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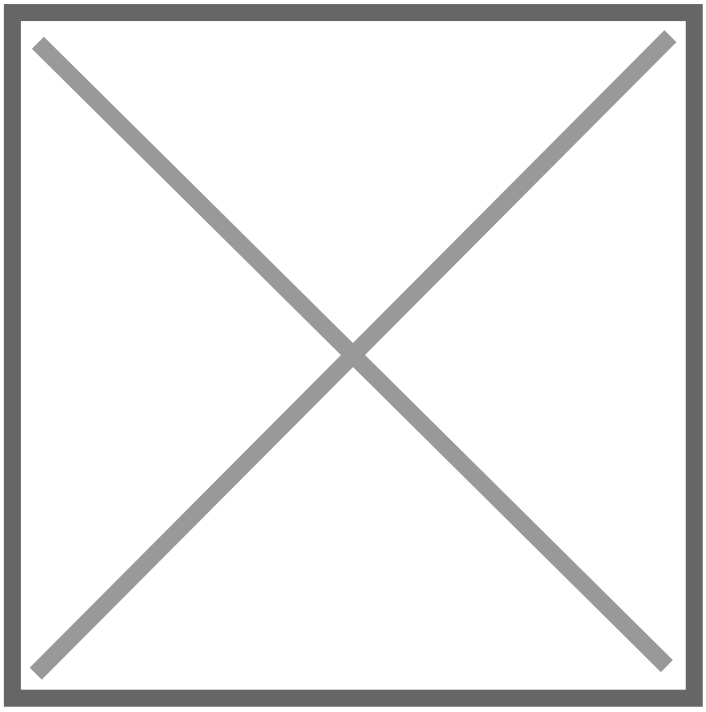

American Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (AAPI), a global body of indian doctors based in the USA, hosted a discussion in Mumbai to plan measures to improve and transform healthcare delivery in Maharashtra. The discussion saw participation from Dr Jayesh Lele, secretary, Indian Medical Association; Dr Jayesh Shah, AAPI president; Dr Ravi Jahagirdar, president-Elect, AAPI and Mr Anwar Feroz, honorary advisor of AAPI.

AAPI also announced Mumbai as the destination for holding its 9th annual conference, 'Global Health Summit' (AAPI GHS 2015) from January 2 - 5, 2015. This Summit will be in collaboration with the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs & Union Ministry of Health, the Government of Maharashtra, several participating physician associations and the Mumbai Municipal Corporation.

The summit will witness participation from some of the world's renowned physicians, community leaders and healthcare industry stalwarts. Various medical associations in India, Healthcare delivery organizations from U.K., Canada and Australia will partner the summit.

Dr Jayesh Shah, president, AAPI, said, "Physicians of Indian origin have earned a name for themselves globally in the field of medicine. Since our first summit in India, we have achieved several tangibles including the engagement of all notable sections of Indian government, and a ground breaking start of an alliance between AAPI, IMA & MCI. We are proud that through the platform of AAPI, we are able to share our expertise with medical professionals in India to improve healthcare delivery and outcomes in the country."

AAPI recently held its 8th annual conference, Global Health Summit 2014 in Ahmedabad (January 2-5, 2014) which was attended by over 1100 Doctors from India and abroad. The Summit was addressed by Hon'able Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad, union minister for Health & family welfare; Hon'able Shri Vayalar Ravi, union minister for Overseas Indian Affairs; Hon'able Dr Abdul Kalam, former president of India and Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'able chief minister, Gujarat State.

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According to Dr Ravi Jahagirdar, president-Elect, AAPI,Â "AAPI aims to associate with healthcare organisations and institutions in Maharashtra with an aim to transform healthcare delivery, right up to rural areas. Today's discussion has been extremely insightful."

The Mumbai summit will include four plenary sessions, and six skill enhancement hands on training workshops. There will also be symposiums on Public-private partnerships, a high level CEO forum, in addition to research activities and poster sessions, and a ceremony to recognize contributions in the basic and applied sciences.