



## MESSAGE FROM THE HONORARY SECRETARY

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Dear Members of the OSWB Fraternity,

It gives me immense pleasure to connect with each one of you through our official digital platform. As the Honorary Secretary of the Ophthalmological Society of West Bengal – a vibrant community of over 1,900 ophthalmologists – I am proud to share that OSWB continues to evolve dynamically with the changing needs of our profession and society.

Our society remains consistently active in a wide spectrum of academic and community-based initiatives. We conduct Scientific CMEs to keep our members at the forefront of clinical practice and research; Community Ophthalmology Camps and District Outreach Programs to bring essential eye care to underserved areas; Journal Club events and Postgraduate Education Programs to encourage critical discussion and advanced learning; interdisciplinary collaborations through our “Fusion with Other Specialties” programs; and the ARC Symposium, which focuses on the latest advances and innovations. We also nurture future leaders through our Leadership Development Programs and ensure accessibility to education through Webinars and other digital learning sessions that bridge geographical barriers.

In keeping with the times, we are investing heavily in digital transformation. This newly developed website is envisioned as a dynamic hub that will be continuously updated with event information, program highlights, and important announcements. A new membership portal is being created to offer a seamless, personalised interface for greater engagement with OSWB activities, while a dedicated conference portal is in the works to streamline abstract submissions, presentation uploads, attendance tracking, and CME credit facilitation – all within one integrated space.

Further, our upcoming Smart Seminar Hall and Wet Lab Complex at IMA House, 53 Creek Row, Kolkata, is being designed to support advanced learning through simulation, hands-on workshops, and hybrid scientific programs. This state-of-the-art facility will further elevate OSWB's academic landscape and create new opportunities for immersive training.

Together, these initiatives aim to reinforce our collective identity as a society that not only preserves the rich legacy of ophthalmology in West Bengal but also actively shapes its future. I encourage each of you to remain engaged, participate actively, and share your valuable insights as we continue this journey.

With warm regards,

*Aniruddha Maiti*

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