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INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS (ICHF)

ICHF is the initiative borne out of partnership between Gujarat Forensic Sciences University (GFSU) and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). It is the first definitive effort at institutionalising Humanitarian Forensic Action (HFA) within an existing university system. The Centre will conduct various academic and professional programmes /training, researches and provide technical expertise to support operations (in concert with concerned authorities and agencies) in the field of humanitarian forensics.

Therefore, ICHF is envisioned to be the one-stop centre of excellence in Asia for global high quality and sustainable capacity building, research and innovative projects that will underpin operational responses for humanitarian forensic action in relevant contexts, with the following mission statements:

- To be a novel institute within GFSU and provide a sustainable platform to consolidate other national collaborations and partnerships on HFA and to increase awareness and improve capacity, knowledge and responsiveness in HFA both in India and internationally.
- To leverage on regional and international networking and partnership that GFSU already has with other institutions around the world in

promoting HFA, undertaking local and international projects, teaching and training, research and development efforts which will address contemporary issues and challenges in the use of forensic sciences for humanitarian intents.

- To engage in high quality academic and professional discourse for policy development, think tank and implementation mechanisms, standard operating procedures and best practices in the following themes: dignified management of the dead (including forensic human identification), relevant forensic issues affecting the living (e.g. age estimation, management of sexual violence, psychosocial support, etc.) and related forensic topics for humanitarian purposes.

The Centre will also posit socio-cultural realities in the application of forensic sciences to the humanitarian sphere and through evidence based premises, clearly define acceptable practices in a given context with high premium placed on respect for the local population, jurisdictional authorities and appropriate ethical considerations.





ABOUT THE GFSU

The Gujarat Forensic Sciences University is the world's first and only University dedicated to forensic and allied sciences. It was established by the Government of Gujarat through an act passed by the Gujarat Legislative Assembly dated 30 September, 2008 with an objective of fulfilling the acute shortage against increasing demand of forensic experts in the country and around the world. Evidently, the University became functional from July, 2009 onwards with various courses, scientific programs and training modules. The University was recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC) as a State University under section 22 of UGC Act, 1956 to award degrees in May, 2011. It is located in the green and clean city of Gandhinagar which is the capital city of Gujarat state, a vibrant, industrious, safe and business friendly state of the Indian subcontinent.

The University runs in parallel association with the Directorate of Forensic Science (DFS) Gujarat State, to provide hands-on training pertaining to various areas of forensic science, forensic psychology and research and development. DFS Gujarat is a state-of-the-art, NABL accredited, ISO-IEC 17025:2005 certified laboratory, maintaining international standards in terms of infrastructural facilities, experts and technology for forensic analysis.

The University is segregated into three academic departments, namely Institute of Forensic Science (IFS), Institute of Behavioural Science (IBS) and Institute of Research &

Development (IRD). Due to the advanced and specialised courses run by each of the institutions of the University, it currently offers only postgraduate level academic programs. Maintaining excellence in education, research, and patient care with appropriate facilities within this University encourage collaborations across multiple disciplines and skill sets.

The GFSU's ultramodern campus is constructed near the DFS premises on a government allocated land of 50,000 square metres. The foundation stone of the University's campus was laid by the then Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat and the present Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi, on the 10th of October 2011. The new campus was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat, Smt Anandiben Patel on the day of the 'First Convocation' of the University, 29th April 2015. The third convocation was chaired by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat Shri Vijay Rupani in February 2017. He delivered an extremely motivating convocation address to inspire the students and bless them for their future career.

The University has built a hi-tech green campus with state of the art infrastructure and it is proceeding for green building certification.

The University is headed by the Director General, followed by the Registrar and three Directors, as head of each of the three institutes. The highest body of the University is the Board of Governors having the Director General of the University as its Chairman.



ICRC ABOUT THE ICRC

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is an independent and non-political organisation with a large scope of strictly humanitarian activities which it undertakes through its presence in over 80 countries around the world. It has a universally recognised responsibility to promote International Humanitarian Law (IHL) and to respond to the needs of people affected by situations of humanitarian concern, in particular armed conflict and violence.

Working in partnership with National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, local authorities

and others, the ICRC provides humanitarian aid and expertise in areas such as: international humanitarian law, emergency response, health and rehabilitative services, water and habitat, livelihood support, humanitarian forensics, detention management and the restoration of family links.

The ICRC has a proven record and long history in Asia and works by engaging with all parties concerned through a unique approach based on confidential dialogue, transparent activities, sharing of expertise and partnerships in order to be able to reach and meet the needs of vulnerable persons.

INAUGURATION OF INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS (ICHF) AND SYMPOSIUM ON HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

20 - 22 JUNE 2018, GFSU, GUJARAT (INDIA)

The International Symposium on Humanitarian Forensics has been built into a planned MoU signing ceremony, including inauguration of the International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics (ICHF), a joint initiative of GFSU and the ICRC. Facilitators include key local and international forensic experts and stakeholders.

PROGRAMME

DAY-1: 20 June 2018

Opening, MoU Signing and Inauguration of ICHF	
08.30-08.55	Registration and Tea/Coffee
09.00-09.05	Welcome Address and Setting the Scene by Dr. J.M. Vyas (Director General, GFSU)
09.10-09.20	Opening Remarks and Overview of the ICRC in India by Mr. Jeremy England (Head of Regional Delegation, ICRC New Delhi)
09.25-09.30	MoU Signing Ceremony
09.35-09.45	Inauguration of the ICHF and Address by Chief Guest: Shri M. S. Dagur, IAS (ACS-Home, Govt. of Gujarat)
09.50-09.55	Vote of Thanks: Uwom Eze (Regional Delegation, New Delhi & ICRC Coordinator for ICHF)
Inaugural Presentations	
SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. J. M. Vyas & Mr. Jeremy England	
10.00-10.20	Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS), Movement Partners on Humanitarian Action in India by Representative of IRCS: Dr. Bhavesh Acharya (Gujarat Chairperson)
10.25-11.10	Global Mandate for Humanitarian Forensic Action: Mr. Oran Finegan (Head of ICRC Forensic Unit, HQ Geneva)
11.15-12.00	Inspiration for ICHF by GFSU: Dr. Rajesh Babu (Faculty, Institute of Forensic Sciences & GFSU Coordinator for ICHF)
12.05-12.25	Q & A
12.30-13.30	GFSU has talents! Guess what comes next...
13.35-14.30	Lunch Break
14.35-16.00	Campus Walk and Closing

DAY-2: 21 June 2018

SESSION CHAIRS: Mr. Oran Finegan & Shri Keshav Kumar	
09.30-10.25	Humanitarian Forensic Action - How it all began: Prof Stephen Cordner (Australia)
10.30-11.20	The Role of Forensic Medicine in Humanitarian Forensics: Prof Sudhir Gupta (HoD Forensic Medicine, AIIMS, India)
11.25-11-40	Tea/coffee break
11.45-12.15	DNA in Humanitarian Forensics: Dr. Madhusudhan Reddy (CDFD, India)
12.20-13.05	Anthropology and Humanitarian Forensics: Dr Udo Krenzer (Germany)
13.10-14.10	Lunch Break
SESSION CHAIRS: Prof Sudhir Gupta & Prof Stephen Cordner	
14.15-14.40	Odontology and Humanitarian Forensics: Dr. Jayanie B. Weeratna (Institute of Forensic Medicine & Toxicology, Sri Lanka)
14.45-15.10	Humanitarian Forensic Odontology and Human Identification-Perspective from Forensic Odontology for Human Rights (FOD4HR): Dr. Emilio Nuzzolese (Italy)
15.15-15.50	The Police in Humanitarian Forensics: Shri Keshav Kumar, IPS (Police Director, India)
15.55-16.30	The Judiciary in Humanitarian Forensic: Dr. Justice Jyotsna Ben Yagnik (Retired Principal Judge, India)
16.35-16.55	Role of Disaster Management Authorities in Dignified Management of the Dead: TBC
1655-17.00	Closing

DAY-3: 22 June 2018

SESSION CHAIRS: Dr. Justice Jyotsna Ben Yagnik & Dr. Jayanie B. Weeratna	
09.00-9.40	Forensic Nursing and Application to Humanitarian Forensics: Valeria Hofer (Forensic Nurse, University of Zurich, Switzerland)
09.45-10.10	Psychosocial Support to Affected Families, Communities and Teams involved in Humanitarian Forensic Action: Prof. S. P. Kumar Jena (Director of Behavioural Sciences, GFSU)
10.20-11.00	The International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics (ICHF): Uwom Eze (Forensic Coordinator, ICRC Regional Delegation, New Delhi & ICRC Coordinator for ICHF)
11.05.-11.30	Tea/Coffee Break

PANEL DISCUSSION: MODERATORS – Dr. Rajesh Babu (GFSU) & Dr. Uwom Eze (ICRC)

11.35-12.45	Discussion on ‘Collective Agenda Setting for the ICHF’ by Panel of Speakers & Participants
12.50-13.00	Closing Remarks: ICRC and GFSU
13.10-14.10	Lunch Break
14.15-18.30	Sightings, Sounds and Cultural Heritage of Gujarat and India

PROFILE OF SPEAKERS



Dr. J. M. Vyas

Dr. J. M. Vyas is the first Director General of the unique and specialised Gujarat Forensic Sciences University, Gandhinagar, appointed by the Government of Gujarat. He is holding this post since February 2009. He is also holding the additional charge of the post of Director, Directorate of Forensic Science, Gandhinagar since February 2009. He established the world’s first forensic sciences university at Gandhinagar, which runs 44 specialised degree/diploma courses having more than 1200 students. He is the senior most working forensic scientist of the country and possesses vast experience of 43 years of working in the field of forensic out of which, he has been the Director for 23 years. He holds prestigious positions in various reputed establishments. He is a member of “Task Force” for Indian Railways safety audits, Consultant to CBI, New Delhi and the first Indian Forensic Scientist to be the organising committee member for INTERPOL. He was recently appointed as chairman of Advisory Committee of Cyber Suraksha Kavach by the Government of Gujarat. He has received many esteemed awards, including President’s Police Medal, Best Forensic Science Laboratory Director of the country, Life time achievement award in Forensic Chemistry by Amity University and the ‘Bharat Mata’ Award.



Jeremy England

Jeremy England took up the post as ICRC’s Head of Regional Delegation in New Delhi, India, in July 2016. In addition to India, the Regional Delegation covers Nepal, Bhutan and the Maldives, providing humanitarian expertise, services and partnerships across the region. Mr. England has worked in the international aid sector for some 25 years, including extended periods in Africa, Asia, Europe and Oceania. Primarily working for the ICRC, he has also worked with non-government organisations and the United Nations. He manages specialist law, policy and humanitarian diplomacy programmes, in addition to supporting partner institutions, including the Indian Red Cross Society, in dealing with disability, separated families, detained populations, health services and crisis response. Prior to his present mission, he has had many past international assignments, recent of which included Regional Manager, UNICEF, NE Uganda (2005-2007), Head of Office, ICRC Australia (2009-2012), Head of Regional Delegation, Malaysia (2012-2015). Mr England is from New Zealand and has completed numerous humanitarian law and aid delivery courses; has a Masters in Education; is fluent in French and conversant in Spanish.



Oran Finegan

Oran Finegan is currently the Head of Forensics for the International Committee of the Red Cross. Based in ICRC HQ in Geneva, he oversees its global forensic strategy with an emphasis on furthering the area of humanitarian forensic action, underlining the importance of the dead as a category of victims, and supporting efforts to strengthen the institutions response to the issue of the 'missing'. He oversees a team of over 55 forensic specialists working globally. Oran began his studies in 1994 in Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland, where he obtained a degree in Anatomy, followed by a Master's degree in Forensic Anthropology from the University of Bradford. He began working as a forensic anthropologist with the United Nations International Crimes Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia in the Balkans between 1998 and 2001. Oran also spent a number of years working as a forensic anthropologist with the United Nations Office on Missing Persons and Forensics in Kosovo. In 2003 he took time out to undertake a Master's degree in Human Rights and Political Theory at the University of Essex in England. In 2006, as part of the Argentine Forensic Anthropology Team (EAAF), he worked for two years with the UN Committee on Missing Persons in Cyprus, helping coordinate their forensic laboratory operations. Following his work in Cyprus, Oran joined the ICRC in 2008. During his eight years at the ICRC he has worked as Regional Forensic Advisor for the Western Balkans (2008-11), Forensic Advisor for Iraq (2012-13), where he was based in Amman and Baghdad, and most recently served as Deputy Head of Forensics for the ICRC (2013-17) where he oversaw ICRC forensic operations in Asia, the Middle East, and Europe. He took over as Head of Forensics in April 2017.

Professor Stephen Cordner



Stephen Cordner graduated in Medicine from The University of Melbourne in 1977. After his internship at the Royal Melbourne Hospital and two years in the Department of Pathology at Geelong Hospital he took up an appointment in 1981 as Lecturer, and later Senior Lecturer, in Forensic Medicine at Guy's Hospital in London. He stayed there until 1987 working as a Home Office Pathologist. During this period he became a Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia and the Royal College of Pathologists of Great Britain. Stephen was appointed Foundation Professor of Forensic Medicine at Monash University and Foundation Director of the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine in 1987. He has worked as a Consultant to the ICRC, exploring the potential for humanitarian contributions from forensic pathology. This has involved missions to Iraq, the former Yugoslavia, Myanmar, The Philippines, Liberia, Nepal, Palestine and Afghanistan, not only for ICRC but also WHO and UNODC. In 2005, Professor Cordner became a Member (AM) of the Order of Australia for service to forensic medicine, particularly as a contributor to the development of forensic pathology in Australia and internationally.

Dr. Sudhir K Gupta



Dr. Sudhir Kumar Gupta is Professor and Head, Department of Forensic Medicine & Toxicology, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi with scientific integrity from last 22 years and serving India in the investigation of various challenging cases of unnatural deaths of national and international importance for Interpol, CBI, NIA, NHRC, Delhi Police, various state police etc. as well as providing specialised training to national and international doctors. Besides India, he has his academic recognition in the field of forensic medicine by coroners association of Europe, America, Scotland Police-UK, Australia, Taiwan, Singapore, FBI and all Asian countries. He had been appreciated by Scotland Police London for scientific input in Bob Woolmer death case. Dr. Sudhir Kumar Gupta is a Medical Graduate and was awarded Gold Medal for securing first position in MBBS. He completed his Post-Graduation, MD Forensic Medicine from the prestigious Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, and awarded Diplomate of National Board in 1997 by Government of India. He has published more than 100 research papers and has six chapters in books. He also published more than 1000 medico-legal columns in electronic media to educate public.

PROFILE OF SPEAKERS

The Department at AIIMS has attained new horizons under his headship and various new facilities like 24 hours embalming facility, forensic radiology unit, modern toxicology laboratory and organ retrieval from cadaver for therapeutic transplantation have been taken in practical shape in public interests and several other facilities like modular odorless autopsy suite are in process. He has been continuously working towards the goal of dignified management of the dead. He had recently organised a workshop for the sensitisation of the doctors working in the mortuaries to introduce the concept. He is working towards the concept of 'virtual autopsy' so as to prevent unnecessary dissection of dead bodies during postmortem. For the same purpose, he is working towards establishing the AIIMS Mortuary Centre of Excellence in collaboration with ICMR for the virtual autopsy.

Keshav Kumar



He has been in the Indian Police Service for more than three decades. Serving as Special Director, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Gujarat, he has received many awards. Few to mention are CF Andrews Memorial Award for selfless service, Presidents Police Award twice, Manthan South Asia and Pacific Award, Wildlife Service Award 2013, Protector International Award for Excellence in Forensic Science. He is also associated with policing tribal area, establishing cyber crime cell and creation of wildlife crime cell. He has also delivered lectures in various seminars and institutions in forensic sciences across India. So far, 58 persons were convicted solely based on his application of forensic sciences.

Dr. Jayanie Weeratna



She has received MSc Forensic Dentistry from Cardiff University, BDS from University of Peradeniya, Diploma in Forensic Medicine (Colombo), and is a Attorney-at-Law, Forensic Odontologist. She has been involved in disaster victim identification and forensic odontology investigations in Sri Lanka since 2003. Presently attached to the Institute of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology in Colombo and responsible for providing forensic odontology opinion in cases of bite mark injuries, facial trauma, dental age assessment and identification of unknown bodies. She has co-authored the following publications: *National Guidelines on Management of the Dead in Disasters and Catastrophes*; *Protocol for the Management of Fragmentary Human Remains in Disasters and Catastrophes*. (Asia Pacific Medico Legal Agencies); *First Responders Training Module in Initial Management of the Dead in Disasters and Catastrophes*; and the Asia Pacific Forensic Odontologists Group.

Dr. Jyotsna Yagnik



Served as Principal Judge, City Civil and Sessions Court, Ahmedabad, she is currently associated with Nirma University as Adjunct Professor and is serving as visiting faculty for various reputed institutes across Gujarat, Few are GFSU, SPIPA, GNLU and RSU. She has a teaching experience for more than three decades and actively served as trainer, conciliator, mediator and member in various tribunals and committees. She has authored a book named *Administration of CEDAW in India and* has received many awards viz., UNO 2004 and Human Rights Award 2015.

Dr. Udo Krenzer



Udo Krenzer received his MA from the University of Mainz in Germany. He is currently the Regional Forensic Manager for the Near and Middle East (NAME) Region of the ICRC, overseeing programs of humanitarian forensic action. After teaching and lecturing five for years as associate professor at the University and conducting anthropological and archaeological fieldwork in Europe and Northern Africa, he started working for the German Cooperation and the UN as forensic anthropologist with national organisations in Guatemala, Chile, Cyprus and Nepal, coordinating multi-disciplinary teams for the search for, recovery, analysis and identification of skeletonised human remains from human rights violations. Since 2011 after joining the ICRC he has carried out missions as forensic advisor in Libya and regional coordinator for South America related to the management of the dead in armed conflict and emergencies and identifying missing persons.



Prof. S. P. K. Jena, Director, IBS, GFSU

Prof. S. P. K. Jena, M. A., M. Phil. in Medical & Social Psychology (NIMHANS, Bangalore) and Ph. D. in Clinical Psychology (CIP, Ranchi), is a certified Clinical Psychologist and the former Head, Department of Psychology, University of Delhi. He has served as the Editor, *Indian Journal of Clinical Psychology (IJCP)* and has been the member of the Editorial Boards of several other journals, and published extensively in national and international journals. He has authored 3 books on subjects like mental retardation, behavior therapy and some of his works. He has also worked on major projects funded by UNICEF, UGC and RGNIYD and has acted as UGC Visiting Fellow in Psychology at Utkal University, Bhubaneswar; and Central University, Hyderabad. He conducted an Inter-University Academic Exchange Programme on Autism under the acronym 'Circle of Support' with Dortmund University, Germany. His lectures have been telecasted under 'Navshikhar', the educational television programme of RCI, New Delhi. In 2018, Indian Association of Clinical Psychologists (IACP) has awarded him for his outstanding contribution to the discipline of Clinical Psychology.



Valeria Hofer

Forensic Nurse, Institute of Forensic Medicine, Zurich Institute of Forensic Medicine, University of Zurich, Winterthurerstrasse 190/52, CH 8057 Zurich. She obtained her diploma for nursing at the Higher Professional School for Nursing, Maennedorf, Switzerland and subsequently undertook Federal Professional Diploma as Trained Instructor at the Academia for Adult Education "AEB", Zurich, Switzerland. She holds a Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in Forensic Nursing from the University of Zurich. Her skills and competencies are in Forensic Nursing and Training in Nursing as Instructor. Ms. Hofer's Professional experience include the following: Registered Nurse, Emergency Surgery Department, University Hospital of Zurich, Switzerland (Aug 2006 - Oct 2013); Trained Instructor, Emergency Surgery Department, University Hospital of Zurich, Switzerland (Oct 2013 - Oct 2016); and Forensic Nurse, Institute of Forensic Medicine, Zurich Institute of Forensic Medicine, University of Zurich, Switzerland since Nov 2016 till date.



Dr. Madhusudan Reddy Nandineni

Dr. Madhusudan Reddy Nandineni obtained his Baccalaureate degree in Microbiology from Nizam College, Hyderabad, and Master of Science Degree in Biotechnology from University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad. His Doctoral thesis research at the Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB), Hyderabad was in the broad area of molecular genetics and physiology. Subsequently, he moved to the Department of Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry at the Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, CT, USA for postdoctoral research work. He also holds the Baccalaureate degree in Law. He returned to India in the year 2005 to join the Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics, (CDFD), Hyderabad as Staff Scientist and Group Leader, where he is heading the Laboratories of DNA Fingerprinting Services and Genomics and Profiling Applications. His current research interests include studies on human genetic diversity in Indian populations, forensic genetics and plant-microbe interaction studies. He has been the recipient of the Innovative Young Biotechnologists Award (IYBA- 2006), Max Planck India Visiting Scientist Fellowship (2007), BioAsia-2007 Innovation Award for Young Scientists, Indo-US Research Fellowship (2013-14) and Head of the Max Planck Partner Group Programme (2011-2018). (URL: <http://www.cdfd.org.in/labpages/nmr.html>).

PROFILE OF SPEAKERS



Emilio Nuzzolese, Forensic Odontologist (Italy)

Contract Teacher in Forensic Dentistry at the Dental School of the University of Turin (Italy) and Lecturer for Forensic Odontology at the Medico-Legal School of the University of Catanzaro (Italy). Graduated in dentistry at the University of Bari (Italy) in 1994. Holds post-graduate degrees in Legal Medicine, Forensic Sciences and Forensic Odontology, plus a Research Doctorate degree (PhD) on Analytic Morphometry. Expert witness in Civil and Penal Court for dental disputes and professional liability, Expert before the International Penal Court. Participating odontologist in the INTERPOL DVI Forensic Odontology Sub-Working Group. President and Founder of the Civil Protection Association “Dental Team DVI Italia”. Fellow of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences and Chairman of “Forensic Odontology for Human Rights” Group. He presented over 100 papers in national and international forensic sciences meetings/journals and has been invited speaker since 2006, in several congresses, among which the forensic dentistry session of the 2006 FDI World Dental Congress at Shenzhen (Republic of China).



Dr. Rajesh Babu

A successful academician with an experience of more than 2 decades and has a passion to develop the professional and investigative skills of young adults through forensic sciences. He has developed some of the most contemporary forensic academic curriculum such as forensic odontology, forensic accounting and forensic nursing in the parent institution. His involvement in the social sector is replicated through several publications of national and international repute. He has trained several officers of law enforcement, judiciary and banking sector across the country and other Asian nations on various forensic investigative areas. He has chaired and delivered lectures on contemporary forensic sciences in various national and international conferences. His research thrust areas include forensic anthropology, finger prints, forensic physical sciences and other contemporary areas of investigative and social forensics.



Uwom Eze

Uwom Okereke EZE is a Forensic Pathologist, and also has expertise in Criminology and Security Psychology with Diploma in Criminology and Masters in Legal, Criminology and Security Psychology. He has competencies in various forensic caseloads with special interests in Forensic Death Investigation/Medico-legal Systems and Dignified Management of the Dead including Disaster Victim Identification (DVI) in relevant contexts, Forensic Injury Evaluation/Interpretation, Management of Sexual Violence and Child Abuse, Expert Witnessing and Professional Ethics. He had worked for many years in senior positions, with management responsibilities, at the University College Hospital Ibadan; undertaken international postings in Forensic Medicine and Pathology at institutions in different parts of the world; and has served as lecturer and supervisor for postgraduate students in Forensic Science, Pathology and related courses. Dr. Eze holds leadership positions in local and international professional associations in Forensic Medicine and Pathology, and in 2015 was conferred with the honour and responsibility of Justice of the Peace (JP) for community service, peace, attestation and justice by the Government of Oyo state, Nigeria. He joined the ICRC as Forensic Advisor to Nepal in the post-earthquake period of 2015, and in 2016 had another forensic mission to Near and Middle East (NAME) region as Regional Forensic Coordinator based in Erbil, and later same year returned to South Asia as Regional Forensic Coordinator in Nepal and covering India, Bhutan and the Maldives. He is currently Forensic Coordinator and Head of Forensic Unit of Delhi Regional Delegation overseeing India, Nepal, Bhutan and the Maldives, and has been inspired by the innovative and creative spirit of the people. He embraces optimism, passion, curiosity and team essence.

THANK YOU

ICHF is a dream come true and this is only possible because people like you believed in it, infused necessary life into it and committed to seeing the reality of today. However, like a baby, ICHF still requires careful nurturing for it to grow and develop its full potential for humanitarian service through the application of Forensic Sciences. As each milestone is attained, there will be associated challenges and we'll be counting on your continued support as individuals, experts, institutions, and authorities.

Meanwhile, we wish to acknowledge your esteemed presence at the Inauguration Ceremony and International Symposium on Humanitarian Forensics. Your participation has been invaluable to the success of this event, and we wish you pleasant trip back to your locations in various parts of the world. In the near future, we look forward to welcoming you back to the International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics (ICHF), Gujarat.

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