



44th Annual Conference of the National Neonatology Forum

Theme : Neonatal Care - Evidence to Excellence

Organized by: National Neonatal Forum AP State

Venue: Novotel Visakhapatnam Varun Beach



Scientific Program



DAY 1 - 12TH DECEMBER 2025

CME

V Convention- Hall A (Level B)

Time	Session/Topic	Speaker/Panelist	Moderator	Chairperson
08:00 - 09:00 AM	OSCE-30 (by NNF Fellowship committee)			
09:00 - 10:40 AM 20 min each	Sepsis in Shadows			
09:00 - 09:20 AM	Biomarkers in Sepsis: Are CRP and Procalcitonin Still Relevant in Indian context?	Dr. Ramesh Agarwal		Dr. Nori Suryanarayan
09:20 - 09:40 AM	Antibiotics in the NICU: Stop Early, Stop safe	Dr. VSV Prasad		Dr. Ramesh Babu Dampuri
09:40 - 10:00 AM	The MDR Menace: Managing Superbug infections	Dr. Santhanam Sridhar		Dr. Sheo Bachan Singh
10:00 - 10:20 AM	Fungal Sepsis in the NICU: when to start, which antifungal to use and when to stop?	Dr. Jogender Kumar		Dr. Arup Roy
10:20 - 10:40 AM	Heat, Humidity, and High Risk: Tropical Viruses in Neonates	Dr. Pradeep GCM		Dr. Anand Kumar Jagnany
10:40 AM - 12:00 PM 20 mins each	Neonatal Nutrition			
10:40 - 11:00 AM	Milk Matters: Guidelines and Legal Standards for Human Milk Banks in India	Dr. Sushma Nangia		Dr. Anupama Deka
11:00 - 11:20 AM	Optimisation of TPN in Indian NICUs	Dr. Umesh Vidyadhar Vaidya		Dr. Anil Kumar
11:20 - 11:40 AM	Growth detective: Using growth charts in NICU and interpretation	Dr. Monica Kaushal		Dr. Om Prakash
11:40 - 12:00 PM	Nutrition advice at discharge: Transitioning safely	Dr. Shashi Kant Dhir		Dr. Alok Kumar Swain

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12:00 - 12:40 PM Panel discussion	<i>Oxygen for preterm infants - the love hate relationship continues in 2025</i>	Dr. (Mrs) Reeta Bora, Dr. A.R Srinivas, Dr. Vadapalli Satish Dr. Abdul Alim	Dr. M. Alimelu	Dr. Jose O
12:40 - 1:00 PM	<i>Prophylaxis and Ventilation Strategies in Pneumothorax and Pulmonary Hemorrhage</i>	Dr. Boris Kramer		Dr. Nilratan Majumdar
1:00 - 1:20 PM	<i>Fifty shades of Grey & Whites – Demystifying Neonatal MRI</i>	Dr. Lokesh Lingappa		
1:20 - 2:20 PM 20 min each	<i>Mixed Bag</i>			
1:20 - 1:40 PM	Neonatal Liver Disease - Advances in management	Dr. Anupam Sibal		Dr. N C Prajapati
1:40 - 2:00 PM	Abnormal metabolic screening report - When to act ?	Dr. Seema Kapoor		Dr. Debjani Gupta
2:00 - 2:20 PM	The Hypoglycemia Dilemma: When to Monitor, When to Ignore, When to Act ?	Dr. Anitha Ananthan		Dr. Harsh Gupta
2:20 - 3:00 PM	<i>Panel discussion Public vs. Private NICUs in India: Can We Learn from each other?</i>	Dr. Vinod Kumar Singh Dr. Swapna. L Dr. Gurdev Chowdhary Dr. Rakesh Kumar Dr. Biraj Thakker Dr. Binod Kumar Singh	Dr. Satish Saluja	
3:00 - 3:40 PM 20 min each	<i>Pot Pourri</i>			
3:00 - 3:20 PM	Barrier or Benefit? Unravelling Emollient Therapy in Preterm Neonates	Dr. S. Giridhar		Dr. Rashmi Shad
3:20 - 3:40 PM	Critical Journeys, Smart Choices: Ventilator Modes for Neonatal Transfers	Dr. Vijayanand Jamalpuri		Dr. Ajay Kumar Gupta
3:40 - 4:20 PM	<i>Panel discussion - Neurorescue in the NICU: Strategies to Save the Preterm Brain</i>	Dr. Sanjay Niranjana Dr. Jatin Mistri Dr. Chetan Khare Dr. Mandula Phani Priya Dr. Viveka Mehar Singh	Dr. Sachin S. Shah	Dr. A K Jaiswal

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4:20 - 5:20 PM 20 min each	BPD Symposium			
4:20 - 4:40 PM	Ventilation in Severe BPD: Art, Science, and Survival	Dr. Arvind Shenoi		Dr. Ajay Arora
4:40 - 5:00 PM	Double Trouble: When BPD Meets PH	Dr. Anup Thakur		Dr. Ngangbam Sonamani
4:20 - 5:20 PM	The Steroid Dilemma: Breathing Easier or Paying Later?	Dr. Tapas Bandyopadhyay		Dr. Ramesh Goyal
V Convention- Hall B (Level B)				
09:00 - 10:40 AM 20 min each	Respiratory Symposium			
09:00 - 09:20 AM	The Myth of the Perfect PEEP: Personalizing Lung Recruitment	Dr. Sridhar Kalyansundaram		Dr. DK Singh
09:20 - 09:40 AM	Avoiding Intubation: At What Cost?	Dr. Ashish Mehta		Dr. Aditya K. Mohapatra
09:40 - 10:00 AM	Oxygen Use in the Delivery Room - Practical Interpretation of New Guidelines	Prof. Satyan Lakshminrusimha		Dr. Naveen Thacker
10:00 - 10:20 AM	LISA in India - Promise or Practicality	Dr. Bijan Saha		Dr. B K Bhuyan
10:20 - 10:40 AM	High frequency oscillation with volume guarantee - the frontier in neonatal ventilation	Dr. P K Rajiv		Dr. Puneet Kumar Sharma
10:40 AM - 12:00 PM 20 min each	Hemodynamics Symposium			
10:40 - 11:00 AM	Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA): To Treat or To Tolerate?	Dr. Naveen Prakash Gupta		Dr. Prasenjit Ghosh
11:00 - 11:20 AM	Preterm PDA device closure versus ligation -how to decide	Dr. Nageshwar Rao Koneti		Dr. Usha Devi R
11:20 - 11:40 AM	Video-based learning: Show 3 short ECHO clips with interpretation	Dr. Mohit Sahni		Dr. Uday Bodhankar

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	challenges.in neonatal hemodynamics			
11:40 - 12:00 PM	Hypotension in the First 72 Hours: When to Treat and What to Use?	Dr. Kiran More		Dr. R Shanmugha Sundaram
12:00 - 12:40 PM Panel discussion	<i>Echoes from the Cradle: How Early Life Shapes Adult Disease</i>	Dr. Shankar Narayan Dr. Vishal Vishnu Tewari Dr. Shashidhar. A Dr. Manish Kumar Dr. Binukuttan P.V Dr. Ashish Verma	Dr. J Kumutha	Dr. Vikas Tripathi
12:40 - 1:00 PM	AI Aids for Medical Writing - The new fav	Dr. Harsh Bhayans		Col (Dr) Subhash Chandra Shaw
1:00 - 1:20 PM	Fetal Sonographic Markers - Soft or Sinister?	Dr. K V Sridevi		Dr. Mukesh Gupta
1:20 - 2:20 PM 20 min each	<i>AI in Neonatal critical care</i>			
1:20 - 1:40 PM	Automated EHR and Clinical Decision Support in the NICU -	Dr. S Ramakrishnan		Dr. Prince Parakh
1:40 - 2:00 PM	Personalizing Care: AI in Dosing, Nutrition, and Ventilation Settings	Dr. Rajesh Sharma		Dr. J P Kapoor
2:00 - 2:20 PM	5 AI tools which every Neonatologist should know by 2025-26	Prof. Girish Gupta		Dr. Vinod Kumar Gupta
2:20 - 3:00 PM	<i>Panel Discussion Luxury or Lifeline? Rethinking Developmental Support in Neonatal Care</i>	Dr. V. Lakshmi Dr. Jay Kishore Dr. Jagjit Singh Dalal Dr. Athippatta kalam Jayachandran Dr. Debjani Gupta Dr. DM Gupta	Dr. Amitava Sengupta	
3:00 - 3:40 PM 20 min each	<i>Pot Pourri</i>			
3:00 - 3:20 PM	Invisible Essentials: Micronutrients in the NICU	Dr. Sriparna Basu		Dr. Abdul Kasim Jaleel Ahmed
3:20 - 3:40 PM	Painless NICU protocols for Happy neonates	Dr. Satish Ghanta		Dr. N Mallesh
3:40 - 4:20 PM	<i>Panel Discussion The First Checkpoint:</i>	Dr. Tanushree Sahoo Dr. Prathik Bandya	Dr. Suchandra Mukherjee	

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	<i>Neonatal Screening as a Lifeline in LMICs</i>	Dr. Brajendra Singh Dr. Devendra Dangar Dr. Sidhu Charki Dr. Monisha R		
4:20 - 5:20 PM 20 min each	<i>Neonatal Screening</i>			
4:20 - 4:40 PM	Innovations in ROP Screening: Can Technology Bridge the Gaps?	Prof. (Dr.) Parijat Chandra		Dr. Ch Laxman Kumar
4:40 - 5:00 PM	Treatment Dilemmas in ROP: Lasers, Anti-VEGF, or Both?	Dr. Vasumathy		Dr. K. Radha Krishna
5:00 - 5:20 PM	Diagnostic Follow-Up After a Failed Hearing Screen: Timing is Everything	Dr. T J Antony		Dr. B. Rajsekhar
Nautica - Hall C (Level C)				
09:00 - 10:40 AM 20 min each	<i>First day and beyond</i>			
09:00 - 09:20 AM	Golden Hour Essentials: Small Acts, Big Impact	Dr. Sarvesh Shenvi Kossambe		Dr. M Srinivas Rao
09:20 - 09:40 AM	Vitals That Lie: Clinical Clues You Might Miss	Dr. Mahendra Kumar Jain		Dr. Rajeev Gupta
09:40 - 10:00 AM	Resuscitation Devices: Are We Using Them Right?	Dr. Surender Singh Bisht		Dr. Asish Bhakta
10:00 - 10:20 AM	Sterile by Strategy: ANTT in the Neonatal Zone	Dr. Joonti Jaan Das		Dr. K Kesavulu
10:20 - 10:40 AM	The Golden Hour's Silent Hero: Thermal Care in Preterm Survival/ Topic	Dr. Mamta Jajoo		Dr. Ashish Makkar
10:40 AM - 12:00 PM 20 min each	<i>Feeding, Fluids & Fumbles</i>			
10:40 - 11:00 AM	Early Feeding Strategies in At-Risk Newborns (SGA, LPT, IDM)	Dr. Tushar B. Parikh		
11:00 - 11:20 AM	Common Fluid Missteps in Level 2	Dr. Dipen Patel		

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	Neonates: How to Prevent Them			
11:20 - 11:40 AM	When Lines Go Wrong: Tackling Extravasation Injuries in Neonates	Dr. Kallem Venkat Reddy		
11:40 AM - 12:00 PM	Born Early, Balanced Carefully: The Art of IV Electrolytes	Dr. Nishath Ahmed		
12:00 - 12:40 PM Panel discussion	<i>Continuity of Care: What Happens After NICU Discharge - Perspectives from neonatologist, developmental pediatrician and nurse.</i>	Dr. Ramesh Choudhary Dr. S. Srinivasan Dr. Deepika Rastogi Ms. Palaniyammal Prof. Deepa Banker Dr. Shisher Agarwal	Dr. Ruchi Rai	
12:40 - 1:00 PM	Palliative care in the NICU - Focus on Practical Applications	Dr. Debasish Nanda		
1:00 - 1:20 PM	From Screen to Strategy: Making the Most of Your NICU Monitor	Dr. Usha Devi Rajendran		Dr. Raveendran Varma
1:20 - 2:20 PM 20 min each	<i>Jaundice, Sepsis & Discharge Readiness</i>			
1:20 - 1:40 PM	Biliary Atresia Challenges in Early Diagnosis and Optimal Management	Dr. Neelam Mohan		
1:40 - 2:00 PM	Prevention of drug errors in NICU- Practical aspects	Mrs. Jubilant James		
2:00 - 2:20 PM	Care of Surgical newborn in NICU - preop and post op stabilisation	Dr. Deepa Hariharan		
2:20 - 3:00 PM	<i>Panel Discussion Skill Building in Neonatal Nursing: What Does India Need?</i>	Dr. C. Nirmala Dr. J. Venkateswara Rao Dr. Shrutipranja Kar Dr. Shilpa S Dr. Nagendra Chaudhary Dr. Rameshwari Zala	Dr. B D Bhatia	
3:00 - 3:40 PM 20 min each	<i>Potpourri</i>			
3:00 - 3:10 PM	RSV Numbers don't lie	Dr. Pankaj Garg		

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3:10 - 3:20 PM	Changing clinical scenario of pertussis in recent times.	Dr. Sunil Agarwal		
3:20 - 3:40 PM	Kangaroo Care in babies on respiratory support	Dr. Chandrakala B.S.		
3:40 - 4:20 PM	<i>Panel Discussion Art of Postnatal Newborn Care - A Guide for the Pediatrician</i>	Dr. Dinakara Prithviraj Dr. Prashanth Puttaswamy Gowda Dr. Nirmal Kumar Gautam Dr. Mahendra Kumar Gupta Dr. Vineet K. Saxena Dr. Sri Ram Bano	Dr. Ashutosh Kumar	
4:20 - 5:20 PM 20 min each	<i>Neonatal learning</i>			
4:20 - 4:40 PM	If It's Not Written, It Didn't Happen: Rethinking NICU Documentation	Dr. Avneet Kaur		
4:40 - 5:00 PM	Common Mistakes in the DR: A Case-Based Review	Dr. Sai Sunil Kishore M		
5:00 - 5:20 PM	NICU Nostalgia: Therapies That Need a Graceful Exit	Dr. Chandra Kumar N.		

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Main Conference Day 1

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Time	Topic	Speaker	Moderator	Chairperson
08:30 - 09:00 AM	<i>Clinical spotters for PG/fellows</i>	Dr. Naveen Jain		
09:00 - 10:20 AM	<i>Respiratory Club</i>			
09:00 - 09:20 AM	Invasive yet gentle ventilation - Template for respiratory management of periviable infants	Dr. Nalini Kanta Panigrahy		Dr. LH Bidri
09:20 - 09:40 AM Debate 20 mins each (8 + 8 + 4 minutes)	Lung Ultrasound vs Chest x-ray in the NICU	Lung USG: Dr. Murugesan A VS Chest X-ray: Dr. Deepika Kant	Dr. S. Suresh Kumar	Dr. Jayendra R Gohil
09:40 - 10:20 AM Panel 35+5minutes	Respiratory Care of Preterm Neonates in Resource Limited Settings (Collaboration with IHAT)	Dr. Arun Neopane Dr. Anchita Patil Dr. Annapurna Kaul Dr. Niranjana N Dr. Bhabesh Kant Chowdhary	Dr. A. T. Arasar Seeralar Dr. Renu Srivastava	
10:20 - 11:20 AM	<i>Plenary</i>			
11:20 AM - 12:20 PM 1 Hour	<i>NNF Oration</i>			
12:20 - 1:20 PM 60 Mins	<i>NNF Gold Award Papers</i>			
1:35 - 2:00 PM 25 min	Adrenaline in neonatal resuscitation and beyond - Everything to want to know	Prof. Satyan Lakshminrusimha		
	<i>Mixed Bag</i>			

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2:00 - 2:40 PM Panel Discussion	The Extracorporeal Life Support Symposium	Dr. Venkata Rama Rao Paturi Dr. Manoj Modi Dr. Amish Vora Dr. Ganpathy Dr. Kapil	Dr. Binu Ninan	Dr. Hema Jyoti Bisht
2:40 - 3:00 PM 20 min	Probiotics in the NICU: Panacea or Pandora's Box?	Panacea : Dr. Kirti M. Naranje Pandora's Box : Dr. Satvik Bansal	Dr. Sunil K. Agrawal	
3:00 - 3:40 PM 40 min Panel Discussion	From Lab to Cot: Redefining Neonatal Care with Point-of-Care Tools	Dr. K Senthil Kumar Dr. Jenisha Jain Dr. Mullangi Srinivasa Reddy Dr. Anita Yadav Dr. Pradnya P Wali	Dr. Ashish Jain	
3:40 - 4:20 PM Panel Discussion	From Chaos to Cohesion: Neonatal Care Bundles That Deliver	Dr. Tagare Amit Vikas Dr. Kumar Ankur Dr. H Abdul Naveed Dr. Afsana A. Patel Dr. Anil Batra	Dr. Ruchi N Nanavati	
4:20 to 5:00 PM - Panel Discussion	Medico-Legal Challenges in Neonatology: Protecting Patients & Practitioners	Dr. Shrawan Kumar Dr. Alok Bhandari Dr. Dinesh Kumar Goel Dr. Nihaz Naha Dr. Muralidhar Reddy Kotha	Dr. Ashwani Singal	
5:00 - 5:40 PM 10 min each	Breaking News Snippets Moderator - Dr. V. Samuel Rajadurai			
5:00 - 5:10 PM	Nirsevimab vs Palivizumab for RSV - Hobson's choice	Dr. Deepika Rustogi		Dr. Anup Kumar Mangal
5:10 - 5:20 PM	NIRS in neonatal care - Hope or Hype	Dr. Neeraj Mishra		
5:20 - 5:30 PM	The enigma of LCPUFA in preterm nutrition - newer evidence	Dr. Braja Gopal Ray		
5:30 - 5:40 PM	Protein for Preterms - How much is too much?	Dr. Pradeep Debata		
6 PM Onwards	GBM			

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08:30 - 09:00 AM	International Breakfast Buffet	Prof. Satyan Lakshminrusimha Dr. Sridhar K		
09:00 - 10:20 AM	Perinatal Club			
09:00 - 09:20 AM	Maternal Nutrition and fetal/neonatal outcomes	Dr. Kanya Mukhopadhyay		Dr. Anand Kumar Jagnany
09:20 - 09:40 AM Debate20 minutes (8 + 8 + 4 minutes)	Antenatal corticosteroids beyond 34 weeks?	Yes - Sreeram S No - Dr. Vishnu Mohan P. T	Dr. S N Singh	
09:40 - 10:20 AM Panel Discussion 35+5minutes	Fetal Growth Restriction: Predict Early, Intervene Timely, Support Lifelong	Dr. Abey Mathew Dr. Manmeet Kaur Sodhi Dr. Dheeraj Diwaakar Dr. K V Sridevi Dr. Ragasudha	Dr. Ranjan Kumar Pejaver	
10:20 - 11:20 AM	Hall A			
11:20 AM - 12:20 PM 1 hour				
12:20 PM - 1:20 PM 60 mins				
1:35 - 2:00 PM 25 mins	Capacity Building in Neonatology - Is Simulation the future?	Dr. Ashok Kumar Deorari		Dr. Nigam P Narain
2:00 - 2:40 PM Panel Discussion	Choosing the right equipment - insights from the clinical and industry leads	Dr. Poonam Singh Dr. Omprakash Manohar Jamadar Dr. V Sashi Kumar Dr. Umesh Sangle Mr. Sunil Monga	Dr. Rahul J Verma	
2:40 - 3:00 PM Mini debate - 20 min	Zero Separation of Mother Infant Dyad - Possible or not	For: Dr. Sugandha Arya Against: Dr. Kamal Deep Arora	Dr. J.P. Dadhich	

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3:00 - 3:40 PM Panel Discussion - 40 min	Designing Developmentally Friendly NICUs: The Built Environment as a Therapeutic Tool	Dr. Dhananjay K. Mangal Dr. Arjit Mohapatra Dr. Sumita Saha Dr. Bir Prakash Jaiswal	Dr. Prakash A	
3:40 - 4:20 PM - Panel Discussion	Molecules in Motion: Multiomic Signatures of Neonatal Sepsis	Dr. Ashok Rai Dr. Sanjay K Ghorpade Dr. Ravi Khanna Dr. Anish Pillai Dr. Sunil Gavhane	Dr. Ashok Kumar	
4:20 to 5:00 PM - Panel Discussion	A Tapestry of Care: Weaving Quality into Neonatal Initiatives	Dr. Akash Bang Dr. Ashwani K. Sood Dr. Jose O Dr. Santosh Kumar Kraleti Dr. (Lt.Col) Rajeev Kumar Thapar Dr. Piyush Chandel	Dr. Ravi Sachan	
5:00 - 5:40 PM 10 minutes each	Breaking News Snippets Moderator - Dr. NB Mathur			
5:00 - 5:10 PM	Newer Biotherapeutics for NEC - focus on fecal microbiota transplantation	Dr. Gaurav Gupta		Dr. Satish Thakur
5:10 - 5:20 PM	Managing Inguinal Hernia in preterms - Expeditious vs Expectant	Dr. Amit Kumar		
5:20 - 5:30 PM	What is new in synthetic surfactant production?	Dr. Richie Dalai		
5:30 - 5:40 PM	Beyond the IV: Rethinking Oral Antibiotics in Neonatal Care	Dr. Devansh Sharma		
Nautica - Hall C (Level C)				
08:30 - 09:00 AM	NNF CPG 2025 - Summary of Recent Guidelines from the CPG Chairman	Dr. Ashish Jain / Dr. Jeeva Shankar		
09:00 - 10:20 AM	Brain Club			

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20 mins each				
09:00 - 09:20 AM	Refractory Neonatal seizures-challenges in management	Dr. Priyanka Gupta		Dr. Ramesh Goyal
09:20 - 09:40 AM Debate 20 minutes (8 + 8 + 4 minutes)	Neuroimaging at the Finish Line: MRI vs Ultrasound in Preterms	MRI : Dr. Vaanathi Hementha Kumar USG Brain : Dr. C. Aparna	Dr. Abdul Alim	
09:40 - 10:20 AM Panel 35+5minutes	Cooling with Clarity: The 2025 Perspective on Neonatal Hypothermia	Dr. Jagdish Prasad Sahoo Dr. Gopal Agarwal Dr. Shalini Tripathi Dr. Gaurav Gupta Dr. Gaurav Agrawal Dr. Onkar Khandelwal	Dr. Sindhu S.	
10:20 - 11:20 AM	Hall A			
11:20 AM - 12:20 PM 1 hour				
12:20 PM - 1:20 PM 60 mins				
1:35 - 2:00 PM 25 min	Neuroprotective Strategies in Newborns	Dr. V. Samuel Rajadurai		Dr. Kiran Shankar Das
2:00 - 2:40 PM Panel Discussion	Neonatal Transfusion Practices - Time for a relook	Dr. Rohit Sasidharan Dr. Babu. S. Madarkar Dr. Keshav Kumar Pathak Dr. Arun Manglik Dr. Srikanthi Sanghamitra Gummadapu	Dr. Naveen Bajaj	
2:40 - 3:00 PM Mini debate- 20 min	AKI in the NICU: Clinical Concern or Creatinine Confusion?	Clinical Concern:Dr. Kumar SR Creatinine Confusion: Dr. Aakash Pandita	Dr. Rajesh Kumar	
3:00 - 3:40 PM Panel- 40 min	Stem Cells at Birth: Promise, Peril, and Practicality	Dr. Boris Kramer Dr. Viraraghavan V.R Dr. T Abiramalatha Dr. Veena Akkineni	Dr. Sahitya	

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3:40 - 4:20 PM - Panel Discussion	Neo Challenges in the Neonatal World - Exploring Stress and Busters	Dr. Debajit Sharma Dr. Archana P. Bilagi Dr. Amanpreet Sethi Dr. Vikas Goyal Dr. Vinay B	Dr. Naveen Jain	Dr. Piyush Jain
4:20 to 5:00 PM - Panel Discussion	Cradle to Doorstep: The Promise of Domiciliary Neonatal Care	Dr. Sanjay M. Aher Dr. Rajath Athreya Dr. Ghazi Sharique Ahmad Dr. Phalguni Padhi Dr. Shekhar Biswas	Dr. Rahul Anand Yadav	Dr. Sandip K. Trivedi
5:00 - 5:40 PM 10 mins each	Breaking News Snippets Moderator - Prof. Corrado Moretti/ Dr. Amit Gupta			
5:00 - 5:10 PM	Regional Collaboratives for AMR in neonatal sepsis -	Dr. Siddharth Buddhavarapu		
5:10 - 5:20 PM	Dextrose Gel for glucose homeostasis - Does it optimize health outcomes	Dr. Akash Sharma		Dr. Rajeev Gupta
5:20 - 5:30 PM	Nutritional support for moderate to late preterm Infants - Is Breastfeeding enough ?	Dr. Rohit Anand		Dr. Sanjay Prabhu
5:30 - 5:40 PM	Anaemia in preterm infants - Preventable or Inevitable	Dr. Devdeep Mukherjee		

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Main Conference Day

V Convention- Hall A (Level B)

Time	Session/Topic	Speaker	Moderator	Chairperson
08:00 - 09:00 AM 20 mins each	<i>Morning Musings</i>			
08:00 - 08:20 AM	Demystifying genetic testing in neonates	Dr. Umamaheswari B		
08:20 - 08:40 AM	Under the Radar: Postnatal CMV and the Preterm Paradox	Dr. Saranya Manickaraj		Dr. Deepak Kumar
08:40 - 09:00 AM	Neonatal jaundice - Adapting and Adopting recent practice guidelines	Dr. Sakeer V.T.		Dr. Om Prakash
09:00 - 10:30 AM	<i>Potpourri</i>			
09:00 - 09:20 AM	Beyond Hypoxia: Unmasking Neonatal Neurological Look-alikes	Dr. Leslie Edward S. Lewis		Dr. Rizwan Haider
09:20 - 09:40 AM	eNICU - a boon for newborn care in resource limited setting	Dr. Sanjay Wazir		Dr. Tarun Kumar Ravi
09:40 - 10:10 AM International Speaker - 30 minutes	Seconds to Secure: The Pressure of Neonatal Difficult Airway Gentle Breaths: Optimizing Non-Invasive Ventilation in Preterms	Dr. Corredo Morreti		
10:10 - 10:30 AM Mini Debate - 20 minutes	<i>Early total enteral nutrition for preterm infants: Safe or Sorry</i>	Safe – Dr. Nitasha Bagga Sorry - Dr. Deepika Tiwari	Dr. Pankaj Garg	
10:30 - 11:30 AM 20 mins each	<i>Neonatal care with a desi flavour</i>			
10:30 - 10:50 AM	Innovations in Neonatal Respiratory Care	Dr. Srinivas Murki		
10:50 - 11:10 AM	Indian Sepsis Risk Calculator	Dr. Jeeva Sankar M		
11:10 - 11:30 AM	WHO ACTION Trials- Lessons Learnt	Dr. Laxmikant S Deshmukh		
11:30 AM - 12:10 PM 40 min	Social Neonatology Award Paper			
12:10 - 12: 40 PM	Poster Plenary			
12:40 - 1:00 PM	Crossing the Line: When to Intervene with Surfactant in Preterm Infants	Dr. Dinesh Kumar Chirla		
1:00 - 1:20 PM	Exploring Ikigai in the neonatal ICU	Dr. Neelam Kler		

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Panel Discussion 1:20 - 2:00 PM	To feed or not: The enigma of Neonatal Gut	Dr. Amrit Tuteja Dr. Hemant Sharma Dr. M Srinivas Rao Dr. G. P. Kaushal	Dr. Sushil Kumar Choudhary	
Panel Discussion 2:00 - 2:40 PM	Born to Blush: The Spectrum of Neonatal Skin - Neonatal Dermatology Panel	Dr. Shobana Rajendran Dr. Saikat Patra Dr. T. Narayana Rao Dr. Senthil Kumar. P Dr. Vimal Kumar Dr. Sushil Gupta	Dr. Kurien Anil Kuruvilla	
2:40 - 3:40 PM 15 mins each	<i>Nutrition Club</i>			
2:40 - 2:55 PM	Cracking the Code: Bone Mineral Management in the Smallest Patients	Dr. Pinaki Chakraborty		
2:55 - 3:10 PM	Routine vs Individualized fortification in preterms - Evidence and Available Resources	Dr. Gunjana Kumar		
3:10 - 3:25 PM	Neonatal Parenteral Nutrition - what we have and what we wish we did	Dr. Kalyan Chakravarthy		
3:25 - 3:40 PM	PHDM is not MOM - Evidence for growth and neurodevelopment	Dr. V. Vamsi Sivarama Raju		
3:40 PM - 4:00 PM 10 mins each	<i>Breaking News (Practice changing impactful papers)</i>			
3:40 PM - 3:50 PM	Neonatal interfaces for preterm resuscitation - Is it time to dump the mask?	Dr. Brajendra Singh		
3:50 PM - 4:00 PM	Intratracheal budesonide with Surfactant- Is the verdict out?	Dr. Muralisantosh. B		
V Convention- Hall B (Level B)				
08:00 - 09:00 AM Talk 20 minutes	<i>Instant Coffee</i>			
08:00 - 08:20 AM	Extended Caffeine Therapy in preterm infants- Evidence & Practice	Dr. Pratima Anand		
08:20 - 08:40 AM	Reimagining the delivery room of 2030 - what we wish we had	Dr. Karthik Balasubramanian		
08:40 - 09:00 AM	From Visitors to Vital Partners: The FiCare Revolution in Neonatology	Dr. Gitanjali Jain		Dr. Ramesh Babu Dampuri
09:00 - 10:30 AM	<i>Breastfeeding Advocacy</i>			

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09:00 - 09:20 AM	From Infancy to Adulthood: Chronic Disease Prevention through Breastfeeding	Dr. Nishant S. Banait		
09:00 - 09:40 AM	Attachment and Touch: The Psychosocial Role of Breastfeeding in the NICU	Dr. M M A Faridi		
09:40 - 10:10 AM International Speaker - 30 minutes	Leaks and Bleeds: Navigating Ventilation Challenges in Neonatal Lung Injury	Dr. Boris Kramer		
10:10 - 10:30 AM Mini Debate - 20 minutes	Exclusive human milk based diet for extreme preterms - Hope or hype	Hope : Dr. Sreenath S Manikanti Hype : Dr. Santosh Kumar Panda	Dr. Suman Rao PN	
10:30 - 10:50 AM	Innovations in cord management practices at birth	Dr. Neeraj Gupta		Dr. Reshma
10:50 - 11:10 AM	ILCOR and Indian adaptation	Dr. Somashekar M Nimbalkar		
11:10 - 11:30 AM	KMC - Lessons from India for the world	Dr. S N Vani		
11:30 AM - 12:10 PM	Hall A			
12:10 - 01: 05 PM	NNF National PG Quiz Final			
1:05 - 2:00 PM	NNF National Nurses Quiz Final			
2:00 - 2:40 PM Panel Discussion	From Hip to Heel - Tackling Orthopedic problems in neonates.	Dr. Ravi Chandra V Dr. Vimal Vincent. K. Dr. Bharti Yadav Dr. Surantha Perera Dr. Ajoy Garg Dr. Mansi	Dr. Karthik Ram Mohan	
2:40 - 3:40 PM 15 mins each	Lung Club			
2:40 - 2:55 PM	Breathing Without Breaths: Apnoeic Oxygenation during resuscitation	Dr. Ashok C		
2:55 - 3:10 PM	Post-Extubation Respiratory Support: What Should Be the Default?	Dr. Mubashir Hassan Shah		
3:10 - 3:25 PM	Neonatal interfaces for respiratory care of Indian Premies	Dr. Binu Govind		
3:25 - 3:40 PM	Nasal CPAP vs High-Flow Nasal Cannula: Have We Settled the Debate Yet?	Dr. P. Sateesh Kumar		
3:40 - 4:00 PM 10 mins each	Breaking News , New practice changing impactful Papers			

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3:40 - 3:50 PM	Extended CPAP for extreme preterms and lung growth	Dr. B. Sasi Kumar		
3:50 - 4:00 PM	Xylitol chewing gums for preterm birth prevention	Dr. Narendrababu Devabathina		
Nautica - Hall C (Level C)				
08:00 - 09:00 AM 20 mins each	Breakfast Briefings			
08:00 - 08:20 AM	Congenital Airway Anomalies(CAA) in Neonates: Case Based Scenarios & Management.	Dr. Pawankalyan Pinnamaneni		
08:20 - 08:40 AM	Inadequate Post Natal Growth - How much is too much?	Dr. Sheila Samanta Mathai		
08:40 - 09:00 AM	Closed-Loop Oxygen Control Systems in NICU: How Far Have We Come?	Dr. Anu Thukral		
09:00 - 10:30 AM 20 mins each	Pot Pourri			
09:00 - 09:20 AM	Delay, Drain and Devices? The PHH Dilemma in Neonatal Neurocare	Dr. Tejo Pratap Oleti		
09:00 - 09:40 AM	Transient Hypoxia, Lasting Effects: A Neonatal Perspective	Dr Thanigainathan		
09:40 - 10:10 AM International Speaker - 30 minutes	Bedside and boardside teaching: complementary strategies in neonatal care education	Dr. Amit Gupta		
10:10 - 10:30 AM Mini Debate - 20 minutes	Academic Neonatologist - A dying breed	No: Dr. Rahul Illaparambath Yes: Dr. Rojo Joy	Dr. Samsher Singh Dalal	
10:30 - 10:50 AM	Smart Apps for the Smart Neos	Dr. Subhendu Dey		Dr. Rajagopalan K
10:50 - 11:10 AM	Innovations in neonatal transport	Dr. Prathap Chandra		
11:10 - 11:30 AM	MNCU - Challenges and implementation in all settings	Dr. Harish Chellani		
11:30 AM - 12:10 PM	Hall A			
12:10 - 12:40 PM Panel Discussion	FiO2 Thresholds for surfactant administration in Indian practice vs Global recommendations	Dr. AK Jayachandran Dr. Kamaldeep Arora		
12:40 - 1:00 PM	SPIKES and Beyond: Navigating the Landscape of Difficult Conversations	Dr. Nitu Mundhra		
1:00 - 1:20 PM	Mentorship matters - Reviving a key element in neonatal team dynamics	Dr. Nelby George Methew		

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1:20 - 2:00 PM	Early Arrivals, Timely Shields: The Case for Preterm Immunization	Dr. V.P Goswami Dr. Somya Chaturvedi Dr. Vikram Bedi Dr. V. Rajesh Kumar Dr. Jai Singh	Dr. U S Jagdish Chandra	
2:00 - 2:40 PM Panel Discussion	Tiny Glands, Big Impact: Navigating Neonatal Endocrinology	Dr. Dinesh Tomar Dr. Neeraj Kumar Yadav Dr. Kottooru Srisailam Dr. Arun Kumar Dr. Manazir A	Dr. Ravindra Kumar	
2:40 - 3:40 PM 15 mins each	<i>Potpourri</i>			
2:40 - 2:55 PM	From Deficit to Danger: The Neonatal Refeeding Dilemma	Dr. Kumar S R		
2:55 - 3:10 PM	Revisiting therapeutic targets - Oxygen and Carbon dioxide	Dr. Vivek Bhat		
3:10 - 3:25 PM	Organ donation - Are newborns too young to be considered	Dr. Binesh B		
3:25 - 3:40 PM	An overview of newborn adoption in India	Dr. Poonam Sidana		
3:40 PM - 4:00 PM 10 mins each	<i>Breaking News , New practice changing Papers</i>			
3:40 PM - 3:50 PM	Short Duration of Antenatal Corticosteroid Exposure and Outcomes in Extremely Preterm Infants	Dr. Sandeep Tilwani		
3:50 PM - 4:00 PM	Nipocalimab in Early-Onset Severe Hemolytic Disease of the Fetus and Newborn	Dr. Abhay B. Mahindre		



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