Dear friends,

Wishing a very happy new year to all our readers! May this year bring you good health and prosperity and give you the strength to accomplish all that you desire. The year 2025 is nothing short of special, its beginning heralding one of the largest religious gatherings, the Maha-Kumbha Mela, which occurs only once every 144 years! The start of each new year is a time to reflect on possibilities and resolutions, which drive us to become better versions of ourselves, imbibe values and simply, do good- for the world and for ourselves. To inaugurate the year with good practices and staying resilient and passionate while applying the gained knowledge till the end of the year should be our mantra. This year also marks the 6th anniversary of the AIOA journal. Our last annual conference, organized at PGI Chandigarh, was a resounding success filled with insights, expertise and curiosity, and in 2025, we look forward to continuing the legacy as we await the conference set to be hosted by Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya, Guwahati, with great anticipation.

The goal of our journal, since its inception has always been to enrich our readers regarding difficult case management and to leave the readers with a food for thought and the ignite a spark within them to learn more about the art of Anaesthesia. We welcome any comment or suggestion from the readers on the published articles, because active feedback from the readers is necessary to make this journal, truly, the valuable and inclusive for everyone. These comments and insights will also be published in the upcoming journal issue. We also plan to start infographics with short details from the next issue. Details of submission for the same will be updated on the journal website.

In this issue, multidisciplinary management with review of literature of a challenging case of GLASS syndrome for vitrectomy has been discussed. Concerns, precautions and management of a child with rare Dandy-Walker malformation for cataract surgery has also been expertly highlighted. Another case report discusses the side effect of betablocker during general anaesthesia for glaucoma surgery, along with advised precautions as well as monitoring. This issue has also focused on discussing and redefining the importance of communication between surgeon, anaesthetist, nurses, technician and support staff- critical for the success of any case, hospital and institution. Over the past decade, there has been tremendous increase in patients of all age groups requiring anaesthesia care for ophthalmic surgery. Keeping this in mind, this issue also deals with enumerating various aspects of requirements of ophthalmic anaesthesia subspeciality.

We thank you for your continued support and engagement with the journal. Here's to a year of learning, growth, and success!

Warm regards,

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