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The Indian Psychiatric Society condemns the series of incidents of violence against doctors in different parts of the country. We are deeply pained by all the acts of violence and vandalism; but the recent chain of events at Kolkata has shaken the sense of security and safety of the entire medical profession. Doctors cannot work under threats. Violence against them, under any circumstance is condemnable and unacceptable and should be dealt with punishment that is suitably harsh.

The Indian Psychiatric Society strongly condemns the brutal attack on serving doctors in Kolkata and demands immediate action against the perpetrators of the violence. It is high time to think of a “Central Medical Security Force” to safeguard the hospitals and personnel working there.

The Indian Psychiatric Society strongly supports the steps taken by Indian Medical Association and expresses solidarity with all medical professionals under the IMA's umbrella.