Dr. Lalita D. Naik, Mumbai MD (Anaesth), DA, DGO

Dr. Lalita D. Naik is a distinguished anesthesiologist with nearly five decades of experience in anesthesiology and a remarkable academic career. She has held numerous prestigious positions, including Professor and Head of the Department of Anesthesiology at Seth G.S. Medical College & K.E.M Hospital, Mumbai, and various academic leadership roles at Lokmanya Tilak Municipal Medical College and T.N. Medical College, Mumbai. After retirement from KEM Hospital & G.S. Medical College, she served as Consultant Anesthesiologist at Holy Family Hospital, Mumbai from 2002 to 2013. She was the Chief of the dept of Neuroanaesthesiology at Nanavati (now Max Nanavati Super Speciality Hospital for 18 years.

Dr Naik was the Academic Council Member of University of Mumbai for 5 years (1995 to 1999). She was the MCI appointed Inspector on several occasions for the recognition of Medical colleges, starting or recognition of postgraduate courses in Anaesthesiology in various medical colleges.

Dr. Naik's extensive qualifications include degrees in MBBS, DA, MD, and DGO from T.N. Medical College and B.Y.L. Nair Hospital. Her accolades include the Dr. S.G. Rele and Dr. S.S. Rao Prizes, as well as the Dr. Dwarakanath Kotnis Award for her significant contributions to anesthesiology and patient care.

Throughout her career, Dr. Naik has pioneered advancements in anesthesiology. She was the chief anesthesiologist for Maharashtra's first cadaver renal transplant and established the Pediatric Anesthesia Department at L.T.M.G. Hospital. She also introduced pediatric pain relief modalities and initiated a post-doctoral fellowship course in CVTS anesthesia at K.E.M Hospital. Her dedication to education and medical training is evident in her role as a University-recognized postgraduate teacher since 1976.

An active member and leader in various organizations, she has served as President of the ISA Mumbai Chapter, President of the Association of Neuro Anesthesiology & Critical Care (ANACC), and Vice President of ISNACC. Dr. Naik has organized and participated in numerous national and international conferences, workshops, and CMEs, aiming to unify anesthesiologists across multiple institutions.

Her scholarly work includes 43 published research papers and contributions to books and journals on anesthetic management in neuroanesthesia and pediatric anesthesia. Dr. Naik's areas of expertise include neuroanesthesia, pediatric anesthesia, and anesthesia for plastic and reconstructive surgery, and she remains a respected figure in these specialties.