

Message from Secretary General, FOGSI



Warm greetings from FOGSI!

At the outset, I would like to thank the Kanpur Obstetric and Gynecological Society for inviting me to this prestigious FOGSI National Presidential Conference in the beautiful city of Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh, being held on the 12th, 13th, and 14th of September 2025.

The theme "Ek Rashtra - Ek Mission, Swastha Naari Samruddha Vatan" truly reflects FOGSI's commitment to reaching every woman in every corner of the country with quality care, respect, and dignity—especially those who need it the most.

My heartfelt congratulations to Organising Chairperson Dr. Meera Agnihotri, Organising Co-chair Dr. Kiran Pandey, Organising Co-chair Dr. Kanchan Sharma, Organising Secretary Dr. Neelam Mishra, Organising Secretary Dr. Kalpana Dixit, Jt. Organising Secretary Dr. Reshma Nigam, Chief Conference Coordinator Dr. Kiran Sinha, and the entire team for successfully organizing this grand conference. Your hard work and dedication are truly inspiring.

I'm sure all the faculty and delegates will enjoy the rich academic sessions and the warm hospitality of the Kanpur Society.

As many of you know, FOGSI is dedicated to advancing knowledge, education, and research in Obstetrics and Gynecology across India. We are deeply committed to improving women's and children's health, reducing maternal mortality, and advocating for reproductive and sexual health rights.

We also work towards preventive care, especially in areas like oncology and the elimination of cervical cancer.

FOGSI's vision is to be a leading organization promoting women's health and reproductive rights, using scientific evidence and following the highest ethical standards—through our strong and committed membership.

FOGSI has a rich legacy. In 1965, our leaders represented FOGSI in the Dr. Shantilal Shah Committee, which led to the historic Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act in 1971—a landmark moment for women's reproductive rights in India.

Collectively we have managed to reduce the maternal mortality ratio to 88, SDG goal however set at 70 by year 2030 so we are reaching the goal soon. I believe _____ reports the same ratio to be _____ and _____ on the other hand reports _____. So it means there are some states challenges are exists and others managed to reach the SDG goals.

Today, FOGSI is actively involved in many important projects, including:

- MANYATA – training private hospitals for respectful maternity care
- FOGSI-FIGO LDI and AMPLI Projects – strengthening care for women and children
- Projects with Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and UNICEF – improving childbirth quality, introducing HPV vaccination, and optimizing cesarean sections
- Perinatal Mental Health Workshops – addressing the emotional well-being of mothers
- UNFPA Collaboration – supporting respectful maternity care and promoting pre-conception health
- A+++ High-Risk Pregnancy Care Centres – enhancing services for high-risk mothers
- FOGSI–American Cancer Society HPV Project – promoting vaccination for girls aged 9–14
- Mukta Project with M.K. Hamied Foundation – improving screening and care for Thalassemia during pregnancy

All these efforts aim to ensure safer pregnancies, healthier mothers, and empowered healthcare providers.

Let us continue working together to build a healthier future for every woman in India—where care is compassionate, informed, and accessible to all.

Wishing you all a successful and enriching conference.

Thank you.

Warm regards,

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Secretary General, FOGSI