

## **MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY DAY!**

**13<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

### **Be proud to be maxillofacial surgeon**

Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery is a bit of a tongue twister. Don't worry if you cannot articulate it. Most doctors too find it difficult! It is a surgical specialty of dentistry and medicine. The name is not the only challenging aspect of the specialty. Maxillofacial surgery deals with a very complex area of the body and involves treating diseases, injuries, malformations and reconstruction of the mouth, jaws and surrounding structures. Maxillofacial surgeons perform a range of procedures from surgical removal of wisdom teeth, dental implants, benign and malignant tumours of the mouth and jaws, cysts in the jaws, cosmetic surgery for dental and facial deformity, diseases of the jaw joints (TMJ), cleft lip and palate and associated deformities and major injuries to the face including fractures of the jaws and other facial bones! They do surgical procedures in the dental outpatient clinics and in hospital operating rooms under local anesthesia. It is an unique specialty bridging dentistry and medicine and it provides cutting edge solutions for procedures you may not have been aware about!

This post is in public interest and serves to highlight the specialty on Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Day (13<sup>th</sup> February) which celebrates the Birthday of Dr Minoo Sorabjee Ginwalla, the first Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon in India.