

**National Workshop on 'Scientific Writing' organized by Dr. M.P.K. Homoeopathic Medical College, Hospital and Research Centre, Jaipur**

A National Workshop under CME Program on 'Scientific Writing' was organized by Dr. M.P.K. Homoeopathic Medical College, Hospital and Research Centre, a constituent college of Homoeopathy University (HU), Jaipur (Rajasthan), with financial support from Ministry of AYUSH, Govt. of India.

The Workshop was attended by 28 participants from 10 states (Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, Rajasthan, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal) and 01 Union Territory, Chandigarh.

The inaugural session on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2018 was graced by Chief Guest Dr. R. K. Manchanda, Director General, Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH), Prof. Emeritus Dr. Girendra Pal, Chairman of HU, Dr. C. Nayak, President of HU, Dr. Tarkeshwar Jain, Registrar of HU and Dr. Atul Kumar Singh, Principal of Dr. M.P.K Homoeopathic Medical College, Hospital and Research Centre, Jaipur.

Dr. Atul Kumar Singh welcomed the trainees and gave an outline of the objectives of the Workshop and expected outcomes. The inaugural session also marked the release of *Journal of Homoeopathy University*, the second peer- journal in Homoeopathy in India.

In 08 scientific sessions by 08 resource persons, various areas of 'Scientific Writing' were dealt with, followed by practical trainings on the respective topics.

Day one of the Workshop included sessions by Dr. R.K. Manchanda, DG, CCRH on "*Scientific Writing in Homoeopathy: Where & how to publish scientific papers: process & cautions*"; Dr. Neetu Purohit, Associate Prof., Indian Institute of Health Management Research, Jaipur on "*Common fallacies in scientific and medical writings*"; Dr. H.J. Khan, Editor of *Science Reporter*, NISCAIR, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research on "*Writing Popular scientific articles in Magazines & News papers*" and Dr. Bindu Sharma, Scientist-IV and Editor of Indian Journal of Research in Homoeopathy, CCRH on "*Publishing Clinical Research Outcomes*".

On day two of the Workshop there were deliberations of Dr. Anil Khurana, Deputy Director General (H), CCRH on "*Scientific communication: needs, types & importance*"; Dr. Vishwa Mohan Katoch, NASI- ICMR Chair on Public Health Research at Rajasthan University of Health Sciences and former Secretary of Health Research & DG of ICMR, on "*Components of a scientific paper*"; Dr. C. Nayak on "*Publishing a case report*" and Dr. Peush Sahni, Professor

and Head, Department of Gastrointestinal Surgery, AIIMS, New Delhi and Editor of The National Medical Journal of India on "Submission requirements for E-journals".

Participants were given hands-on training on writing different types of research articles, and utilizing the guidelines such as **CONSORT, RedHot, Model Validity of RCT, CARE, HOM-CASE, REHBaR** etc. In addition, the trainees were also made aware of the predatory and pseudo journals and the cautions required while approaching e-journals.

The **valedictory function** on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2018 was graced by **Mr. Kundan Kumar Mathur**, Deputy Secretary, Dept. of Ayurveda and Indian Medicine, Govt. of Rajasthan, **Dr. C. Nayak**, **Dr. Tarkeshwar Jain**, and **Dr. Atul Kumar Singh**. The Chief Guest appreciated the efforts made by the institution to organize such CME program to improve the knowledge of the homoeopathic faculties in the area of scientific publications. The participants also gave their comments regarding the utilities of various sessions and deliberations of highly reputed resource persons.

