Doctors for Clean Air - Madhya Pradesh Chapter Update

DFCA is collaborating with CII on their project Cleaner Air - Better Life for Indore metropolitan region. Dr. Salil Bhargava, Clean Air Champion from Madhya Pradesh, and his team will lead this project on an advocacy campaign highlighting the need for curbing air pollution to prevent its adverse impacts on health.

Webinar: Role of Women Leaders in Climate Change & Health.

Dr. Rashna Hazarika, Clean Air Champion from Assam, was part of a panel in a webinar organized by DFCA & LCF on the occasion of International Women's Day. The webinar, "Role of Women Leaders in Climate Change & Health" celebrated women leaders across sectors as they shared about transformative actions for Climate Change & Health. [Click here to watch the recording of the webinar.]

OPINION: Tackling fossil fuel use is our greatest public health challenge.

By Dr. Arvind Kumar & Gary Cohen

A new study from Harvard University finds that outdoor air pollution from burning fossil fuels is significantly more harmful to health than thought, linking it to over 8 million premature deaths in 2018. Fossil fuel consumption is no longer an environmental issue, it's the greatest global health threat faced by humanity today. [Click here to read this opinion piece by Dr. Arvind Kumar & Gary Cohen.]

Survey Report: Knowledge, Attitude & Practice on Climate Change & Health among Healthcare Professionals in India.

Dr. Arvind Kumar & Neha Tiwari, DFCA Clean Air Champions were part of the panel in a webinar organized by HEI & Climate Trends on Health Sector Leadership on Action & Advocacy around climate change. This discussion was a part of the release of findings of the report on "Knowledge, Attitude & Practice on Climate Change & Health among Healthcare Professionals in India." The report, the largest ever survey on climate change conducted among healthcare professionals in India, has revealed a crucial role for the health sector in climate change action and advocacy in India. More than 3000 healthcare professionals including Doctors, Nurses, Paramedical Staff, Hospital Administrators, ASHA Workers, NGO Health Staff and Healthcare Students were surveyed in this study conducted between August and December 2020. Of these, over 85% believed that the sector has a responsibility to address climate change and reduce its own carbon footprint. [Click here to read the full report. You can also watch the recording of the webinar here.]


The high burden of health and economic burden of air pollution, and its associated substantial adverse economic impact from the loss of vital capital and labor’s productivity is a matter of concern. It is critical to curb the health and economic burden of air pollution in India. [Click here to know more.]

The purpose of this document is to:

Help Doctors educate and engage their patients, the general public, members of the medical fraternity, policymakers and media on air pollution and its health ill-effects.

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