

Dr Venkatesh A N takes charge as National President of 'Society for Emergency Medicine India'

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Dr Venkatesh A N, Sr Consultant & Head of Emergency Medicine, Apollo Hospitals Karnataka Region has been elected as the new National President of the 'Society for Emergency Medicine India' (SEMI). He will hold charge during the period 2021-2023. Dr Venkatesh's experience of over 21 years in emergency medicine and expertise in all areas of emergency procedures and emergency care medicine will help him to ensure that SEMI continues to play an important role in ensuring proficiency and skill in emergency care practitioners in the country.

On February 19, 2021, the Society for Emergency Medicine India (SEMI) became the first emergency medicine society in the world to have its name reach the surface of the planet Mars, when the MARS 2020 Perseverance Rover successfully landed at Jezero crater with its name on board.

Dr Venkatesh AN heads the Emergency Department, Pre-hospital care services, Air ambulance services, Hospital Disaster Management plan at Apollo Hospitals, Bengaluru. He is the regional director for many emergency medicine courses FEM (Fellowship in Emergency Medicine), MRCEM (Membership of Royal College of Emergency Medicine) at Apollo Hospitals Bengaluru in collaboration with Royal liver Academy UK since 2008.

He is a Regional Coordinator for MRCEM (Membership of Royal College of Emergency Medicine – UK). He is also Coordinator for FICM (Fellowship in Intensive care medicine) conducted by Medvarsity). He is now actively involved in the training of basic life support (BLS), paediatric advanced life support (PALS), advanced cardiac life support (ACLS), trauma management and disaster management. He is the chief faculty and coordinator in First Aid training for students, corporate staff and public. He regularly conducts awareness programmes on emergency services, ambulance services and importance of golden hour to the public. He is also actively involved in quality circle initiatives in healthcare. He is part of the JCI team, which regularly trains the hospital staff in quality.