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Dear Reader,

Another year has passed by and we observe that there is a distinct change in the global weather patterns. Deserts are facing floods and snow is falling on hitherto snow free lands. Winter is becoming severe with several areas of the world attaining sub-zero temperature.

Rampant industrialization and the consequent release of harmful gases have destroyed the ozone layer of earth's atmosphere. Ultraviolet radiation is threatening human beings in much stronger form than before. Global warming is appearing to be a real threat and the snow on the peaks of the Himalayas has started melting.

All these changes pose a great challenge to the medical professionals of tomorrow. Newer patterns of infections, greater incidence of UV-radiation related illnesses etc. will confront physicians in the coming years. Are we getting ready to face these challenges?

Happy Reading!

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