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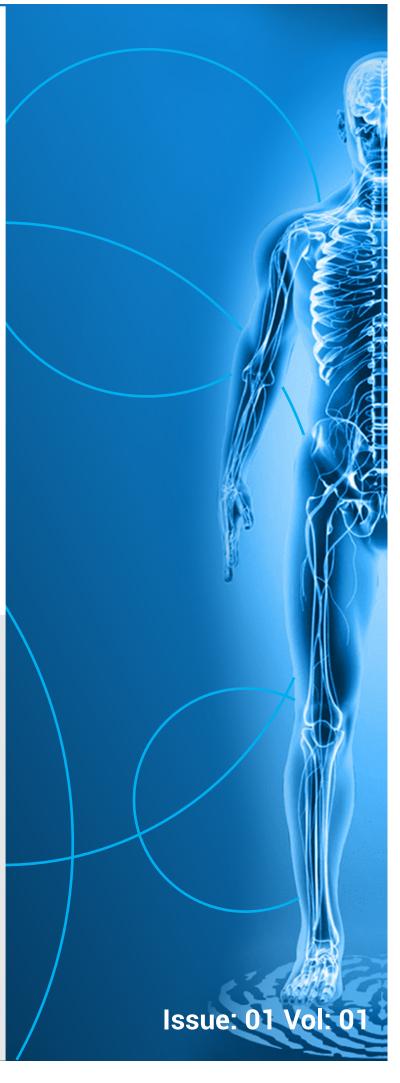
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Dear colleague,

It is my great honor and privilege to launch "The Neuromodulation Society", Indian chapter of the International neuromodulation society, in January this year. INS is one of the strongest multidisciplinary society in the field of neuromodulation in the world. The interest in the field of neuromodulation is rapidly increasing and several subspecialties apart from neurology, neurosurgery and pain physicians take on neuromodulation to treat different diseases. This includes, psychiatrists, cardiologist, urologist, ENT specialist and many others. It is the need of the day that we develop a common platform for interaction where in we would benefit from each others experience and expertise.

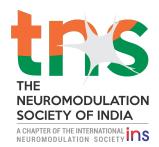
The International neuromodulation society has been very supportive in helping us to set up this society. We are one of the few chapters (outside Europe, Australia, USA, China and Canada) to have such a varied representation. In the first half itself, we conducted the executive committee meeting and also an academic activity endorsed and supported by the society.

We plan to invite interests from the members to conduct the first annual meeting, either in December or January. The executive committee has agreed that a contribution of Rs 10,000 would be obtained from the organisers requesting endorsement from the society and Rs. 50,000 from any one conducting the TNS meeting. However, the organizer for the first meeting will be exempt from making such contribution.

I urge you to spread the awareness of the society and help the membership drive to further strengthen the society

Any suggestions to improve the functioning of the society will always be welcome

Dr. Paresh Doshi



Academic conclave on "Interventions in Neuropsychiatry"

On 9 th and 10 th June, Jaslok hospital and Research Centre and The Neuromodulation society (TNS) of India hosted a unique conclave to deliberate on the present status and future course of various Neuropsychiatric interventions (excluding ECT, CBT). The conclave was further supported by the Indian society for stereotactic and functional Neurosurgery (ISSFN) and Indian Psychiatric society (IPS).

The conclave was "by invitation" only. All the leaders in the field i.e. the Presidents of the above society; secretary, editor and chairperson of ethics and biological psychiatric committee of IPS, academicians, senior practitioners in the field and physicians actively involved in various interventions were invited for the meeting. The main focus was on Neurosurgical interventions, rTMS and DCS. The aim of the conclave was to review the current world literature and the practice of these interventions in relation to India and whether a consensus could be reached at the end of the conclave, to formulate the guidelines for practicing this in India. All participants were provided educational material that included guidelines, ethics, meta-analysis of various treatments and review of literature, two months before the conclave. Few key people were identified to steer the discussions on guidelines, and they were provided more details and additional review material to formulate their thoughts.

There were 63 invitees, of which 58 people, from across the country, attended. Majority of them were Psychiatrists as there are only couple of Neurosurgeons in India, presently involved in Neuropsychiatric surgery. The discussion on guidelines was very constructive. Topics like rights of the patient to select the therapy vs. fulfilment of the indication criteria were debated. E.g. If the patient refuses ECT can he be offered DBS for Depression? Who decides if the CBT offered to the OCD patient was standard (one has to remember that India is huge country and clinical standards vary) and adequate before offering surgery? These are questions and points very typical to our region and philosophy and hence need to be addressed differently. At the end of the conclave there was a fair amount of consensus achieved on various issues. We now shall devote each individual group responsibilities to develop guidelines based on the discussions of the conclave and come out with a final draft. This will be endorsed by all the three important societies involved in the treatment, i.e. IPS, ISSFN and TNS.



Secretary's Report

The Neuromodulation Society of India is multidisciplinary society of specialists interested in neuromodulation. This multidisciplinary platform is unique and helps us to interact across disciplines and learn from each other.

At the beginning of the year 2018, The Neuromodulation Society of India was launched with twenty one members that included six neurosurgeons, six pain specialists, six neurologists, two psychiatrists and one anaesthesiologist.

Eleven new members — seven neurosurgeons, two psychiatrists, one neurologist and one urologist — have now become part of the society, and we expect many more who have evinced a keen interest to be joining our society soon.

Membership Details

There are two types of membership

Active Membership: Rs.10,000/ year

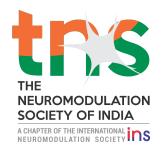
- Neuromodulation Journal (print copy)
- · Subsidised fee for all the INS activities and meetings
- Access to 'Members Only' area of INS

Life Membership: Rs. 7500 / one-time

- Participation in all TNS events with 25% discount
- The chance to actively contribute to TNS

The link to the society and Indian chapter is mentioned below. The membership form is also enclosed.

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The Neuromodulation Society of India

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Application for Life / Fellow / Associate Membership	
Life Membership Active Membership Associate Membership *Name in full (IN BLOCK LETTERS): *Age and Date of Birth: Sex: *Mailing address with PIN code:	please affix your photograph here
*Telephone:*Mobile:*	
*Present appointments and hospital(s) where working, along with address & contact details:	
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Include my clinic in the public directory Ves / No	
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Life Membership: Rs. 7500, Active membership Rs. 10,000/year, Associate membership: Rs.1000/year,	
Draft in the name of: "The Neuromodulation Society"	
Please submit this completed form to: tnsindia2017@gmail.com	
Please submit completed application and payment to:	
Dr. Paresh Doshi, Director of Neurosurgery, Jaslok Hospital and Research Centre,	

LIFE MEMBER

15 Dr. G Deshmukh Marg, Mumbai: 400026 INDIA.

The members can become the life member of TNS by applying for the same. Life membership will be offered by payment of onetime fee decided by the Board from time to time. To be eligible for life membership person must have a professional interest in neuromodulation. A postgraduate qualification in the medical speciality is required for the application for life membership. Person desirous to become a life member will have to apply to TNS in the prescribed format.

ACTIVE MEMBER

All life members desirous to be a part of **International Neuromodulation society (INS)** and are life member of TNS, may become an active member of TNS. This will be entail payment of an annual fee to TNS, which will include the contribution for the TNS. The fees membership shall be determined each year by the board from time to time.

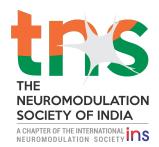
ASSOCIATE MEMBER

Persons from allied branches, e.g. psychologist, physiotherapist, nurses etc and students studying neurology can become associate member of the TNS. However, this category of members will not have any voting rights and cannot be nominated for board position. The associate membership fees that will be determined by the Board from time to time.



The International Neuromodulation Society's 14th World Congress will be held in gorgeous Sydney, Australia on 25 - 30 May 2019, so start making your own plans to join us down under. If you have ever dreamt of visiting Australia, this is your opportunity. Following the INS 2017 congress in Edinburgh, our most successful congress to date, we have received much positive and constructive feedback that our congress and scientific committees will take to heart while developing the program for Sydney. We thank everyone who has made the effort to complete attendee evaluations, as your input is critical to improving upon our organization's educational offerings. With enthusiastic support from The Neuromodulation Society of Australia and New Zealand, our local host chapter who is very excited to welcome you, we assure you this is an event not to be missed and we invite you to Save the Date!

To stay updated on INS 2019 news, visit the congress website at www.ins-congress.com/2019/.





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