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Subject: Condemnation of Violence against Doctors and Women

We, the members of the Pediatric Hematology Oncology Chapter of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics, wish to express our profound sorrow and outrage in response to the recent heinous crime involving the tragic rape and murder of a young doctor in Kolkata. This appalling act of violence not only robbed a promising life but also sent shockwaves through the medical community and society at large.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of the victim during this unimaginable time. As an association, we extend our heartfelt condolences and stand in solidarity with them, reaffirming our commitment to advocate for a safer environment for all healthcare workers.

As healthcare professionals dedicated to the well-being of our patients, we recognize that the safety of doctors and medical staff in their workplaces is paramount. Unfortunately, the alarming rise in violent crimes against healthcare providers has created a climate of fear that undermines our ability to serve our communities effectively. We stand united in condemning any form of violence against women and the medical community.

We call upon the authorities to take immediate and substantial action to ensure the safety and security of healthcare professionals, particularly in hospital environments. It is crucial that robust measures are implemented to protect those who dedicate their lives to saving others. Furthermore, we advocate for stricter laws and harsher penalties for individuals who commit such violent acts, ensuring that justice is served and that potential offenders are deterred.

We urge our colleagues, community members, and policymakers to join us in this critical fight against violence and injustice. Together, we can create a safer future for our healthcare professionals and protect the dignity of all individuals.

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