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Designation: Chairman - Cardiac Sciences, Fortis Escorts Heart Institute

Departments: Invasive Cardiology, Cardiology

Introduction

Dr. Seth has contributed extensively to the growth, development and scientific progress of Cardiology especially Interventional Cardiology in India and across the world.

Over the past 20 years he has pioneered numerous angioplasty techniques for India and Asia Pacific region. His expertise, skills and his pioneering efforts in teaching and training in angioplasty have won him respect and accolades all across the world.

He is perhaps one of the most recognized and respected Indian Cardiologist across the globe. His efforts have created a unique respect for India on the international sphere especially in the West.

For his unique achievements and contributions he was honoured by the National award of 'PADMA SHRI' by the President of India in 2003.

Dr. Seth is also founder advisory board member / governor to several prestigious international scientific bodies in the world including the Asia Pacific Society of Interventional Cardiologist and SAARC Cardiac Society and Society of Cardiovascular Angiographies and Interventions (USA).

Dr. Ashok Seth has been highly decorated by the national academia and by citizens' forums throughout the country and abroad.

Dr. Seth was the first cardiologist in Asia Pacific region to perform Directional Atherectomy, Angioscopy, Stents, Thrombectomy devices & Drug Eluting Stents and use of Impella heart support device failing heart. He has performed one of the highest number of angiographies and angioplasties in the world which is acknowledged by the 'LIMCA' Book of Records.

Dr. Seth was also instrumental in the core team which created the Escorts Heart Institute, New Delhi from its first day when he became the Head of Invasive and Interventional Cardiology on his return from England on 3rd October 1988. He was one of the key pillar to make it into one of the most famous landmark institutes in the World. He left the Escorts Heart Institute in Dec'04 to create a new standard in cardiac care in Max Heart & Vascular Institute.

Dr. Seth has the unique honor to be invited to demonstrate and teach complex angioplasty techniques via the satellite transmission from New Delhi to the 'Transcatheter Cardiovascular Therapeutics in 2003 & 2007' Meeting in Washington DC (USA) and to EuroPCR in Paris in 2006 (from Bangkok) & in 2003 (from Chennai), which are the most important and biggest meetings of Interventional Cardiologists across the World. This is a unique prestige and privilege for India and a first for any Interventional Cardiologists in Asia. He has also done live transmissions of complex angioplasty techniques from India to international meetings in Singapore, Malaysia, Paris, China, Australia, Korea, Sri Lanka etc.

Dr. Seth has been invited to lecture / demonstrate complex angioplasty techniques to more than 300 international courses & meetings across the globe.

Dr. Seth has been highly acclaimed internationally for academics and research. He is the-

- Associate Editor of International Journal of Cardiology
- Member, Editorial Board
 - ◆ Journal American College of Cardiology - Cardiovascular Interventions
 - ◆ Catheterization and Cardiovascular Intervention
 - ◆ Euro Intervention.

Additional Professional Appointments

Honorary Professor of Cardiology

- Gandhi Medical College, Bhopal (2000 onwards)
- Medical College, Raipur (2001 onwards)
- Medical College, Bilaspur (2001 onwards)
- Padmashree Dr. D Y Patil University (2008 onwards)

Honorary Professor of Cardiology

- Bangladesh Medical College, Dhaka, Bangladesh, (1998 onwards)

Honorary National Professor

- Annual Course on Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery, Association of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgeons of India, (1996 onwards)
- 'Dudley' Visiting Professor University of Birmingham, Department of Cardiovascular Medicine, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, U.K (1995)