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PROF. DR. SURESHWAR PANDEY

05 September 1936 – 05 August 2026

A visionary surgeon, an exceptional teacher, a compassionate humanitarian, and
an inspiration to generations.

A pioneer in Foot & Ankle Surgery, an internationally acclaimed orthopaedic
surgeon, and a tireless champion of rehabilitation for the underprivileged and
differently abled, Dr. Pandey devoted his life to healing, teaching, research, and
selfless service.

The Indian Foot & Ankle Society expresses its heartfelt condolences to his family,
friends, colleagues, students, and admirers.
May his noble soul rest in eternal peace.
Om Shanti.

Prof. Dr. Sureshwar Pandey
Forever remembered. Forever revered.

EDITORIAL



AFFAS 2027

Dr Abhijit Bandyopadhyay

Hon. Secretary, IFAS

Organizing Secretary, AFFAS Congress 2027, India

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Greetings from the Organising Committee of
AFFAS 2027.

It is a privilege to connect with you through this edition of the IFAS Newsletter as we prepare for the 11th Asian Federation of Foot and Ankle Congress (AFFAS 2027). The congress will take place from 10th to 13th November 2027 at the iconic Biswa Bangla Convention Centre in Kolkata, India.

As a premier academic forum, AFFAS 2027 will bring together surgeons, researchers, and industry leaders from across the globe. Through keynote lectures, specialized symposia, and interactive panel discussions, the conference will highlight cutting-edge advancements in foot and ankle orthopaedics while fostering international collaboration.

Kolkata—the City of Joy—provides an exceptional backdrop for this gathering. Celebrated for its rich cultural heritage and warm hospitality, the city offers memorable sights for visiting delegates, including the Victoria Memorial, Howrah Bridge, Prinsep Ghat, Dakshineswar Kali Temple, and Belur Math, along with modern local landmarks like Eco Park and the Biswa Bangla Gate.

Key Update: Registration will officially open in September 2026.

I warmly invite you to join us, contribute your expertise, and help shape an impactful conference. We look forward to welcoming you to Kolkata for an extraordinary scientific and cultural experience.



President's Message

Dear Esteemed Members and Colleagues,

It feels like just yesterday when the new Executive Committee began its tenure in 2025. As I look back over the past year, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude. This has been a truly happening and transformative period for the Indian Foot and Ankle Society (IFAS), defined by our collective dedication to advancing our speciality.

We hit the ground running by establishing dedicated subcommittees to drive our focused initiatives. I am particularly proud of the Trauma and Research Committee, which organized a highly productive consensus meeting and successfully developed the much-needed IFAS score. In our ongoing effort to standardize and elevate clinical practice, we also finalized and released the standard consents for various foot and ankle procedures. Along with this, the official case sheet has been published on the IFAS website, ensuring these critical resources are easily accessible to all our members.

Academically, it has been an exceptionally vibrant year. We successfully conducted the Selene Parekh meeting and hosted the phenomenal Global Foot and Ankle Course in Goa. Our outreach continued with the successful execution of the IOA-IFAS courses, alongside numerous other specialized training programs conducted throughout the length and breadth of the country under the aegis of IFAS.

Our momentum extended well beyond our national borders. We had a strong presence representing India at the AFFAS meeting in Singapore. Most notably, our collective efforts culminated in a landmark achievement on the international stage: securing the bid to host the prestigious AFFAS biennial conference in Kolkata in 2027.

None of this would have been possible without the tireless work of the Executive Committee and the enthusiastic participation of you, our members. As we look forward to gathering for the upcoming 38th Annual Conference of the Indian Foot and Ankle Society in Chandigarh, I want to thank you all for your unwavering support and for making this past year such a resounding success.

Let us continue this stride toward excellence.



Dr S. M. Ajoy
IFAS President



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Delighted to share that Team Pune successfully conducted the BOFAS- IFAS Foot & Ankle Principles Course at Sancheti Hospital, Pune on 26/27 June 2026.

This fantastic academic event was conducted under the able guidance of Dr. Sampat Dumbre Patil sir.

Huge thanks to our international faculty Dr. Vivek Dhukaram from the UK — his teaching sessions were exceptional and added immense value.

The national faculty included our IFAS President Dr. S M Ajoy, Dr Balvinder Rana, Dr Rajeev Vohra, Dr. Inderjeet Singh, Dr. Siddharth Sharma and Dr. Samarth Thakkar. The local Pune faculty included Dr. Milind Gajewar, Dr. Shyam Thakkar and myself.

Course Highlights:

- 75+ delegates from across India
- 30 clinical case presentations and discussions
- 5 workshops on foot & ankle surgery principles

A truly enriching experience focused on spreading and strengthening foot & ankle surgery across India. Grateful to all delegates, faculty, and the Sancheti team (Dr Parag Sancheti Sir and Dr Darshan Sonawane) for making this a success.



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Report on the 1st Dedicated Foot & Ankle CME

Dr Ekansh Debuka
Organizing Committee, Ranchi Foot & Ankle Course, 2026



Organised under the aegis of the Jharkhand Orthopaedic Association (JOA) in association with the Indian Foot & Ankle Society (IFAS) Held on 24th May 2026 at Capitol Hill, Ranchi

The first dedicated Foot & Ankle CME conducted under the banner of the Jharkhand Orthopaedic Association was successfully held on 24th May 2026 at Capitol Hill, Ranchi. The conference marked an important academic milestone for the state, being the first focused Foot & Ankle academic meeting of its kind in Jharkhand.

The scientific program commenced on time and was conducted with strict adherence to schedule throughout the day, reflecting excellent coordination and enthusiastic participation from both faculty and delegates.

The conference witnessed an encouraging turnout of approximately 40 delegates, including practicing orthopaedic surgeons, postgraduate trainees, junior residents and senior residents from various medical colleges and institutions. One of the most heartening aspects of the meeting was the active involvement of young orthopaedic trainees, who participated enthusiastically in discussions, case debates and interactive sessions.

The academic sessions focused on practical, case-based approaches to common and challenging Foot & Ankle problems encountered in daily orthopaedic practice. Topics ranged from ankle fractures, syndesmotom injuries and Pilon fractures to flatfoot, Cavus foot, hindfoot deformities and tendon disorders. The discussions emphasized clinical decision-making,

avoiding common pitfalls and improving patient outcomes.

A major highlight of the conference was the hands-on saw bone workshop, which demonstrated techniques including TTC nailing, syndesmotom fixation and management of Lisfranc injuries. These practical demonstrations generated significant interest among delegates and encouraged active interaction with faculty members.

The program also included engaging case discussions and interactive “house opinion” sessions, where delegates participated in treatment planning and management debates for complex Foot & Ankle cases. These sessions were particularly well received and added significant educational value to the meeting.

The conference was graced by distinguished national faculty from the Indian Foot & Ankle Society, whose experience and academic contributions greatly enriched the scientific content of the event.

Overall, the CME proved to be a highly successful academic initiative and laid a strong foundation for the growth of dedicated Foot & Ankle education and specialized practice in Jharkhand. The positive feedback received from delegates and faculty alike reflects the growing interest and need for focused subspecialty orthopaedic education in the region.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to this initiative. A heartfelt thank you to all the speakers, delegates, partners, and volunteers for making the first dedicated Foot & Ankle CME in Ranchi a success. Looking forward to continuing to grow dedicated foot & ankle practice, education and patient care in the region.



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6th Pan India IOA-IFAS Foot & Ankle Course – Ahmedabad

EVENT REPORT

Date: 14 June 2026

Venue : Health and Care Foundation, Ahmedabad

Organising Chairman : Dr. Dhimant Patel

Organising Secretaries : Dr. Rutvik Dave & Dr. Harsh Vyas

Mentors & Guidance : Dr. Rajiv Shah & Dr. Kamlesh Devmurari
(President, Gujarat Orthopaedic Association - GOA)

Executive Summary:

The IOA-IFAS Foot and Ankle CME and hands-on saw-bone workshop concluded with outstanding success at the Health and Care Foundation, Ahmedabad. Under the expert leadership of Organising Chairman Dr. Dhimant Patel and Organising Secretaries Dr. Rutvik Dave and Dr. Harsh Vyas, the event delivered premier-quality specialized education. Remarkably, this entire full-day program was executed flawlessly under a very small, economical budget, setting a benchmark for cost-effective medical training.

Participation and Response:

The event generated massive interest among the orthopaedic community, drawing an outstanding response: Total Online Registrations: 146 delegates. Actual Attendee Turnout: 80 active participants on the day of the event.

Faculty & Leadership Support:

The scientific program was highly enriched by a strong lineup of senior academicians and clinical experts: Faculty Lectures: 8 distinguished faculty members delivered comprehensive clinical lectures. Session Chairpersons: 9 of the senior-most orthopaedic surgeons of Ahmedabad supported the event as Chairpersons, guiding the scientific discussions and sharing valuable clinical insights.

Scientific Program & Hands-On Workshop:

The curriculum was highly praised for its seamless execution and practical depth. After the clinical lectures, the academic program transitioned into an interactive hands-on saw-bone workshop. The session featured 5 fully

equipped workshop tables where everyone thoroughly enjoyed learning and practicing advanced procedures: TTC (Tibiotalocalcaneal) Nailing ATFL (Anterior Talofibular Ligament) Reconstruction Syndesmosis Reconstruction. Overall, the combination of lecture discussions and practical workshops gave a comprehensive experience to all, making the academic program highly successful.

Hospitality and Management:

In addition to the strong academic feast, the event ensured a warm and pleasant experience for all attendees by providing seamless hospitality. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the well-curated breakfast, lunch, and high tea provided throughout the day.

Vote of Thanks:

The organising committee extends its deepest gratitude to the Indian Orthopaedic Association (IOA) and the Indian Foot and Ankle Society (IFAS) for their invaluable endorsement and structural support in making this specialized academic event a reality. Special thanks are also extended to Dr. Rajiv Shah and GOA President Dr. Kamlesh Devmurari for their constant guidance and mentorship, which ensured the smooth execution of the program. Finally, we thank all the senior chairpersons, faculty members, and enthusiastic delegates whose active participation drove the immense success of this CME.

Conclusion

The CME successfully concluded as a highly impactful event for all participating delegates, achieving great academic success within a tight budget. The organizing team looks forward to continuing this tradition of delivering high-quality, accessible orthopaedic education in future editions.



Dr Dhimant Patel

Organizing Chairman
6th IOA – IFAS Foot & Ankle Course, Ahmedabad



6th Pan India IOA-IFAS Foot & Ankle Course – Miraj



Dr Madhura Kulkarni

Organizing Chairman
6th IOA – IFAS Foot & Ankle Course, Miraj

Course Report

Date: 14 June 2026

A one-day academic course on Foot and Ankle Surgery was conducted on 14 June 2026. It was a pan-India CME with the joint efforts of IOA and IFAS. It was the first time that such a prestigious CME was decided to be had in Miraj. Dr. G S Kulkarni was the patron while Dr. Madhura Kulkarni was the IFAS course Secretary in Miraj, Maharashtra. We welcomed eminent faculty Dr. Chetan Oswal, and Dr. Amrish Bidaye from Pune. Dr. Shrikant Deshpande from Sangli and Dr. Sujay Kulakrni from Miraj were also present. The program focused on the

management of chronic neglected trauma, common foot and ankle disorders, surgical approaches, operative techniques, and hands-on workshops. The course brought together experienced faculty members who shared their expertise through lectures, case discussions, surgical videos, and practical demonstrations.

The formal inaugural session began with a welcome address delivered by Dr. Madhura Kulkarni. Video messages from the Presidents and Secretaries of the IOA and IFAS were presented. This was followed by the felicitation of faculty members by Dr. G S Kulkarni. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Madhura Kulkarni.

The first session addressed the challenges associated with delayed diagnosis and neglected injuries of the foot and ankle.

The topics covered included Ankle and Syndesmotic Malunion, Calcaneal Malunion and Missed Lisfranc Injuries

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The session highlighted diagnostic pitfalls, treatment strategies, and surgical management of neglected traumatic conditions. Participants interacted with faculty members and discussed key learning points from the morning session.

The later session focused on common clinical problems encountered in routine practice and included topics such as Unresolved Ankle Pain, Neglected Tendo-Achilles Rupture and Recalcitrant Heel Pain. Faculty emphasized clinical evaluation, differential diagnosis, and evidence-based treatment options.

The second part of the session concentrated on deformities and degenerative conditions. The Topics discussed were Adult Flatfoot, Hallux Valgus and Ankle Arthritis

The discussions covered assessment methods, conservative management, and indications for surgical intervention.

Participants and faculty members gathered for lunch and networking followed by an interactive video session comprising of detailed 9 videos.

A comprehensive video-based learning session demonstrated various surgical techniques and approaches. Extensile Lateral Approach, Sinus Tarsi Approach, Lisfranc Fixation, Jones Fracture Intramedullary Fixation, Lateral Ligament Reconstruction, TTC Fusion, Hallux Valgus Correction, Ankle Arthroscopy and Total Ankle Replacement were the topics elaborated. The session provided valuable insight into operative planning, surgical anatomy, technical pearls, and complication avoidance. A case-based discussion also took place wherein a deformed ankle with a 13 year old deformity was examined by the delegates. This case was discussed in detailed, regarding history and examination along with the treatment options. The practical workshop enabled participants to gain exposure to key fixation and fusion techniques.

The workshop facilitated interactive learning and practical skill development under faculty guidance.

The course concluded with the distribution of certificates to all participants, acknowledging their successful completion of the program.

Conclusion

The Foot and Ankle Surgery Course successfully delivered a comprehensive overview of both common and complex foot and ankle conditions. Through expert lectures, case-based discussions, surgical video demonstrations, and hands-on workshops, participants enhanced their understanding of diagnosis, treatment planning, and operative management. The course provided an excellent platform for academic exchange and skill development, contributing significantly to continuing medical education in foot and ankle surgery.



6th Pan India IOA-IFAS Foot & Ankle Course – Mysore

The IOA-IFAS Foot and Ankle Course was successfully conducted on 14th June 2026 at the Skill and Simulation Centre, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research, Mysuru, as part of the nationwide IOA-IFAS CME initiative organized across 11 cities in India.

The Mysuru chapter was organized by Dr. Dev Galagali, Course Director and Dr. Jillella Saran, IFAS Coordinator, with the support of JSS Medical College, the Mysore Orthopaedic Association (MOA), and the Karnataka Orthopaedic Association (KOA). The programme witnessed enthusiastic participation from 55 delegates, comprising postgraduate trainees and practising orthopaedic surgeons from Mysuru and neighbouring regions.

The event was graced by the esteemed members of the JSS management, Dr. Ajay Hegde, President of the Mysore Orthopaedic Association, and Dr. Ajoy SM, who attended this particular programme in person, reflecting the importance of the initiative and its growing impact on foot and ankle education in the country.

The scientific programme featured eminent faculty from Mysuru, Bengaluru, and Hyderabad, providing comprehensive discussions on all aspects of foot and ankle surgery and patient care. The sessions covered trauma, deformity correction, sports injuries, diabetic foot management, and recent advances including Total Ankle Replacement and Minimally Invasive Foot and Ankle Surgery. The interactive format

encouraged active participation and meaningful academic exchange among delegates.

A major highlight of the course was the hands-on saw bone workshop on



Dr Dev Galagali

Co-opted Member, IFAS | Course Director,
6th IOA – IFAS Foot & Ankle Course, Mysore

TTC nail application, which offered participants practical exposure to contemporary surgical techniques in a simulation-based environment.

The programme was exceptionally well received by the orthopaedic fraternity in Mysuru, with delegates appreciating both the academic content and the opportunity to interact with leading foot and ankle surgeons from across the country. The success of the event further reinforces the commitment of the Indian Foot and Ankle Society towards advancing foot and ankle education and promoting excellence in patient care nationwide.

The organizing committee expresses its sincere gratitude to all faculty members, delegates, sponsors, and the administration of JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research for their invaluable support in making the event a grand success.



6th Pan India IOA-IFAS Foot & Ankle Course – Mumbai



Dr Samarth Thakkar
Course Convenor,
6th IOA IFAS Foot & Ankle Course, Mumbai

It was the first time we had this CME in Mumbai. Myself Dr Samarth Thakkar was the main IFAS appointed course secretary, Dr Kunal Chaudhari a senior resident of KEM hospital was the co-secretary, and Dr Rajendra Pandey Sir, associate professor at KEM Hospital was also the co-convenor for this course. We had total online registrations of 94, but the turnout noted on the day was a modest 45 to 48.

Additionally 12 faculty joined us, of which 5 senior faculty were from the institutions of Mumbai, Sion hospital, KEM Hospital and JJ Hospital. 7 faculty were private practitioners largely.

Although the crowd turnout was a modest 45, we were satisfied especially because post graduates and senior residence were the predominant delegates and they benefited greatly from the course.

The course went on smoothly, all sessions were conducted well. The saw bone workshops included syndesmotom tightrope, TTC nailing as well as lisfranc fixation. Overall the session discussions, videos and workshop together gave a comprehensive experience to all and the academic program was successful. This was the first time in Mumbai and we are hoping that next year we can do it bigger and better.



Dr Venkataram V.
Course Director,
6th IOA – IFAS Foot &
Ankle Course, Pondicherry

6th Pan India IOA-IFAS Foot & Ankle Course – Pondicherry

The 6th IOA-IFAS Instructional Course was successfully conducted on 14 June 2026 at the Mahatma Gandhi Medical College & Research Institute (MGMCRI), Puducherry, bringing together orthopedic surgeons, postgraduate trainees, and healthcare professionals for a day of enriching academic exchange and professional development.

The program saw an impressive delegate turnout despite the challenging circumstances of four other academic events being held simultaneously in the region on the same day. The excellent attendance reflected the growing reputation of the IOA-IFAS Instructional Course series, the relevance of its scientific content, and participants' commitment to advancing their knowledge in foot and ankle surgery.

A major highlight of the course was the enthusiastic response to the surgical video sessions. The carefully curated videos provided delegates with valuable insights into operative techniques, decision-making strategies, and practical tips from experienced surgeons. The interactive discussions that followed each presentation generated considerable engagement, making the sessions both educational and highly relevant to clinical practice. Delegates particularly appreciated

the clarity of the demonstrations and the opportunity to learn from real-world surgical scenarios.

The scientific program featured expert faculty members who shared their knowledge through excellent case discussions and interactive sessions, fostering meaningful academic dialogue throughout the day. The active participation of attendees contributed significantly to the success of the course.

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Complementing the academic experience was a sumptuous seven-course lunch specially arranged for the delegates. The food was widely appreciated and provided an excellent opportunity for networking and informal interactions. The hospitality extended by the organizing team and the host institute added a memorable dimension to the overall experience.

The overwhelming response from delegates, coupled with the high-quality scientific deliberations and excellent organizational support, ensured that the 6th IOA-IFAS Instructional Course at MGMCRI was a resounding success. The event further strengthened the platform's role in promoting excellence in foot and ankle education and reaffirmed the commitment of IOA and IFAS to advancing orthopedic learning and professional collaboration across the country.



6th Pan India IOA-IFAS Foot & Ankle Course – Patiala



Dr Chandan Narang

Course Director, 6th IOA – IFAS Foot & Ankle Course, Patiala

Venue: Government Medical College, Patiala
Date: 14 June 2026

The IOA-IFAS Pan India Foot & Ankle CME 2026 was successfully conducted on 14 June 2026 at Government Medical College, Patiala, with an enthusiastic participation of more than 70 orthopaedic surgeons and postgraduate residents from across the region.

The event was organized under the patronage of **Dr. Mandeep Dhillon**, whose encouragement and support played a vital role in the success of the program.

The distinguished faculty included:

- * **Dr. Rajiv Vohra**
- * **Dr. Chandan Narang**
- * **Dr. Jagsir Singh**
- * **Dr. H. S. Chawla**
- * **Dr. Amandeep Bakshi**



The scientific program was designed with a strong emphasis on case-based discussions and operative video demonstrations, allowing participants to interact with the faculty on practical aspects of diagnosis, surgical planning, decision-making, and management of challenging foot and ankle conditions.

The unique clinical format of the CME received overwhelming appreciation from the delegates. The interactive discussions, real-life case presentations, and step-by-step surgical videos made the sessions highly engaging and directly applicable to routine orthopaedic practice. Participants particularly appreciated the practical approach and the emphasis on evidence-based decision-making that can be incorporated into daily clinical work.

The academic sessions were followed by a TTC (Tibiototalcalcaneal) Nailing Workshop, where participants gained hands-on exposure to surgical techniques, implant principles, and operative tips under expert guidance. The workshop generated significant interest and further enhanced the educational value of the program.

Overall, the CME was a grand success, achieving its objective of promoting practical learning and advancing knowledge in Foot & Ankle Surgery. The excellent scientific content, interactive participation, and positive feedback from delegates reflected the growing interest in this subspecialty. The organizers extend their sincere gratitude to all faculty members, participants, industry partners, and the organizing team for their invaluable contributions in making the event a memorable academic success.





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6th Pan India IOA–IFAS Foot & Ankle Course – Indore

Dr Bhupesh Mahawar
Co-opted Member, IFAS| Organizing Secretary,
6th IOA – IFAS Foot & Ankle Course, Indore

Date: Sunday, 14 June 2026 **Time:** 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM **Venue:** Brilliant Convention Centre, Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

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Dr. Vishal Yadav – Co-Organising Secretary

The 6th Pan India IOA–IFAS Foot & Ankle Course, held on Sunday, 14 June 2026, at the Brilliant Convention Centre, Indore, concluded successfully with enthusiastic participation of more than 70 registered delegates, supported by CAREBUDDY Pvt. Ltd. The event successfully achieved its objective of enhancing academic knowledge, encouraging evidence-based clinical practice, and strengthening collaboration among orthopaedic professionals across India.

A major highlight of the programme was – Hands-on Workshop on the Suture Anchor ATFL Internal Bracing System by Dr. Bhupesh Mahawar, practical training on TTC Nailing for Ankle Fusion by Dr. Manish Ladhania and Sinus Tarsi Calcaneum Plating by Dr. Vishal Yadav. The interactive session provided valuable hands-on learning under expert guidance and was well appreciated by the delegates.



6th Pan India IOA-IFAS Course - Bhubaneswar



Dr Shakti Swaroop
Co-opted Member, IFAS
Organizing Secretary, 6th IOA – IFAS
Foot & Ankle Course, Bhubaneswar

For the first time in Odisha A foot and ankle course with the collaboration of Indian Orthopaedic Association, Indian Foot and Ankle Society, Foot and Ankle Society of Odisha and

Odisha Orthopaedic Association was conducted in Bhubaneswar which was for the development of foot and ankle care in the state. It brought together 100 and more Orthopaedic surgeons from all over the state with involvement of Orthopedics surgeons from all over the country. The organising chairman Prof Dr Biswajit Sahu and organising secretary Dr Shakti Swaroop were the chief organisers of the event. Many foot and ankle conditions like foot fractures , ankle ligament injuries, foot deformities and diabetic foot conditions were discussed in the meeting for the advancement in care of such conditions in odisha.



6th Pan India IOA-IFAS Foot & Ankle Course – Ratlam

Dr Lekhraj Patidar
MOS Secretary
Organizing Chairman, 6th IOA – IFAS Foot & Ankle Course, Ratlam

The 6th IOA–IFAS Foot & Ankle CME was successfully conducted on 14th June 2026 at Hotel Ajanta Palace, Ratlam, under the aegis of the Indian Orthopaedic Association (IOA) and the Indian Foot & Ankle Society (IFAS), in association with the Malwa Orthopaedic Society (MOS).

We sincerely thank IOA and IFAS for giving Ratlam the opportunity to host this prestigious academic program. For the orthopaedic fraternity of the Malwa region, it was a matter of great pride to organize a national-level Foot & Ankle CME in our city.

The meeting witnessed a record participation from orthopaedic surgeons across Ratlam, Mandsaur and Neemuch districts, which together form the Malwa Orthopaedic Society. It was particularly encouraging to see enthusiastic participation from both senior consultants and young orthopaedic surgeons throughout the day.

The highlight of the program was the personal presence of our National Course Chairman, Dr. Rajiv Shah. From the inaugural session to the concluding TTC nailing workshop, he remained actively involved in every aspect of the CME. His interactive style of teaching, ability to engage the audience, and unparalleled knowledge of foot and ankle surgery made the entire day a memorable learning experience. Many delegates commented that they had rarely attended a meeting where the faculty interaction was so lively and educational.

The scientific program was thoughtfully designed and covered a wide range of day-to-day foot and ankle problems, trauma, reconstructive procedures, video demonstrations and hands-on workshops. The sessions highlighted not only the current concepts in foot and ankle surgery but also their practical application in routine orthopaedic practice.

One of the most gratifying aspects of the meeting was that the auditorium remained full until the very last session. The sustained interest and participation of the delegates reflected the quality of the scientific content and the growing interest in foot and ankle surgery in our region.

We are deeply grateful to Dr. Navin Thakkar (President, IOA), Dr. S. M. Ajoy (President, IFAS) and our mentor Dr. Rajiv Shah for their guidance, encouragement and support in bringing this academic initiative to Malwa.

We believe this CME will inspire more young orthopaedic surgeons to develop an interest in Foot & Ankle Surgery and help practicing surgeons further refine their skills for the benefit of their patients.

Dr. Vipin Maheshwari
President, Malwa Orthopaedic Society

Dr. Lekhraj Patidar
Secretary, Malwa Orthopaedic Society





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Dr Kanishk Bhandari

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Special thanks to my mentor, Dr. Girish Motwani, for his invaluable guidance, expert surgical training, and...

Duration: January 2026 – June 2026



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Conference List 2026

Name of the Conference	Venue
September 2026	
EFAS Trauma and Postraumatic Reconstruction Course 10th - 11th September, 2026	Maastricht University, Netherlands
31st Annual Meeting of the German Association for Foot and Ankle (D.A.F.) 10th - 12th September, 2026	Bonn, Germany
AOFAS Annual Meeting & IFFAS 9th Biennial Meeting 16th - 19th September, 2026	Seattle Convention Center - Arch Seattle, Washington, USA
32nd Annual Las Vegas Seminar 17th - 19th September, 2026	The Encore at WYNN Las Vegas
October 2026	
EFAS 2026 Congress 1st - 3rd October, 2026	Augsburg, Germany
Colorado Foot & Ankle Society 2026 Annual Education Conference 08th - 10th October, 2026	The Inverness Golf & Spa Resort in Englewood, Colorado
AO Trauma Masters Course - Foot & Ankle with Anatomical Specimens 09th - 11th October, 2026	Radisson Blu Hotel , Indore, India
45th Annual Hawaii/Maui Seminar 19th - 23rd October, 2026	Hyatt Regency Maui
DFCon 2026 – the annual conference of the American Limb Preservation Society (ALPS) and the 26th edition of the premier interdisciplinary diabetic foot conference in North America 22nd -24th October, 2026	JW Marriott Anaheim, California
2026 APMA Region One Conference 23rd - 25th October, 2026	Westin Waltham Hotel, Massachusetts, United States
November 2026	
British Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Society (BOFAS) 4th - 6th November, 2026	International Convention Centre, Wales, United Kingdom
6th International Conference on Orthopedics, Osteoporosis and Musculoskeletal Disorders 09th - 10th November, 2026	Grand Mercure Bangkok Atrium, Bangkok, Thailand
Advanced Principles of Foot and Ankle Trauma Surgery 13th - 14th November, 2026	Bellevue, Washington
International Ankle Symposium (IAS) 2026 14th - 15th November, 2026	Yonsei University in Seoul, Souh Korea
December 2026	
71st Annual Conference of the Indian Orthopaedic Association 1st - 6th December, 2026	Mahatma Gandhi Mandir Convention & Exhibition Centre in Gandhinagar, Gujarat
Live In-Person Desert Foot Multi-Disciplinary Limb Salvage and Wound Care Conference 9th - 12th December, 2026	Sheraton Phoenix Downtown, Arizona, United States
EFAS Hindfoot 10th - 11th December, 2026	Augsburg, Germany
The 6th International Conference of Pediatrics 22nd - 24th December, 2026	Dubai, United Arab Emirates
International Conference on Foot and Ankle Biomechanics 30th - 31st December, 2026	Dubai, United Arab Emirates

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Dr Pratik Vishavadia
Fellow under Dr Rajesh Simon

The fellowship provided structured training in the comprehensive management of foot and ankle disorders...

Duration:
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Dr Akhil S R
Fellow under Dr Rahul Upadhyay

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