Table 1: Requirements for accreditation of training

Clinical Materials		18-24 months accredited		30 months accredited
Basic	Trainer	1-2		2 or above
	In-patient caseload (complex/highly complex)	75-100		120
	Respiratory related clinic, ie, asthma/sleep	2 sessions per week		2 sessions per week
	Spirometry	50 per year		100 per year
Special	Static lung volume/ DLCO/ Bronchoprovocation tests	Less than 24 months accreditation may be granted in hospital with at least 3 out of 4 of the services (and/or inadequate caseload), as judged by the subspecialty board	available	24 per year
	Flexible bronchoscopy		20 per year	30 per year
	Polysomnography		50 per year	100 per year
	Pulmonary rehabilitation		available	available
	PICU	NA for <24months accreditation	mandatory	mandatory
	NICU		preferable	mandatory
Advanced	Respiratory medicine related services 1. ENT surgery 2. Surgical services related to respiratory tract (Maxillofacial/plastic/ Cardiac/Thoracic surgery/Spine/Paed) 3. Multidisciplinary aero-digestive tract assessment and management program 4. Special lung function test (infant) 5. ECMO 6. Organ transplant	NA		At least 3 out of 6

Because of the hospital setup and nature of clinical practice, the training cannot be concentrated in a single aspect in a particular period. So, a stepwise hospital accreditation approach is adopted. Trainees having training in 18-24 months accredited hospital must complete the rest of their training in the 30 months accredited hospital and/or overseas respiratory center, as judged by the subspecialty board.