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TOXOCON IS BACK!

India's most prestigious annual national conference dedicated to medical toxicology returns to its place of inception after a brief hiatus. TOXOCON-6 (6th Annual National Conference of the Indian Society of Toxicology) will be held in Cochin, the picturesque coastal city of Kerala. Previous editions of TOXOCON which were held here (TOXOCON-1, 2, & 4) in the years 2005, 2006, and 2008 were hugely appreciated for their flawless arrangements, excellent scientific programmes, delectable food and comfortable accommodation, all at a reasonable registration fee.

This time around also, IST promises all its delegates a fulfilling experience, with emphasis on scientific content comprising thought-provoking lectures; limited, high quality paper and poster presentations; discussions; and a grand quiz! The conference will be a two-day event, and is proposed to be held in an excellent hotel (not 5-star!) in the outskirts of the city, close to Cochin Airport, away from the hustle and bustle and traffic snarls of the city centre.

Both the venue of the conference as well as accommodation for delegates and speakers will be arranged in the same hotel for the ease and convenience of all. Details will be emailed soon to the members of IST, as well as others who send in their email IDs to <u>toxicology@aims.amrita.edu</u> or <u>drvvpillay@gmail.com</u>. A limited number of printed brochures will be posted to heads of departments of forensic medicine, general medicine, emergency medicine, pharmacology, and toxicology departments.

For the first time ever, registrations will be accepted online on a first-come first-served basis. Total number of participants will be restricted to 75-100. The date of the conference will be sometime in March-May 2012 and will be notified within the next 10 days.

So if you are among those who are genuinely interested in almost any aspect of medical toxicology (clinical, forensic, pharmaceutical, analytical, environmental or occupational), and would like to update or share your knowledge in an academic atmosphere interspersed with entertainment, refreshments and relaxation, do not miss out on this rare opportunity! Prepare yourselves for a mind-blowing experience! And believe me, it will not blow a hole in your pocket!

> Best wishes, Dr. V V Pillay President-IST

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