

ROSCON-24 : A Comprehensive Three-Day Event for Ophthalmology Professionals in Udaipur



Udaipur: The 46th Annual Conference of the Rajasthan Ophthalmological Society, ROSCON-24, brought together over 400 ophthalmologists from across India at Hotel Inder Residency in Udaipur, from November 8-10, 2024. The event offered an enriching platform for learning, networking, and exploring the latest advancements in eye care, concluding with an awards ceremony honoring outstanding

contributions in ophthalmology. **Day 1 : Inauguration and Opening Keynote**
The conference commenced with an inaugural ceremony, featuring notable personalities from the field of ophthalmology, including Dr. Samar Basak, President of the All India Ophthalmological Society, and Dr. Santosh Honavar, the society's Secretary. Dr. J.P. Atray, the

Organizing Chairman, set the tone for ROSCON-24 as a key knowledge-sharing platform. Dr. Basak delivered the opening keynote, focusing on advancements in retinal surgery and emerging technologies reshaping ophthalmic treatment. The day concluded with a panel discussion on "The Future of Eye Care in India," addressing critical challenges and the future direction of eye health in both rural and

urban communities. **Day 2 : Workshops and Scientific Presentations**
The second day was dedicated to hands-on workshops and scientific sessions, covering a wide range of ophthalmological topics. Dr. Laxman Jhala, Organizing Secretary, organized these sessions to foster practical learning and experience-sharing among attendees. **Key workshops included:**
-Cataract Surgery Techniques: A hands-on workshop focusing on innovations in cataract surgery, including advanced phacoemulsification methods.
-Retinal Disease Management : Discussions on the latest treatments for diabetic retinopathy, age-related macular degeneration, and retinal detachment.
-Pediatric Ophthalmology: Addressing common eye con-

ditions in children and techniques for pediatric eye surgeries. The scientific sessions, curated by Dr. Vishal Agarwal, covered more than 200 conditions, ranging from glaucoma management and corneal transplants to artificial intelligence applications in diagnostics. These sessions were highly appreciated by doctors for their depth and relevance. **Day 3 : Clinical Case Discussions and Closing Ceremony**
The third day focused on interactive clinical case discussions, where participants engaged in detailed analyses of complex cases presented by senior ophthalmologists. These sessions encouraged collaborative problem-solving and knowledge exchange, providing young ophthalmologists with valuable insights from experienced practitioners.

As the conference drew to a close, Dr. Ghulam Ali Kamdar, Secretary of the Rajasthan Ophthalmological Society, spoke about the society's commitment to hosting annual conferences in major cities across Rajasthan, fostering continuous learning in the field. The closing ceremony featured the presentation of awards, recognizing exceptional work in innovative surgical techniques, groundbreaking research, and contributions to community eye health. The event concluded on a celebratory note, with attendees expressing gratitude for the valuable insights gained throughout the conference. ROSCON-24 successfully combined academic knowledge, practical skills, and networking opportunities, reinforcing Rajasthan's growing role in advancing ophthalmological care in India.

Promoting Health Awareness Through Folk Art



Udaipur: In alignment with the National AIDS Control Organization's guidelines, the Rajasthan State AIDS Control Society, Jaipur, and Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, organized a state-level Folk Media Workshop from November 7-9, 2024. The workshop brought together skilled folk artists from across Rajasthan, proficient in various traditional art forms like Khayal, street theatre, puppet shows, magic, and folk music. The initiative aimed to spread awareness about HIV/AIDS and STIs through the engaging medium of folk art. **Vice-Chancellor Prof. Sunita Mishra** highlighted the significance of the workshop, emphasizing that such initiatives play a crucial role in raising awareness about HIV/AIDS in rural areas. She noted that folk art has a unique emotional appeal, resonating deeply with people. She drew parallels to how folk artists inspired communities during the freedom movement, stating that these art forms will always hold an influential role in society. Prof. Mishra also shared the achievements of Kalbelia dancer Gulabo Devi, who has brought global acclaim to Rajasthani art.

Dean of the College of Arts, Prof. Hemant Dwivedi, discussed how initiatives like these not only promote folk art but also raise awareness about health. He emphasized that folk art serves as an impactful medium for conveying messages, facilitating positive changes in society.

Dr. P.S. Rajput, the organizer and coordinator of the Red Ribbon Club at Mohanlal Sukhadia University, explained that local artists were trained to deliver effective health messages through performances. Over 100 folk artists participated, aiming to boost awareness about HIV/AIDS while also reviving folk art traditions.

Teams from 27 districts of Rajasthan, including Bikaner, Alwar, Pali, Nagaur, Jaisalmer, Jodhpur, and Ajmer, received training to communicate HIV awareness through folk forms. These teams prepared scripts and performances in their local dialects, using songs, puppetry, theatre, and magic to effectively convey health messages. Various sessions were conducted over the three-day workshop, focusing on integrating HIV awareness themes into folk performances. The event saw participation from officials, including Dr. Pradeep Chaudhary, Sitaram Yadav, Garima Bhati, Lalit Chauhan, and Ratanlal Mali, from the Rajasthan State AIDS Control Society.

This workshop was a significant step toward raising HIV/AIDS awareness across Rajasthan while celebrating and revitalizing traditional folk art forms.

Emphasizing Industry-Oriented Skill Development - Prof. Sunita Mishra

Udaipur: Mohanlal Sukhadia University hosted a one-day workshop today focusing on overcoming challenges in the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and exploring the role of the National Academic Depository (NAD). Presiding over the event, University Vice Chancellor Prof. Sunita Mishra highlighted the significance of creating industry-aligned courses and vocational skill development programs, as outlined in NEP 2020. She emphasized that curricula should be tailored to meet industrial demands, offering students better career opportunities.

Inaugural Address by Dr. Rajesh Chandra Kumawat
The workshop commenced with an address by Dr. Rajesh Chandra Kumawat, the Controller of Examinations, who welcomed the guests and emphasized the need for the workshop. Dr. Kumawat stated that the primary goal of this workshop is to understand and address the challenges present in the education sector, ensuring students receive high-quality education. He urged all participants to collaborate in achieving the objectives set forth by the education policy.

Insight into NAD and Its Functions
During the workshop, Dr. N.K. Parikh explained the role and functions of the NAD system, elaborating on how students can securely upload and download their credentials. This step enhances the security of academic records and facilitates easy access.

Addressing NEP Implementation Challenges
Prof. K.B. Joshi addressed the challenges universities face in implementing NEP 2020, offering a comprehensive outline of solutions. He explained how institutions can streamline the policy's application process effectively.

A Vote of Thanks
Dr. Mukesh Barber, Deputy Registrar, concluded the workshop by thanking the participants. The event saw the attendance of prominent faculty members, including Dr. Vardichand Garg, Registrar, and Dr. G.L. Vasita, Senior Accounts Officer, along with about 70 other participants, marking a significant step towards effective policy implementation.

B.N. U: Enhances Creativity and Cultural Awareness

Bhupal Nobles University, Udaipur, hosted a storytelling workshop led by Ayush Kshetri, CEO of Human Library Cafe Regional Center and Trainer at Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog. The event aimed to cultivate creativity, writing skills, and self-confidence among students in Arts, Science, Commerce, and Management. Key attendees included Dr. Renu Rathore, Dr. Shilpa Rathore, and Dr. Rajni Arora. Workshop coordinator Dr. Jayshree Singh and co-coordinator Dr. Manisha Shekhawat guided students in narrative techniques, character development, and expressive dialogue. Professor S.S. Sarangdevot emphasized the workshop's goal to broaden perspectives and enhance communication skills.

GMCH : Radiology Day Celebrated

Udaipur: World Radiology Day is being celebrated globally. This day highlights the importance of radiology and imaging technology, aiming to raise awareness among people. It commemorates the discovery of X-rays by Dr. Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen in 1895, a breakthrough that transformed the medical field. This year's theme for World Radiology Day is Radiographers: Seeing the Unseen. In today's healthcare landscape, radiology plays a crucial role not only in disease diagnosis but also in effective treatment. Technologies such as X-rays, CT scans, MRI, and



ultrasound facilitate diagnosis and treatment, saving millions of lives worldwide. Geetanjali Hospital's Radiology Department marked the occasion with a special event attended by Geetanjali Hospital's CEO Mr. Rishi Kapoor, Medical Superintendent Dr. Harpreet Singh, Head of the Radiology Department Dr. Ravindra Kundu, and staff from other departments.

CEO Mr. Rishi Kapoor emphasized that radiologists are the backbone of Geetanjali Hospital. He encouraged everyone to utilize radiology services through regular health check-ups, as early diagnosis and treatment are achievable through increased awareness and regular health screenings. Medical Superintendent Dr. Harpreet Singh expressed gratitude to all healthcare workers, radiologists, and technicians for their dedication to improving lives. This day is celebrated to acknowledge the contributions of radiology and extend its reach to every individual.

World Diabetes Day: A Walkathon to Promote Awareness on Prevention of Diabetes and Stroke

Udaipur: Due to changing lifestyles, diseases like diabetes and stroke are increasing rapidly. To address this issue, Pacific Medical College and Hospital, in collaboration with the Indian Stroke Association, World Stroke Organization, and Stroke Support Group Udaipur, organized a "Run for Diabetes" and "Mission for Brain Attack" campaign on World Diabetes Day at Fateh Sagar. The event aimed to spread awareness about the prevention of diabetes and stroke among the general public. The "Run for Diabetes" was flagged off by Rahul Agarwal, Chairman of PMC, Dr. Nirmal Surya, President of World Stroke Organization and Neurologist, Dr. Atulabh Vajpayee, Stroke Specialist, Dr. V.K. Goyal, Head of Medicine Department, Dr. Girish Verma, Dr. Jagdish Vishnoi, and Dr. Veerendra Chaudhary. Chairman Rahul Agarwal emphasized that diabetes is a disease whose symptoms are often unknown to the public. Due to the lack of timely tests, the disease often goes undiagnosed. To raise awareness, PMC regularly organizes such events to benefit the common people. During the "Mission for Brain Attack" campaign, Dr. Nirmal Surya highlighted the importance of spreading awareness about stroke through the "Each One Teach One" theme. He urged everyone to educate at least one person about the signs of stroke, as early detection can help prevent death and disability due to strokes.

The campaign also included rallies, talks, and quiz competitions across various cities to raise awareness about stroke. In Udaipur, the focus was on teaching the public to recognize stroke symptoms using the "BE-FAST" method, which can help save lives and prevent disability. Dr. Atulabh Vajpayee also announced that an MoU between World Neuro Rehab Federation and Pacific Medical University has been signed, aiming to introduce a fellowship in Neuro Rehab. This initiative will provide world-class facilities to patients suffering from stroke and neuro rehabilitation in Rajasthan and enhance the expertise of local professionals in the field.

University Selects NEP SAARTHI Ambassadors

Haridev Joshi University of Journalism and Mass Communication will select three students as NEP SAARTHIs to promote the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. These student ambassadors will organize campus events, run social media campaigns, and provide guidance to peers on NEP initiatives. Selected from graduate, postgraduate, and PhD programs through exams and interviews, the SAARTHIs will gather feedback to enhance NEP's impact. At year-end, they'll receive a Certificate of Recognition and have the chance to publish in the UGC Newsletter. The initiative aims to engage students actively in India's educational reform, fostering leadership and awareness across campuses.

C.P.S. Triumphs in National Anuvrat Song Singing Competition



Udaipur: C.P.S. School students achieved remarkable success in the National Anuvrat Song Singing Competition held on November 5-6, 2024, in Surat, Gujarat, under the guidance of Acharya Mahashramanji, with competitors from 18 states. C.P.S. secured first place in both group and solo junior categories. In a celebration marked by flowers and applause, students were honored for their outstanding performances. Led by music teacher Mr. Narayan Gandharv, students displayed exceptional talent. Winners included Nisha Mogri, Geet Paliwal, Pratham Goyal, Srishti Dewar, and Priya Meena in the Senior Group category, and Priyanshi Gandharv, who excelled in the Junior Solo category.

PFC Education Students Achieve

International Acclaim

Udaipur: India - Students from PFC Education have once again elevated India's prestige by earning top national and international ranks, underscoring the institution's commitment to nurturing global talent.



Rohan Jain's Remarkable Success

In the recent September exam attempt, Rohan Jain achieved an impressive third place nationally and tenth internationally in Advanced Management Financial Management. Previously, he ranked first nationally and fifth internationally in Advanced Taxation, as well as first in Performance Management.

Vandana Dhanjani's Stellar Accomplishment - Vandana Dhanjani also excelled, securing second place nationally and seventh internationally in Advanced Management Financial Management, enhancing PFC Education's global reputation.

Director's Inspiring Message

Director Meenakshi Bherwani celebrated these achievements as a testament to PFC Education's dedication to student success, emphasizing the institution's mission to empower students to bring honor to India on the world stage.

MPUAT Hosts 8th Five-Year Review of Tuber Crop Research

Udaipur: The two-day review meeting for the North and Western region of the All India Coordinated Tuber Crop Research Project was held at Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology (MPUAT), Udaipur. The meeting focused on evaluating the five-year activities of the project, with scientists from four universities and research centers presenting their reports. Dr. Ajit Kumar Karnatak, Vice Chancellor of MPUAT, highlighted the importance of research on tuber crops for the livelihood of tribal communities. The event also featured discussions with local farmers and the launch of three technical bulletins to aid

agricultural advancement in Mewar.

Walkathon Marks Success of Robotic Knee Surgery in Udaipur

Udaipur: To celebrate the remarkable success of robotic knee surgeries, Paras Health organized a walkathon on Sunday morning at the Fatehsagar Lake promenade with the theme, "Take a Step Towards a Pain-Free Life." Around 250 senior citizens, who had undergone robotic knee surgeries at Paras Health under the guidance of Dr. Ashish Singhal, participated in the event. These individuals are now leading healthy lives without any knee-related pain in their daily activities.

Dr. Ashish Singhal shared that seniors aged 50 and above joined the walkathon, starting at 6:00 AM, with smiles and laughter. During the event, several participants shared their experiences about the positive impact of the robotic surgeries on their health. Many elderly



women also participated alongside men.

Dr. Singhal explained that the walkathon was organized to commemorate the success of over 100 knee replacement surgeries. He highlighted that all the patients have recovered well and are living happily without any discomfort in their routine activities. Robotic surgery allows patients to begin walking on the very first day, with complete recovery typically taking four to five weeks.

The Chief Guest, DIG Rajendra Goyal, addressed the gathering, saying that robotic knee surgery has helped seniors regain their youthful mobility, with no more concerns about old age. He praised the participants, noting that these elderly individuals, who recently underwent surgery at Paras Health, are living proof of the transformative power of robotic knee surgery. "Knee replacement means the end of old age," he remarked.

After the brief ceremony, Dr. Abel George, Facility Director at Paras Health Udaipur, and Dr. Ashish Singhal flagged off the walkathon.



Prof. Amarika Singh Invites Archana Das for Cultural Showcase at IEA Conference

Jaipur : NIMS University's Pro-Chancellor, Prof. Amarika Singh, has invited Archana Das, Director of Art & Culture Creative 360 Jaipur, to lead a cultural program at the upcoming Indian Economic Association (IEA) International Conference. Scheduled for December 27-29, 2024, the conference will feature Rajasthani folk culture under Das's direction. This event, taking place at NIMS University, aims to highlight Rajasthan's rich heritage through traditional music, dance, and arts, offering delegates a unique cultural experience. Prof. Singh expressed enthusiasm about showcasing Rajasthan's vibrant culture on an international stage.

Prof. Amarika Singh Hosts Social Delegation at NIMS University

Jaipur : Prof. Amarika Singh, Pro-Chancellor of NIMS University, hosted a social delegation comprising Shri Balveer Singh Shekhawat, Abhimanyu Singh Tanwar, and Mohar Singh Shekhawat. The meeting, held at the university, focused on discussing social initiatives and educational programs. Prof. Singh welcomed the delegation with traditional honors and emphasized the importance of collaboration for the university's growth. The delegation members appreciated the university's contributions to education and pledged to work together in addressing social issues and advancing academic goals. The gathering laid the foundation for future cooperation.