



DR. RAMAN MANGESH NADKARNI

Birth : 01-01-1921

Death : 23-02-1999

Dr. R. M. Nadkarni is no more. He was born as Raman in a predominant labour area of Mumbai - Lalbaug. His fondness for music and games and desire to be an actor had a different destiny. He became a medical graduate from G. S. Medical College, Mumbai in 1948, did his DGO and MD in 1953. He developed keen interest in the subject of incompetent cervix and took up a job in ICMR.

He migrated in 1955 to Ahmedabad to join V. S. General Hospital as a Unit Chief. His dedication, hard work, sincerity, intelligence and bold approach won hearts of many throughout the state of Gujarat. His ingenious techniques for cervical incompetence, prolapsed uterus and other surgeries made him a master vaginal surgeon. His contribution to vaginal surgery was very valuable.

He was elected FOGSI President in 1980. He had burning desire to bring young and underprivileged gynaecologists practicing in remote areas to centre stage. In a real gesture of benevolence, he formed a union of all gynaecologists of Gujarat - popularly known as SOGOG and started having an annual meet not in the cities of Gujarat - but in the fastest developing and remotest town places of Gujarat. He always preferred young aspiring doctors on every possible platform - he wanted to see the art of vaginal surgery to survive the onslaught of endoscopic surgery and bring international focus on this forgotten art. May we wish to see his desire fulfilled by many of his pupils and lovers of vaginal surgery.

We salute a great academic, a great teacher, a great surgeon a great gentleman.