

Dr. Krishna Khairnar was invited as an expert panelist at the 7th Annual Conference of Vidarbha Association of Medical Microbiologists (VAMM), held at Indira Gandhi Government Medical College (IGGMC), Nagpur. Dr. Khairnar discussed on “The Future and Relevance of Medical Microbiologists”, wherein he highlighted the evolving role of medical microbiologists in the context of emerging infectious diseases, public health preparedness, advanced diagnostics, and translational research. His lecture emphasized the growing importance of interdisciplinary approaches, technological advancements, and capacity building in strengthening healthcare systems. Dr. Khairnar also engaged in an interactive session with medical students and faculty members, addressing contemporary challenges and career opportunities for medical microbiologists in today’s rapidly changing healthcare landscape. The session was well received and stimulated meaningful discussions on the future direction of the discipline.

