A three day 44th National Conference of Association of Clinical Biochemists of India finally concluded today with the valedictory function which was graced by Chief Guest Dr. Rajneesh Dube, Principal Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Medical Education & Revenue and Consolidation Commissioner. The function started with the welcome address by the Joint Organizing Secretary Dr. Wahid Ali. Prof. Praveen Sharma, Chairman corporate wing addressing the audience said that this conference was different from previous conferences in many ways. although it’s name is national but actually it was of the international level as most of the delegates were from abroad. He congratulated Prof A. A. Mahdi, President ACBI for organizing innovative scientific programme.

Thereafter, Prof. Abbas Ali Mahdi, President, ACBI addressed the gathering and highlighted the achievements of the ACBICON 2017. Furthermore, he congratulated all the delegates for participating in ACBICON 2017 and said that foreign delegates appreciated the work of Indian biochemists. He further said biochemistry should not be neglected as it deals with life and death of human being.

Addressing the participants Guest of Honor Prof. M. L. B. Bhatt, congratulated the organizing committee for organizing such a great scientific extravaganza. He said the unique feature of the conference is the four pre-conference workshops that were organized in ACBICON 2017 on 3rd December 2017. He appreciated the research work undertaken by the Department of Biochemistry where more than 40 research papers are being published annually which is a big achievement. He congratulated the department for getting certification from NABL.

Chief Guest Dr. Rajneesh Dube, Principal Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Medical Education & Revenue and Consolidation Commissioner addressing the audience mainly emphasized doctors to work in the field of air pollution and hunger which are the main problems in India. He congratulated Prof. A. A. Mahdi for organizing the conference of this magnitude and hoped that this conference will benefit the young biochemists.

Earlier, Seth GS Medical College & KEM Hospital Oration was presented to Prof. Subir Kumar Das from Department of Biochemistry, College of Medicine & JNM Hospital, Kalyani, West Bengal who delivered his talk on "Alcoholic Liver Disease. There were six scientific symposia which were organized today in which the participants shared their scientific ideas in the field of biochemistry followed by oral presentations in which more than 50 scientific papers were presented.

The awards for best oral and poster presentations were also distributed during the function. The function concluded with the vote of thanks by Dr. Shweta Kumari, Assistant Professor in the department of Biochemistry, KGMU, Lucknow. The programme was conducted by Dr. M Kaleem Ahmad and Dr. G.K. Sonkar, both Associate Professors in the department of Biochemistry, KGMU, Lucknow.