

## Our Association and Ourselves

THE 5th summer meeting of our Association will be held in Bombay on the 7th, 8th and 9th August, 1969, under the Presidentship of Dr. C. J. T. Pinto, M.S., F.R.C.S.

There will be a symposium on "The training of a Plastic Surgeon" and panel discussions on (i) Reconstructive surgery of the genitalia (ii) Anaesthetic problems in Plastic Surgery (iii) malignant tumours of the maxilla and a series of short papers, summary of which must be submitted by 30th June, 1969.

Members of our association, will remember, that in our last annual meeting in December at Madras, we had ratified the invitation to hold the next (2nd) Asian Pacific Congress of Plastic Surgeons in India. You will no doubt be glad to know, that Government of India having given the go-ahead green signal, arrangements are well on way to hold the same in New Delhi from February 22nd to 25th, 1970, under the able stewardship of Secretary General, Dr. R. L. Manchanda and our Local Secretary Dr. J. L. Gupta. Our Past President Dr. R. N. Sinha has been elected the President of the Conference.

Col. R. D. Ayyar our Ex-Director-General of Health Services has kindly agreed to be the Chairman of the Reception Com-

mittee. A high power reception committee has been formed with all our members and other top surgeons of India. The Vigyan Bhawan has already been rented for holding the momentous conference, our maiden venture in International Conferences.

The Prime Minister of India and the Union Health Minister have already given their blessings and agreed to be Patrons.

Twenty seven Asian Pacific Countries have been invited. A large contingent is expected to come from Australia. Besides the above, special invitations have been sent to World famous Plastic Surgeons, in United Kingdom, United States of America, U. S. S. R., France, Czechoslovakia, Italy, Sweden, Argentina, Brazil, Canada etc. We expect your cent per cent participation. Kindly become a member of the reception committee by paying Rs. 100/- and please send the cheque in favour of "Asian Pacific Congress, New Delhi" to Dr. R. L. Manchanda, Government Medical College, Patiala. For any details please write to him. Members of the Organising Committee are leaving no stones unturned to make it a memorable occasion.

Symposia and Panel discussions on congenital clefts of the face in adults Burns; cleft lip and palate; leprosy and acquired defects of the face are being arranged.