

From Editors Desk

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The 2025 issue of the Odisha Journal of Orthopaedics and Trauma (OJOT) arrives during a landmark year for our fraternity. As we celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Odisha Orthopaedic Association (OOA), we reflect on fifty years of surgical excellence, mentorship, and the enduring spirit of service that has defined orthopaedics in Odisha since 1975.

Fifty Years of Clinical Legacy

Half a century ago, the OOA began as a vision to unite orthopaedic surgeons across our state. Today, we stand as a robust professional body. While our clinical skills have reached global standards—from complex trauma management to advanced subspecialty care—the documentation of this work remains our next great frontier. This 50th-anniversary issue is not just a celebration of where we have been, but a call to action for where we must go.

Addressing the Academic Challenge

It is no secret that maintaining a steady stream of high-quality, original research is a challenge for regional journals. However, we are currently witnessing a significant shift in our institutional landscape. With a substantial increase in the number of Postgraduates (PGs) and dedicated faculty members across the state, we are sitting on a vast, untapped reservoir of clinical data and intellectual energy.

The editorial board is optimistic that this growth in our academic workforce will lead to a "culture of publication." We urge our faculty and residents to move beyond simple documentation and embrace rigorous clinical audits and prospective studies. The "Odisha experience" in orthopaedics is unique and valuable; it deserves to be shared with the wider scientific world through the pages of OJOT.

Looking Toward the Next Decade

As we celebrate our Golden Jubilee, our focus must remain on the quality and integrity of our scientific output. We are committed to supporting our young researchers through better mentorship in methodology and writing. By channelling the energy of our expanding academic community, we can ensure that OJOT evolves from a regional record into a highly cited, authoritative journal.

A Shared Responsibility

We thank the authors who have contributed their work to this milestone edition. Your commitment is the lifeblood of this journal. We also extend our gratitude to the pioneers of the OOA whose legacy we honor this year.

Let this 50th-anniversary issue serve as a turning point—a moment where we commit to matching our renowned clinical expertise with equally rigorous academic scholarship

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