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### Setting a benchmark for breast healthcare in India

I was all set to spend the rest of my professional life as an Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon in the UK. The lord however, had other intentions for me. My mother was diagnosed with early breast cancer in 2002. Whilst making enquiries for my mother's treatment, I discovered some startling facts about breast healthcare in India. I came to the conclusion that dedicating the rest of my professional career to improve the delivery of Breast healthcare in my motherland would give me far greater satisfaction than being part of an established healthcare System in the United Kingdom. The year 2007 was a landmark year in my life. I returned to my roots - Hyderabad, a place that I was born and raised to translate my vision into reality. The Plenary lecture would highlight my mission in India focusing on the goals that I have set for myself. Having set out to dedicate the rest of my professional life to improve the delivery of Breast health care in India, the first seven years of my homecoming has well and truly been rewarding & I will cherish the experiences along this path forever. The lord's grace, a clear vision backed with definite plans, focused action, personal discipline and reliance on the confidence to achieve has helped me all along. *'I took the road less travelled...And that has made all the difference'...*

### Biography

P Raghu Ram is amongst the few in the World to have acquired prestigious FRCS from all four Royal Colleges in British Isles (London, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Ireland) & FACS from American College of Surgeons. Having obtained First Place in MS Postgraduate Examination, he completed Subspecialty training in Breast Surgery at world renowned Centers of excellence in the UK. He is the youngest ever recipient of the International Gold Medal (2013) in the 508 years history of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

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