

Minutes of 12th Annual General Body Meeting held on 29th March 2026 at The Auditorium, 3rd floor, College building, LTMC and Sion Hospital, Mumbai.

President, Dr. Satish Dharap called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Due to lack of quorum, meeting was adjourned, to reconvene at 6:00 pm.

The AGM was called to order at 7:10 pm, by Dr. Satish Dharap.

1. He welcomed everyone to the 12th Annual General Body meeting of Mumbai Surgical Society.

Following members attended the meeting: Kishore Adyanthaya, Sachin Bhojankar, Pravin Rangari, Sanjay Sonar, Shishir Shetty, Sonal Parekar, Dharmashri Kadam, Nikhil Gawde, Ramesh Punjani, Gautum Goel, Alauden Tungekar, Dhuru Aown, Mahadeo Garale, Shraddha Dhende, Smriti Ghetla, Kavita Jhadav, Asma Khalife, Prafulla Madake, Dilip Rajpal, Ramnarayan Iyer, T. Naresh Row, Satish Dharap, Amit Desai, Milind Ruke, Debashish Das, Gaurav Das, Shantanu Navgale, Umesh Worlikar.

2. Election for the post of the Treasurer for the Year 2026-27- Election Officer- Dr. Debashish Das, Vice President of MSS, announced the election for the post of Treasurer for the year 2026-27. Instructions regarding the Ballot paper and voting was given. Ballot paper was distributed and votes casted into the Ballot box keeping with the secrecy of the voting process. 3 candidates were contesting the elections- (in alphabetical order)-

1. Dr. Dilip Rajpal, 2. Dr. Prashant Kerkar, 3. Dr. Sachin Bhojankar

They were given 1 minute each to talk to the voters present.

3. Condolences were offered to Dr. Sameer Kadam, member of MSS who expired this year.

4. Minutes of the 11th Annual General Meeting of Mumbai Surgical Society, which took place on 15th February 2025 at Central Railway Hospital, Byculla were read was read by the Hon. Secretary, and confirmed.

5. No Business arose out of the previous minutes and it was passed unanimously

Proposed by- Dr. Ramesh Punjani

Seconded by- Dr. Naresh Row

6. Secretarial report for the year 2025-26 was read by the Secretary Dr. Milind Ruke.

MSSCON 2025, **7th Annual Conference**, was held in two parts:

15th Feb 2025: MSSCON Workshop and AGM at Bharat Ratna Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar Memorial Hospital, Central Railway Byculla. Main Auditorium in association with Department of Surgery Central railway Hospital.

24th May 2025 Conference at Acers club.

We supported several other CME's, namely:

13th –15th Nov 2025: IAGES ELSA at Westin Hotel;

2nd to 4th Jan 2026: FISTULACON at Hotel Aurika.

7th April 2025, CME on Clinical Research methodology at KBBH.

Workshops & Hands on training:

15th May 2025 Colorectal Cadaver Workshop at Nair Hospital, by Dr Kerkar & Dr Dharap.

PG TEACHING:

11TH June 2025 on Awareness lecture & training at KBBH. A total of 14 CPD points were granted for the various programs.

Surgical Week Celebration: an initiative fro ASI Hq:

8th June 2025: Dr Milind Ruke Gave Keynote address at Indore ASI,

11th June 2025: Awareness of Training -KBBH - Dr Milind Ruke Comprehensive healthcare response to sexual violence; -

12th June 2025: Awareness & Medical Camp - in RADFC - Dr Milind Ruke; Awareness camp – women's health. –

13th June 2025: Varicose Vein Awareness Camp – ‘kadam badhaye ja’ - Dr Dilip Rajpal. **Blood Donation Camp:** -

14th June 2025: Blood Donation camp - MSS/ASI/LTMMC Dr Sachin Bhojankar & team organised - 173 Blood Bag was collected we received **3rd price from MASI at MASICON 2026, Gondia.**

Social Awareness and Medical Camps:

8 Diabetic Foot Awareness and Free Medical Camps were conducted by Dr. Milind Ruke from 26.04.2025 to 27.12.2025 at Various places.

29 Varicose Vein Awareness and Free camps were organized by Dr. Dilip Rajpal, from 01.02.2025 to 27.12.2025 at various venues.

Life Membership: 474. Increased by: 26.

Newsletter: Two issues of MSS Times were published. Now available on the website.

7. Accounts of the Mumbai Surgical Society for the Financial Year 2025-26 were presented by Treasurer Dr. Amit Desai:

Summary of accounts: 1st April 2025 till 28th Feb 2026.

Bank Balances: IOB: INR 88,094.23

SBI: INR 25,442.08

Present FDs: 7 IOB: INR 36,74,345/-

Total: INR 37,87,881.31

(Includes reserved FD of Rs. 10 Lacs for GST purpose)

GST Audit of 2017-19 is underway. All dues with interest have been paid. We have to wait for the final outcome. Unaudited Accounts are available on the website and once Audit is performed, they also will be circulated and put up. Accounts presented and were approved.

Proposed by- Dr. Sanjay Sonar

Seconded by- Dr. Shishir Shetty

8. Appointment of CA and accountant- The services of the existing CA, and accountant, Mr. Pankaj Agarwal, were continued for the next financial year and approved.

Proposed by- Dr. Ruke

Seconded by- Dr. Dilip Rajpal

9. Appointment of Trustees- It was proposed to appoint Dr. Kishore Adhyantaya and Dr. Naresh Row (both past Presidents of MSS) as Advisors/Trustees. Passed unanimously.

Dr. Naresh Row proposed formation of an Advisory Board with 2 members. Initially, one of the members would serve for 3 years and the other for 6 years. Thereafter, the term of each of the members would be 3 years. All Past Presidents of MSS would be eligible to hold this position. Details of the powers and functions will be defined. This proposal was seconded by Dr. Dharap

10. Results of Election for the post of Treasurer for the year 2026-27- The counting for the election of Treasurer for the year 2026-27 was done and the results were declared by Dr. Debashish Das, Election Officer. The results were as follows-

Dr. Dilip Rajpal was declared as Elected for the post of Treasurer for the year 2026-27.

The New Committee is as follows:

President: Dr. Debashish Das. Vice President: Dr. Milind Ruke.

Hon. Secretary: Dr. Amit Desai. Treasurer: Dr. Dilip Rajpal.

Members:

Dr. Dharmashree Kadam. Dr. Ramesh Punjani. Dr. Prashant Kerkar.

Dr. Sachin Bhojankar. Dr. Dilip Rajpal. Dr. Sanjay Sonar.

Dr. Nikhil Gawde. Dr. Harshwardhan Shirsat.

Co-Opted:

Dr. Sonal Jomraj Parelkar. Dr. Shantanu Navgale.

11. Various Committees were formed for performing various activities of Mumbai Surgical Society. It was decided to continue with the present format of the committees:

- PG Clinics / Training: Dr. D. Kadam, Dr. Ritesh Agarwal.
- Membership Drive: Dr. Prashant Kerkar, Dr. Debashish Das.
- Academics: CME/Workshop: Dr. Sanjay Sonar, Dr. Ramesh Punjani,
Dr. Sachin Bojhankar.
- Social Activity: Dr. Dilip Rajpal, Dr. Milind Ruke,
Dr. Pritam Pathare.
- Training of Police Personnel: Dr. Satish Dharap, Dr. Girish Bakhshi,
Dr. Amit Desai.
- MMC: Dr. Nikhil Gawde, Dr. Mahadeo Garale.
- News Letter / Website: Dr. Naresh Row.

Proposed by- Dr. Dilip Rajpal
Seconded by- Dr. Prashant Rao

12. Bidding for MSSCON 2027- Dr. Debashish Das- incoming President volunteered to organise of MSSCON 2027 and was approved unopposed.

13. It was decided that Mumbai Surgical Society will bid to host the MASICON 2029, in the Annual General Meeting of MASI in Thane MASICON 2027. Organising team would be the same as per the Letter of Interest sent to MASI during earlier bidding: Org Chair: Dr. Debashish Das, Org Sec.: Niranjana Agarwal, Org Treasurer: Dr. Milind Ruke.

Proposed by- Dr. Satish Dharap
Seconded by- Dr. Debashish Das.

Dr. Dharap commented that this Scientific program was too tight, and therefore, we got delayed. We should plan the program with room for spare time. Dr. Satish Dharap announced the results of the Best Video Presentation.

Presidential Medallion was changed to Dr. Debashish Das. He gave an acceptance address. He said that MSS is a very important City Chapter of MASI-ASI. We have to come together and work for Surgeons unity and increase our activity. MSS is like an Army of Generals, all are well known personalities, we have to increase membership, by involving suburbs of Mumbai. Industry is willing to support the educational programs, soft skills are important, like accounting, communication skills. Zoom meeting every month along with CME will reignite the activities of MSS. He went on to thank all the Past-Presidents of MSS. He emphasised on the fact that this organisation has to be highlighted: 'jo dikta hai vo bikta hai'. He thanked Dr. Dharap for agreeing to switch his Presidency, as he had a personal problem. He thanked Dr. Kishore Adhyanthaya and Dr. Naresh Row for starting the academic activities of MSS. He announced the present EC members of MSS. A group photo was taken.

14. The selection of the Orator shall be done in the subsequent MSS Executive Committee meetings.

15. Any other point for discussion: Dr. Kishore Adhyanthaya proposed to shift the date of MSSCON to 1st or 2nd weekend of March every year, whenever possible. And that CME program of MSS should be revived.

Proposed by- Dr. Kishore Adhyanthaya
Seconded by- Dr. Mahadeo Garale

16. Vote of thanks was proposed by the Treasurer, Dr. Amit Desai. He thanked the Dean & Department of Surgery & Gastroenterology of Sion Hospital. Nair Hospital for conducting Skilled course. The decorator, caterer, pharma industry, PG students and their guides and members of MSS for making this conference a grand success.