



15th ACNS

Asian Congress of Neurological Surgeons

Dates : 31st July – 2nd August, 2026

Venue : St. Regis, Mumbai

Theme : Philosophy, Technique, Technology - Analyzing The Future Of Neurosurgery



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WELCOME MESSAGE



I welcome you all my celebrated fellow voyagers of neurosurgery to join us for an educational and cultural commemoration to the vibrant metropolis of Mumbai. On behalf of the Asian Congress of Neurological Surgeons and the Academy for Advancing Neurosurgery we welcome you all to the grand festivity of The ACNS 2026 to be held from 31st July to 3rd August 2026. The meeting will be held at the St. Regis Hotel which lies in the heart of the city with stunning views of the Arabian Sea and the city's skyline.

The celebrations will kick off with a pre-conference surgical teaching course. This will be followed by 2 days of dedicated discourses and debates covering all aspects of neurosurgery from the world leaders in the field. The highlight will be 3D neuroanatomy sessions, 3D surgical video sessions and virtual reality sessions. The quintessential event will be addresses by the crème de la crème of neurosurgery. The evenings will be filled with a mix of traditional and contemporary social and cultural events and for the "night – owls" a vivid night life to explore

The theme of the meeting will be "Philosophy, Technique and Technology of Neurosurgery". Neurosurgeons are driven by a passion to excel surgically, to decipher the mystery of the diseases we treat and to train others to continue their legacy. We all have an innate naïve fascination to try new technological gadgets. The focus of our neurosurgical life is the patient and we all strive for their welfare and benefit.

"Excellence is a continuous process and not an accident" – A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

The meeting promises to amalgamate thought, skill and gadgetry towards the ultimate well-being of the patient. Join us in this academic banter with open minds and hearts and above all a feeling of togetherness and affectionate camaraderie. Let us clink our glasses and dance and memorialize our meeting. Mumbai is a great cosmopolitan city. Her innate hospitality will offer the Best taste of Indian Culture. Her avowed Cosmopolitanism will not allow you to miss home. You will have enough Food for Thought and vice versa. You are invited for a rare treat rich in Academic, Cultural and Social Flavor.



Prof. Atul Goel

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Organizing President – Asian Congress of Neurological Surgeons
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Distinguished Colleagues, Dear Friends, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my great honor and privilege, as the President of the Asian Congress of Neurological Surgeons, to warmly welcome you all to the 15th Asian Congress of Neurological Surgeons (ACNS), held from 31st July to 3rd August 2026 here at the magnificent St. Regis in Mumbai, India.

This congress is especially meaningful, as it brings us to reflect upon the legacy of our founder, the late Emeritus Professor Tetsuo Kanno, who dedicated his life to the education and training of neurosurgeons in developing countries. Through his tireless efforts and immense contributions, we can proudly say that our region has played a vital role in the evolution of neurosurgery. Many of his students today are among the most eminent leaders in neurosurgery worldwide, a testament to his vision and devotion.

This year's congress, under the esteemed leadership of our Congress President, Professor Atul Goel, an excellent philosopher, a masterful neurosurgeon, and a strong advocate for the education of young neurosurgeons. Alongside him, we must recognize the tremendous work of Professor Abhidha Shah, the Congress Secretary. She is not only instrumental in the organization of this congress, but also a leading female neurosurgeon in the world, serving as a role model and inspiration for many. The theme of this year's congress, "Technique, Technology and Philosophy of Neurosurgery," reflects the balance between advancing surgical innovation and preserving the timeless philosophy that guides our work: to achieve the desired surgical goal with minimal collateral damage. This guiding principle is at the heart of neurosurgical excellence.

We are gathered in this beautiful hall which is most fitting for such an occasion, the Astor Ballroom, situated in the heart of Mumbai, a vibrant city that connects us seamlessly to the world's commercial and cultural crossroads. Over the next few days, this space will transform into a hub of learning, innovation, and collaboration. We are proud to welcome more than 1,000 participants from all five continents and over 100 eminent speakers who will share their expertise. The program is enriched with hands-on workshops covering vital aspects of our field, including bypass surgery, endovascular techniques, endoscopy, neuroanatomy, and spine surgery. These sessions will provide invaluable opportunities for practical training and exchange of knowledge. Importantly, this congress is dedicated to the younger generation of neurosurgeons. They represent our future, and it is our responsibility to provide them with the best platform for education, training, and inspiration. Through the Young Neurosurgeons' Sessions, we aim to encourage them to present their ideas, research, and innovations. We have been assisting in nurturing their growth and empowering them to carry forward the legacy of neurosurgery for generations to come.

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We must also recognize that neurosurgery is not the work of neurosurgeons alone. It is a collaborative endeavour that unites the dedication of neuro-anaesthesiologists, neuro-nurses, paramedics, neurorehabilitation physicians, and many others. Together, we form a team that serves the ultimate purpose of healing.

Several prestigious awards will also be presented during this congress, celebrating excellence, innovation, and commitment in neurosurgery. As we embark on this congress, let us celebrate not only our scientific and technical advancements, but also the spirit of collaboration, mentorship, and philosophy that unites us as one global neurosurgical community. I believe this will be remembered as one of the finest ACNS Congresses in our history.

On behalf of the ACNS, I extend my deepest gratitude to our hosts, our speakers, our sponsors, and above all, to each one of you for your commitment and participation. I am confident that the 15th ACNS Congress in Mumbai will be a truly memorable and enriching experience for us all.

Welcome, and let us together shape the future of neurosurgery.

Thank you.

Yours truly,



Prof. Dr. Yoko Kato, M.D., Ph.D.

Head, Senior Professor of Neurosurgery, Department of Neurosurgery,

Deputy Director,

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President of the Asian Congress of Neurological Surgeons (ACNS)

President of the International Society of Minimally Invasive Techniques in Neurosurgery (ISMINS).



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CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

**Live
Surgery**

**30th
July**

**Pre
conference
Workshops,
YNS Session,
Opening
Ceremony**

**31st
July**

**Main
Meeting**

**1st
August**

**Main
Meeting**

**2nd
August**



NON RESIDENTIAL PACKAGE

Category	Early Bird till 31st January 2026	1st Feb 2026 till 31st May 2026	1st June 2026 till Late and Spot
Delegate	Rs. 23600	Rs. 27140	Rs.29500
National Residents/ Young Neurosurgeons	Rs. 16520	Rs. 18880	Rs. 21240
International Delegate	USD 354	USD 413	USD 472
International Residents/ Young Neurosurgeons	USD 206.5	USD 236	USD 265.5
National Accompanying Person	Rs. 11800	Rs. 14140	Rs. 17700
International Accompanying Person	USD 177	USD 206.5	USD 236

(Above packages are inclusive of 18% GST)

Non-Residential Packages are inclusive of :

- Conference Registration fees
- Conference Lunches on Friday, Saturday & Sunday (31st July, 1st & 2nd August 2026)
- Dinner on Friday & Saturday 31st July & 1st August 2026
- Visit to Trade exhibition
- Taxes as applicable

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Category	Early Bird till 31st January 2026	1st Feb 2026 till 31st May 2026	1st June 2026 till Late and Spot
National Delegate	Rs. 9440	Rs. 11800	Rs.17700
International Delegate	USD 118	USD 177	USD 236

(Above packages are inclusive of 18% GST)

RESIDENTIAL - 3 NIGHT & 4 DAYS

Category	Early Bird till 31st January 2026	1st Feb 2026 till 31st May 2026	1st June 2026 till Late and Spot
National Delegate Single Occupancy	Rs. 73160	Rs. 75520	Rs. 77880
National Delegate Twin Sharing Per Person	Rs. 49560	Rs. 51920	Rs. 54280
National Delegate with Accompanying Person	Rs. 96760	Rs. 99120	Rs. 101480
International Delegate Single Occupancy	USD 1062	USD 1180	USD 1298
International Delegate Twin Sharing Per Person	USD 708	USD 778.8	USD 826
International Delegate with Accompanying Person	USD 1475	USD 1593	USD 1711

(Above packages are inclusive of 18% GST)

Residential Packages are inclusive of :

- Conference Registration fees
- Room at St Regis Mumbai, from Check -in Thursday (30th July 2026 at 15:00 hrs) to Check-out Sunday (2nd August 2026 at 12:00 noon)
- Breakfast on Friday, Saturday and Sunday (31st July, 1st & 2nd August 2026)
- Conference Lunches on Friday, Saturday & Sunday (31st July, 1st & 2nd August 2026)
- Dinner on Friday & Saturday 31st July & 1st August 2026
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ABSTRACT GUIDELINES

- Abstract Submission Start on **15 December 2025**
- Abstract Submission ends on **1st April 2026**
- All abstracts must be the original, unpublished work of the authors, with all listed authors having significant contribution to the completion of the work.
- The paper should not have been presented in any conference earlier.
- Submission of an abstract constitutes the author's commitment to present the abstract if accepted and, in the session, assigned by the Scientific committee.
- All presenters must register for the conference.
- Members who fail to present a paper after acceptance without prior intimation will be debarred from presentation for one year.
- All expenses associated with the preparation and presentation of the abstracts is the responsibility of the author/presenter.

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

- Transfers (Pickup & Drops) from Airport, railway station or bus stand are not included in the package.
- The Hotel check-in time is 15:00 hrs and check-out time is 12:00 Noon.
- Early check-in & late check-out is strictly subject to availability.
- Any incidentals such as Internet (other than complimentary basic Wifi), Mini Bar, Room service, laundry and telephones etc. will be settled by the guest directly at the time of check-out.
- You are requested to carry a photo ID proof required by the hotel at the time of check-in
- Indian delegates who choose Offline registration may complete payment by UPI, Bank transfer, Cheques or DD. Send completely filled form along with payment details to Conference Secretariat or email the scanned form to **conferences@vamaevents.com**



GENERAL INFORMATION

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Cancellation Policy :

- 25% of the amount paid will be deducted for cancellation made up to 31st March 2026
- 50% of the amount paid will be deducted for cancellation made up to 31st May 2026
- 75% of the amount paid will be deducted for cancellation made up to 30th June 2026
- No refund will be made for the requests made after 1st July 2026
- Registration is not transferable
- Refunds will be made post conference
- Please note the GST paid during the registration cannot be refunded as it will be paid to the Govt. on monthly basis.