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SAY NO TO MIXOPATHY

ALL INDIA RELAY HUNGER STRIKE

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- Ref : 1. CCIM Notification dated 19.11.2020 on PG Ayurveda Education on MS Shalya Tantra and Shalakyata Tantra.
2. National Educational Policy 2020 - Medical Pluralism and lateral entry – Mixopathy.
3. NITI AAYOG Committees for Integration of Health care system.

Sub: All India Relay Hunger Strike from 01.02.2021- 14.02.2021 – Say No to Mixopathy – reg

At the outset We would like to thank our Tamil Nadu Government for assuring the purity of system of medicine and not for Mixopathy.

Indian healthcare and Indian doctors have earned the peak positions in the world healthcare scenario. Health of nation depends on the health of health care systems. Though there are many systems of medicine, Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani etc., the modern medicine has evolved as a system of medicine adopted and used by almost 96% of Indian population based on sustained research and constant up gradation. We welcome and propose that all our traditional systems should strive hard and make themselves more people centered, evidence based, affordable and accessible.

Now there is shift in the government policy; instead of promoting all the systems, a new method of Mixopathy, in which systems which are mutually unrelated in principles and mode of operandi are integrated together as a one system as evidenced in the National education policy 2020, CCIM notification dated 20.11.2020 and the committees constituted by NitiAayog for this purpose.. IMA acknowledge Indian population need different systems of medicine for different conditions of diseases and for promoting wellness. However, we oppose strongly the proposal to make single doctor practicing all systems together as it will hamper quality and safety as he will lack

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in-depth knowledge on the particular system of medicine. IMA supports poly pathy but not mixopathy and kitchadification of health care systems.

The National education policy 2020 is towards medical pluralism and paves way for lateral entry of Paramedics & other system of Indian Medicine Graduates into practice of Modern Medicine. Similarly with the aim of one country one system of medicine NITIAAYOG has formed 4 committees vide 1. Medical Education 2. Practice. 3. Public health 4. Medical research to formulate means for integration of all systems of medicine vide AYUSH and Modern Medicine into one system which is a Myxopathy system. The recent notification from Central Council of Indian Medicine (CCIM) dated 19th November 2020 approved MS (General Surgery) PG degree by Ayurvedic graduates as Shalya Tantra & Shalakyia Tantra and will be allowed to do 58 types of surgeries which includes technically competent procedures like cholecystectomy, cataract, ENT, Plastic surgery, dental etc.

All these steps are towards one system of medical practice “Mixopathy” which will be detrimental to public & the sanctity of the individual system of medicine gets diluted and will be lost. In the current state of advances in the medical science towards Micro specialization to the extent of Hepatologist, retina surgeon, micro surgeries etc., the current policy of Mixopathy degrades the Indian Health care system and the laurels and the credibility our individual systems of medicine has got including AYUSH in the world gets slashed out.

Common Public are not scape goats to do research on them thrusting the Mixopathy System on them and snatching away their right to choose the system of medicine they want to follow. What about the pre anaesthetic medication? Will it be AYUSH drugs? What about Anaesthesia? Does AYUSH have their own anaesthesia drugs and procedures? Perhaps AYUSH doctors who are trained in administering them as AYUSH anaesthetists?

What about postoperative care and infection control? How will a system not subscribing to microbial theory find a way to control sepsis? Will it be a throwback to

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the 19th century septic wards? What about the modern surgical equipment's. Do they have AYUSH surgical equipments? How will the Government find adequate resources to create new infrastructure from nowhere to fend for this modern medicine B team? It is very obvious that AYUSH is dependent on modern medicine doctors, anaesthesia, antibiotics and equipments to perform modern medicine surgical procedures. It fails the test of logic behind such irresponsible initiative placing thousands of gullible patients at risk.

Let each system of medicine excel in their own domain & help the patients to recover, Instead of crossing their barrier into other system, getting half-baked training which is equal to producing qualified quacks.

To save the innocent public and to preserve the sanctity and purity of Systems of medicine IMA

IMA has launched the movement to restore purity of modern medicine from the forces of Mixopathy. IMA appeals to the Government to consider the sensitivity and, legitimate anguish of the medical fraternity and safety of common man and take appropriate steps. On 8th and 11th December we have conducted Nation wide protest to draw the attention of Government on this issue.

IMA is constrained today to intensify the agitation as the steps towards implementing Mixopathy are not being taken back. Indian Medical Association gave directives to all members across the country to start '**SAVE HEALTHCARE INDIA MOVEMENT**'. Under this National movement, IMA launched massive awareness drive across the country as this is the clear threat to safety of healthcare of people.

PAN INDIA RELAY HUNGER STRIKE - IMA members and modern medicine doctors across the country started relay hunger strike on 01.02.2021 and will stay on relay hunger strike from February 1, 2021 till February 14, 2021. In Tamil Nadu we have identified 14 places where Relay hunger strike will go on various days from 1st Feb. to 14th Feb. Today the fasting started at various sites like Chennai, Vellore, Coimbatore, Erode, Trichrapalli, Cadalure, Tirunelveli in Tamilnadu.

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It is an effort on the Gandhian principle to invoke satyagraha and unify mental vibration and unify it as an effective force in the war of restoring the purity of modern medical profession.

To create Awareness to public Relay Awareness Bike rally Started from, Tirupur, Hosure, Kanyakumari and will travel through the state visiting and relaying from neighboring branches to reach Chennai on 14th for a mega fasting at Chennai

Women doctors will be on hunger strike all across the state on 7th February 2021. All specialty associations across the state joined the strike through Federation of Medical Associations under aggies of IMA. Dental Association also joined this National Movement. Modern medical allied health organisations, Medical Students' Network (MSN), Junior Doctors' Network (JDN), also joined IMA during this relay hunger strike

As we are concerned on the uninterrupted health care delivery and also the safety of common man, all our hospitals and clinics will function normally.

On the last day of the fasting IMA will launch **CAPITAL CHALLO** movements in each state capital.

Now it is peoples' war against the principles of Mixopathyto save quality & safety of our healthcare

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