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Teaching is a noble profession, and pharmacy education is a cornerstone of advancing healthcare and shaping future generations of professionals. The future of pharmacy is shaped in our classrooms, guided by our educators, and strengthened by a shared commitment to excellence. As educators in a life-saving profession, we must uphold ethics, integrity, transparency and the welfare of our fraternity. An association's strength is measured not only by its membership, but also by the values it protects and the trust it earns. It is said that, "Knowledge builds competence, integrity builds trust, and character builds a lasting legacy." These principles must guide every initiative we undertake and every decision we make. As APTI celebrating its Diamond Jubilee, the professional growth, dignity and interests of our members remain central to our purpose.

At APTICON 2026: National Annual Convention of APTI in Raipur, under the theme "Pharma Teacher's Sankalp: Viksit Pharmacist for Atmanirbhar Bharat," we meet at a defining moment in the journey of the Association of Pharmacy Teachers of India (APTI). The theme calls on educators to build pharmacists who are competent, ethical, innovative and future-ready. Our responsibility extends beyond the classroom: we must prepare professionals to respond to emerging healthcare challenges and serve society. Empowered educators build capable pharmacists, and capable pharmacists help build an Atmanirbhar Bharat.

To strengthen national participation and regional representation, APTI has taken APTICON across the different zones of the country. With conventions held in the South, North and East Zones, and now in the Central Zone at Raipur, this initiative has opened new avenues for wider participation and regional representation. It has enabled diverse groups of pharmacy teachers to come together, exchange ideas and strengthen professional bonds. This journey reflects our conviction that unity in diversity is the foundation of a stronger APTI.

As the Diamond Jubilee year celebration, we are preparing not merely to celebrate an organisation, but to honour our shared identity, our collective journey and our commitment to pharmacy education. Celebrations have already begun across the country through meaningful activities. I invite every member, State Branch and pharmacy institution to participate actively. Let the Diamond Jubilee become a year-long movement of ideas, service, innovation and collective action—not a single event on the calendar.

On Teachers' Day, in honour of our visionary founder, Prof. M. L. Schroff, APTI introduced a special subsidised membership initiative for individual pharmacy teachers. This initiative pays tribute to the association's founding spirit while inviting more educators into the APTI family.

For six decades, APTI has provided pharmacy teachers with a platform to learn, lead, collaborate and advance pharmacy education and practice in India. With around 20,000 members, it has grown into the country's largest association of pharmacy teachers, a milestone that reflects the trust, strength and unity of our fraternity. Recent achievements include the successful 74th Indian Pharmaceutical Congress in Bengaluru, organised under APTI's leadership, which created a significant national platform for dialogue, innovation and collaboration.

APTI's national reach has also expanded with the formation of a new State Branches, extending its presence across the country. We have consistently represented pharmacy educators on national and international platforms, including engagement with the World Health Organization (WHO) on antimicrobial resistance (AMR). Such engagement reinforces our responsibility to prepare the next generation to become informed and responsible custodians of public health.

As an organisational member of the International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP), APTI is strengthening its global presence and contributing to conversations on pharmacy education and practice beyond national borders. In partnership with FIP and the wider pharmacy fraternity, we remain committed to the safe, effective and rational use of medicines. Our shared purpose is universal: better health outcomes and service to humanity.

I also acknowledge the Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) for its initiatives aligned with the global theme of World Pharmacists Day. Through the national mission "Swastha Bharat: Combating Antimicrobial Resistance," PCI has undertaken initiatives across the country to raise AMR awareness, promote rational medicine use and reinforce patient safety.

I appreciate and congratulate PCI on addressing one of today's most pressing public health challenges. APTI stands firmly with PCI, and I urge pharmacy teachers and pharmacists nationwide to participate actively in this mission.

APTI Women's Forum has successfully organized its Third APTI Women Leadership Conclave at Naina Tikkar, Himachal Pradesh. To broaden participation and strengthen leadership, APTI and the Women's Forum have expanded their working structures through dedicated committees and cells covering scientific activities, academic initiatives, leadership, outreach, social media, accreditation and ranking, membership development, faculty development, government advocacy and policy affairs, faculty welfare, and leadership development. The APTI Women's Forum continues to strengthen its leadership and outreach through an expanded organizational structure, supported by dedicated committees and an Advisory Board.

Our next phase must be more accessible, responsive and technology-enabled. Priorities include establishing a permanent APTI headquarter, launching a new dynamic website, introducing an automated and user-friendly membership portal, and developing a dedicated APTI Life Membership App to make services and engagement easier for members.

Leadership is never a solitary pursuit. It depends on mutual trust, shared responsibility and sustained participation. I seek the continued cooperation of every member, office-bearer and State Branch so that we can turn ideas into initiatives and aspirations into achievements that benefit our fraternity and society. An ethical legacy earns respect; a culture of trust builds unity; and service-led leadership creates lasting change.

As we gather in Raipur, the Diamond Jubilee asks us to look beyond six decades of achievement and consider the legacy we will leave to the next generation of pharmacy teachers. Let us celebrate our past, strengthen our present and shape our future. From legacy to leadership, from teachers to nation-builders, APTI is ready to enter its Diamond Era.

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INSTITUTIONAL / EVENT NEWS

NATIONAL IPA PHARMACY STUDENTS CONGRESS 2026 CONCLUDES SUCCESSFULLY, CELEBRATING INNOVATION AND PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP

The 14th National IPA Pharmacy Students' Congress 2026 concluded with resounding success following an intensive two-day convention held on September 19–20, 2026. The national forum brought together approximately 1,400 delegates from across India, including pharmacy students, researchers, academicians, and industry mentors. Focused on innovation, leadership, professional development, and emerging career horizons, the event provided a robust interactive platform for academic exchange and industry readiness.

The congress was privileged to host esteemed stalwarts and pharmacy leaders, including **Dr. B. Suresh, Dr. TV Narayana, Dr. RN Gupta, and Sri. Jaysheelan**, whose presence, visionary insights, and guidance inspired the next generation of pharmaceutical professionals. The convention featured an extensive itinerary encompassing specialized workshops, HR conclaves, technical quizzes, innovative idea competitions, and scientific poster sessions. Leading industry veterans and senior faculty engaged in thought-provoking panel discussions addressing contemporary challenges in pharmaceutical sciences and public healthcare delivery. A signature highlight of the gathering was the conferral of the prestigious Pharma Excellence Awards, which honored outstanding achievements and distinguished contributions across pharmacy education, industrial manufacturing, regulatory affairs, and clinical pharmacy practice.



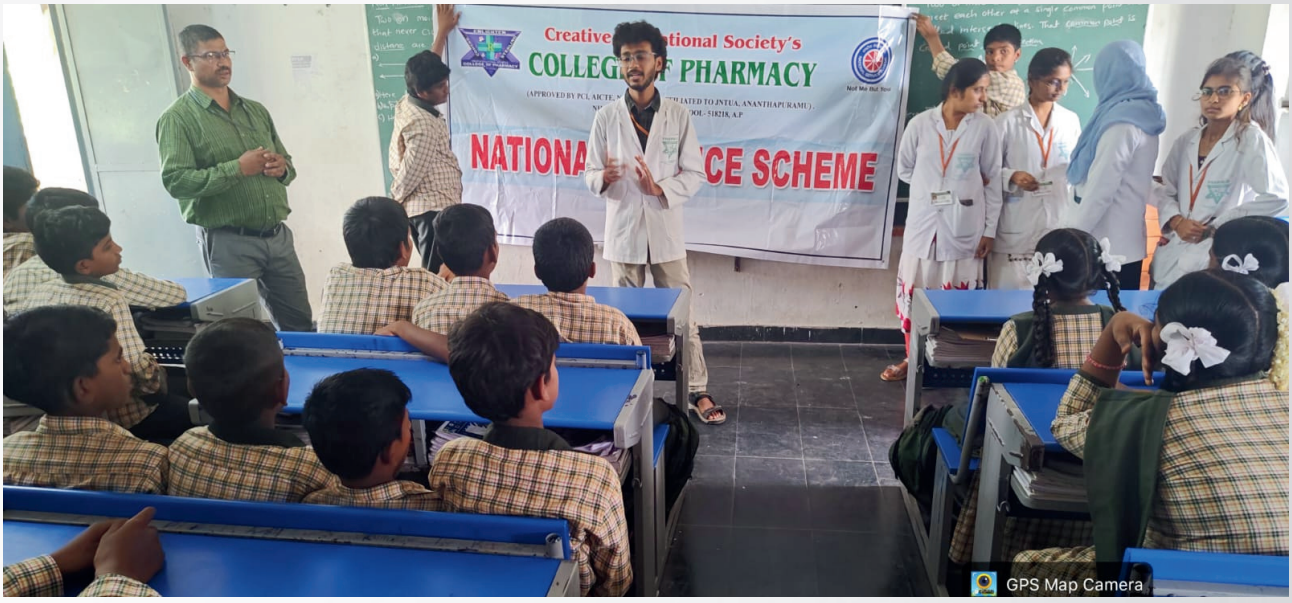
NSS Unit of C.E.S. College of Pharmacy Organizes Blood Donation Camp

Chinnatekur, Kurnool - September 25, 2026:

The National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of **C.E.S. College of Pharmacy, in association with AVOPA Andhra Pradesh**, organized a Blood Donation Camp and Awareness on Antibiotic resistance stewardship Program at ZP High school, Chinnatekur village, Andhra Pradesh.

The programme aimed to create awareness among students and the local community about the importance of blood donation, healthcare, and social responsibility. Pharmacy students actively participated in the awareness session and interacted with school students, highlighting the importance of healthy habits and community service.





PHARMACISTS DAY CELEBRATIONS

Balapanur, Kurnool | September 25, 2026:

Santhiram College of Pharmacy (Autonomous), Nandyal, celebrated World Pharmacists Day 2026 with enthusiasm under the theme “Empowering Pharmacists for a Healthier Future.”

The programme highlighted the important role of pharmacists in patient care, community health, antimicrobial stewardship, innovation, and research. Faculty members and students actively participated in the celebrations, which included an inaugural ceremony, awareness activities, and a gathering of the pharmacy community.

The event emphasized the contribution of pharmacists towards promoting safe and effective use of medicines, combating antimicrobial resistance, and building a healthier society. The celebrations concluded with recognition of the efforts of faculty and participants.





The School of Pharmacy, Godavari Global University (GGU), Rajahmundry A.P., celebrated World Pharmacist Day with enthusiasm. As part of the celebrations, a quiz competition was conducted for the students, followed by the inauguration of the World Pharmacist Day programme. The event aimed to enhance students' pharmaceutical knowledge and highlight the important role of pharmacists in healthcare.



KVSRSCOPS, Vijayawada, A.P., celebrated World Pharmacists Day with enthusiasm. The Chief Guest emphasized the need for pharmacists to look beyond medicines through health-focused research, innovation, and entrepreneurship. The occasion also marked the release of the SCOPS Curatives, showcasing students' creativity and achievements.



GM. Dhanwantari College of Pharmacy organized poster presentation and invited talk on the occasion of World Pharmacists Day. The fresh minds who entered the profession and participated in the activities were appreciated for their enthusiasm.



World pharmacist day celebration 2026, Koppal:

World Pharmacists Day 2026 was celebrated in Koppal with great professional solidarity and community enthusiasm. The program was organized in collaboration with the Department of Health and Family Welfare and the Chemist and Druggist Association, Koppal.

Active partnership was extended by the Government Pharmacist Association, Koppal, along with all pharmacy colleges across Koppal district. The joint initiative highlighted the indispensable role of pharmacists in advancing public healthcare and ensuring safe medication practices.



💊 World Pharmacist Day Celebrated at Alva's College of Pharmacy, Moodubidire

Alva's College of Pharmacy, Alva's Education Foundation, Moodbidri in association with the Working Pharmacists Association, and Food Safety and Drug Administration Dept. Mangalore celebrated World Pharmacist Day with an insightful programme highlighting the vital role of pharmacists in patient care and public health.

The four speakers — Dr. P. V. Bhandari, Dr. Muralikrishna, thinker Aravind Chokkadi, and Dr. Soumya Saraswathi — emphasised patient counselling, rational use of medicines, antibiotic stewardship, avoiding self-medication, and healthy lifestyle practices.

Senior pharmacist Mohammed Javid Hassan was felicitated on the occasion.

Dr. Manjunath Setty, Principal, Alva's College of Pharmacy, summarised the key messages of the speakers and addressed the gathering, highlighting the importance of pharmacists as an integral part of the healthcare system.



Glimpses of world pharmacist day 2026:

On this momentous occasion, the Drugs Control Department (FDA), Government of Karnataka, joined hands with the Karnataka State Pharmacy Council to celebrate excellence in healthcare. Dr. Suresh V Kulkarni, Principal of Sree Siddaganga College of Pharmacy, Tumakuru, was officially recognized and felicitated with the prestigious Best Pharmacist Award for his exemplary service. The honor underscored his dedicated contributions to pharmacy education, public health, patient safety, and high-quality pharmaceutical care across the state.





KALSEKAR TECHNICAL CAMPUS HOSTS MEGA CAREER FAIR; HON'BLE CM DEVENDRA FADNAVIS REMOTELY INAUGURATES EVENT

At Kalsekar Technical Campus we successfully hosted a **Mega Career Fair in collaboration with the Government of Maharashtra.**

The fair witnessed an overwhelming response, with 75+ companies, including several Pharma companies, participating in the event. Over 2,000 job seekers from across Maharashtra attended the fair, making it a highly successful platform for connecting talent with employment opportunities.

The event was remotely inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Shri Devendra Fadnavis, while Hon'ble MLA Shri Prashant Thakur graced the occasion as the Chief Guest at our campus.

Padma Shri Dr. Zahir I. Kazi, President, Anjuman-I-Islam, presided over the event.





Bamane Institute of Pharmacy Hosts Successful Campus Drive with Pharma Giant Cipla for Production and Packaging Roles

Bamane Institute of Pharmacy, Belagavi, successfully hosted a dedicated on-campus recruitment drive conducted by premier multinational pharmaceutical company Cipla Ltd. (Goa Plant) for final-year Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) students. The recruitment drive aimed at selecting skilled diploma talent for vital operational positions in Cipla's state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Goa, specifically targeting openings in the Production and Packaging departments.



Daksh Group of Institutions Commemorates World Pharmacist Day with Community Fruit Distribution and Public Awareness Rally

On World Pharmacist Day (September 25, 2026), Daksh Group of Institutions, Chhatarpur (M.P.), conducted a community outreach and public awareness drive. Students and faculty distributed fresh fruits to patients at local healthcare centers and led a city rally to highlight the essential role of pharmacists in healthcare and patient safety.



Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy Organises Two-Day Hands-on Training on Integrative Drug Discovery

BENGALURU — The Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry at Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy successfully conducted a two-day workshop titled "An Integrative Approach to Drug Discovery" on 17–18 August 2026, in collaboration with the B.V. Patel Education Foundation.

The training covered crucial modern competencies including green synthesis, infrared spectral analysis, molecular docking, and network pharmacology. Technical sessions were led by eminent resource persons Dr. Chaluvaraju K. C., Dr. Sharon Priya Alexander, and Dr. Subhas S. Karki, who guided participants through practical applications in drug design.



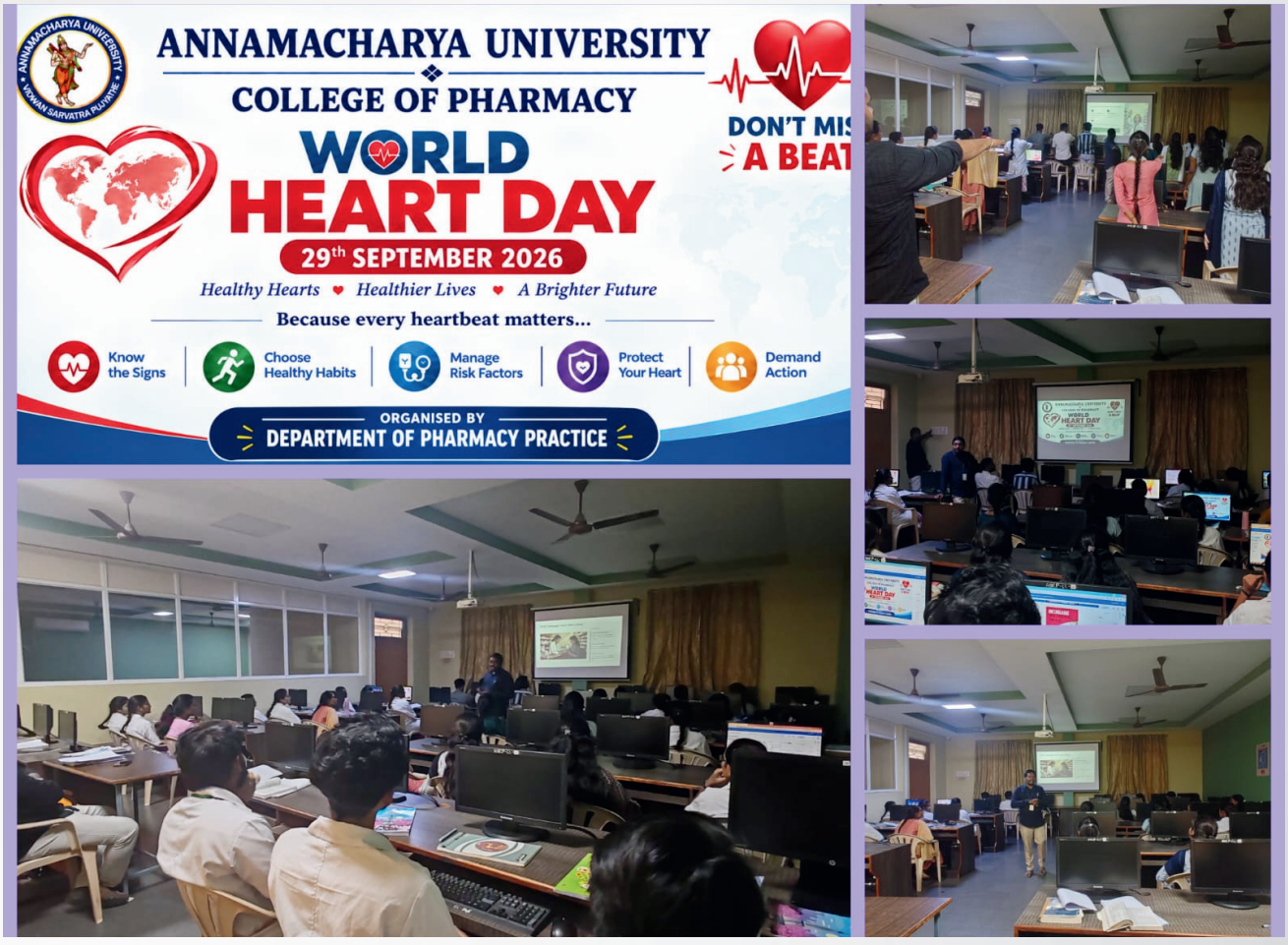


World Heart Day 2026 Observed at Annamacharya University College of Pharmacy

Annamacharya University College of Pharmacy observed World Heart Day on 29 September 2026 with an awareness programme organized by the Department of Pharmacy Practice.

The programme focused on promoting heart health and preventing cardiovascular diseases. Students were educated about recognizing warning signs of heart-related problems, adopting healthy habits, managing risk factors and taking timely action. The session highlighted the importance of regular physical activity, a healthy diet and prevention of cardiovascular risk factors.

The programme witnessed active participation from students and provided an opportunity to create awareness about maintaining a healthy heart and leading healthier lives. The event concluded with a message emphasizing that every heartbeat matters and timely awareness can help protect heart health.



Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy Secures Patent for Novel Mucoadhesive Bi-Gel Formulation for HIV Prophylaxis

BENGALURU — Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy has reached a significant research milestone with the grant of a patent for an innovative pharmaceutical formulation developed by Dr. Sayani Bhattacharya, Professor & Head, Department of Pharmaceutics, and Dr. Eswar Gupta Maddi, Professor, Department of Pharmaceutics. The patent has been granted for the invention titled “A Method of Preparing a Mucoadhesive Bi-Gel Vaginal Formulation for HIV Prophylaxis.”

The patented formulation introduces an advanced mucoadhesive vaginal bi-gel system designed specifically for pre-exposure prevention against HIV. By combining novel polymeric networks and optimized residence times, the delivery platform offers an effective, patient-centric intervention within preventive reproductive healthcare and antiretroviral drug delivery. This landmark accomplishment highlights the translational research strengths of the Department of Pharmaceutics and reinforces Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy’s commitment to pioneering high-impact pharmaceutical innovations for global health challenges.



National Level Poster Presentation Competition Concludes with Resounding Success

Delonix Society's Baramati College of Pharmacy, in collaboration with APTI, successfully hosted a National Level Poster Presentation Competition. The event drew an impressive response, welcoming 250 participants and showcasing 115 scientific posters from pharmacy institutions across Maharashtra.

Serving as an enriching platform, the forum empowered budding pharmacy professionals to present innovative research, exchange academic ideas, and demonstrate scientific creativity.The organizing committee expresses sincere gratitude to the Chief Guest, Patron, Coordinator, evaluators, and delegates whose collective dedication ensured the event's grand success.





Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy organized Pharma Job Fair & Hackathon 2026 – “A Career Utsav for Young Pharmacists”,

BENGALURU — Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy successfully hosted Pharma Job Fair & Hackathon 2026, themed “A Career Utsav for Young Pharmacists,” designed to bridge academia with healthcare industries and generate prime career openings for emerging graduates. The flagship summit attracted over 40 leading pharmaceutical recruiters and student contingents from more than 25 colleges across Karnataka, resulting in multiple spot hiring offers for talented candidates. A centerpiece of the day was the executive CEO Conclave and interactive panel discussions featuring seasoned corporate heads from reputed bodies such as KDPMMA, Himalaya, Micro Labs, Medreich, ICON, and FOPE.

Technical dialogues centered on breakthrough advancements in formulation R&D, stringent regulatory affairs, clinical trials, and modernized Ayurvedic drug development. By providing direct access to prominent industry mentors, the initiative succeeded in aligning academic learning with dynamic market standards, preparing delegates for immediate, impactful careers across the pharmaceutical sector.





The Hackathon Competition was the highlight of the second day, where students of Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy showcased their groundbreaking innovations and research ideas through poster presentations, prototypes and pictorial representations.
The innovative models and scientific presentations attracted the attention of experts, CEOs and dignitaries from leading pharma industries. Eminent leaders, evaluating their ideas on innovation, feasibility and market potential.

With a prize pool of Rs. 1 Lakh ,the Hackathon truly embodied the theme - "Connect. Explore. Innovate. Succeed. "Krupanidhians once again proved and won the legacy of institution by securing 1st place in Hackathon by delivering best innovations on right platform.

With more than 200 offer letters to job aspirants during HR Recruiyment the entire process of job fair, Carrer expo and Hackathon was the major job mela
The event concluded with felicitation of student volunteers whose dedicated efforts made the event a grand success.



National Symposium and Pre-Conference Workshop – "AI-Driven Innovation in Pharmaceutical Education and Healthcare: Bridging Academia, Research and Clinical Practice"

APTI Kerala organised a national symposium and pre-conference workshop on 9 July 2026 at Hotel Rainbow Suites, Kannur, Kerala. The programme focused on the emerging applications of artificial intelligence (AI) in pharmaceutical education, research, drug discovery and healthcare. The scientific sessions covered "NEP-Aligned Curriculum: Transforming Pharmacy Education in India," "Transforming Pharmaceutical Research Through AI-Enhanced CADD Platforms," and "AI-Guided Evaluation of Endopeptidases as Drug Targets in Glioblastoma." The event brought together academic experts, faculty members, researchers and students to discuss innovative teaching approaches, computational drug discovery and the integration of AI into pharmaceutical practice. An e-poster presentation opportunity was also announced, encouraging research contributions across various pharmaceutical disciplines. The programme promoted academic collaboration, knowledge sharing and technology-driven advancement in pharmacy education and research.





FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME ON REVISED PCI B.PHARM CURRICULUM UNDER NEP 2020 BY APTI KERALA

The Association of Pharmaceutical Teachers of India (APTI), Kerala Branch, conducted a six-day online Faculty Development Programme from 8–13 June 2026. The programme focused on the revised B.Pharm curriculum under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The sessions covered curriculum structure, credit distribution, Outcome-Based Education (OBE), assessment methods, elective subjects and subject-wise curriculum updates. The Student Skill Series also focused on research paper writing, online learning courses, pharmaceutical career planning and the use of artificial intelligence in presentations.

Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy Celebrates Graduation Day 2026, Honors Meritorious Outgoing Batches

Krupanidhi College of Pharmacy celebrated its Graduation Day on September 7, 2026, conferring degree certificates upon outgoing students across multiple pharmacy programs.

The institution felicitated academic toppers and rank holders with cash prizes, recognizing their dedicated performance and scholarly excellence.

Academic leaders addressed the graduating batch, encouraging them to uphold professional ethics, drive innovation, and lead advancements across healthcare, clinical, and industrial sectors.

The momentous convocation marked an inspiring milestone for faculty, graduates, and families, launching the new healthcare professionals into promising career pathways.





National Symposium – MASCON 2026: Innovation & Digital Transformation in the Pharma Industry

MASCON 2026 was organised on 26 September 2026 by Malik Deenar College of Pharmacy, Seethangoli, Kasaragod, in association with APTI Kerala, at K. S. Abdullah Memorial Hall. The national symposium focused on emerging developments in pharmaceutical research, regulatory affairs, Chemistry, Manufacturing and Controls (CMC), advanced manufacturing, technology transfer, vaccine development and digital transformation. Dr. Dhatchna Moorthy N. delivered a session on “Generative and Agentic AI in Pharmaceutical Research: From Molecules to Medicines,” while Mr. Hariharan Ponnambalam discussed “Artificial Intelligence in Regulatory Affairs: Transforming the Future of Pharmaceutical Industry.” The programme also included e-poster presentations, cash awards for the best entries, a panel discussion and prize distribution.



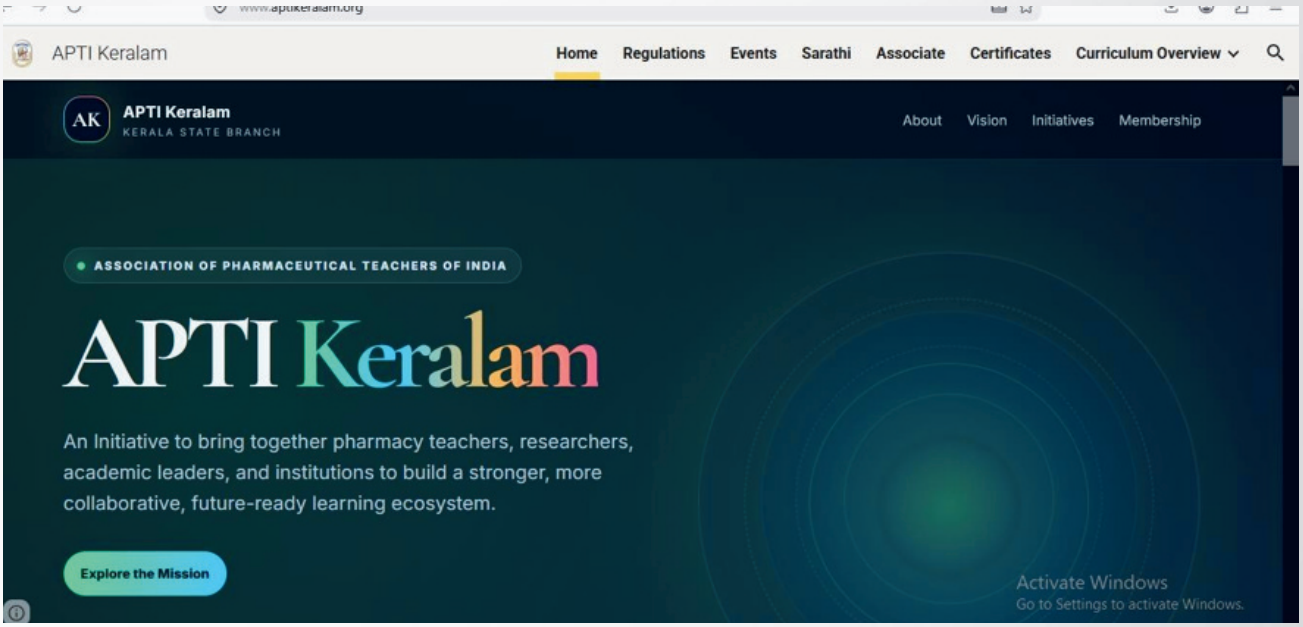






Launch of APTI Kerala Website and SARATHI Initiative

The Association of Pharmaceutical Teachers of India (APTI), Kerala State Branch, launched its official website, www.aptikeralam.org, and SARATHI (Smart Academic Repository and Teaching Hub Initiative) on 9 July 2026 at Crescent College of Pharmacy, Kannur, as part of the Conference on Artificial Intelligence in Pharmaceutical Education. The website was established as a dedicated digital platform to showcase the branch's academic activities, professional programmes, achievements, announcements and upcoming events, while improving communication and networking among pharmacy educators and institutions across Kerala. SARATHI was introduced as a collaborative academic initiative aligned with the revised B.Pharm curriculum, bringing experienced faculty members and subject experts together to develop and share quality educational resources. Based on the concept of "One Topic – One Resource Person," the initiative envisages a structured collection of video lectures, presentation materials, study notes and assessment resources, including multiple-choice questions (MCQs). It aims to encourage knowledge sharing, support effective teaching and learning, and extend access to academic resources beyond individual institutions. Together, the website and SARATHI represent APTI Kerala's efforts to strengthen digital communication, academic collaboration and technology-enabled pharmacy education. The annual report identifies the further development of SARATHI into a structured repository aligned with the revised curriculum as a priority for 2026–27.



4th APTI–Tamil Nadu Branch National-Level Conference and Award Ceremony

Tamil Nadu branch national-level conference and award ceremony was organized on 20 June 2026 at Sri Ramachandra Faculty of Pharmacy, Sri Ramachandra Institute of Higher Education and Research, Chennai, under the theme “Empowering Future Pharmacists Through Research, Innovation and Entrepreneurship.” The event provided a vibrant academic platform for pharmacy educators, researchers, and students to exchange knowledge and examine the latest advancements across pharmaceutical sciences, start-up ecosystems, and scientific communication.

The convention witnessed an overwhelming response with 2,023 registrations, reflecting substantial participation by pharmacy students, faculty, and industry professionals from across the country. scientific deliberations were marked by high academic rigor, featuring 362 e-poster presentations and 80 oral presentations, culminating in the presentation of 66 Best Oral and e-Poster Awards to recognize outstanding research contributions.

Eminent academicians and researchers delivered keynote addresses highlighting the role of transformative research in modern drug discovery and healthcare delivery.



Panel discussions actively explored practical strategies to bridge the gap between academic curricula and evolving industrial requirements. Senior faculty members also conducted dedicated mentoring interactions with students, offering vital guidance on navigating intellectual property rights, patent filings, and launching viable start-up ventures in the healthcare sector.

In addition to technical sessions, the agenda featured the presentation of the branch annual report, formal award distributions, and the official release of relevant books and specialized software tools. A dedicated exhibition running alongside the conference showcased advanced pharmaceutical instruments, laboratory equipment, educational resources, and groundbreaking commercial products. this parallel expo gave delegates direct hands-on exposure to cutting-edge tools driving contemporary formulation and analytical research.

The deliberations also underscored the necessity of interdisciplinary tie-ups to solve complex clinical challenges and accelerate translational research. Delegates actively utilized the professional networking avenues to forge long-term institutional tie-ups and collaborative research initiatives. The mega event concluded with an inspiring valedictory session that lauded all contributors, leaving attendees motivated to pursue research excellence, technological innovation, and self-reliant entrepreneurship.





One-Day Continuing Education Programme on “3D Printed Medicines: A Paradigm Shift in Personalized Drug Formulation”

Excel College of Pharmacy organised a one-day Continuing Education Programme titled “3D Printed Medicines: A Paradigm Shift in Personalized Drug Formulation” on July 26, as documented in the APTI Tamil Nadu State Branch activity report. The programme highlighted the emerging importance of three-dimensional (3D) printing in pharmaceutical formulation and personalised medicine.

The invited resource person delivered an informative lecture, sharing valuable insights that enhanced participants’ knowledge of the subject and its potential applications in pharmaceutical sciences.

The programme offered an opportunity for academic interaction, knowledge sharing and discussion of emerging formulation technologies. 3D printing has the potential to support the development of customised dosage forms tailored to individual patient requirements, making it a promising area for future pharmaceutical research and development.

The event concluded successfully, with active academic participation and appreciation from attendees. However, the report does not specify the year, resource person’s name, detailed session topics or number of participants.



Pharmacy Teachers Sports Meet 2026

APTI Tamil Nadu State Branch conducted a state-level Pharmacy Teachers Sports Meet at United College of Pharmacy, Coimbatore. More than 250 pharmacy faculty members participated, representing different age groups. Under the theme “Be Fit – Age Not Matters,” the event promoted physical fitness, teamwork, unity, sportsmanship, stress relief and professional bonding among pharmacy educators.

Activities included cricket under the Pharmacy Premier League, throwball, chess, carrom, a 3-km walkathon and Hatha Yoga. The branch also acknowledged the contributions of the college management, organisers, faculty, students and sponsors. The report does not specify the exact dates of the meet, so its placement within June–September 2026 cannot be confirmed.





Ph.D. AWARDEES



DR. YOGYATA SANDEEP PATHARE

Dr. Yogyata Sandeep Pathare, Assistant Professor in Pharmaceutics at STES's Sinhgad College of Pharmacy, Vadgaon Bk, Pune, has been awarded the Ph.D. degree in Pharmaceutics under the faculty of Science & Technology by Savitribai Phule Pune University.

She conducted her doctoral research titled "Development and Characterization of Nanoparticles loaded Ophthalmic Drug Delivery Systems" under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Manoj Sudhakar Tare.

With 17 years of teaching experience, Dr. Pathare has published 29 research papers in international journals, secured an Indian patent based on her doctoral work, and guided 18 M.Pharm students. She is a life member of APTI and a Registered Pharmacist with the Maharashtra State Pharmacy Council.

She expressed sincere gratitude to Prof. Dr. M. N. Navale, Founder and President of Sinhgad Technical Education Society, her research guide Dr. Manoj Tare, Principal Prof. Dr. Rajesh B. Patil, Former Principal Dr. Kishore N. Gujar, Prof. Dr. Amelia Avachat, the college faculty, and her husband, Dr. Sandeep Pathare, for their steadfast support.



DR. SHUBHNAGEE TOMAR

Dr. Shubhnagee Tomar, Assistant Professor at K.B. Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Gandhinagar, has been awarded the Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences by Kadi Sarva Vishwavidyalaya after defending her viva voce on 19 May 2026.

Her doctoral thesis, titled "Development of Biphasic Calcium Phosphate Scaffold with Hyaluronic Acid-Decorated Chitosan Nanoparticles-Based Hydrogel for Bone Regeneration," focuses on an advanced biomaterial platform combining composite scaffolds with functionalized nanoparticles to facilitate effective tissue repair.

The engineered hydrogel system demonstrates substantial potential to enhance osteogenic activity and accelerate structural bone healing, addressing key clinical limitations in orthopaedic therapeutics. Her investigative findings provide crucial translational insights into targeted delivery mechanisms for bone graft substitutes and regenerative medicine.

The faculty and leadership of the institution extended their warmest congratulations to Dr. Tomar, commending her rigorous scientific inquiry and steadfast dedication throughout the doctoral program. This accomplishment marks a significant milestone in Dr. Tomar's academic journey, establishing a strong foundation for future research endeavors in biomaterials and advanced drug delivery.

Teaching Pedagogy Training Workshop

PSG College of Pharmacy, in association with the IPA Coimbatore Local Branch and APTI Tamil Nadu State Branch, organised a two-day Teaching Pedagogy Training Workshop. The activity focused on teaching pedagogy and faculty development. The report confirms the dates, location and organising institutions but does not provide further details about the individual sessions, resource persons or participant numbers.

Such faculty development initiatives aim to enhance instructional methodologies and student engagement strategies across pharmaceutical education. The program broadly addresses modern teaching practices, outcome-based education frameworks, and innovative classroom assessment techniques. Continuous pedagogical training enables educators to stay aligned with evolving healthcare curriculum requirements and national accreditation standards. A comprehensive follow-up report detailing specific module outcomes and speaker insights would further highlight the program's overall academic impact.



ACHIEVEMENTS

Annamacharya College of Pharmacy Secures Recognition for Oral Presentation in Chennai

RAJAMPET, Andhra Pradesh — Faculty and student researchers from Annamacharya College of Pharmacy, Rajampet, Annamayya District, have earned academic honors for their oral presentation delivered at Arunai College of Pharmacy, Chennai.

The commendation was awarded to Mr. Y. Pradeep Kumar, Associate Professor, alongside Ms. E. Haritha, post-graduate scholar in M.Pharm, recognizing their scientific presentation and innovative research discourse.

Their scholarly performance highlights a steadfast dedication to high-quality investigative work, clear scientific communication, and analytical rigor. The milestone brings immense honor to the institution, underscoring its focused commitment to cultivating progressive research aptitude, technical competence, and presentation mastery across both faculty and student bodies.





SVKM's Dr. Bhanuben Nanavati College of Pharmacy Student Sampada Desai Makes History with WorldSkills 2026 Win

MUMBAI, India — SVKM's Dr. Bhanuben Nanavati College of Pharmacy (Autonomous) is proud to announce that final-year B.Pharm student Sampada Desai has won the prestigious Medallion of Excellence in Chemical Laboratory Technology (Skill 52) at WorldSkills Shanghai 2026. This historic feat marks the first-ever WorldSkills recognition for India in Chemical Laboratory Technology, showcasing the nation's rising technical expertise and benchmarking Indian pharmaceutical education on the global stage.

Sampada's journey—spanning rigorous national qualifiers at IndiaSkills to the international arena at WorldSkills—reflects her exceptional perseverance, laboratory precision, and dedication to excellence. The institution extends its heartfelt appreciation to Dr. Prashant Latthe, WorldSkills India Expert, for his tireless mentorship and tactical guidance throughout the competition cycle. SVKM's BNCP also acknowledges the critical industry collaboration with Syngene International Limited, whose advanced technical support and intensive training facilities were instrumental in preparing Sampada for the world stage. This landmark victory underscores the vital synergy between academia, industry leaders, and national skill initiatives in nurturing world-class scientific talent.



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