Notes and News

Rameshwardas Birla Smarak Kosh invites nominations for its Seventh Annual Award of one lakh of rupees for outstanding research in medical or related fields by an Indian working in India. Further particulars may be obtained from the Office of the Rameshwardas Birla Smark Kosh, Bombay Hospital Avenue, Bombay 400020.

V South Zonal Conference of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics will be held on 9th and 10th August, 1986 at Medical College, Mysore.

For further information please contact, Dr. K. Ankegowda, Organizing Secretary, Professor and Head of the Department of Pediatrics, Children's Hospital, Mysore 570 001.

XIV Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Pediatrics (Rajasthan State Branch) will be held on 18th-19th October, 1986. The last date for submission of abstracts is 30th August, 1986. For further details contact Dr. R.U. Singhania, LSS Pediatrics Hospital and Research Centre, Jaykaynagar, Kota 324 003, Rajasthan.

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- Mehta MN, Mehta NJ. Serum lipids and ABO blood groups in cord blood of neonates. Indian J Pediatr 1984; 51: 39-43
- Smith GDL. Chronic ear disease. 3rd ed. Edinburgh: Churchill Livingstone, 1980 · 78-81
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