Dr. Srinath, South Coordinator ANBAI  
Dr. H.C. Ramesh, MENTS Hospital [ENT Speciality ],Bangalore  
Dr. A. Jagadish, Abhaya Hospital & Indian Psychiatric Society of India  
Dr. Ajit V. Bhide, Past President, Indian Psychiatric Society of India  
Dr. Hajela Anoop, Hajela Hospital, Bhopal & MP Nursing Home Association  
Dr. Sunil Gokhavi, Executive Director, Emmanuel Health Association [EHA]  
Dr. Bharathi Rajshekar, Vaatsalya Hospital ,Hassan ,Karnataka & Vice President, KPMEA  
Dr. Rajesh Dhirawani, Jabalpur Hospital & Research Centre, Madhya Pradesh  
Dr. Anil Chullimuntha, METAS Adventist Colleges & Hospitals, Gujarat  
Dr Susan Fernandes, The Children's Hospitals ,Malad West, Mumbai  
Dr. Joseph Fidelis, Annai Velankanni Multispecialty Hospitals, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu  
Dr. Subramaniam, Chief ENT Surgeon, PRS hospitals, Trivandrum, Kerala  
Dr. Sunanda Kulkarni, Chinmaya Mission Hospital, Bangalore  
Dr. G.Shenoy. Rangadore Memorial Hospital, Bengaluru.  
Dr.K.Chandrashekar, ASHA Hospital, Hyderabad.  
Mr. Sunil Shah, SEHGAL NEO HOSPITAL, New Delhi  
Dr. Hitesh Baruah, NEMCARE Hospital, Guwahati

A brainstorming session on the feasibility of starting NBE courses in Smaller Hospitals and Single Speciality hospitals and the requirements in terms of infrastructure and faculty thereof was held.

Initiating the discussion, Dr.Vinod Paul placed on record his appreciation at the progressive steps that have been taken by ANBAI & NBE in promoting NBE courses while maintaining quality, transparency and affordability in relation to the institutions & Students. He also had a special word of thanks for Dr.Devi Shetty's contribution towards furthering the cause of Post Graduate Medical Education in our Country.

Dr.Vinod K Paul Congratulated Dr.Abhijath Sheth, Dr.Dave, Dr.Devi and Dr.Alex for their untiring efforts in increasing the number of NBE seats and also for starting DNB Courses in the Government hospitals of Karnataka.

After extensive interaction between Dr.V.K.Paul, who joined on Skype and the participants of the brainstorming session, the following suggestions were made.

The availability of over 6 lakh beds in the Private Sector, Army hospitals and the District Hospitals, which have the potential to serve as Training Centres for post graduate medical education, should be fully utilized for starting NBE courses and the following is to be carried out.

1. For the purpose of starting DNB courses in smaller hospitals, many such units in neighbouring areas be clubbed together for optimal utilisation of available resources.
2. Proper guidelines are to be created for starting DNB courses in smaller hospitals of even less than 30 bed strength.
3. Standard Operating Procedures are to be created for maintaining quality in teaching & evaluation.
4. Technology utilisation for teaching such as web based learning, webinars and other innovative methods are to be adopted.

**Suggestions offered by Dr.Devi Shetty towards promoting Post Graduate Medical Education:**

- Reforms in higher education
- The methodology being adopted in the United States & United Kingdom could be studied in detail & the best practises suitable to our situation can be adopted along with redefining the requirements for a Teacher.
- The Post graduate students are to be permitted to undergo rotational training in hospitals of their choice.
- Institutions are to fulfil the required standards along with periodic evaluation and certification of teachers [with guidelines to train students], and this is to be made mandatory in order to maintain quality.

- The qualifying exit examination should be strict to the extent that only those are well trained and up to the mark will qualify.

**Responding to the above suggestions and after discussion the following was arrived upon.**

- To check on the USA & UK – Post Graduate medical education pattern
- 8years of experience following NBE degree is mandatory for teachers.
- 3years as senior resident post NBE degree to be considered as a specialist.
- Conceptualise criteria for teachers.
- To create network of NBE hospitals
- Rotational posting of PG students – operational feasibility has to be looked into as it entails financial implications.

Dr.V.K.Paul suggested that a list of retired ex-service man Medical Teachers could be displayed on the website for information to those institutions in need of Teachers.

The possibility of engaging Part time Teachers is also to be looked into, keeping quality in mind.

Regarding Honorary Faculty the operational feasibility and its effect on quality of training is to be looked into.

Dr.Paul was of the opinion that assuring proper log maintenance by the Post graduate students, it is possible to gauge the Quality of training undergone to a certain extent.

It was suggested that NABH accredited Institutions could be accorded preference while enrolling with NBE for Post graduate courses & fellowship Courses.

It was also decided to create a Research Methodology Course which is to be offered online and is to be made compulsory for every Post graduate Students to successfully undergo the course within the first year of enrolling in Post-Graduation.

In order to effectively facilitate suggestions from faculty, website integration has been recommended.

In order to effectively liaison and carry out the academic activities of Post graduate and fellowship programmes at the NBE, it was suggested that a Post of National Dean should be created under the President for effective functioning.

**In conclusion, the Way forward was summed up as:**

- A. Creation of Teachers Accreditation Cell.
- B. Clubbing of smaller hospitals for starting DNB courses.
- C. Enabling P.G Students to undergo training at both Public & private hospitals by rotation.
- D. Possibility of utilising the Services of part time teachers & honorary faculty to be explored.
- E. Promote NBE courses in NABH accredited Institutions.
- F. The requirement of minimum number of beds to start NBE Courses in Single Speciality institutions is to be dropped.