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April 1, 2022

To, The Presidents & Secretaries, Affiliated Memberbodies of FOGSI.

Dear President & Secretary,

We are all saddened, disturbed and deeply hurt on hearing about Dr Archana Sharma from Dausa in Rajasthan. It is a pity that the medical fraternity who was feted as COVID warriors by our Prime Minister and all the people of our country not too long ago are in shock after this gruesome incident.

It is agonising to see the police acting against the principles laid down by the Honourable Supreme Court by unjustly slapping IPC Section 302 in a case of known medical complication after a high risk pregnancy. We request for quick strong action against the culprits and proper justice for the concerned so that there would no repetition of any such incidents in the future.

Postpartum Haemorrage is a known complication and a major cause for Maternal Mortality in our country. Every obstetrician does his or her best to save the life of the mother he or she treats.

FOGSI considers violence perpetrated against Doctors as inexcusable and demands zerotolerance against violence and abuse against Doctors in any form.

Team FOGSI will be going to Jaipur to observe protest Day on 2nd April, 2022. FOGSI representatives will be observing dharna at prominent places for 3- 4 hrs in the morning and will hand over memorandum to Ministers and state authorities demanding security for doctors and justice in the case of Dr Archana Sharma. It is a sad and tragic demise of a young brilliant obstetrician, under huge mental trauma created by patients attendants after a complicated high risk delivery, and a charge of murder by intention by police and few politicians.

It's a request to all the Presidents and Secretaries from all FOGSI Obstetrics and Gynaec societies to join us in large numbers to make this movement effective.

We all can join hands by lighting 9 divas at 9.00 pm at our respective clinics / hospital on 2^{nd} of April 2022.

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We will continue to fight till we achieve our goal.

Please inform all the members of your Society ASAP to join hands.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

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