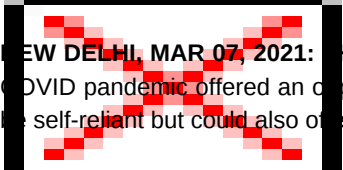


MoS hails Indian physician's contribution to 'AtmaNirbhar Bharat'

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 NEW DELHI, MAR 07, 2021: THE MoS, Dr. Jitendra Singh, has hailed Indian Physician's contribution to "AtmaNirbhar Bharat" and said, while COVID pandemic offered an opportunity in adversity, the Indian Medical fraternity took a lead in proving to the world that India could not only be self-reliant but could also offer reliance to other nations.

Dr Jitendra Singh had a special word of appreciation for the young physicians, particularly young Resident Doctors, who had earned the distinction of being lauded as Corona Warriors and helped India emerge victorious against all odds even when several countries with lesser populations were struggling with the challenges of pandemic. While India, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, was among the first in the world to come out with COVID vaccine, it is now also providing the same vaccine to other countries, he said.

Addressing the 76th Annual Conference of Association of Physicians of India (API), which is being held virtually this year in the wake of the pandemic constraints, Dr Jitendra Singh, who was chief guest on the occasion, recalled that the first API conference attended by him was probably the 38th Annual Conference of Association of Physicians of India at Kathmandu and after that he did not miss any API conference till he got preoccupied with pressing government assignments after 2014. He also fondly recalled that he had had the opportunity of regularly every year contributing a chapter in the API Textbook of Medicine edited by different stalwarts of Medicine from time to time.

Over the years, said Dr Jitendra Singh, API has come of age and many from our generation have also grown of age but, he said, he had the satisfaction to note that most of us, who had been active in API, diligently and sincerely tried our best to live up to the legacy inherited by us from the founding fathers of API who were among the iconic figures in the annals of Medicine in the post-independence India.

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