

MLDMHI Alumni Association
2nd Alumni Meet: 1st of March 2020

Theme:“Transforming MLDMHI Alumni Chapters into Communities of Practice (CoP)
Through The Use of Social Media”

The report is based upon the proceedings of the 2nd Alumni meet of MLDMHI at Rural Homoeopathic Hospital, Palghar. Our patron Dr. Kumar Dhawale (KMD) suggested that the alumni meet should be around some theme so that it appeals to its members and promote higher attendance. In this view, our 2nd alumni meet carried the theme of “Transforming MLDMHI Alumni Chapters into Communities of Practice through the use of Social Media”. The second intention of alumni meet was to appreciate contribution of alumni from different chapters. As mentioned below three developments at MLDMHI & its alumni were identified which were worth sharing amongst the alumni of different chapters.

Dr. Bipin S Jain, Principal, in his opening remarks stated that the alumni are the real representatives of the Institute because they take the learning of the Institution to the outside world. Alumni are working in different areas and thus spreading MLDMHI throughout the World. The willingness of alumni to take up this learning back to their location, experiment and report to the Alma Mater makes teachers happy to learn how alumni are contributing to the society. But the problem is that the reports are scattered as we are not aware what the other member is doing. The sharing is needed because the contribution and experience can be relevant to any of the alumni in different areas and locations. Exchanging becomes the primary focus of Alumni meeting at regular intervals. It is a must for the exchange of ideas, thoughts and emotions and to wash out negative energies, leaving behind positive energy to honor it and take it forward by the next generation. Such platforms will help to grow together as a teacher, clinician, researcher and social reformer. Lots of work is done by the alumni in colleges, tribal area, rural or urban zones etc. He made a request to share the learning and need of connecting of alumni, engaging them and to define goals for each alumni chapter.

Dr. Kumar Dhawale (KMD) presented the background and concept of Communities of Practice (CoP). He stressed upon the need of Knowledge Management and Organizational Learning. The world is focusing upon knowledge based capital that works on transfer, application, creation, acquisition, sharing knowledge and turning it into Capital. Therefore, Standardization of practices will enhance ability to deliver effectively. This demands one's need to manage knowledge so that the practice becomes valuable. He informed that soon we will have e-SCR in view to address the need of time. Second theme he briefed about having personal mastery, building a shared vision, mental models, team learning and system thinking; these are the five disciplines for organizational learning. To have in depth understanding of these disciplines he gave reference to read 'The Fifth Discipline' on Learning Organization by Peter Senge. He gave another reference of McKinsey Consulting which works with clients to mobilize for change, shape winning strategies and drive execution. He appealed to subscribe to McKinsey Quarterly to receive its updates on each & every current developments.

Dr. Vilas Satpute from Kolhapur illustrated the concept of communities of practice through sharing the impact of flood in Kolhapur district. He focused upon what one loses in a natural calamity and how to overcome the loss by channelizing in a proper direction for healing of self & others. This positive energy came in Kolhapur chapter because of the training at MLDMHI. During this difficult time, they took an initiative to act under the guidance of their mentors from the institute. MLDMHI alumni came into action by organizing medical checkup camps & treated 305 patients in 2 days, distributed uniforms to 60 school children and provided textbooks to the needy engineering student. Now the alumni has progressed one step ahead by starting a Homoeopathic clinic in view to expand its clinical activities. Kolhapur Chapter is progressing under the tutelage of Dr. Sunil Bhalinge, Dr. Anoop Nigwekar and Dr. Pravin Wadgave. They have charted an unusual course which has involved & tapped into a lot of synergies and has spread out to the community. The Kolhapur chapter has future plan to have its clinic NABH accredited.

Dr. Keyur Vakharia is the person behind MLDMHI media outreach through the initiation of some unique features of using social media. Dr. Keyur in his short note presented “Role of Social Media in developing MLDMHI Alumni Chapters into Communities of Practices: Concept, Practice and Application”. He expressed concern to reach out to the community and the benefits of remaining connected through media. He gave insights into how to communicate and engage public through the use of social media. He gave inputs on using common video conferencing tools, to subscribe to institutes ‘you tube’ channel, to like & share facebook page of MLDMHI. He also emphasized to make efforts to have Linked In account as it is used by professionals, has extensive business listings and can be used to receive & make endorsements. It is the best platform for getting professional recognition.

Dr. Nikunj Jani presented how institutional ‘Journal of Integrated Standardized Homoeopathy’ (JISH) in its one year of journey has transformed itself onto a global platform. He shared a playful documentary “Sahacharyaleela” on Gujarati literature to represent the struggle to publish a journal and bring together like-minded writers in the Gujarati literary scene. In the same way, JISH is evolving with a motto of standardizing its homoeopathic content. Now JISH is peer reviewed by reputed faculty of Homoeopathy. The journal has collaborated with an international publishing house to streamline it for indexing of the JISH on web search and also to submit abstract. The new website for JISH is www.jish-mldtrust.com. He appealed to send articles, case studies and book reviews for getting reviewed and being published.

Group members shared their problems of being associated with each other though being in the nearby vicinity. This issue is because of individual commitments or diversity in individual thoughts or due to adoption of different school of thought other than the MLDMHI.

With reference to the above group sharing, Dr Arun Pandye shared his action learning by taking initiative of bringing together 4 practitioners from different schools of thought and how they started group discussion with initial few students to a size of 20. Such initiatives will bridge the

gap between practitioners for the welfare of tri-coordinate components. We need sharing of such experiences so that the philosophical standings of Alumni can be documented and faculty can guide them to deliver effective action learning.

Apart from presentation and 2nd alumni meet, felicitation of alumni by their alma mater was a nostalgic moment for all. Following alumni were recognized for living the ethos of MLDMHI and serving science & society as below:

(1)**Dr. Swaraja Mitkari**, a singer with melodious voice, winner of Savitribai Phule Award, runner up at State level singing competition.(2) **Dr. Archana Kabra**, a fitness icon and had inspirational transformation journey from “Fat to Fit to FAB”, finalist in “Haut Monde Mrs. India” 2019, new career in field of Modeling and acting.(3) **Dr. Kavita Deore**, winner at “Mrs. Nashik”, “Mrs. Maharashtra”, “Mrs. India I am beautiful” and now selected for “Mrs. Universe” going to be held in Singapore May, 2020.(4) **Dr. Hardik Parekh**, first PhD scholar from institute, currently he is “Exploring the role of Homoeopathy in managing growth and development of children affected from protein energy malnutrition”.(5) **Dr. Yogesh Niturkar**, a clinician, academician & author of 1 book, reviewed 8 books, presented papers at 22 platforms, participated in 38 National & International Homoeopathic seminars, conferences, published 87 articles in National and international Homeopathic journals. He is joint secretary of “Sanvedana Cerebral Palsy Vikasan Kendra, Latur”, associate editor of NJH and area representative of Vital Informer. (6) **Dr. Ravindra Shinde**, started 10 bedded Homoeopathic Hospital, got various recognitions and working as Vice president and founder of NGO working with Zilha Parishad Solapur ICDS department, working with MR autistic child school.(7)**Dr. Sagar Rahalkar**, is working on concept of “zero waste” and recycling of our daily household wastes, got recognition by NGO “Shrunkhala” at Kharghar, Navi Mumbai. He is working for this noble cause since 2017 and recycled nearly about 1798.050 Kgs of plastics. His work has been published in various news paper. (8) **Dr. Keyur Vakhariya**, a digital marketing professional, doing commendable work for Other Song Academy for 4 years, digital marketer at Synergy Homoeopathic, and expanding ICR/ MLDMHI in its glory through use of Digital/social media use. (9) **Dr. Trushna Ingle** actively involved inCommunity Services got recognized by Grampanchayat Bokadvira stood as chief guest in Native institute, Uran on the occasion of Gurupurnima, she is working constantly for the betterment of society and better health, her work was published in “DainikKarnala” Newspaper in 2018. (10) **Dr. Swaroopanand Sarkar**, a PhD pursuing and MBA himself, a prolific tabala vada, published many cases and work in national homoeopathic journals, he is associated with Eco Rescuers Foundation, and saved lives of almost 51 Birds this year. (11) **Dr. Hetal Kasliwal**, A facial paralysis survivor and participated in Beauty pageant competition (Mrs. WestIndia 2019) and won that along with Mrs Achiever award in 2019.

Felicitation of alumni demonstrated the potential that each one has in different areas as per their individualistic interests. Felicitated alumni shared their experience and role of MLDMHI in their life.

Apart from alumni felicitation, Psychiatry alumni felicitated Dr. Kumar Dhawale for his unfathomable contribution. On this occasion a book was released containing testimonials and memoir of Dr. Dhawale.

- **Dr. Chandrashekar R. Goda (CRG)** enthusiastically shared his views about the felicitated MLDMHI alumni to point out the qualities of the respective alumni to get this recognition.
- **Dr. Anand R Kapse (ARK)** was concerned about the need of implementing “**Action Learning**” by teachers in their respective colleges or in their OPD in view of delivering effective Homoeopathic Clinical Training of the learner.
- **Dr. Manoj Patel (MKP)** addressed alumni about appointing observer in their OPD in view to evaluate action of self and the learner.
- **Dr. N. L. Tiwari (NLT)** in his natural philosophical and emotional manner interacted with alumni. He emphasized upon the need to read literary contributions of pioneers and its application in practice. He appreciated the contributions made by the alumni from different chapters.

Post lunch, alumni subject wise meet up was organized in their respective departments. It was good to interact with HMM alumni and to know about their efforts of living MLDMHI lessons. Teachers were interested in how to remain connected by meeting regularly and how to enhance skills in their respective domains. We interacted with the current batch students and they were eager to learn from our experiences & the exchange might have answered their unsettled questions.

In the evening, the annual college function was organized which was a stress buster for all. Food and hospitality arrangements were proper as per the tradition of MLDMHI. This was a fruitful get together with development of new communicative connections and vibrant energies that can bring in the societal change and live up to the ethos of MLDMHI. Special thanks to Dr Sachin Junagade, Dr. Rajesh Yadav, Dr. Mansi Surti, Dr. Omkar Anawkar and team for the expert management of Alumni meet.

Thank you all from entry to exit point of MLDMHI, with this note, the alumni said good bye to all & looked forward for the next thematic alumni meet.

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