

BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND HOSPITAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT (MHD)

RESOLUTIONS OF SECTIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Sectional Committee	Meeting No:	Date, Day & Time
Ear, Nose, Throat and Head & Neck Surgery (ENT - H&N) Instruments Sectional Committee, (MHD 04)	18	18 December 2024 Wednesday, 3:00PM
Chairperson	Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Professor, Dept. of Otorhinolaryngology and HNS, AIIMS New Delhi	
Member Secretary	Mr. Karthik Reddy Katipally Scientist B/Assistant Director Bureau of Indian Standards.	

Resolution 1 (ITEM 2.2)

The Committee recommended reorganizing its structure with respect to industry participation by moving the appropriate organizations to relevant panels, as industry representatives currently comprise more than 40% of its members.

Resolution 2 (ITEM 2.3)

The committee recommended co-opting relevant stakeholders into the panels (ideal representation in a panel is a minimum of 8) and directed the Member Secretary to consult the Convenors on this matter.

Resolution 3 (ITEM 2.4)

The Committee recommended writing back to Stryker to express interest in the committee's panels, outline their contributions, and seek nominations accordingly. Current nomination will be on hold till such time.

Resolution 4 (ITEM 3.1)

The Committee finalized the documents listed at Sl. Nos. 6 and 7. The document at Sl. No. 1 is referred to the HNS panel for resolving comments, while Sl. Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, and 19 are referred to the Throat panel.

Resolution 5 (ITEM 5.1).

- The Committee recommended forming respective working groups for the subjects listed in Annexure-C to draft the standard. Representatives of AIMED are requested to communicate this within their association and ensure that industry representatives are nominated to all relevant working groups by 12th January 2025.
- The Committee recommended transferring the Plasma Ablation System (Coblation System) to MHD 15, as the subject aligns more closely with the scope of MHD 15.

- The Committee recommended the adoption of ISO 10936-1:2017, *Optics and Photonics — Operating Microscopes — Part 1: Requirements and Test Methods*, for the subject ENT Operating Microscope. As the standard aligns more closely with the scope of MHD 01, it is recommended that MHD 01 adopt this standard.

Resolution 7 (ITEM 7.2)

The Committee accepted the subject transferred from MHD 11 and supported the formulation of a standard on voice prosthesis. This subject has been referred to the Throat Panel for further development.

Resolution 8 (ITEM 11.2)

The Committee referred IS 8343 to the Throat Panel to review the figure of the instrument provided in the standard. It also recommended circulating the same to all Committee members for their information and to seek inputs.

Resolution 9 (ITEM 11.3)

The Committee deliberated that the instruments have become obsolete. It was also deliberated that the silver alloy mentioned in the standards is prone to causing infection in patients. Therefore, it was recommended to withdraw the following standards.

MHD/04/25987. Revision of (IS 13179: 1991)	ENT Surgery Instruments — Tracheostomy Tubes — Chevalier Jackson's Pattern — Specification
MHD/04/25984. Revision of (IS 10308: 1982)	ENT Surgery Instruments — Tracheostomy Tubes and Guides — Cubley's Pattern — Specification

Resolution 10 (ITEM 12)

- The Committee finalized the standard MHD 04 (21659)/IS 9718:2024, PTFE Piston Cutting Jig — Specification (First Revision).
- The Committee noted the inputs on MHD 04 (21743)/IS 6464:2024, Gardiner Brown's Pattern Tuning Forks — Specification (Second Revision) from Alps and Serwell regarding the decrement time(referring to national guidelines) and test methods. It was recommended that this be referred to the Otolaryngology Panel for consideration.
- The Committee noted the inputs on MHD 04 (21830)/IS 9558:2024, PTFE Piston Cutting Jig — Specification (First Revision) regarding marking. Dr. Rakesh Kumar will share the appropriate markings as agreed in the meeting, and the draft will be referred to the Otolaryngology Panel for consideration.
- In this connection the committee recommended that MHD 04 (21743) and MHD 04 (21830) may be dropped from the portal.

Resolution 11 (ITEM 13)

The Committee recommended scheduling the next meeting on 5th March 2025 at 3:00 PM in face-to-face mode.