

Our New President

We welcome our new President, Air Vice Marshal L. N. Budhraj, AVSM, who took over as Director of Medical Services (Air) on 1st January, 1975. We congratulate him on his promotion.

Air Vice Marshal L. N. Budhraj was born on 2 October, 1919 and received his early education in what is now Pakistan. He obtained his MBBS degree from the King Edward Medical College, LAHORE, and later DPH from Pune University.

He was commissioned as an Emergency Officer in the erstwhile IMS in January, 1943. He saw active service in the Burma Campaign as an RMO of 'V' Force. In that capacity he accompanied various columns behind the Japanese lines. For his meritorious and gallant service he was awarded MBE and mentioned in despatches.

Amongst the various important appointments he held are Administrative Officer in the Armed Forces Medical College, ADMS (Org) in Medical Directorate, Army Headquarters and ADMS of an active Division. He has commanded a Field Ambulance, a General Hospital, a Military Hospital and Army Hospital, Delhi Cantt. He was Commandant of Army Medical Corps Centre. For his meritorious service towards the welfare of patients, he was awarded AVSM in 1974.

He attended the Defence Services Staff College course in 1955 and graduated from National Defence College in 1969. He was seconded to the Air Force on 10th September 1973 and held the appointment of JDMS (A) till promoted as DMS (Air) on 1st January, 1975.

We are sure that with his vast and varied experience, the Society will benefit a great deal and make further progress. We wish him all the best during his tenure.