



Dear Members,

We are deeply concerned by the recent surge in violence and harassment against doctors in India, mainly targeting our female colleagues.

The recent tragic incident involving the rape and murder of a young female doctor in Kolkata, India, is utterly deplorable. We wholeheartedly condemn this terrible act and offer our sincere condolences to the victim's family. These attacks defy all sense of humanity and undermine the foundation of our commitment to delivering compassionate and effective care. Our profession requires technical expertise and the courage to confront challenges beyond medical science. The escalating violence against doctors underscores the urgent need for systemic changes to ensure our safety.

Our organizations are dedicated to our members' well-being and healthcare advancement. We firmly stand against such acts of violence and support measures to address this crisis.

In response to these issues, many healthcare professionals in India have initiated strikes and protests to draw attention to their plight. While these actions may temporarily disrupt services, they are essential in advocating for our safety and well-being. We must stand in solidarity with our colleagues and support their efforts to bring about positive change.

We want to assure you that we actively engage in discussions with relevant stakeholders and advocate for meaningful reforms. We will continue closely monitoring the situation and providing updates on any developments.

The safety of our colleagues is of paramount importance. Let us stand united in our commitment to improving conditions for all doctors and ensuring that we can continue to provide the highest standard of care in a safe and supportive environment.

Sincerely,

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