DOCTORS DAY CELEBRATION - BLOOD DONATION CAMP





Inaugurating Blood Donation Camp by Dr. Madhavi Khode (IAS) Additional Divisional Commissioner and Vice Chancellor, RST Nagpur University.



Enthusiastic members queuing up to donate blood.



Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe, President, Dr. Manjusha Giri, Immediate Past President and Dr. Jitendra Sahu, Hon. Secretary of IMA Nagpur, seen donating blood.

On the occasion of *Doctors Day 1st July 2025*, a **Mega Voluntary Blood Donation Camp** was organized by **IMA Nagpur**, in collaboration with several esteemed organizations including **Snehi Medical Professionals Welfare Association Nagpur**, **Vidarbha Association of Pathologists and Microbiologists**, **Lions Club Nagpur Medicos**, **Lions Club Nagpur Health City**, **Lions Club Nagpur Vision**, **JCI Nagpur Health Achievers**, **JCI Nagpur Colours**, **Rotary Club Nagpur Ishanya**, **District Chemists and Druggists Association**, **Maharashtra State Sales Executive Association**, and **State Bank of India**.

Under the leadership of **Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe**, President of IMA Nagpur, the camp was conducted with the noble goal of collecting blood for patients in need.

The event was graced by **Dr. Madhavi Khode**, *Additional Divisional Commissioner* and *Vice Chancellor, RST Nagpur University*, as the Chief Guest.

Padmashree Dr. Chandrashekhar Meshram as well as District Governor of Lions District 3234H1 and District Governor of Rotary Club were prominently present.

Over **161 units of blood** were collected during the camp. Each **voluntary blood donor** was honored with a **Blood Donor Card**, **Certificate**, and a **Memento**, acknowledging their selfless humanitarian service. Organizing partners were presented with a **Scroll of Honour** in recognition of their invaluable contribution to society. Many donors pledged to continue supporting such causes in the future.

Dr. Jitendra Sahu, Hon. Secretary, IMA Nagpur, expressed heartfelt gratitude to all participants and donors for their generous support. President and Secretary of IMA Nagpur donated blood to encourage others.

The event witnessed the esteemed presence of several dignitaries:

- Dr. Y.S.Deshpande, Past President, IMA MS
- Dr. Ashish Disawal, Vice President, IMA MS
- Dr. Maniusha Giri, Imm. Past President, IMA Nagpur
- **Dr. Sachin Gathe**, President Elect
- Dr. Ajay Kate, Dr. Vandana Kate, Dr. Prashant Nikhade, Dr. Sanjay Deotale Past Presidents
- Dr. Alok Umre, Vice President, IMA Nagpur
- **Dr. Shivani Sule**, Hon. Treasurer
- Dr. Anjali Bhandarkar, Hon. Joint Secretary
- Dr. Yash Banait, Hon. Jt. Secretary
- Dr. Ajay Deshpande, Chairman, IMA AMS
- Dr. Shubhangi Vairagade, Hon. Secretary, IMA AMS
- Dr. Ashish Khandelwal, Dr. Prashant Rathi, Dr. Chinmay Akre, Dr. Manisha Rathi, Dr. Tulsi Chaddi and Dr. Alka Kumar, President NOGS.

Blood bank partners included GSK Blood Bank, Lata Mangeshkar Blood Bank (Hingna, Nagpur), and GMC Blood Bank.

The camp was widely appreciated by the general public for its well-coordinated efforts and social impact.

DOCTORS' DAY CELEBRATION



Indian Medical Association Nagpur celebrated Doctors Day on 1st July 2025 in the fond memory of **Bharat Ratna Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy.**

This year National theme for Doctors day is "Behind the Mask: Who Heals the Healers?" highlights the emotional and mental struggles faced by healthcare professionals. It urges society to look beyond their roles as caregivers and acknowledge their need for empathy, support, and well-being.

Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe, President IMA Nagpur welcomed the gathering. Dr Sawarbandhe talked on importance of celebrating Doctor's day is to acknowledge and glorify the roles of Doctors that they have been playing over the years by saving hundreds n thousands of lives.

Dr Ravinder Kumar Singal (IPS) Hon'ble Commissioner of Police, Nagpur Division was the chief guest. Due to some unavoidable circumstances he could not attend the function but he extended his warm wishes to the doctors' fraternity.

Dr Ravi Chavan, Dean, Indira Gandhi Govt. Medical College, Nagpur was the Guest of Honour. He stressed on need of unity amongst our medical practitioners.

Dr Milind Naik, Past National Vice President, Past President, IMA MS and Mentor IMA Nagpur Presided over the ceremony.

Dr Sachin Gathe President Elect IMA Nagpur was also on the dais.

Dr Jitendra Sahu Hon Secretary IMA Nagpur proposed formal vote of thanks . Program was concluded with National Anthem.

On this occasion, IMA felicitated senior doctors who had given yeomen services to the society Dr. Prashant Rahate, Dr. Vasant Khalatkar, Dr. Chandrashekhar Gillurkar, Dr. Mahendra Sawarkar, Dr.

Harish Chandak, Dr. Pratibha Dawande, Dr. Mala Kamble, Dr. Rafat Khan, Dr. Vithalrao Dange, Dr. Harish Kedia, Shri Dinesh Tekade, Senior Journalist, *Nav Bharat*, Mrs. Kavita Isarkar, Police Inspector, for her remarkable service to public welfare and community development and Dr. Diwakar Bhoyar was also felicitated as active sports person.

Meritorious wards of IMA members, who have excelled in 10th, 12th, NEET, IIT exams along with those who excelled in sports, were also felicitated at the hands of Guests.

Masters of ceremony Dr Anjali Bhandarkar and Dr. Shubhangi Vairagade conducted the proceedings smoothly.

Dr Ashok Adhao, Dr Y S Deshpande, Dr. Prashant Nikhade, Dr Ajay Kate, Dr B K Sharma, Dr Krishna Parate, Dr Archana Kothari, Dr. Sanjay Deotale, Dr. Vandana Kate, Dr. R. J. Malani Dr. Jeevan Vedi, Dr. Shailesh Gahukar were Prominently present.

Team of office bearers IMA Nagpur – Dr. Manjusha Giri, Dr. Prajakta Kaduskar, Dr. Alok Umre, Dr Aniruddha Deoke, Vice Presidents, Dr. Shivani Sule, Hon. Treasurer, Dr. Anjali Bhandarkar and Dr. Yash Banait and Hon. Jt. Secretaries worked hard for the success of the program.

5th July 2025

Session of Mindful or Mind fullness

The session conducted by Dr. Manjusha Giri, Imm. Past President, IMA Nagpur

Session on ROAD SAFETY & COLS



Road safety & COLS committee of Indian Medical Association, Nagpur in association with ISA NCB conducted COLS TRAINING at Mankapur Indoor National sports stadium, Nagpur.

Lecture cum demo was delivered by Dr. Umesh Ramtani, President ISA-NCB & Incharge, CPR TRAINING COMMITTEE, IMA NAGPUR. The hands on was given on mannequins in batches. Total participants were 100 which included people of all ages, badminton, gymnastics, indoor games, players and coaches of various sports clubs.

The emergency sports injury kit which included basic airway equipments and first aid medical consumables was donated to coach for the club by Dr. Yogesh Tembhekar, consultant Paediatrician and Director, New Health City hospital Nagpur, who arranged this activity.

The queries of participants were cleared by Dr. Umesh Ramtani.

1ST NATIONAL CONFERENCE "OSTEON 2025" IN NAGPUR



The Osteoporosis Society of India along with IMA and AMS Nagpur along with and the Menopause Society, Nagpur successfully organised its 1st National Conference – "OSTEON 2025" on 6th July 2025 at Hotel Le Meridien, Nagpur.

The conference commenced with a presidential address by Dr. Sushrut Babhulkar, setting the tone for a day filled with rich academic insights and collaborative discussion. The conference was formally inaugurated by Chief Guest Dr. Anup Marar, CEO (Health) – MGI, and Director – SMHRC & DBASI.

The event featured multiple sessions with prominent medical professionals sharing their expertise:

Dr. Anubha Dande and Dr. Neema Acharya,

Dr. Shivani Solani, Dr. Disha Seth, Dr. Moushami Tadas, Dr. Shantanu Shembekar, Dr. Rajasi Sengupta, Shantanu Ingle, Dr. Anubha Dande, and Dr. Neema Acharya were the speakers. Sessions were moderated by Dr. Seema Dande, Dr. Shailesh Pitale, and Dr. Ashutosh Apte.

Renowned orthopedic surgeon Dr. D.D. Tanna delivered a compelling talk in the "Master Class" segment.

Dr. Sushrut Babhulkar presented a talk on "Fragility Fracture Havoc" –

• "Multi-Modality Perspective on Osteoporosis – A Must Know", also delivered by Dr. Babhulkar

Talks were followed by panel discussion.

Three focused workshops added practical value to the academic program:

The event also saw the presence of several eminent doctors including Dr. Nainesh Patel, Dr. Sameer Jahagirdar, and Dr. Jitendra Sahu.

A total of 148 delegates from across the country attended the conference, making "OSTEON 2025" a resounding success and a significant step forward in collaborative osteoporosis care and awareness in India.

Session on ROAD SAFETY & COLS



ISA NCB in association with Road safety and COLS COMMITTEE IMA NAGPUR conducted COLS & BCLS TRAINING and FIRST RESPONDER lecture at Central Provinces Club, Nagpur.

Lecture on first Aid was delivered by Dr. Umesh Ramtani, President ISA-NCB & Incharge, CPR TRAINING COMMITTEE IMA NAGPUR. Lecture cum Demo on COLS & BCLS was delivered by Dr. Ravi Gurbani, Senior ISA NCB MEMBER. The hands on was given on mannequins in batches. Total participants were 40 which included coaches and trainers of badminton, gymnastics, indoor games, swimming pool and health club of CP club. The training about usage of defibrillator was also given as the club had in house defibrillator. ISA NCB appealed to the club to arrange airway and emergency equipments in all club areas.

The activity was arranged by Dr. Satish Kadam, Senior ISA MEMBER and coordinated by Dr. Abhishekh Neral, consultant Radiologist of Nagpur.

The COLS CHART of ISA NCB demonstrating COLS steps pictorially was also handed over to the club.

The CP club Secretary Mr. Rahul Soni appreciated the efforts of association and acknowledged that emergency kit, first aid kit and airway equipments would be procured for safety reasons.

IMA Nagpur 2025-26 Team Submits Memorandum on Homoeopathy Issues to Hon'ble Chief Minister via RDC



The Indian Medical Association (IMA) Nagpur, under the leadership of President Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe, has submitted a memorandum highlighting critical concerns related to Homoeopathy practices. The memorandum, addressed to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Maharashtra was handed over through the office of the District Collector.

In the absence of the District Collector, the memorandum was officially received by Mr. Anup Khande, Resident District Collector (RDC).

In a united stand, several professional medical associations—Nagpur Obstetric and Gynecological Society (NOGS), Association of Medical Faculties (AMF), Academy of Medical Sciences (AMS), Diabetologists Association of India (DAI), and the Anesthesiology Society—also submitted individual memoranda to Mr. Khande, echoing the concerns raised by IMA.

These submissions underscore a **collective appeal from the allopathy medical community**, seeking the urgent attention and intervention of the Hon'ble Chief Minister to resolve the pressing issues surrounding Homoeopathy practices and their implications on public health and medical ethics.

Dr. Ashish Disawal, Dr. Sachin Gathe, Dr. Manjusha Giri, Dr. Prashant Nikhade, Dr. Archana Kothari, Dr. Ramvilas Malani, Dr. Nitin Gupta, Dr. Alka Kumar, Dr. Suvarna Joshi prominently present during submission of Memorandum.

IMA Nagpur Organizes Press Meet

Protest against Inclusion of Homeopathic Practitioners in Maharashtra Medical Council (MMC)



Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe, President of IMA Nagpur, welcomed the gathering and expressed his deep concern over the recent developments affecting the sanctity and regulation of modern medical practice in Maharashtra. He reaffirmed IMA's commitment to uphold the standards of ethical, evidence-based healthcare and called for unity among the medical fraternity during this critical time.

"We, the qualified doctors of modern medicine (MBBS and above), registered under the Maharashtra Medical Council (MMC), express our serious concern and strong opposition to the recent notification issued by the MMC dated 30th June 2025 (Ref: MMC/CCMP Registration/2025/03866). This notification permits the registration of homeopathic practitioners who have completed the one-year 'Certificate Course in Modern Pharmacology (CCMP)' under the MMC. Already this matter is subjudice in the High Court; in spite of this, MMC has notified this matter, which is supposed to be contempt of Court.

This unprecedented move has deeply shocked the medical fraternity and raises significant concerns regarding public health and safety. The MMC, by law, is a statutory body meant to regulate modern medicine (allopathy). Allowing practitioners from another medical system into our council not only undermines our rigorous medical

training and ethical standards but also poses a direct threat to patient care and medical accountability.

We respect all systems of medicine, including homeopathy. However, each system has its own governing and regulatory body. Homeopathic practitioners are regulated by the Maharashtra Council of Homeopathy and must continue to function under its purview. A short-term course like the CCMP cannot and must not serve as a bridge into the allopathic system.

We had submitted a formal memorandum to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Shri Devendra Fadnavis, urging immediate intervention and reversal of this decision. If the notification is not withdrawn, the allopathic medical fraternity across Maharashtra will be compelled to observe a 24-hour symbolic withdrawal of non-emergency medical services starting from 8:00 AM on 11th July to 8:00 AM on 12th July 2025. Emergency and life-saving services will not be affected during this period.

This protest is not against any medical system, but a stand to protect the integrity, standards, and ethics of modern medical practice. We appeal to the public and media to understand our position and support this movement for safe, regulated, and accountable healthcare in Maharashtra."

Dr. Jitendra Sahu, Hon. Secretary, IMA Nagpur, proposed the vote of thanks and requested all to stand united and extend full support to the upcoming symbolic protest to safeguard the dignity and safety of modern medical practice. He also urged the media to highlight the issue with the seriousness it deserves.

Dr. Sachin Gathe, President Elect; Dr. Alok Umre and Dr. Aniruddha Deoke, Vice Presidents; Dr. Shivani Sule (Bidaye), Hon. Treasurer; Dr. Anjali Bhandarkar and Dr. Yash Banait, Hon. Jt. Secretaries; Dr. Nitin Gupta, Hon. Asst. Director of Studies, IMA CGP Chapter; Dr. Ramvilas Malani, Hon. Jt. Secretary and Hon. Asst. Secretary, IMA CGP Nagpur Chapter; and Dr. Vaibhav Agrawal, Coordinator, took significant efforts to coordinate the program.

Past Presidents Dr. Ashok Adhao, Dr. Milind Naik, Dr. Y. S. Deshpande, Dr. Krishna Parate, Dr. Anand Kate, Dr. Prashant Nikhade, Dr. Pradeep Rajderkar, Dr. B. K. Sharma, Dr. Harish Chandak, Dr. Warsha Dhawale, Dr. Ajay Kate, Dr. Avinash Wase, Dr. Vaishali Khandait, Dr. Ashish Disawal, Dr. Kush Jhunjhunwala, Dr. Archana Kothari, Dr. Sanjay Deotale, Dr. Vandana Kate were prominently present and extended their full support to the cause.

CME ON VIDEO OPERATIVE WORKSHOP 2025



The Indian Medical Association (IMA), Nagpur Branch, in collaboration with the Academy of Medical Sciences (AMS), Nagpur and the Department of Burns and Plastic Surgery, AIIMS Nagpur, successfully organized a CME on Video Operative Workshop 2025 on 13th July 2025 at AIIMS, Nagpur. The event was inaugurated by Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe, President, IMA, Dr P. P. Joshi, Director AIIMS, Nagpur and Dr Nainesh Patel, President, AMS Nagpur.

Dr Swarabandhe and Dr P. P. Joshi welcomed the gathering and emphasized the importance of such continuing medical education (CME) initiatives for surgical skill enhancement and academic exchange.

The workshop featured distinguished speakers and covered advanced topics in facial plastic surgery. The speakers were Dr Sanjay Parashar, Dubai, Dr Nitin Mokal, Mumbai, Dr Rajat Gupta, New Delhi, Dr Sudhanshu Kothe, Dr Manish Zade, Dr Sameer Jahagirdar, Nagpur

The workshop involved Cadaveric dissection of face, with demonstration of various facial Aesthetic surgeries.

Workshop was followed by talks on various facial Aesthetic procedures like Face Lift, Rhinoplasty, Father grafting, Botox injection, fillers etc

The CME witnessed active participation from esteemed faculty members including Dr. Jitendra Sahu (Hon. Secretary, IMA Nagpur), Dr. Nainesh Patel (President, AMS), Dr. Fidvi Al Iqyan, and Dr. Snehjeet Wagh, all of whom contributed significantly to the success of the event.

2 MMC Credit points were awarded to this workshop.

The program convener was Dr. Sameer Jahagirdar.

A total of 152 delegates attended the workshop, making it a resounding academic success. The event facilitated valuable knowledge exchange and was a commendable effort in the advancement of surgical education.

IMA NAGPUR OBSERVED WORLD BRAIN DAY



On the occasion of World Brain Day, the Nagpur Neuro Society successfully organized the event "Walk for Brain – Break the Stigma, Find Your Way" on Sunday, 20th July 2025. The event was held with the support of the Indian Medical Association, Academy of Medical Sciences, Psychiatric Society Nagpur, Indian Society of Organ Transplantation, and the Nephrology Society.

The walk began from IMA House, North Ambazari Road, Nagpur in the morning and saw enthusiastic participation from over 300 people, including doctors, medical students, healthcare workers, social workers, representatives from the State Bank of India, and common citizens.

After a 2.5 km walk from IMA House to a nearby petrol pump and back, Padma Shri Dr. Chandrashekhar Meshram shared that this initiative was conceived in Nagpur and is now spreading globally. The main aim of the rally was to raise awareness about brain health and mental disorders while working to eliminate the stigma associated with them.

Padma Shri Dr. C. M. Meshram participated as the patron of the program. The event was led by Dr. Prafulla Shembalkar, President of the Nagpur Neuro Society. After the walk, all participants were provided with a healthy breakfast and tea. The event was highly successful and was appreciated across all sections of society.

VISIT OF NATIONAL AND STATE PRESIDENTS



Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe, President of IMA Nagpur, extended a warm welcome to **Dr. Dilip Bhanushali**, National President of IMA HQs, during his official visit to Nagpur. He was accompanied by **Dr. Santosh Kadam**, State President, and **Dr. Shivkumar Utture**. The event also saw the esteemed presence of **Dr. Sanjay Deshpande**, Past President and **Dr. Aniruddha Deoke**, Vice President, IMA Nagpur. The gathering marked a significant occasion, reinforcing the strong collaboration and shared vision across all levels of the Indian Medical Association.

AWARENESS PROGRAM ON WORLD HEAD & NECK CANCER DAY (WHNCD)



On July 26, 2025, a cancer awareness program was organized at RST Cancer Hospital on the occasion of World Head and Neck Cancer Foundation Day. The event began with the garlanding of a portrait of Saint Tukdoji Maharaj and the lighting of a ceremonial lamp.

Following this, Dr. Rewa Shivkala, a medical research scientist (Lucknow), gave a detailed presentation on head and neck cancer, highlighting its increasing impact and methods of prevention.

Chief Coordinator Dr. Harish Kela welcomed the distinguished guests and emphasized the need for public awareness regarding diseases related to tobacco and alcohol consumption.

Present at the event, Dr. Raj Gajbhiye, Dean of GMC Nagpur, said, "For the prevention of head and neck cancer, tobacco elimination and regular screening are essential." Dr. Devendra Mahore, Vice Dean of GMC Nagpur, added, "Institutions must work together to raise awareness in society about this issue."

Joint Commissioner of Income Tax, Mr. Sanjay Agrawal, also marked his presence and appreciated the event while praising the efforts to spread health awareness.

Renowned head and neck oncosurgeon Dr. Madan Kapre said that early detection and timely treatment are key to defeating the disease.

President of IMA Nagpur, Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe, stated, "We need to make collective efforts to keep the youth away from tobacco." 83 delegates attended the event.

Meeting at Daga Hospital

Patients Welfare Regulation Committee Meeting held at Daga Hospital Hon'ble District Collector Dr. Vipin Itankar IAS addressed the meeting.

Dr. Rajesh Sawarbandhe, President IMA Nagpur attended the meeting.