

Today was the first day of three days of 8th annual conference of AOGIN India 2017 which was being organized by organizing chairperson Prof H.P. Gupta and organizing secretary Prof Nish Singh. The inauguration ceremony was held with chief guest Shri Brijesh Pathak, guest of honor Prof. L. B. Bhatt, vice-chancellor of medical university and Shri S.S. Upadhyaya, legal advisor to the governor of Uttar Pradesh.

The chief guest supported the theme of the conference which is the eradication of cervical cancer and appreciated the work of AOGIN India. Prof. M.L.B. Bhatt, who is himself a radiation oncologist, also gave a boost to the movement of cervical cancer prevention and said more cervical cancer screening camps should be organized in the city. Shri S.S. Upadhyaya also gave his blessing to the organizing team.

There were 5 workshops during the day. The star workshop was a community screening workshop with 200 ASHA workers who were invited and given information on how to spread awareness about cervical cancer prevention. Prof. Enrique Lu from the USA, with other Indian faculty, conducted the workshop with ASHA workers' enjoyment.

A colposcopy workshop was conducted by Dr. Partha Basu from France and AOGIN India president Dr. Neeraja Batla. In this workshop, different methods of diagnosis of cancer and pre-cancer were discussed.

Another surgical video workshop was conducted by Dr. Adeola Olaitan from the UK and Shalini Rajaram from Delhi. In this workshop, modern methods of cervical cancer treatment were discussed through a video session including laproscopic and robotic surgery.

The fourth workshop, about cervical cancer screening by cytology and HPV testing, was conducted by Dr. Suzanne Garland from Australia and Dr. Priya Abraham from Vellore and Dr. Sandip Mathur from AIIMS.

One training of trainers on colposcopy for diagnosis of cervical cancer was conducted by Dr. Theresa Freeman from the UK and Dr. Saritha Shamsunder from Delhi.

A cancer awareness rally was organized from Clark's Awadh to DGHS office and returned with 200 ASHA workers to spread cervical awareness.