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### PURPOSES

- 1. To publish information about AMDA activities.
- 2. To provide a venue of communication among AMDA members.
- 3. To be a forum for AMDA members to express ideas and comments.
- 4. To publish articles about health care and community development

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## EDITORIAL



**Dr. Nipit Piravej**

The Sixth International Annual Conference of the Association of Medical Doctors for Asia (AMDA) is scheduled on August 4-6 this year. The Conference is very important for the Association for at least 2 folds. First of all, there will be a combined session with the Tenth Anniversary Conference of the Asian Medical Student Association. This will strenghten further the link between the 2 Associations and assure more extensive future cooperation. Secondly, in this Conference, AMDA members will discuss and decide on the main future action plans of the Association. This will bring about activities which will in turn establish more direct contributions of AMDA to the society.

And because this is a really special occasion, as the Conference is coming near, the Organizing Committee is getting more and more busy and tense. Anyway, we are informed that most of the preparatory work has been perfectly settled.

In this issue of the newsletter, we devoted most of our space for the announcement of the Conference. Please make sure that you send the pre-registration forms and, for the speakers, also the abstracts of your presentations to Dr.Tohda and Dr.Tonai respectively.

Let's mark on the calendar, we have a rendezvous this August in Osaka.

**The Editor**

# MEMBERS' CORNER

## Dr. Virginia Martinez



Hello and greetings to everyone. I am Vogie and I am now a third year resident in Family Medicine at the Philippine General Hospital. What I like about joining AMDA is the immense potential for growth as a person and consequently being a more humane and feeling doctor. If there is time for work there must be also time for fun and laughter. I am presently also involved with the paper on the Refugees, which is turning out to be both educational and enlightening for all of us involved with it. Hope to see you in August in Osaka and let's have a great time!

Dr. Virginia Martinez, 36 Anonas Street Project 2, Quezon City, Philippines 1102.

## Dr. Jintana (Pootirat) Manorompatrasal



Dr. Jintana is well known among AMDA member. She was born on May 13, 1958. She attended the 1st Asian Medical Student Conference in Bangkok in 1981, while she was a medical student at Ramathibodi Hospital. She was also one of the founding member of the Ramathibodi Medical Student International Affair Committee which later gave rise to AMSA Thailand.

Dr. Jintana is now a Physiatriist, working at the Department of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine of Bhumipol Hospital, Rangsit, Bangkok. Her present major interest is at the rehabilitation of chronic pain patients and especially in the application of acupuncture techniques to relief pain. Actually, she is planning to attend a fellowship program in acupuncture at China Air Force Hospital in Beijing during July to September this year.

Dr. Jintana was happily married to a famous Thai businessman, Mr. Anusak. But she is still very active in her profession and as the regional coordinator of AMDA Thailand. Meet her in Osaka this August!

## NEWS & NOTES

### AMDA Japan : "Here we are waiting for welcoming you!"



In the front row, from left : Dr.Suganami, the President of AMDA; Dr.Tonai, Chairman of the session on "Community Development & Health Promotion"; Dr.Kunii, Chairman of the pre-conference field studies; Dr.Miyachi, Chairlady of the Reception Committee; Dr. Kawakami, Chairman of the session on "Occupational Health Promotion". In the rear row, from left : Dr.Tanaka, the Reception Committee; Dr.Tohda, AMDA Japan Regional Coordinator and Chairman of the Organizing Committee ; Dr.Kobayashi, Chairman of the session on "Health Problems among the Refugees".

AMDA Japan is now busily preparing the 6th AMDA International Annual Conference which will be held in Osaka and Kobe during August 4-6 this year. The members of the executive committee and the chairpersons of various sessions of the symposium are waiting to welcome the delegates from all AMDA member countries.

### The Annual Meeting of AMDA Philippines

AMDA Philippines had its annual meeting at Nagcarlan Laguna on April 8, to work on its

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strategies for the rest of the year. On going projects are the individual reports to be present at the AMDA International Annual Conference in Osaka, namely Primary Health and Health Development, Occupational Health Problems and Health Problems Among the Refugees. There is a possibility of inviting Dr. Antonio Tinio, the Medical Director of the Bataan Refugee Processing Center and Dr. Jacob Japen, the Consultant of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to the Conference.



*Members of AMDA Philippines*



## LETTER OF INVITATION

**Dr. Kohei Tohda**

Dear AMDA members :

We are honored to inform you that the 6th International Annual Conference of the Association of Medical Doctors for Asia (AMDA) will be held in Osaka, Japan, August 4-6, 1989, under the auspices of AMDA International and AMDA Japan.

We have selected 3 main themes for discussion in this conference and they are :

1. Community Development & Health Promotion.
2. Occupational health promotion in Asia.
3. Health problems among refugees and foreign immigrants in Asian countries.

There will be also many interesting pre and post conference programs as well as social activities.

Your participation will be an important contribution to the conference and the association. We look forward to welcoming you to Osaka.

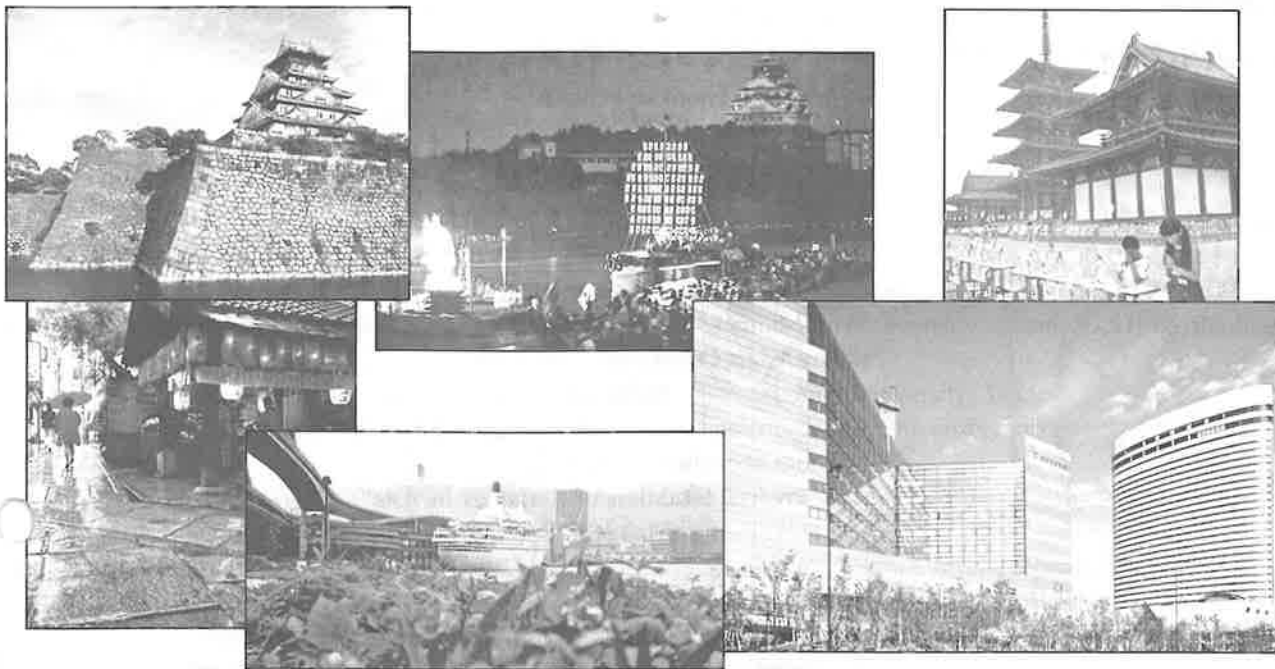
With best wishes and warmest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Kohei Tohda, M.D.,

Chairman of the Organizing Committee.

## "THE 6 TH AMDA INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE"



## The Association of Medical Doctors for Asia (AMDA) The Sixth Annual Conference

**Date :** August 4-6, 1989

**Place :** 1. Fumonkan, Osaka  
2. Kobe International Conference Center, Kobe

**Sponsor :** AMDA Japan and AMDA International

**Accommodation :** Fumonkan  
Check in - August 4, 1989, 9.00 A.M. - 9.00 P.M.  
Check out - August 7, 1989, 9.00 A.M. - 12.00 P.M.

**Transportation :**

1. From Osaka International Airport to Umeda (Osaka Railway Station) : By bus (every 15 minutes), 380 yen.
2. From Umeda to Higobashi Station : By Subway Yotsubashi line.
3. From Higobashi Station to Fumonkan : By walk, on your left side, about 5 minutes.

**Fees :**

1. Registration	5,000 yen
2. Transportation	2,000 yen
3. Banquet	6,000 yen

**Coordinator :** Dr. Hideo Tanaka,  
Osaka Furitsu Seijinnbyo Center,  
1-3-3 Nakamichi Higashi-nariku, Osaka 537, Tel. 06-972-1181.

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# OSAKA-KOBE Transportation Network

## Program

### August 4, 1989

- 9.00-21.00 hr. — Arrival at Fumonkan, Osaka
- 18.00-19.30 hr. — Executive meeting

### August 5, 1989

- 8.30-09.00 hr. — Registration
- 09.00-09.20 hr. — Opening Ceremony
- 09.20-12.00 hr. — Symposium 1 **"Health Problems among Refugees and Foreign Immigrants in Asian Countries"**  
Chairman — Y. Kobayashi (Yamato Metro Hospital, Japan)  
Co-chairman — M. Kamath (Kasturba Hospital, India)  
Keynote speeches :  
  1. **"Present Situation of Refugees in Asia"**  
K. Fujiwara (Mainichi Newspaper Co., Japan)
  2. **"Medical Problems of Refugees - An 8 year Experience at the Philippines Refugees Processing Center"**  
A.A. Tinio (Philippines Refugees Processing Center)
  3. **"Medical Problems among Settled Refugees in Japan"**  
K. Chonsopee (Yamato Metro Hospital)  
I. Nasu (Refugee Resettlement Assistant Headquarter)
  4. **"Medical Problems among Foreign Workers in Japan"**  
K. Fujii (Tokyo Medical Surgical Clinic)
- Country Reports  
Discussion
- 12.00-13.00 hr. — Lunch
- 13.00-13.30 hr. — Special Lecture **"Promotion of Primary Health Care in Thailand"**  
C. Krasae (Asean Training Center for Primary Health Development, Thailand)
- 13.30-15.30 hr. — Symposium 2 **"Community Development & Health Promotion"**  
Chairman — S. Tonai (Tanga Clinic, Japan)  
Co-chairman — P. Flores (Eastern Samar Hospital, Philippines)  
Keynote speeches :  
  1. Y. Somrerng (Communicable Diseases Control, Thailand)
  2. S. Miyahara (Oomiya Clinic, Japan)
  3. Y. Ikezumi (Asian Health Institute, Japan)
- 15.30-15.45 hr. — Coffee Break
- 15.45-17.00 hr. — Country Reports  
Discussion
- 18.00-19.30 hr. — Executive Meeting

### August 6, 1989

- 8.30-09.00 hr. — Special Lecture **"Medical Problems & Public Health in Asia"**  
M. Debhanom (Mahidol University, Thailand)
- 09.00-10.30 hr. — Symposium 3 **"Occupational Health Promotion in Asia"**  
Chairman — T. Kawakami (Industrial Health Institute, Japan)  
Co-chairman — H. Yanai (National Medical Center, Japan)  
Keynote speeches :

**1. "Development of Occupational Health and Safety in Asia"**

W. Malinee (Asian Association on Occupational Health)

**2. "Occupational Health Promotion Practices"**

M. Sado (Hannan Chuou Hospital, Japan)

G. Leoncia (Manila University, Philippines)

C. Pranee (Mahidol University, Thailand)

10.30-10.45 hr.

— Coffee Break

10.45-12.00 hr.

— Country Reports  
Discussion

12.00-14.00 hr.

— Lunch

Trip to Kobe International Conference Center

14.00-17.00 hr.

— Combined Session with AMSA 10th Anniversary Conference **"To Realize a Real Medical Cooperation in Asia"**

Chairman — O. Kunii (Jichi Medical University, Japan)

Co-chairman — Y. Takashima (Osaka University, Japan)

Keynote speeches :

**1. "Our History and the Role of AMDA"**

K. Tohda (Akita University, Japan)

**2. "Non Governmental Organization & International Medical Cooperation"**

P. Nipit (Chulalongkorn University, Thailand)

Comments of Regional Coordinators

Discussion

Adoption of Declaration

17.00-17.30 hr.

— Closing Ceremony

17.30 hr.

— Banquet

## INFORMATION FOR THE SPEAKERS

We thank you very much for your paper presentation at the Sixth AMDA International Annual Conference. The publication committee plan to publish the proceedings of the conference as soon as possible. In this connection, we would like to ask you to prepare the manuscripts and submit them at the conference. We would like to have the abstracts of your presentations by the end of May, so that we shall be able to publish them in time for distribution at the conference.

All manuscripts must be type-written, double spaced and on 8 1/2 × 11 inch paper, with generous margins on each page—at least 1 1/2 inches at top, bottom and left and 1 inch at right. If a manuscript is typed by a word processor, a letter-quality printer must be used. Obvious dot matrix print out is not recommended. The text of a manuscript should be started at the first page, following the title of the article of the article, name and affiliation of the author. Each table should be typed on a separate page, include a title and be numbered in order of its appearance in the text. All figures should be professionally prepared. In case of photographs, black and white glossy prints are desirable.

The abstracts must be prepared within 2 pages, according to the rules mentioned above. All abstracts should be submitted to :

*Dr. Shuji Tonai,*

*Tanga Clinic,*

*129-1 Tangaura Tsurumimachi, Oita Pref.,*

*876-13 Japan.*

We thank you again for your cooperation for the conference.

The Publication Committee



# THE SIXTH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL DOCTORS FOR ASIA

**AUGUST 4-6, 1989**

**OSAKA, JAPAN**

## **PRE-REGISTRATION FORM**

(Block letters or type please)

*Please complete this form and return to:  
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1-1-1, Hondo, Akita 010, Japan.*



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Activities to be participated :

- ☐ Pre-conference field study
- ☐ Pre-conference course
- ☐ The Sixth AMDA International Annual Conference
- ☐ Post-conference study tour

Length of stay in Japan : ..... Air port of arrival : .....

Date of arrival : ..... Time : ..... Flight number : .....

Will use the accommodation prepared by the organizing committee :

- ☐ Yes
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