

# OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS AWARD

## **DR. AJAY SWAROOP MATHUR**

Senior Consultant, Department of ENT  
Chairman, Board of Management  
Sir Ganga Ram Hospital



Did his MBBS from the prestigious Maulana Azad Medical College New Delhi in 1976.

He did his clinical training at Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narain Hospital New Delhi.

He joined the DLO course at Maulana Azad in 1978 and completed in 1979.

He joined M. S. (ENT) course at Maulana Azad in 1979 and completed in 1981. He was awarded the prestigious SS Tolani Gold Medal by the Delhi University for standing 1st in the M.S. (ENT) course.

He joined as Sr. Resident in the Department of ENT Lok Nayak Jai Prakash Narain Hospital in 1981 and continued till 1984 under Dr. Prem K Kakkar (Padamshree).

In 1984 he joined Sir Ganga Ram Hospital as Jr. Consultant. By virtue of his hard work and perseverance he became Associate Consultant and then became Sr. Consultant.

He has been the chairman of Department of ENT since 2006 and under his dynamic leadership the department has progressed and now is one of the premier Departments in the country having a cutting edge technology boasting of CO2 Laser, Navigation instrument for sinus surgery etc.

Dr. Ajay Swaroop has many academic achievements. He served as Editor of the Journal of ENT (Delhi State). He was the President of the society of ENT (Delhi State). He has attended and conducted various seminars, work shops and hands on clinics in various aspects of ENT. He has publications in reputed journals international and national.

He has conducted DNB practical exam and is an examiner for DNB Exam. He has been an assessor for institutions applying for DNB recognition.

Dr. Ajay Swaroop was inducted in the Management Board in the year 2001.

He served as Joint Secy.- cum- Treasurer , Board of Management from year 2011-2016

He served as Secy.- cum- Treasurer , Board of Management from year 2016-2022

He has taken over as Chairman, Board of Management, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital from September 2022.

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## **LT GEN AJITH NILAKANTAN**

Commandant Army Hospital  
(Research and Referral)



Lt Gen Ajith Nilakantan assumed the prestigious appointment of Commandant, Army Hospital (Research & Referral) with effect from 01 September 2023. Prior to assuming the present appointment, he was Director General Hospital Services (Armed Forces) at Office of DGAFMS, New Delhi.

The General Officer is a graduate of Government Medical College Trivandrum (1980 batch). He was then commissioned into Army Medical Corps (AMC) in 1987. He completed his Masters in Otolaryngology (ENT) from AFMC Pune and subsequently trained at Tata Memorial Hospital Mumbai in Head-Neck Cancer Surgery.

The General Officer has headed the Department of ENT- Head & Neck Surgery in various super-specialty and apex hospitals of Armed Forces Medical Services including Command Hospital Kolkata, Base Hospital Delhi Cantt, Army College of Medical Sciences and Army Hospital (Research & Referral). He was also Professor and Head (ENT-HNS) at Armed Forces Medical College Pune. Subsequently he successfully commanded 167 Military Hospital Pathankot and Command Hospital (Eastern Command) Kolkata. As a Commandant of Military Hospital Pathankot and Command Hospital (Eastern Command) Kolkata during COVID Pandemic, he ensured that both hospitals were fully functional treating all the patients including veterans along with COVID patients. He established 'Swastya' Wellness Clinic and Mother-Child Care Centre. He also served as Dean and Deputy Commandant of Army Hospital (Research & Referral) Delhi till earlier this year.

He is a Journal Reviewer for Indian Journal of Otolaryngology and Head & Neck Surgery, Annals of Indian Academy of Otorhinolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery and Medical Journal Armed Forces India.

He is Past President of Indian Academy of Otorhinolaryngology Head Neck Surgery (IAOHNS) (2017-18) and is currently a Board of Governors member. He has been conferred as Honorary Fellow of IAOHNS. He has been National Executive Committee member & Treasurer of Foundation for Head & Neck Oncology.

For his meritorious service, the General Officer has been awarded with General Officer Commanding-in-Chief (Western Command) Commendation in 2013 and Chief of Army Staff Commendation in 2014. He has been awarded Chief of Air Staff Award for Best published paper in Surgery & Allied Subjects at Armed Forces Medical Research Conference in 2009, and DGAFMS Award for Meritorious Armed Forces Medical Research Committee Projects in 2018 and 2019.

He has authored numerous scientific research publication in national and international medical journals and has authored two books - 'Manual of Clinical Audiology & Neonatal Hearing screening' (version 2013) and 'Manual of Head & Neck Oncology' (versions 2015, 2018).

The General Officer is social golfer and takes keen interest in Carnatic music, Indian fine arts, culture and philosophy and also Shakespearean literature.

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## PROF. ALOK THAKAR

AIIMS, New Delhi



- Fellow, Neuro-otology and Skull Base Surgery, Aintree University Hospital, UK. (2003)
- Specialist Registrar, Liverpool/ Merseyside rotation, U.K. (1995-1997)

### Significant Honours and Awards-

INTERNATIONAL COMMONWEALTH FELLOWSHIP UK 2003, training in Neuro-Otology and Skull Base Surgery.

UICC INTERNATIONAL CANCER TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FELLOWSHIP(2007) awarded by the UICC (International Union Against Cancer for training at Kiel, Germany on "Trans-oral CO2 Laser Surgery for Laryngeal and Hypopharyngeal Cancers"

INDO-US SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOUNDATION TRAVEL GRANT (IUSSTF) (2010) to visit the University of Pennsylvania and to observe and train in TRANS-ORAL ROBOTIC SURGERY.

NATIONAL SHAKUNTALA AMIR CHAND PRIZE(2002) by the Indian Council of Medical Research (National Award) for Excellence in biomedical research. Awarded for "Treatment Strategies in Head-Neck Cancer : Optimizing Cure and disability limitation".

NES GOLD MEDAL AWARD by the Neuro-otological and Equilibriometric Society of India for Original Research contribution to Neuro-otology (2000-2001).

KAMANI CHARITY TRUST PRIZE by All India Institute of Medical Sciences for the Best Postgraduate Student in ENT, 1990.

### Significant Nominations / Elected Positions

- President, Neuro-Otological & Equilibriometric Society of India (NES), 2011-2012.
- Treasurer, Skull Base Surgery Society of India 2012-2015
- Honorary Secretary, Foundation for Head Neck Oncology, 2013-2015
- Honorary Secretary, Neuro-Otological & Equilibriometric Society of India(NES),1999-2001, & 2001- 2003
- Honorary Vice President, Otorhinolaryngologic Research Society of AIIMS (ORSA), 2011
- President-elect, Neuro-Otological & Equilibriometric Society of India (NES), 2009-2011.
- Editorial Board member, JOURNAL OF ENT MASTERCLASS, UK. 2010-2013.
- Editorial Board Member, THE OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGIST, UK. 2010.
- Editorial Board Member, OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY CLINICS- AN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL, 2011
- Editorial Board Member, INTERNATIONAL ONLINE JOURNAL OF OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY, 2009
- Editorial Board Member , OTOLOGY INDIA (Journal of the Indian Society of Otolology ), 2002-2004
- Section Editor, Image of the week, INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF HEAD & NECK SURGERY.
- Member- National workshop on Curriculum planning for Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery.