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#### **About ISPPD**

The Indian Society of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry (ISPPD) is a national society specifically concerned with the oral health of children in India. It aims to improve oral health in children and encourage the highest standards of clinical care. ISPPD has over 2000 Pediatric Dentists as life members.

The emblem of the society is based on the famous triad of Keyes (1960). One circle represents the tooth, the other the bacteria and the third diet. The shaded area of inter-section of the circles represents dental caries. The Stress given is that for caries to develop all the three factors are essential; caries cannot occur if one factor is missing

Incidentally, this area of inter section of circles takes the form of Triangles. The triangle connotes two aspects

It represents delta, which is the sign of dentistry,

It depicts the pedodontic triangle as given by Wright (1975).

The three corners of triangles are indicative of (a) Child, (b) Mother (parent) and (c) Dentist. This triangle represents 1:2 transaction for the management of children

The top circle of keys in the emblem carries symbols of the emblem of the Indian dental Association (IDA) - Staff of Aesculpius with wings of serpents encircling around it. The staff of Aesculpius stands of captor of authority and represents the professional authority of association. The serpents show the power of healing since serpents ages back have been used for healing. Hippocrates adopted this symbol and we have adopted it with two serpents entwined around the staff in opposite directions. The wings on the staff represents the spread of knowledge. The wings have 6 small and 3 large divisions as in the IDA emblem.

The Indian Society of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry has been formed on the firm belief that "Every child has a fundamental right to his total oral health". The Society has an obligation to fulfill this faith.

#### **Aims & Objectives**

- The Society is formed on the firm belief that "Every child in India has a fundamental right to total oral health". Every member of the Dental profession in general and Pedodontists in particular have an obligation to uphold this right.
- The Society shall have the solemn responsibility towards the maintenance of positive dental health of the children through prevention, involvement of the community and through other necessary measures to achieve this objective.
- The Society shall make an endeavor to provide suitable medium for honoring the commitment it has so sacredly undertaken.
- The Society shall be responsible for improvement of education, research and delivery of Oralhealth care in the field of Pedodontics & Preventive Dentistry and shall extend cooperation or collaborate with any individual, group or organization,national or international, with similar ideas, ideals and objectives

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#### PRESIDENT'S NOTE



Dear Esteemed Members of the Indian Society of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry,

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that I address you through this edition of Smile Times. As we continue our collective journey towards promoting oral health and well-being among children, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering dedication and commitment.

Pedodontics and preventive dentistry play a pivotal role in shaping healthier futures for our young patients. Our society remains steadfast in its mission to advance research, education, and clinical excellence in these vital fields. I encourage all members to actively participate in upcoming conferences, workshops, and community outreach programs, as these initiatives are instrumental in spreading awareness and fostering best practices.

Together, let us strive to create a society where every child receives the best possible dental care, ensuring a lifetime of healthy smiles. I look forward to your continued support and collaboration.

Wishing you all good health and success.

#### Dr.Shashikiran.N.D.

Dean. Prof & Head Pediatric Dentistry School of Dental Sciences Krishna Vishwa Vidyapeeth Deemed to be University . Karad, Maharashtra

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY GENERAL



#### Season's Greetings!

Dear Esteemed Members,

Warm greetings from the Indian Society of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry (ISPPD)!

It is with great enthusiasm that I share a few exciting updates and upcoming events that mark our society's continued commitment to excellence in pediatric oral healthcare.

We were delighted to announce the launch of the ISPPD Research Grant 2025. This initiative aims to foster innovative and impactful research in the field of pediatric dentistry. We encourage our members, especially early-career researchers and postgraduate students, to actively participate and submit proposals that push the boundaries of clinical and preventive pediatric dental science. For this year, So many postgraduates and life members have already submitted applications before the due date. Let us together strengthen the evidence base that guides our specialty.

The recently concluded Oral Health Month was a resounding success across the country. From school dental camps and public awareness drives to webinars and community outreach programs, your participation has truly reflected our collective dedication to building a healthier future for children. A heartfelt thank you to all institutions, departments and individuals who contributed their time, energy, and creativity to making this month impactful and memorable.

Looking ahead, we are thrilled to invite you to PedoDham 2025, the much-awaited ISPPD Annual National Conference, set to take place in Bhuvaneshwar, Orissa from 19th to 22nd November, 2025. With a vibrant academic program, renowned speakers, and engaging handson workshops, PedoDham 2025 promises to be a convergence of learning, networking, and celebration of our specialty. I encourage all members to register early and participate wholeheartedly.

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It gives me great pleasure to announce the upcoming Rapid Revision Program, a unique academic initiative specially curated for postgraduate students preparing for their final examinations. This intensive program is designed to provide a comprehensive review of key topics in pediatric dentistry, delivered by eminent faculty members and experts in the field. The Rapid Revision Program has always been one of ISPPD's most appreciated academic offerings, aimed at bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and clinical application. This year's edition promises to be even more enriching, with updated content, focused sessions, and interactive discussions. We invite all postgraduate students to take full advantage of this opportunity to enhance their understanding and boost their exam readiness. I also encourage faculty members to motivate and guide students to participate actively. Further details regarding registration, schedule, and format will be shared shortly through official channels.

Let us continue to work together with a spirit of collaboration and scientific curiosity. Our shared passion for pediatric oral health is what drives the society forward.

With warm regards,

#### Dr. Varinder Goyal, MDS, MFDS, RCPS (Glasgow)

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#### FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD



Dear Readers,

Warm greetings from the editorial desk of ISPPD SmileTimes!

It gives me great pleasure to present to you the latest issue of our cherished newsletter, a vibrant reflection of the ever-evolving field of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry. As we continue our journey of promoting the oral health and well-being of children across the country, *SmileTimes* serves as a testament to our shared commitment, curiosity, and compassion.

In this issue, we bring you a blend of scientific updates, society activities, member contributions, and glimpses into the inspiring work being done across India. We have also included highlights of recent academic events, upcoming conferences, and thought-provoking perspectives from our young and experienced members alike.

Pediatric dentistry is not just a specialty, it is a responsibility, a passion, and a promise to nurture smiles that last a lifetime. Let us continue to innovate, collaborate, and inspire each other in this noble endeavor. I invite all our members to share their experiences, insights, and achievements with *SmileTimes*. Your voice is what makes this newsletter truly meaningful.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm. Together, let's keep spreading smiles! With warm regards,

Dr Faizal CP

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# ISPPD's New Digital Home – A Future-Ready Online Platform for Pediatric Dentistry

We are thrilled to announce the official launch of the revamped website of the Indian Society of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry (ISPPD) — a significant stride into the digital future for our professional community. This upgraded platform not only reflects the evolving identity of ISPPD but also establishes a vibrant and user-friendly interface that caters to both professionals and the public.

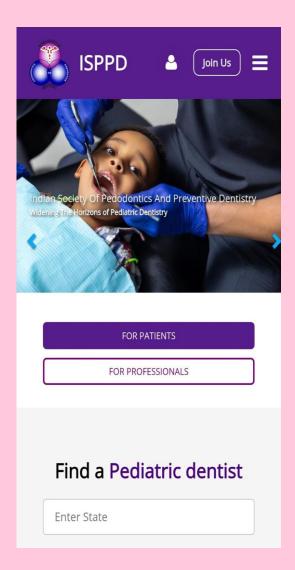
The updated website (<a href="www.isppd.org.in">www.isppd.org.in</a>) brings with it a fresh visual appeal, drawing inspiration from the colors of our society's logo — a harmonious blend of blue and pink that has given birth to a distinctive, contemporary digital identity. The website serves as a dynamic space for members to stay updated, access resources, and actively engage in shaping new features for the benefit of the fraternity.

One of the key highlights of the upgraded portal is the "Find a Pediatric Dentist" feature — an important tool that bridges the gap between specialized pediatric dental care and families seeking expert guidance. Additionally, the newly designed "Patient Information" section ensures that caregivers have easy access to reliable and relevant information about children's oral health, empowering them to make informed decisions. This digital transformation would not have been possible without the exceptional work of the Website Committee, chaired by Dr. Joe Mathew Cherian. His team — Dr. Mohamad Atif (Content and Professional Section), Dr. Arun Mamachan Xavier (Images and Design), Dr. Amol Lokade (Patient Section), and Dr. Mebin George Mathew (Member Blog) — have contributed diligently to each aspect of the site's creation. Their coordinated effort exemplifies how collaboration can lead to meaningful and sustainable innovation.

We also extend our sincere appreciation to Uniglow Infotech, Hyderabad — the creative and technical team behind the design and development of the website. Their expertise and professionalism played a pivotal role in bringing the society's vision to life.

As we embrace this new digital chapter, we invite all members to explore, connect, contribute, and co-create with us. Let us continue to strengthen ISPPD's mission of advancing pediatric dental care through innovation, collaboration, and community engagement.





# Report on 4<sup>th</sup> Batch of Certificate Course on Special Health Care Needs in Dentistry by ISPPD

The Indian Society of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry (ISPPD) in continuation conducted the Certificate course on "Special Health Care Needs in Dentistry" for the 4<sup>th</sup> Batch in the year 2025. The program was strategically organized in two modules to provide both theoretical knowledge and hands-on clinical exposure, catering to dental professionals keen on enhancing their understanding and management skills for patients with special health care needs.

The **online module was conducted** over three days on the 19th, 20th, and 21st of February 2025. It featured a series of interactive lectures, case-based discussions, and expert panels.. The online format allowed participants from across the country to conveniently attend and engage with the content in real time. Three days, 18 hours, 20 lectures on almost all aspect of physical, mental and medical disability, 45 registered delegates, 20 esteemed speakers including paediatric dentists, paediatric neurologist, Paediatric cardiologist, paediatric oncologist, developmental paediatrician etc, 38 honourable moderators, engaging MCQ at the end of every day session. The three day program was coordinated by **Prof. Dr.Shabnam Zahir.** 





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The offline module took place over two days in Kolkata on 27th 28th March 2025 at Regenta's Orko Hotel, providing participants with practical experience through clinical demonstrations and simulation-based training. The program was inaugurated by **Dr Dilip Mukherjee** as Chief Guest who was recipient of B C Roy award, founder & chairperson of Growth & Development Chapter of Indian Association of Paediatrics. **Prof. Dr. Varinder Goel**, Secretary General of ISPPD, **Prof Dr Mousumi Goswami**, Past President, ISPPD and Chief coordinator of the Certificate Course along with **Dr Raju Biswas**, Secretary IDA West Bengal graced the occasion.

The sessions focused on managing real-life scenarios, behavior guidance techniques, and the use of adaptive devices in dental treatment. Participants also had the opportunity to interact directly with faculty members, ask in-depth questions, and discuss complex case management strategies. The chief co ordinator &co ordinators of the off line session were **Prof. Dr. Mousumi Goswami**, **Prof. Dr. Shabnam Zahir & Prof. Dr Kunal Gupta** respectively

This certificate course was highly appreciated by the attendees for its structured format, experienced faculty, and relevance to modern dental practice. It successfully bridged the gap between theory and practice, reinforcing the importance of inclusive dental care. The ISPPD's initiative reflects its ongoing commitment to training dental professionals to address the challenges and needs of this underserved population, ultimately aiming to improve oral health outcomes for individuals with special health care need.







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To,

The Members,

Indian Society of Pedodontics & Preventive Dentistry,

Doctors Professional Indemnity has become a need of the hour for the medical profession and more so for our speciality. Hence Indian Society of Pedodontics & Preventive Dentistry has formed a committee to get an exclusive indemnity policy for its members. The committee has done due negotiations to get the maximum inclusion with the least premium.

Indian Society of Pedodontics & Preventive Dentistry has exclusively done a tie up with PRISHA INSURANCE BROKERS PVT LTD & we authorize them to provide carefully drafted Doctors Professional Indemnity with specially designed features and maximum savings on premium. We welcome all Indian Society of Pedodontics & Preventive Dentistry members to utilize this opportunity and register themselves under the Professional Indemnity Scheme. Members with existing indemnity policy can also register under this indemnity scheme, their existing retroactive date will be transferred to the new policy by providing a copy of existing running policy.

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## AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### **AIIMS Research Excellence Award**



**Dr Kalpana Bansal**, Additional professor at Paediatric and Preventive Dentistry unit, Centre for Dental Education and Research, All India Institute of Medical Sciences was conferred with the prestigious AIIMS Research Excellence Award in the Clinical Science category on the occasion of 4<sup>th</sup> Research Day held on 29-30<sup>th</sup> January, 2025. This award was accompanied with the cash prize of Rs 20,000 and was selected from 50 publications from the medical and dental fields published by the AIIMS faculty. This award was given by the Director and the Dean Research, AIIMS.

#### Famdent Pedodontist of the Year Award -2025



Dr. Sakshi Malik,
Professor, Department
of Pediatric and
Preventive Dentistry,
Daswani Dental
College, Kota was
honoured
with Famdent
Excellence in Dentistry
Award (FEDA -2025)
for her contributions in
the field of Pediatric
dentistry.

#### **Best Doctor Award**

**Dr. Vinaya Kumar Kulkarni** of SMBT Dental College and Hospital, Sangamner has been awarded the Best Doctor Award for-

- 1. Exemplary dedication, gentle approach and commitment to patient care.
- 2. Academic excellence, passion for teaching, mentorship and shaping the next generation of dental professionals.
- 3. Outstanding contributions to dental research, contributing to evidence-based practices and innovation in dental care.

  This prestigious award is bestowed on 28 th March 2025 at townhall by the Managing Trustee, SMBT Sevabhavi Trust and recognizes Dr. Vinaya Kumar Kulkarni's exceptional impact in the field of dentistry and his unwavering pursuit of excellence.



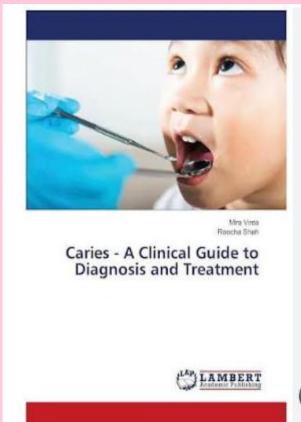


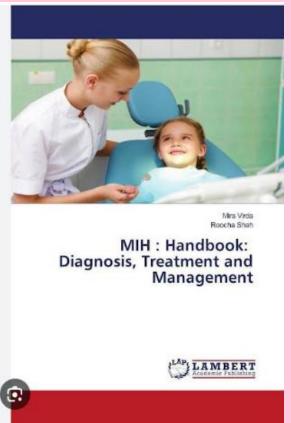
## **FAIMER Fellowship**



**Dr. Gauri Kalra**, Professor at the Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry,
Manav Rachna Dental College, Faridabad,
Haryana, was been selected for the prestigious FAIMER Fellowship (Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education and Research)

#### International Academic Achievement Award







Congratulations to **Dr Mira Virda** for receiving International Academic Achievement Awards for Women Researchers , authorship of three books related to Pediatric dentistry and copyrights granted by Government of India



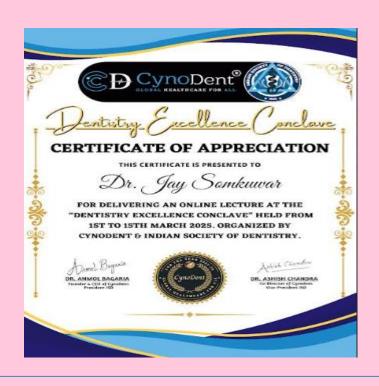
**Dr. Namita Singh**, Principal, Baba Jaswant Singh Dental College, Hospital and Research Institute, Ludhiana proudly received the "Emerging Skills University Award" on behalf of Lamrin Tech Skills University (LTSU), Punjab, at the Education Excellence Conclave 2025, organized by Zee Punjab, Haryana & Himachal

NMR Dental College, Telengana faculties and postgraduate students participated in the TSDC State Conference, where **Dr. Snehika** received the Best Paper award, and Dr. Pravalika and Dr. Bhagya Sree were recognized for their paper presentations.



Dr. Naseemoon Shaik delivered a guest lecture on "Smart Solutions for Tiny Teeth: Embracing Minimally Invasive Pediatric Dentistry" at the Famdent Show in Hyderabad, where postgraduate Dr. Yukta Pragnani was awarded Best Paper Presentation.

**Dr. Jay Somkuwar,** Senior Resident, Department of Dentistry, Government Medical College, Shahjahanpur, Uttar Pradesh, lectured at the "Dentistry Excellence Conclave" held from 1 st to 15 th March 2025, organized by CYNODENT and Indian Society Of Dentistry.





Dr. Ankita Chandak received the first prize in the delegate category for my paper presentation titled "Effect of Self-Designed Game HOP-A-DENT on 6–10-year-old Children's Anxiety Compared with Tell-Show-Do method: A Clinical Trial" at IDA Nagpur on 12th January 2025.

**Dr.Ritesh Kalaskar** was honored with the esteemed Pierre Fauchard Award, Section At Large, Asia

Region at the 16th World Dental Sciences and Oral Health Conference in Colombo, Sri Lanka, in April 2025 for his exemplary contributions to dental education and academic leadership.







Dr. Ritesh Kalaskar and Dr. Shivani
Nagnath Bhadule secured Second Prize for
there novel innovation-Pedoplant at the
DMER-GDCH Dental Education and Research
Summit-II 2025, held on 5th February at
Government Dental College and Hospital,
Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar..



Furthering their achievements, **Dr. Kalaskar and Dr. Bhadule** received the prestigious Patent Gem of Vidarbha award at Advantage Vidarbha 2025 for their invention *Pedoplant*—an innovative prosthetic mini-implant designed for pediatric tooth replacement, marking a significant milestone in Pediatric Dentistry. **Hon. Minister Shri Nitin Gadkari** presented the award, recognizing their contribution to child healthcare The Department of Pediatric Dentistry at GDCH Nagpur continues to lead innovation, having launched India's first Fellowship in Sports Dentistry and introduced a *Sensory Adapted Dental Environment (SADE)* designed with an ocean theme, offering a calming atmosphere for anxious pediatric patients.. He, along with **Dr. Utkarsha Kadam**, also received recognition for their patent on a "Monitoring Dentist Positioning Sensor," aimed at improving ergonomics in dental practice. **Dr. Rashmi Dongarwar** won First Prize at NIDACON 2025 for her paper on *Comparative 3D Finite Element Analysis of Conventional and Modified Mouthguards* in pediatric patients. These achievements reflect the department's commitment to excellence, serving as a model for advancing pediatric dental care.



**Dr. Sanchit Paul** delivered two keynote lectures entitled "Pulp Fiction: A 2025 Perspective" and "BIOCERAMICS: The Present of Pediatric Endodontics." At International Indonesian Pediatric Dentistry Association (IIPDA) in Bandung, Indonesia. In addition to his academic contributions, Dr. Sanchit also participated in a community outreach initiative focused on oral health education and preventive care.



Dr Pratibha Kukreja delivered a keynote lecture at the Young Dentists forum in Pune Dental show held on 26-27 April 2025. The talk was titled as 'Integrating the dental needs of special population in our practices- the way forward is special', and was well appreciated by senior dentists and dental students. In her talk, Dr Pratibha focussed on ways to incorporate good experiences for special children, modification in clinical setups, preventive pediatric dentistry and need for inclusive changes in dental care



# World Record Title During Post-Graduation in Pediatric Dentistry





**Dr. Nandini Devi.M** from Trichy, a postgraduate alumni (Batch 2021-2024) from Saveetha Dental College and Hospitals, Chennai was honoured by the RAABA Book of World Records with the title "World's First Postgraduate in Pediatric Dentistry to Perform the Highest Number of Full Mouth Rehabilitations: 110 Under General Anesthesia and 132 Under Conscious Sedation During MDS Course" in the presence of the Chancellor, Dean, Heads of the department, students and peers on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025.



Congratulations **Dr. Padminee Krishnan,**MDS, FMPS, TOTs trained,
inaugurated her exclusive
pediatric dental clinic, Giggles
& Emp; Grins, in Adyar,
Chennai, on 10th March 2025.

## **Dental Awareness programmes**

## MNR Dental College & Hospital, Sangareddy

The Department of Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry actively engaged in a range of academic, community, and outreach initiatives from January to March 2025, reflecting its commitment to holistic pediatric dental care through education, service, and compassion. Across these three months, the department organized multiple dental screening camps, benefiting over 3,300 school children. These camps featured brushing and handwashing demonstrations, diet counseling, and oral hygiene education.





World Oral Health Day was celebrated on March 20 with interactive educational sessions for children and parents. As, s part of its social responsibility efforts in March, the department team visited Sishu Gruha and provided clothes and oral hygiene kits to 10 orphaned children ranging in age from 2 months to 6 years. Caregivers and staff were also educated on the importance of maintaining children's oral hygiene, reinforcing their essential role in daily health practice

# The Department of Paediatric and Preventive Dentistry at KGMU, Lucknow



Teachers' training on Emergency Management of Injured Teeth at Kanya Poorv Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Kakori,



Dental camp at Koradiya, Sindhauli, Sitapur, where 175 children were examined in a rural setup

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The Department organized a free dental screening camp at DKZP Government High School, Nalyapadavu on the 1st and the 15th of March 2025 and at Government School, Bikarnakatte on the 20th of March 2025. The oral health screening was completed for a total of 516 school students at Nalyapadavu school which included the screening of 351 students in the first visit and 165 students in the second. A total of 148 students were screened at Bikarnakatte school

# The Department Of Dentistry, Government Medical College And Hospital, Chandigarh

The Department of Dentistry Government Medical college and hospital sec 32 Chandigarh in collaboration with International College of Dentists Section VI (India, Sri Lanka and Nepal), IDA Chandigarh State Branch and Department of obstetrics and Gynaecology GMCH 32 organized a preventive oral health programme on 13th March to celebrate the International Women's Day. It was an interactive programme. They were educated on oral health preventive measures by power point presentation with lectures .All aspects such as oral lesions during pregnancy, nutritional intake, myths regarding oral hygiene during pregnancy, anticipatory guidance, role of fluorides and type of toothbrush to be used were discussed.









The Department of Dentistry and Psychiatry of the Government Medical College and Hospital Sector 32 Chandigarh in collaboration with Oral Health Sciences Centre, PGIMER Chandigarh, ICD Section VI (India, Sri Lanka and Nepal) and IDA Chandigarh State Branch celebrated the World Oral Health Day and World Down Syndrome Day on 21st March 2025 at the Government Rehabilitation Institute for Intellectual Disabilities (GRIID) Sector 31, Chandigarh. A Dental check up camp was held for the children with Down Syndrome where they were examined and treatment was advised to them. The parents and teachers were also educated about specific aspects of preventive oral health care for these children. Free toothpastes and toothbrushes were distributed among the children. An enthusiastic dance performance was also given by the children. In all it was a very fruitful programme for the children, parents & teaching staff of the institute

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### Sibar Institute Of Dental Sciences, Guntur

#### Pedo PG Alumni meet



On the eve of Silver Jubilee Celebrations of Sibar institute of dental sciences, Department of Pediatric Dentistry organised Pedo PG Alumni meet on 22/02/2025c and Preventive. 51 pg alumni out of 74 (15 batches) and 6 Staff alumni attended the event and cherished their memorable moments.

#### **International Women's Day**

International Women's Day was celebrated on 07-03-2025highlighting the achievements of women faculty. Dr E. Sreedevi and Dr K. Pranitha, working as Professors in the department have been nominated for ISPPD Distinguish women award 2025



#### **World Oral Health Day**

On the eve of World Oral Health Day celebrations (20-03-2025) Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry, Sibar Institute of Dental Sciences, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, organized an educational dental tour for school children to promote oral health awareness and have a live experience of various treatment procedures carried out on patients. The event featured dental tour to all the departments, interactive activities like quiz and drawing competitions, live demonstration on patients and study models, Oral Screening and distribution of Oral Hygiene Kits.





# Santosh Dental College & Hospital, Ghaziabad, Delhi NCR

Embracing this spirit of World Oral Health Day, the Department of Paediatric and Preventive Dentistry at Santosh Dental College and Hospital, Ghaziabad, organized a month-long campaign from March 20 to April 20, 2025, with a series of thoughtfully curated awareness programs. As part of this initiative, total seven camps were conducted throughout the period with the aim of improving the oral health of children across diverse settings.

A Dental Health Education and Awareness Camp was organized at the Swasambhav Child Development Centre, a dedicated institution focused on the holistic development of children with special needs. Under the compassionate leadership of Dr. Nidhi Gupta, Professor and Head of the Department, the initiative aimed to promote oral health and hygiene among children with learning disabilities





















## **CDE PROGRAMMES**

## The Oxford Dental College, Bengaluru

The Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry, The Oxford Dental College, conducted a CDE program on 15th January 2025 on "Comprehensive Management of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)". The session was led by Ms. Chitra Seshadri, Director of Sambhavam Centre for Autism, and Ms. Miftah, Central Head of Subodha School Learning Community, Bangalore.

This insightful program aimed to educate pediatric dental professionals on the holistic and multidisciplinary approaches necessary for managing children with ASD in a dental setup. Ms. Chitra Seshadri, with her extensive experience in special education and behavioural therapy, shared practical strategies for communication, behaviour modification strategies, sensory management, and creating a supportive clinical environment tailored for children with ASD.





## MNR Dental College & Hospital, Sangareddy

A Continuing Dental Education (CDE) program titled "Patient-Centered Care: The Psychological Perspective" was conducted on February 4 by Dr. Sridevi E., Professor of Sibar Dental College



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The Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry at A. B. Shetty Memorial Institute of Dental Sciences conducted a Skill Development Programme (Guest lecture and Handson workshop) on Dental Photography techniques, titled "Capturing Perfection: Essential Dental Photography Skills" on the 21st of February 2025. The resource person for the day was Dr. Nidhish Krishna, consultant pediatric dentist and an alumnus of the department The Department organised a symposium on growth titled "The Growth Continuum: Early Diagnosis In Pediatric Dentistry" on the 22nd of March 2025. The resource persons for the symposium were Prof. Dr. K. Sadashiva Shetty, Senior Orthodontist and Former Director & Principal, Bapuji Dental College & Hospital and Prof. Dr. G. Sreejith Kumar, Professor and Head, Department of Orthodontics, Government Dental College, Kottayam.

#### **Guest Lecture**

Dr. Gauri Kalra, Professor, Department of Pediatric & Preventive Dentistry, Manav Rachna Dental College, Faridabad, Haryana was invited for a guest lecture organised by Sardar Patel PG Institute of Dental Sciences, Lucknow under the aegis of ISPPD entitled- From Manuscript To Milestone: Navigating The Path From The Editor's Desk. She delivered a guest lecture on —Publish Like a Pro: Tips and Tricks and editorial insights for Thesis publication



# Karnavati School of Dentistry, Karnavati University, Gujarat

The Department of Pediatric and Preventive Dentistry, Karnavati School of Dentistry, Karnavati University, under the adept leadership of Dr. Megha Patel hosted an enriching continuing dental education program titled "Making Pediatric Dentistry Easier" on 3rd January 2025. The session was led by esteemed clinician Dr. Mukul Jain and saw enthusiastic participation from 75 postgraduate students and dental professionals from all over Gujarat. The interactive workshop featured expert lecture and hands-on demonstrations. The event commenced with a traditional lamp lighting ceremony, followed by a warm felicitation of the guest speaker. The occasion was graced by Dr. Santosh Kumar (Dean) and Dr. Niraj Kinariwala (Additional Director, Karnavati University).





# The Department of Paediatric and Preventive Dentistry at KGMU, Lucknow



Mind Management" workshop conducted by Dr. Rita Wahal and Ms. Yamini Chak



A workshop on "Posterior Composites" by Dr. Priyanka Jain Sikka

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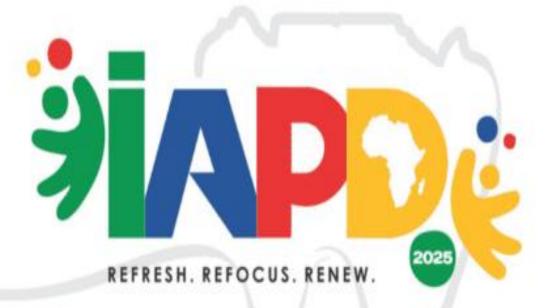
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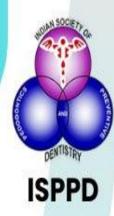
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