With great sorrow and grief, it is announced that Professor Dr. A. P. Singhal, former National President of Indian Society of Anaesthesiologists passed into eternal peace on 27th September 2016. He was not only a famous anesthesiologist but also a great teacher, scholar, academician and researcher, who lifted the subject of anesthesiology in India to new horizons. He joined the graduation in 1947 and obtained his Master of Surgery (MS) degree from famous G. R. Medical College, Gwalior, MP, (India). He earned his Diploma in Anesthesiology from Bombay and joined the Civil Medical Services in Madhya Pradesh (MP) state situated in central India. Following a Fellowship from McGill University, Montreal (Canada), he started neuro-anesthesia services at Gwalior which was the first in Central India. He put all his efforts to start postgraduation in medical colleges of Gwalior, and served as Head of Anesthesiology, Dean and Superintendent in Medical College Gwalior before retirement in 1990. He had more than 30 research publications in various national and international journals of repute on clinical, experimental and biochemical subjects in anesthesiology.

Under his expert guidance more than 140 students obtained their postgraduate degrees and are working on higher posts in India as well as abroad.

He was elected as President; Indian Society of Anaesthetists in 1980. Later on in 1999 ISA honored him by starting ‘Professor A. P. Singhal Lifetime Achievement Award’, which is awarded every year in ISA national conference.

Professor Singhal served the community as president of Rotary India and many other trusts and societies.

He is survived by his wife Mrs. Raj Singhal and two sons.

We prey to almighty God to give eternal peace to the departed soul and courage to his family to bear this great loss, Amin!

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