

## **Report from Dr. S. Rajasapathy, Ganga Hospital Head of the Department, Department of Plastic, Hand and Reconstructive Microsurgery**

"Like Carl Zeiss, we too are very proud and happy the way the lab and the Ganga Hospital - Carl Zeiss Fellowship has turned out.

**The lab is going to run the 26th course this week. Each time we train 2 surgeons.**

The candidates are from all over India and we have had one from Australia and one from Sri Lanka.

### **The first two awardees of the Fellowship for the year 2003 were:**

Dr. Yogesh Bhatt, MS M.Ch., Head of Dept. of Plastic Surgery, Medical College, Baroda (Vadodara) Gujarat, India

Dr Anil K. Bhat, MS, Asst. Prof. of Orthopaedics, Kasturba Medical College, Manipal, Karnataka, India

Both of them have found it enormously useful and they are practicing what they learnt at Ganga.

### **The Fellows for the year 2004 are:**

Dr. Alphonsus Chong, Dept. of Hand Surgery, National University Hospital, Singapore

Dr. Ayyappan, Asso. Prof. of Plastic Surgery, Civil Hospital and Medical College, Ahmedabad Gujarat, India

### **Fellowship at Ganga Hospital**

The Fellowship at Ganga Hospital draws applicants from all over the world and I thought it best to select one from India and one from overseas every year. Had been to Germany last fortnight and paid a visit to three major units in UK. I find that in the field of trauma reconstruction we will have more to offer to the west, since they no longer see the type of injuries that we see.

Though the causation of injuries is not a thing to be proud of, it is also a concern to them that when they do see such injuries there is a chance that they may not be treated in the best way due to lack of experience and exposure. So we have something to offer the west. Since our hospital matches their basic infrastructural standards they don't find working with us a problem.

Recently our Hospital, was recognized for Post Doctoral Fellowship in Hand and Microsurgery by the National Board of Examinations, New Delhi. A candidate selected on the basis of all India entrance examination will be trained for 2 years and a certificate will be issued after an examination by the board. "