

From Dr. Solomon

I was a postgraduate student of Dr. T.M.Udani (1962 -3rd batch) at the Govt.Dental College,Bombay whose intellectual thinking,zest for knowledge, meticulousness and lucid expression has played a role in my academic career. This impact has also been seen across the Prosthodontists trained by him in this country who have a common thread of respect for this great personality.

Dr.Udani made a significant contribution as a teacher, academician par excellence, a researcher with openness, always ready to share his thoughts .An unique teacher in Prosthodontics who made us to think,develop our lives fuller and to strive better with a conscientious mind. A guide and leader with highest level of perfection becoming of a Prosthodontist.This made an enduring impression to the first generation of Prosthodontic teachers in this country

His communication skills, instant analytical mind,research accumen ability to comprehend complex mechanisms in theory or research, uncompromising integrity, decisions sometimes unpopular, and strife for perfection whether dentistry or otherwise, were unmatched and admirable. He lived a life of simplicity

Among the quality of our IPS officers, the late Dr. T.M.Udani, Founder President of Indian Prosthodontic Society stands out prominently. Dr. Udani was a prolific lecturer and a great teacher in the subject of Prosthetic Dentistry. He was also the Dean of Govt. Dental college and hospital, Mumbai for many years. He Passed away on October 19th 2009 in Pittsburgh USA.

He was a pillar of strength in forming the Indian Prosthodontic Society on a national level when I was the founding secretary of IPS. His contribution was legendary in the academic field, not only for the content but also for his endearing style. he was gently demanding from students and was a kind of effective mentor to all his students. He was a good administer as well.

In His honor, the indian Prosthodontic Society should dedicate the the 18th IPS conference with all its

and orderliness with an unforgetful passion for classical western music and arts.He had a large circle of friends beyond the Prosthodontic umbrella.

He will be remembered as a man of many faces. His didactic expressions with humour, dominating influence,ability to perceive precision in workmanship, the correct use of language,unfogettable never ending discussions during seminars and thesis preparation and also on various other topics, some even besides Prosthodontics is still reminiscent.He has helped us in turn to train postgradutes in our country with the ideals and goals he had aspired and cherished which has kept the standards of Prosthodontics in India. Prosthodontists both the older and younger generation salutes this gentleman who once taught Prostodontics in India during its early formative years.

DR.Udani became a close friend to all his students.He had the utmost confidence in me to bestow the distinct honour to become the member of the first managing committe of IPS and to conduct the first IPS conference in Madras in 1974.

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programs so that he is remembered in the years to come and model ourselves after him. I remember his inspiration and his contribution to the IPS when I mooted the idea of forming the Prosthodontic society in India in 1972.

I also suggest we, the Executive council of IPS, should also commemorate in his name a cash award for the best paper presentation by a PG student in the PG annual conferences. A certain sum say 1 lakh may be invested as fixed deposit from our IPS savings collected over the years and give the award from the interest. It may be considered as one constructive activity of our association and to make good of our funds.

I have lost a dear and a true friend. May his soul rest in everlasting peace.

**F. D. Mirza**

I was really pained to read about Dr Udani. He was one of the greatest not only in our speciality but in Dentistry and respected all over the world. In him we will miss a great Prosthodontist, a great teacher and above all a great human being. We all pray that his soul rests in peace. I shall be grateful if you could kindly send this msg to his family.

**Paramjit Singh**

Dr. T. M. Udani, a teacher par excellence, who strived to get recognition for the prosthodontic faculty as an important speciality in our country, left for his heavenly abode on 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2009

As one of the founder member of the Indian Prosthodontic Society, he was instrumental in steering the way for IPS as a speciality Professional society.

I recall his unique style of teaching during seminars

wherein his distant gaze and loud speech with a gaping mouth could not be emulated by anyone. Infact the questions that he asked the students were always thought provoking and added to the creative input of the post graduates. He still continued working even after his long innings at Government Dental College, Mumbai, as Professor & Head and then as Dean. His prescence in some of the IPS conferences added not only grace to the conference but also motivated many of the faculty and students.

At this juncture, I pray that his Soul rest in peace. As the President of Indian Prosthodontic Society, suggestions by IPS members to dedicate a lecture/oration in his name are being positively considered. I salute Dr Udani and recognise all his efforts for taking Prosthodontics to another level in India.

**S. J. Nagda**