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30th, 31st October & 1st November

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DAY 1 — RIO HALL

SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

31st OCTOBER 2026 (SATURDAY)

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:15 AM - 09:00 AM	FREE PAPER PRESENTATION	
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. P. Amutha Rajeswari | Dr. S. Shanmugasundaram	
09:00 AM - 09:20 AM	Ventilation Strategies for the Extremely Preterm Neonates	Dr. R. Bala Krishnan
09:20 AM - 10:05 AM	**Panel Discussion:** Extreme Preterm - Where do we draw the line?	**Moderator :** Dr. B. Uma Maheswari **Panelists :** Dr. V. Sunitha Dr. R. Shobana Dr. B. Karthik
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. Nandini Kuppusamy | Dr. N. J. Manivannan	
10:05 AM - 10:25 AM	**GUEST LECTURE :** Preterm Vaccination	Dr. Lalan K. Bharti
10:25 AM - 10:45 AM	**When to deliver?** Timing and Antenatal strategies in high risk pregnancies	Dr. V. Jothi Lakshmi
10:45 AM - 11:00 AM	DISCUSSION	
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	INAUGURATION	
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	**Debate:** Antibiotic Stewardship Vs ELBW Survival - Are they Conflicting Goals?	**For :** Dr. Suja Mariam **Against :** Dr. P. Rajarajan **Verdict :** Dr. Rahul Yadav
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. T. Shajin | Dr. N. Aravind Babu	
12:00 PM - 12:20 PM	Human Milk as Precision Medicine for Preterm Infants	Dr. Sushma Nangia
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. R. Selvakumar | Dr. D. Sivakumaran	
12:20 PM - 12:40 PM	Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia: Prevention Beyond the Ventilator	Dr. Naveen Jain
12:40 PM - 01:00 PM	Neonatal Immunodeficiency When to suspect? How to evaluate?	Dr. M. Dheenadhayalan

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
01:00 PM - 01:15 PM	DISCUSSION	
01:15 PM - 01:45 PM	LUNCH	
01:45 PM - 02:30 PM	**Panel Discussion:** Persistent Pulmonary Hypertension of Newborn	**Moderator :** Dr. N. Chandra kumar **Panelists :** Dr. Dinakara Prithviraj Dr. Prashanth Gowda Dr. Jenisha Jain Dr. Latha Kanchi
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. S. Balasankar | Dr. A. Ramanathan	
02:30 PM - 02:50 PM	Neonatal ECHO - Five Views and Five Decisions	Dr. S. Ramakrishnan
02:50 PM - 03:20 PM	**Debate:** Choosing Vasoactive Therapy - Cardiovascular Phenotype Vs Clinical Decision	**For :** Dr. S. Harish **Against :** Dr. V. K. Sathyan **Verdict :** Dr. Manish Kumar
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. Navamani Prabhakar | Dr. M. Balasubramanian	
03:20 PM - 03:40 PM	Artificial Intelligence in Neonatal Care: Useful Tool or New Source of Harm ?	**Speaker :** Dr. Y. Nancy Jane **Moderator :** Dr. A. T. Arasar Seeralar
03:40 PM - 04:00 PM	Less-Invasive Surfactant Administration: LISA, MIST, and SALSA	Dr. R. Usha Devi
04:00 PM - 04:15 PM	DISCUSSION	
04:15 PM - 05:00 PM	FREE PAPER PRESENTATION	
05:00 PM - 06:00 PM	TN STATE GENERAL BODY MEETING	

DAY 1 — Prof. Dr. T. RAJAGOPAL HALL

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08:15 AM - 09:00 AM	FREE PAPER PRESENTATION	
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. S. Murugesa Lakshmanan | Dr. A. N. Karthik	
09:00 AM - 09:20 AM	Non-Invasive Neonatal Ventilation (CPAP/ HFNC)	Dr. K. Senthil Kumar
09:20 AM - 09:40 AM	Neonate on CPAP: When to change the gears?	Dr. C. L. Srinivasa Moorthy
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. A. Kannan | Dr. M. S. Rajarajeswaran	
09:40 AM - 10:00 AM	Point-of-Care Ultrasound in the NICU: Five High-Yield Applications	Dr. Mohit Sahni
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	Post-Discharge Follow-Up of the High-Risk Neonates	Dr. E. Padma Priya
10:20 AM - 10:30 AM	DISCUSSION	
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	**Debate:** Zero Separation in NICU and iKMC - A Dream or Achievable Reality	**For :** Dr. B. Aadhisivam **Against :** Dr. A. Prakash **Verdict :** Dr. Pratima Anand
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	INAUGURATION	
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. P. Velusamy | Dr. A. Jawahar	
11:30 AM - 11:50 AM	Golden Hour Care of Preterm Neonates: Beyond Resuscitation	Dr. Saranya Manickaraj
11:50 AM - 12:10 PM	Transfusion Guidelines in Preterm Neonates	Dr. E. Narayanan
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. S. Natarajan | Dr. R. Mahalingam	
12:10 PM - 12:30 PM	Expanding horizons in Neonatal care - NBS	Dr. S. Srinivasan
12:30 PM - 01:00 PM	Brain Teasing Neonatal Puzzler - Decoding the Diagnosis	Dr. S. Venkateswaran

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01:00 PM - 01:15 PM	DISCUSSION	
01:15 PM - 01:45 PM	LUNCH	
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. E. Sivakumar | Dr. S. Syed Ibrahim | Dr. P. Kavya	
01:45 PM - 02:05 PM	Inborn Errors Of Metabolism - When to suspect? Emergency Management	Dr. P. Senthil Kumar
02:05 PM - 02:25 PM	Small steps - Big Impact: Elevating Neonatal Care in Periphery	Dr. K. Venkata Subramanian
02:25 PM - 02:45 PM	Neonatal Jaundice in Day to Day Practice Charts, Cut-offs and Critical Decisions.	Dr. J. Ashok Raja
02:45 PM - 03:00 PM	DISCUSSION	
03:00 PM - 03:45 PM	**Panel Discussion:** Neonatal Nursing	**Moderator :** Dr. V. Lakshmi **Panelists :** Ms. Palaniammal Ms. Agila Devi Mr. V. S. Sakthivel
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. R. Ganesh | Dr. Pradheep S Raju	
	Neonatal Nuggets	
03:45 PM - 03:55 PM	Look beyond Conventional APGAR	Dr. U. Ramkumar
03:55 PM - 04:05 PM	RSV Immunisation	Dr. S. Sindhu **Moderator :** Dr. V. Lakshmi
04:05 PM - 04:15 PM	Total Parenteral Nutrition - Protocol	Dr. T. R. Ajay Prakash
04:15 PM - 05:00 PM	FREE PAPER PRESENTATION	
05:00 PM - 06:00 PM	TN STATE GENERAL BODY MEETING	

DAY 2 — RIO HALL

SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

1ST NOVEMBER 2026 (Sunday)

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. M. Shanmuga Sundaram | Dr. J. Balasubramanian	
08:30 AM - 08:50 AM	Congenital CMV: Whom to Screen and Whom to Treat?	Dr. C. Ashok
08:50 AM - 09:10 AM	Hemodynamics and Ventilation Strategies in CDH	Dr. S. Giridhar
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. A. Ravikumar | Dr. R. Srinivasakumar	
09:10 AM - 09:30 AM	Antenatally Detected Hydronephrosis - Approach	Dr. C. Vijay Anand
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. Durai N. Padmanaban | Dr. V. K. Kathiravan	
09:30 AM - 09:50 AM	Neonatal Stabilisation and Transport	Dr. C. Vinodh
09:50 AM - 10:00 AM	DISCUSSION	
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	DR. NAGASWAMY ANNUAL ORATION	
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	AWARD PAPER PRESENTATION	
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. P. Kannan | Dr. J. A. S. Nizamudeen	
12:00 PM - 12:20 PM	**GUEST LECTURE :** Quality Improvement in Neonatal Resuscitation	Dr. Surendar Singh Bisht
12:20 PM - 01:05 PM	**Panel Discussion:** Neonatal Sepsis	**Moderator :** Dr. Santhanam Sridhar **Panelists :** Dr. T. Arun Karthik Dr. B. Saranya Devi Dr. A. Asha Dr. R. Nivetha

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01:05 PM - 01:15 PM	DISCUSSION	
01:15 PM - 01:45 PM	LUNCH	
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. Gopal Subramoniam | Dr. V. Arunachalam	
01:45 PM - 02:05 PM	Neuro Protective Strategies in the Extremely Preterm Infant	Dr. M. Vaideeswaran
02:05 PM - 02:35 PM	**Debate:** Incubator Vs Open Care System for ELBW	**For :** Dr. V. Prakash **Against :** Dr. R. Monisha **Verdict :** Dr. R. Ezhilarasan
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. P. Jegadeesan | Dr. V. Arudhra Vishnu	
02:35 PM - 02:55 PM	Challenges to mitigate kidney injury in NICU	Dr. G. Sukanya
02:55 PM - 03:00 PM	DISCUSSION	
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. S. R. Raja | Dr. A. Abubackar Siddiq	
	Neonatal Nuggets:	
03:00 PM - 03:15 PM	The role of early stimulation in NICU for Preterm Neonates	Dr. K. P. Arun Priya
03:15 PM - 03:25 PM	Video Laryngoscopy in Neonatal Intubation	Dr. J. Anita Chrisbina
03:25 PM - 03:40 PM	Humidification - A vital Tool in NICU	Dr. R. V. Jeyabalaji
03:40 PM - 04:00 PM	Whole Exome Sequencing - A conclusion or confusion?	Dr. M. Kathirvel
04:00 PM	VALEDICTORY FUNCTION AND PRIZE DISTRIBUTION	

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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. K. Kathirvel Rajan | Dr. S. Senthil Kumar	
08:30 AM - 08:50 AM	Nutritional Goals and Growth Monitoring of Preterms	Dr. M. Anitha Balachandran
08:50 AM - 09:10 AM	Genetic Testing in Neonates: When, Why and How?	Dr. M. Pradeep Kumar
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. Avanthika Bhai | Dr. Ayishathul Nasheeda	
09:10 AM - 09:30 AM	Neonatal Encephalopathy beyond birth asphyxia	Dr. S. Ramesh
09:30 AM - 09:50 AM	Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA) - When to and when not to treat?	Dr. V. C. Manoj
09:50 AM - 10:00 AM	DISCUSSION	
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	DR. NAGASWAMY ANNUAL ORATION (RIO HALL)	
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	AWARD PAPER PRESENTATION (RIO HALL)	
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. A. Vidhya Devi | Dr. N. Jayanthi	
12:00 PM - 12:20 PM	Approach to a Bleeding Neonate	Dr. G. Vimal Kumar
12:20 PM - 01:05 PM	**Panel Discussion:** Legal aspects in NICU	**Moderator :** Adv. Mr. J. Dinesh Pandian (Madras High Court) **Panelists :** Dr. K. Gita Dr. G. Prabhakaran Dr. J. Kumutha

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01:45 PM - 02:30 PM	**Panel Discussion:** ROP	**Moderator :** Dr. Deepa Hariharan **Panelists :** Dr. Renu P. Rajan Dr. P. Periyasamy Dr. S. Sivaraman
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. R. Suresh | Dr. S. Sangeeth	
02:30 PM - 02:50 PM	Decoding Blood Gas in NICU	Dr. V. Tiroumourougane Serane
02:50 PM - 03:10 PM	Neonatal Office Practice - Reg Flag Signs of Referral	Dr. Rema Chandramohan
CHAIRPERSONS	Dr. R. Malaiarasu | Dr. D. Karthikeyan	
03:10 PM - 03:30 PM	Setting up of Level II NICU	Dr. Murugan Jayaraman
03:30 PM - 03:50 PM	Neonatal Seizures: Treat the Baby or Treat the EEG?	Dr. V. T. Rajesh
03:50 PM - 04:00 PM	DISCUSSION	
04:00 PM	VALEDICTORY FUNCTION AND PRIZE DISTRIBUTION	

Conference Registration Tariff

31st October & 1st November

S.No	Category	Early Bird Till 31st August	Till 30th October & Spot
01	NNF / IAP Member	7,500	10,500
02	Non-Member	7,500	11,500
03	Postgraduate	6,000	7,000
04	Nurse	3,000	3,000
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30th October

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02	Neo POCUS	Rio Children's Hospital	Dr. B. Saranya Devi	2,000	32
03	Adv Neonatal Ventilation	Government Rajaji Hospital	Dr. J. Ashok Raja	2,000	32
04	Neonatal Procedures	Meenakshi Mission Hospital	Dr. S. Senthil Kumar	1,000	32
05	Advanced NRP	Bharathi Infinity Hospital	Dr. S. Sivaraman	3,000	36
06	Nurses and Advanced Lactation	Apollo Children's Hospital	Dr. J. Murugan	500	50
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