Minutes of the steering committee meeting of the World Organization Gestosis

## Saturday 10th Aug 2019

Hotel Galadari, Colombo, Sri Lanka

Present: Prof. Sir. Arulkumaran

Dr. Rohana Hathtootuwa

Dr Sanjay Gupte

Dr. Alex Vidaeff

Dr. Aris Antsaklis

Prof. Suchitra Pandit

Dr. Gorakh Mandrupkar

Apologies received from Prof. Anton Mikhailov, Prof. Masao Nakabayashi, Prof. Seki and Prof Girija Wagh.

Meeting was held under chairmanship of Dr. Rohana Hathtootuwa.

Dr. Sanjay Gupte, Secretary General, welcomed the members and congratulated Dr. Rohana Hathtootuwa for getting installed as the president of World Organization Gestosis for the year 2019-2020.

He thanked Prof. Sir Arulkumaran, Chief advisor of the steering committee for being present for the meeting.

Detailed discussion was carried out regarding the present activities and further expansion of World Organization Gestosis.

## Prof. Sir Arulkumaran gave some valuable suggestions.

Points discussed and decided were as follows

1. The steering committee to be streamlined by communicating with all the steering committee members and confirming that they are still actively interested in the work of WOG

2. Creating a scientific committee by requesting eminent clinical workers and researchers in this field to join hands with WOG

3. Prof. Aris, Prof. Sir Arulkumaran, Dr. Rohana & Dr. Alex, Prof. Suchitra Pandit & Dr. Gupte suggested some names of such eminent persons. It was decided that they should be requested with the help of the respective members to seek their approval to come on the WOG scientific committee. Any other names suggested by the steering committee members who could not be present at this meeting are to be welcomed.

4. It was decided to contact regional organizations like AOFOG. Prof Sir Arulkumaran & Dr. Rohana suggested that we should approach AOFOG countries for workshops and sessions during their respective conferences. Prof. Suchitra Pandit told that the

modules of the workshop are already ready and being used by the Gestosis India chapter and those can be adopted for international use.

5. It was also decided to explore possibility of nation wise chapters of World Organization Gestosis with the help of steering committee members in their own countries.

6. Dr. Gupte also appraised the members that the president of ISSHP, Prof. Laura Magee and the ISSHP council have been gracious enough in offering ISSHP membership to our members at substantially discounted rate. This offer was welcomed by the members and further collaboration with ISSHP was also desired.

7. Dr. Gupte mentioned that website **http://www.gestosis.org/** is functional now; however it is **still in initial development stage.** 

Dr. Girija Wagh is helping in developing it. Suggestions and academic inputs are welcomed to be put on this website.

Meeting concluded with the thanks to the chair