To President & Secretary of SAFOG Member Societies, (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan & Sri Lanka)

Dear President & Secretaries, Greetings from SAFOG. You will be pleased to know that **SAFOG YOUNG GYNAECOLOGIST AWARD** (**SYGA**) has been initiated since 2019. It is awarded every two years during the SAFOG Congress in the host country.

### **Objectives of the award:**

- 1. To create awareness about the role of SAFOG in the South Asia region
- 2. Encourage to present papers
- 3. Learn social interaction
- 4. Develop linkages and bonds
- 5. Grooming to become young leaders
- 6. Encourage further research

## Two awards will be given to each SAFOG member country.

## Criteria for the award:

- 1. Should be a member of the Country Society
- 2. Age less than 40 years before 1st of January in the year the Conference will be held.
- 3. Leadership qualities.
- 4. Published or publishable paper.
- 5. Been involved with SAFOG activities would be preferred
- 6. Member in good standing

### **Entitlements;**

- 1. Complimentary registration for the Congress and Workshops
- 2. Invitation to the YGA and spouse for the Inauguration ceremony and Banquet all other social events.
- 3. Accommodation in a suitable hotel during the days of the workshops and Conference (hosted by the Host Country).
- 4. Airport transfers

# Air Travel; should be taken care by the YGA or their own.

### **Expectation:**

1. Act as ambassadors of SAFOG and promote SAFOG in your home country and other countries.

2. Submit an abstract of a paper which has not been published or presented in any Conference or meeting earlier. Paper would be presented at the YGA Session in 15<sup>th</sup> SAFOG Conference (2025). The presentations will be judged, and the best three papers will be awarded the Sabaratnam Arulkumaran prizes.

- 3. Developing friendship with colleagues in other countries and have interaction with peers.
- 4. To participate in organising academic activities in home country and in other SAFOG countries
- 5. Encouraging past YGAs friends and juniors to join in SAFOG activities
- 6. Conduct research projects and publish in the SAFOG Journal.

Each Society will submit two nominations with CV, paper and salient achievements and a letter from the President of the National Society stating the justification for choosing the candidate. Kindly note that the two candidates should be from different cities of the country.

#### <u>We request you to kindly submit the nominees with all the relevant documents</u> By the 8th August 2025. Selected candidates will be informed by 20<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

Regards

Prof. Shyam Desai President-SAFOG