



RISE AGAINST CANCER

**Indian Cancer Society
Delhi Branch**

ANNUAL REPORT 2024 - 2025



Reflecting on a year of
Healing, Support and Progress

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The Year in Perspective

The year 2024–25 has been marked by remarkable activity and purposeful reflection. It has been a time of introspection and evaluation of our past, guiding us toward a clearer vision for the future.

In many respects, we have come full circle. While we initially sought to operate within defined verticals such as *Jagrti* (Awareness) and *Sahyog* (Patient Support), we discovered a natural and valuable overlap in expertise across these areas. This integration has not only enhanced our efficiency but also enriched the organizational fabric of ICS Delhi. Talent has proven to be boundaryless, and the Society has benefited immensely from this synergy.

We now see ourselves evolving as thought leaders in the domain of cancer control. ICS Delhi has actively contributed to conversations in emerging areas such as Genomics, Precision Medicine, and Targeted Therapy—always centering the patient's physical, mental, and emotional well-being. Our involvement in traditionally scientific dialogues has brought forward a uniquely human-centered perspective. In this journey, we have been both learners and educators, guided and supported by leading experts in the field.

Our contributions have been acknowledged through invitations from the Government of India and the Rajya Sabha, recognizing our growing influence and the value of our perspective.

Looking Ahead

The coming year presents us with an opportunity to further embrace collaborative efforts within ICS and to confidently voice our insights on broader platforms. This path demands rigorous effort, in-depth engagement with evolving subject matter, and the courage to venture beyond the familiar.

We recognize that relying solely on historical knowledge is no longer sufficient. The future calls for adaptability, continued learning, and a forward-thinking mindset.

As we enter our ***Amrit Kaal***—the **75th anniversary of the Indian Cancer Society**—and the final quarter of our journey toward the centenary, we are reminded of the words of Ulysses in Alfred, Lord Tennyson's immortal verse:

"To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield."

ICS Delhi stands ready to embrace this mission with renewed commitment.



Jyotsna Govil

Chairperson

Indian Cancer Society, Delhi Branch

MEMBERS - MANAGING COMMITTEE

ALL Members of the Managing Committee work in Honorary Capacity.

No sitting Fees are paid.

Executive Committee

1. Mrs. Jyotsna Govil – Chairperson
2. Mrs. Renuka Prasad – Hon. Secretary
3. Mr. Atul Kumar – Hon Treasurer

Ex-Officio Appointments

1. Mrs. Indra Jasuja – Joint Secretary (Gurgaon)
2. Mrs. Aruna Ummat – Joint Secretary, Awareness & Training
3. Mrs. Rupinder Kaur – Joint Secretary, Patient Support

Members

1. Mrs. Renu S. Karnad
2. Mr. R.K.Ahuja
3. Dr. Ashok Mohan
4. Mrs. Reva Nayyar
5. Prof. Cmde. PK Goel
6. Mr. Krishan Kalra
7. Prof. MC Misra
8. Mr. Kewal Nohria
9. Mr. Sanjay Nayar
10. Dr. Ravi Mehrotra
11. Dr. Sanjiv Kumar

Medical Sub-Committee

1. Dr. AK Dewan
2. Dr. Ramesh Sarin
3. Dr. Sudip Raina
4. Dr. D Bachani

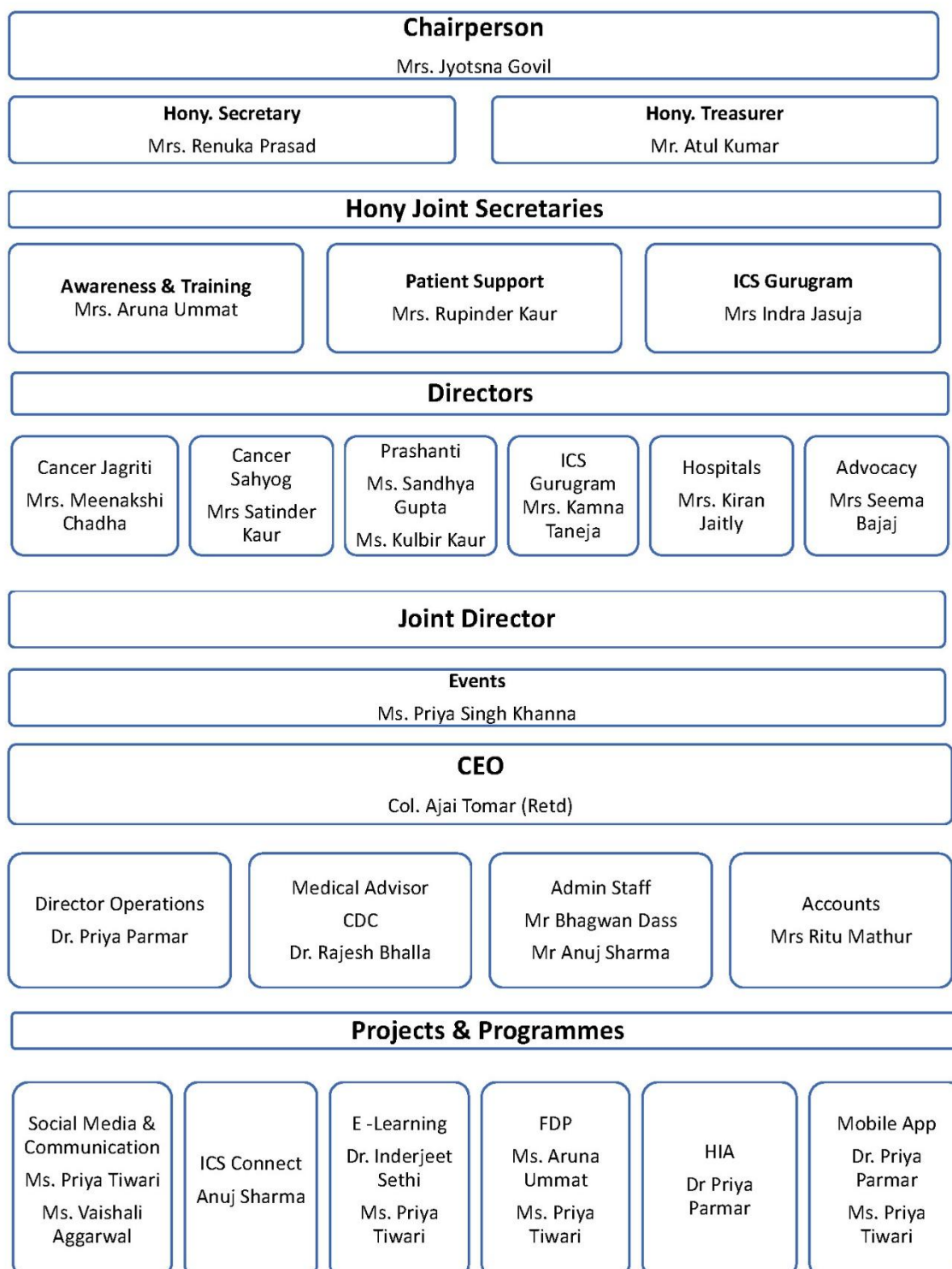
Delhi Government.

1. Principal Secretary Health Delhi
2. MoH/NDMC

National Managing Committee

1. Mr. Hari Mundra – Chairman
2. Mrs. Anita Borges – Vice Chairperson
3. Mrs. Usha Thorat – Hony. Secretary & Managing Trustee
4. Dr. Purna Kurkure – Jt. Managing Trustee
5. Mr. Gautam Chakravarti – Treasurer

Organisational Chart



Registrations and Accreditations

- Accredited by Credibility Alliance and ISO 9001:2015.
- Recognized as a Social Entity – Not-for-Profit Organization on the NSE Social Stock Exchange.
- Received NGO Grading Certificate from CareEdge.
- Listed with the Tata Institute of Social Sciences – CSR Hub.
- Affiliated with Charities Aid Foundation – India, USA, and UK.
- Core member of the Healthy India Alliance under the NCD Alliance.
- Registered with Benevity and GiveIndia platforms.

National and International Affiliations

Closely collaborates with the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, as well as with:

International affiliations include:

- International Union for Cancer Control (UICC)
- World Health Organization (WHO)
- American Cancer Society
- Cancer Control Australia
- Cancer Research UK

Senior ICS members are:

- Alumni of the American Cancer Society University
- Recipients of training under UICC programs in Australia

Early signatories to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) protocol, and members of the Framework Convention Alliance (FCA)—the global coalition for tobacco control.

Executive Summary

Mrs. Renuka Prasad

Hony. Secretary, ICS Delhi Branch

At the Indian Cancer Society, Delhi Branch, we believe that every cancer patient's journey is unique. These personal narratives provide critical insights into the practical, emotional, and psychological challenges encountered during treatment. As a patient-centric organization, we are committed to listening, documenting, and learning from these experiences. This approach enhances our capacity to offer meaningful support and contributes to shaping evidence-based health policies.

National Advocacy and Government Collaboration

Participation in National Policy Dialogue

ICS Delhi was honoured to be the sole non-governmental organization invited to a Post-Budget Webinar hosted by the Government of India to discuss the establishment of District Cancer Day Care Centres, as announced in the Union Budget 2025–26. The session was attended by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and other key ministries, under the esteemed presence of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. Mrs. Jyotsna Govil, representing ICS, was specifically invited to present the patient's perspective, marking a significant milestone in our advocacy efforts.

Technical Working Group Participation

In March 2025, ICS was invited to participate in the second meeting of the Technical Working Group for guiding the implementation of Day Care Centres under the National Programme for Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NP-NCD). Mrs. Jyotsna Govil joined this panel alongside esteemed medical professionals from hospitals across India. This involvement stands as a major highlight of the year, underscoring ICS Delhi's growing role as a national voice for cancer patients.

Healthcare Landscape: A Broader Context

Government Initiatives

The broader Indian healthcare ecosystem witnessed notable progress this year:

- Ayushman Bharat continued expanding access to affordable care for economically vulnerable populations.
- PM Jan Aushadhi Kendras grew significantly, offering low-cost generic medicines.
- Enhanced budgetary allocations toward health, with a special focus on cancer care, reflect a shift toward more inclusive and patient-centered policymaking.
- Government policies mandating Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) contributions to healthcare have opened new avenues for sustainable funding and partnerships.

Private Sector Growth

The exponential growth of corporate hospitals, particularly in the Delhi-NCR region, illustrates the increasing demand for advanced medical care and infrastructure. The introduction of new treatment protocols and medications has further diversified therapeutic options across socio-economic strata.

Strategic Programs and Impactful Initiatives

1. PNB Gilts Cervical Cancer Screening Project

- Initiated in: 2022–23 and completed in November 2024
- Scope: Screening of 5,000 women for cervical cancer

Highlights:

- Originated through the initiative of a student intern from The British School.
- Awareness sessions conducted by the student encouraged many women to undergo screening.
- Screening used WHO Gold Standard HPV DNA testing.
- Women with suspicious findings underwent colposcopy and thermal ablation at the ICS Detection Centre by Karkinos Healthcare doctors.
- Confirmed cancer cases were referred for full treatment under ICS's Medical Assistance Programme.

2. ESSEL Social Welfare Foundation – Pediatric Cancer Support

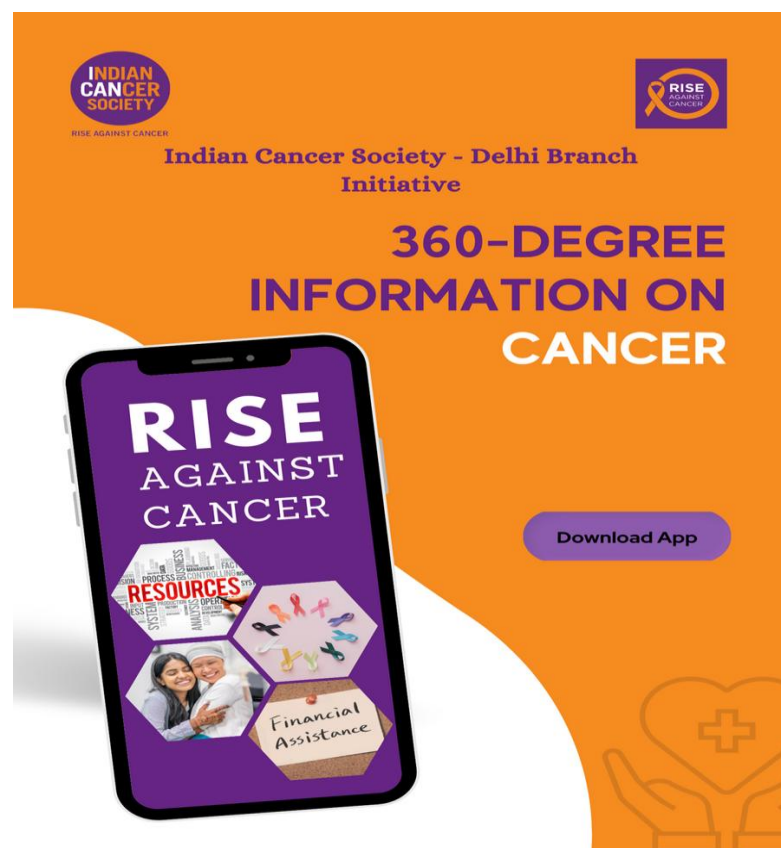
- A collaborative project with the ESSEL Social Welfare Foundation, supporting treatment for children with cancer.
- Funding: Up to ₹4 lakh per child.

Additional support provided for:

- Eye prostheses
- Cancer awareness programs
- Mobile screening camps
- Referrals primarily through the pediatric departments of AIIMS and Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute (RGCI), along with direct community reach.
- The project was initiated by the Foundation's founder after a fulfilling engagement with ICS.

3. Rise Against Cancer – Mobile Application

- Free, multilingual mobile application available on Android and iOS.
- Covers oral, breast, cervical, and lung cancers in audio-video-text formats.
- Designed for both literate and illiterate populations.
- Offers holistic, 360-degree support:
 - Medical information
 - Emotional guidance
 - Informational resources for patients and caregivers
- The app aims to empower individuals with knowledge and tools to navigate the cancer journey effectively.



- **Downloads:** Over 50,000 installs across Android and iOS platforms, we have over 9500 registered users

Awareness and Education

Faculty Development Program (FDP) – 3rd Year Session

- Dates: August 13–24, 2024
- Objective: Training university faculty in the fundamentals of cancer

Organized with:

- Guru Angad Dev Teaching Learning Centre (GADTLC), Khalsa College, Delhi University
- Ministry of Human Resource Development
- Vidyavani Foundation

Inaugural Guests:

- Mr. Hari Mundra, Chairman, ICS
- Prof. Ved Prakash, Former Chairperson, UGC
- Dr. Monika Arora, Vice President, PHFI

Special Remarks:

- Video message by Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, Former Chief Scientist, WHO
- Mrs. Usha Thorat, Hon. Secretary & Managing Trustee, ICS at the Valedictory Session
- Participation: 100 university professors from across India
- Assessment: Performance evaluated based on assignments and project work

Faculty Development and Academic Outreach

Faculty Development Program – Session II (February 2025)

Following the success of the August 2024 session, a second Faculty Development Program (FDP) was conducted from 11th to 18th February 2025, witnessing an enrollment of 330 university faculty members from across India—more than three times the participation of the previous batch.

This advanced session included structured assignments, projects, and surveys, allowing limited-time evaluation. Participants appreciated the hands-on and meaningful approach.

Key Highlights:

- Keynote Speaker: Dr. Sharmila Pimple, Senior Gynaecologist, Tata Memorial Hospital.
- Guest of Honour (Inaugural): Mrs. Usha Thorat, Hon. Secretary & Managing Trustee, ICS HQ
- **Chief Guest** (Valedictory): Dr. Purna Kurkure, Joint Managing Trustee, ICS
- **Guest of Honour** (Valedictory): Prof. Ved Prakash, Former Chairperson, UGC

Survivorship Support Initiatives

Fridays with Shrenik – Weekly Webinars

ICS launched a weekly webinar series titled “Fridays with Shrenik”, featuring Mr. Shrenik Shah, a renowned head and neck cancer survivor and TEDx speaker. His experience and advocacy brought structure and continuity to ICS’s survivorship support meetings.

The first session, focused on Thyroid Cancer, featured Dr. Kaustubh Patel, Director, HCG Aastha Cancer Care, Ahmedabad, and was moderated by Mr. Shah. The session was coordinated by Ms. Vaishali Aggarwal and streamed live on Zoom and Facebook. The series continued weekly, creating a regular space for education and encouragement for survivors.

Post-FDP Engagements by Participating Institutions

1. JSS College of Arts, Commerce & Science (5 October 2024)

A post-FDP webinar on cancer awareness was hosted on Zoom and YouTube, attended by 169 participants. ICS speakers Mrs. Sunita Nagpal and Mrs. Aruna Ummat led the session, moderated by Dr. N. Rajendra Prasad. The college’s President and Principal formally appreciated ICS for its collaboration.

2. Government College (A), Rajamahendravaram, Andhra Pradesh (29 October 2024)

A day-long breast cancer awareness event led by Dr. Surekha Pinninti, with ICS speakers Mrs. Aruna Ummat and Mrs. Rekha Gulabani, drew 107 women faculty and 60 postgraduate students. The event included:

- Local medical professionals
- Government officials
- Rotary Club representatives
- GSL Trust Cancer Hospital conducting free health and cancer screenings for nearly 100 women.

3. Additional Webinars

Two more awareness webinars were organized by FDP participants and are detailed in the Awareness Report.

Cancer Training and Advocacy Sessions

AB-PMJAY Masterclass

A specialized session on the Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) focused on advocacy for improved access to cancer care.

Speaker: Mrs. Henna Dhawan, Public Health Expert and OSD to CEO, National Health Authority

Participants: Over 40 attendees engaged in identifying gaps and opportunities within the AB-PMJAY framework.

Naveen Kshatriya Medical Empowerment Program

Conducted at Batra Hospital, this program aimed to empower General and Family Physicians with skills to:

- Identify early signs of cancer
- Initiate timely investigations
- Counsel patients and families

Topic: Cervical Cancer and HPV Vaccine

Speakers:

- Dr. Alka Malhotra, President, IMA Delhi South
- Dr. Sudip Raina, Director, Batra Cancer Centre

Attendance: ~90 medical professionals

GI Cancer Education Webinar (1 May 2024)

Held virtually, this session addressed esophageal, stomach, and colorectal cancers and their relation to chronic digestive conditions.

Speaker: Dr. Sanjay Govil, Oncologist & Liver Transplant Surgeon, Apollo Hospitals, Bangalore

Welcome: Mrs. Indra Jasuja

Moderator: Mrs. Aruna Ummat

Vote of Thanks: Col. Ajai Tomar (Retd.)

Participants: Approximately 100, including ICS volunteers and FDP alumni

Research Collaboration: Oral Cancer Project (OC-DETECT)

In partnership with RTI International, ICS initiated Project OC-DETECT aimed at developing a scalable model for oral cancer screening and early detection.

Target Populations:

1. High-risk individuals (ages 40–70) – habitual tobacco and alcohol users
2. Patients with early-stage oral cancer
3. Family members (ages 16–30) of categories 1 & 2, trained to conduct smartphone-enabled screenings
4. Healthcare Providers (HCPs) and Community Health Workers (CHWs) supporting the above populations

Status: Ongoing

Principal Investigator: Based in Virginia, USA

India Co-Investigator: Ms. Mariam Siddiqui (New Delhi)

Cervical Cancer Elimination Initiatives

(a) Participation in the Cervical Cancer Elimination Consortium – India (CCEC-I)

The Indian Cancer Society (ICS), Delhi Branch, actively contributes to national cervical cancer elimination efforts. One key engagement is with the Cervical Cancer Elimination Consortium – India (CCEC-I), launched in April 2024 by the Department of Management Studies, IIT Delhi, in collaboration with the Sabin Institute’s Global HPV Consortium model.

CCEC-I is a coalition of 38 members comprising subject experts, public health professionals, and implementing agencies with experience in the WHO 90-70-90 strategy for cervical cancer elimination. The Consortium advocates for:

- 90% HPV vaccination coverage by age 15,
- 70% cervical screening with high-performance tests by ages 35 and 45,
- 90% treatment for women diagnosed with pre-cancerous or cancerous lesions.

Its goal is to reduce cervical cancer incidence to fewer than 4 cases per 100,000 women, advancing elimination through vaccination, screening, access to treatment, and community education.

(b) Membership in the Beat Cervical Cancer (BCC) Network

ICS is a founding member of the Beat Cervical Cancer (BCC) Network, a civil society coalition led by the Cancer Care Foundation. ICS representatives include Mrs. Jyotsna Govil and Dr. Vandana.

BCC's mission is to advance HPV vaccination, share best practices, and mobilize community efforts to achieve national elimination targets. The initial focus is to ensure 90% vaccination coverage among girls aged 9–14.

BCC aims to build a nationwide network of NGOs, promote grassroots engagement, and partner with state governments to prioritize cervical cancer prevention—securing a healthier future for India's young girls.

Vision: To unite NGOs across India toward a shared mission of eliminating cervical cancer through collective advocacy, outreach, and support.

Operational Structure: Regular meetings are held with delegated responsibilities for effective program implementation.

(c) APAC-HPV & Cervical Cancer Advocacy

ICS also collaborates with the Asia Pacific (APAC) HPV and Cervical Cancer Network, where Mrs. Jyotsna Govil serves as a founding member. The initiative, titled "From Awareness to Action," focuses on the implementation of Cervavac, an HPV vaccine, particularly among healthcare providers in India.

A key output of this collaboration is a national survey designed to:

- Assess awareness, attitudes, and knowledge of HPV vaccines among primary health workers.
- Identify implementation barriers faced by ASHAs, ANMs, and Anganwadi workers.

The survey has received ethical approval and is being conducted under with support from Dr. Ravi Kanan's team in Silchar.

Strategic Participation and Thought Leadership

Launch of Project Charaka

On January 27, 2025, ICS Delhi participated in the launch of **Project Charaka**, organized by the People-to-People Health Foundation (PPHF) at the India International Centre, New Delhi. Conducted in collaboration with the **Government of Haryana, NLLF, and Ericsson**, the initiative focused on leveraging digital technology to improve health center efficiency.
Chief Guest: Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State for Science & Technology
ICS Attendees: Mrs. Jyotsna Govil, Mrs. Renuka Prasad, Col. Ajai Tomar, Ms. Priya Tiwari

Public Advocacy and Awareness

Philanthropy at RGCI

Mrs. Jyotsna Govil represented ICS at **RGCI's Donor Event**, where she addressed the audience on the "Privilege of Giving," reinforcing the role of ICS as a consistent donor organization for patient care.

Oncology Summit – From Fear to Empowerment

Held at The Imperial, Delhi, the **BW Healthcare World Oncology Summit** gathered leading doctors, caregivers, and survivors. Mrs. Govil spoke in a panel alongside Dr. Vishal Rao and Dr. S. Hukku on **"The Role of Doctors Beyond Medications,"** emphasizing emotional support and patient advocacy.

Event Highlight: A ramp walk titled *Walk Towards Freedom*, celebrating cancer survivors.

Collaborations and Celebrations

International Yoga Day 2024

ICS celebrated Yoga Day across venues:

- **Arya Samaj Mandir:** Dr. Santosh Sahi, Chief Guest
- **Yamuna Sports Complex:** Mrs. Rekha Gulabani, Guest of Honour, spoke on yoga's role in preventive oncology

Television and Public Discourse

Mrs. Jyotsna Govil appeared live on **India News**, stressing the need for health worker safety, cervical cancer vaccination, and improved coordination among stakeholders. She advocated for strengthening general practitioners and promoting the *Rise Against Cancer* mobile app.

Summits and Conferences

National Round Table on Cancer Awareness (Tata Memorial Hospital)

Speaker: Col. Ajai Tomar (Retd)

Topics: NGO barriers, ICS advocacy, the Rise Against Cancer mobile app, and Medical Empowerment Programs

Organizers: Tata Memorial Centre and ECHO India

CSR Health Impact Awards

Col. Ajai Tomar (Retd) addressed the **8th CSR Health Impact Awards** at Crowne Plaza, Delhi, highlighting the transformative impact of CSR in NCD healthcare.

PHOSSCON 2024 – Jammu

Representatives: **Mrs. Asha Aggarwal** and **Ms. Rajvinder Kaur**

This pediatric hematology-oncology support conference emphasized innovation in support services and fostered collaboration among professionals working in pediatric cancer care.

Dharamshila Hospital's 'Rubaroo'

ICS volunteers attended this celebratory event, where cancer survivors shared personal stories, creating an uplifting and hopeful atmosphere for all present.

Patient-Centered Virtual Engagements

Breast Cancer Webinar – October 26, 2024

Topic: *Advanced & Metastatic Breast Cancer*

Speaker: Dr. Jyo Anand, Fortis Hospital, Noida

Host: Mrs. Renuka Prasad

Key points included early detection, mammography, targeted therapies, and survivor stories. Over **50 participants** attended this inspiring and informative session.

World Cancer Congress 2024 – Geneva

ICS Delhi delegates: **Mrs. Aruna Ummat**, **Mrs. Rekha Gulabani**, **Mrs. Meenakshi Dhingra**

Each delegate presented abstracts during rapid-fire rounds:

- **Mrs. Ummat:** *Harnessing the potential of educators to equip youth with cancer knowledge* – showcased ICS's Faculty Development Program (FDP)
- **Mrs. Gulabani:** *Conquest of Cancer Through Health Literacy* – emphasized awareness before, during, and after treatment
- **Mrs. Dhingra:** *Awareness to Action – Saving Lives* – highlighted ICS's role in early detection through mobile screening camps

The congress, attended by **1,400 delegates from over 90 countries**, offered deep insights into global cancer control strategies and facilitated valuable networking.

Organizational Milestone

74th Founders Day Celebration – ICS

Held at **Hotel President, Mumbai**, the event was presided over by **Ms. Arundhati Bhattacharya**, former Chairperson of SBI.

Highlights:

- **Mr. Hari Mundra**, ICS Chairman, acknowledged the Delhi Branch's digital initiatives.
- **Mrs. Usha Thorat** spoke on ICS's institutional longevity.
- **Mrs. Jyotsna Govil** presented the Delhi Branch's achievements, crediting volunteers as the "crowning glory" of ICS.

Awareness

Hony. Joint Secretary: Mrs. Aruna Ummat

Director: Ms. Meenakshi Chadha

The ICS Delhi Branch, through its Cancer Jagriti (Awareness) vertical, is committed to empowering communities through education, based on the principle: “The Conquest of Cancer by Choice, Not by Chance.”

Recognizing that cancer risk is deeply influenced by lifestyle, the Jagriti team emphasizes preventive education as a key to reducing incidence. This vertical comprises trained volunteers, including survivors and caregivers, who bring both authenticity and empathy to their work.

Key Features:

- Volunteers undergo rigorous training to deliver impactful, audience-specific awareness talks.
- Programs are conducted across a wide range of settings including schools, colleges, institutions, corporates, and community groups.
- Scheduling is strategic and data-driven to ensure maximum outreach and engagement

Cancer Awareness Strategy

The Four Pillars of Awareness

ICS Delhi's *Jagriti* vertical addresses cancer as a lifestyle-related condition, emphasizing proactive awareness in the following areas:

1. Promoting Healthy Lifestyle Habits

- Advocating balanced nutrition, regular exercise, and stress management.
- Raising awareness about the harmful effects of smoking, alcohol abuse, and sedentary behavior.

2. Highlighting Lifestyle-Related Risk Factors

- Educating on the impact of exposure to harmful chemicals and carcinogens.
- Encouraging mindfulness about daily habits that may increase cancer risk.

3. Encouraging Early Detection and Vaccination

- Promoting regular screening (e.g., clinical exams, Pap smears, HPV testing).
- Advocating HPV vaccination as a preventive measure for cervical and related cancers.

4.Guiding High-Risk Individuals

- Providing tailored strategies for those with a family history of cancer.
- Offering prevention tips, lifestyle adjustments, and early monitoring.

Educational Focus

- Increased understanding of common cancers (breast, cervical, oral, and lung).
- Dissemination of information on emerging therapies and government healthcare initiatives.

Community Impact Through Awareness

Holistic Approach to Prevention

The overarching goal of ICS's awareness efforts is to build a health-conscious society that actively embraces preventive measures. Jagrukta envisions cancer prevention as a collective responsibility, focusing on informed decision-making and proactive engagement.

Special Observance and Creative Engagement

World No Tobacco Day 2024 – “Protecting Children from Tobacco Industry Interference”

Held on 26 April 2024, ICS celebrated World No Tobacco Day with a dynamic jingle/rap competition involving 69 entries from schools across Delhi-NCR. The presentations showcased creativity and powerful messaging. The panel of judges included:

- Ms. Sindhu Misra
- Ms. Shruti Poddar
- Ms. Radhika Srivastava

A skit programme was also organized at DPS and was judged by:

- Dr. Tapaswini Pradhan
- Mr. Sanjay Seth
- Ms. Shalini Gauba

Information Dissemination Platforms

Awareness Talks

Numerous awareness sessions were conducted in:

- Schools, colleges, and training institutes
- Slum areas and community centers
- Corporate offices and public screening camps

ICS volunteers also represented the organization at webinars and panel discussions, highlighting ICS's initiatives and promoting the *Rise Against Cancer* mobile app.

Radio Outreach (AIR FM Rainbow)

ICS delivered over **50 weekly 15-minute talks** on AIR FM in Hindi, covering:

- Cancer myths, symptoms, screening, and treatment options
- Harmful lifestyle habits, hereditary factors, and pollution exposure

Doctors occasionally joined the sessions for expert insights. These talks are now also available as podcasts on the ICS website.

Key Webinars

1. GI Cancers (1 May 2024)

- Speaker: Dr. Sanjay Govil, Apollo Hospital, Bangalore
- Moderator: Mrs. Aruna Ummat
- Participants: 100 (including FDP alumni)

2. Breast Cancer (29 October 2024)

- Organized by: Govt. College (A), Andhra Pradesh
- Speakers: Dr. Surekha Pinniti, Mrs. Aruna Ummat, Mrs. Rekha Gulabani
- Outreach: 107 faculty, 60 students; 100 women screened by GSL Cancer Trust Hospital

3. Cervical Cancer and HPV (6 December 2024)

- Hosted by: Chintamani College, Maharashtra
- Speaker: Mrs. Aruna Ummat
- Participants: 150 via Zoom/YouTube

4. World Cancer Day Awareness (3 February 2025)

- Organized by: Orchids International School, Gurgaon
- Speakers: Mrs. Aruna Ummat and Mrs. Indra Jasuja
- Activities: Talks, *Walk for Hope*, and street play (*nukkad natak*) with student participation

5. Corporate Engagement (4 February 2025)

- TATA Power DDL conducted a virtual session with 209 employees attending.

Institutional Collaboration and Training

Post-FDP Webinars

1. JSS College, Mysuru (5 October 2024)

- Speakers: Mrs. Sunita Nagpal and Mrs. Aruna Ummat
- Moderator: Dr. N. Rajendra Prasad
- Participants: 169 via Zoom/YouTube

2. Volunteer Training (6–8 January 2025)

- Participants: 10 new volunteers (8 women, 2 men)
- Covered cancer types, emotional support, and field exposure
- 5 volunteers began fieldwork at hospitals with mentors

Student Engagement and Internships

SIMC Pune Internship (5–18 November 2024)

- Participants: 9 media students
- Activities included cancer awareness workshops, diagnostic quizzes, field visits, and content creation (radio, blogs, video interviews)

Talks & Webinars Summary

Awareness Talks/ Webinars 2024-2025	
SCHOOL – AWARENESS TALKS	4
COLLEGE - AWARENESS TALKS	1
TRAINING INSTITUTE- AWARENESS TALKS	1
COMMUNITY - AWARENESS TALKS	20
NATIONAL WEBINARS	30
HOSPITAL WEBINARS	14
FRIDAY WEBINAR	26
RADIO TALKS (FM GOLD)	48
TOTAL TALKS	144

Awareness Activities Photos



Screening

Cancer Detection Centre

Medical Advisor: Dr. Rajesh Bhalla

Awareness Impact

Increased footfall at the CDC is attributed to weekly **FM Rainbow awareness talks** and targeted outreach by volunteers. These efforts enhanced screening engagement among the general public.

Key Services and Partnerships

- **HPV DNA Testing & Treatment Package**

Partner: Karkinos Healthcare Pvt. Ltd. (since Oct 2023)

Includes screening, biopsy, colposcopy, thermal ablation or LEEP

- **Oral Cancer Screening Initiative**

Partner: RTI International

Project: "OC-DETECT" to begin soon for early detection and prevention of oral cancers

Diagnostic Tests and Charges

All routine examinations and diagnostic tests are currently offered free of cost, made possible through CSR sponsorships from various corporate partners.

Tests Offered:

- Pap Smears & Nipple Discharge Samples: Processed by NABL-accredited Lal Path Labs.
- PSA Test (Prostate Specific Antigen): Free for men during the month of April through specific sponsorship.
- Mammography: Provided free for women over 40 years if recommended by the CDC gynecologist.
- HPV DNA Cervical Smear Testing: Performed at no cost when advised by the gynecologist. Conducted in collaboration with Karkinos Healthcare as part of a formal agreement.
- HbA1c (Diabetes Test): Available at a subsidized, tested by Lal Path Labs.
- Comprehensive Blood Panels: Additional tests for diabetes, liver, and kidney function are recommended as part of a holistic NCD screening policy.

Note: High-end HPV DNA tests typically range from ₹1,099 to ₹3,539 in the open market. ICS continues to provide these tests free, making advanced diagnostics accessible to underserved populations.

If specialized diagnostics not available at the CDC are required, patients are referred to accredited hospitals or labs for further evaluation.

Community-Based Screening Medical Camps

ICS conducts regular screening camps sponsored under CSR initiatives of partner organizations and institutions. These camps:

- Are centrally managed by ICS Head Office.
- Follow standardized protocols updated regularly.
- Include data recording, medical examination, and patient counseling.

For **suspected pre-cancerous or cancer cases**, the Cancer Detection Centre (CDC) ensures timely follow-up in coordination with the respective **camp coordinators**.

Data Collection and Health Record Management

A robust Electronic Medical Records (EMR) system ensures reliable patient tracking and continuity of care.

Key Features:

- Unique Identification (UID): Assigned to each screened individual.
- Cloud-Based Records: Patient data is synced with ICS Head Office and securely stored in the cloud.
- IT Management: All data is managed by SANSYS Informatics Pvt. Ltd., under an agreement effective from April 1, 2018.

This system supports efficient retrieval, follow-up, and research-based analysis of screening outcomes.

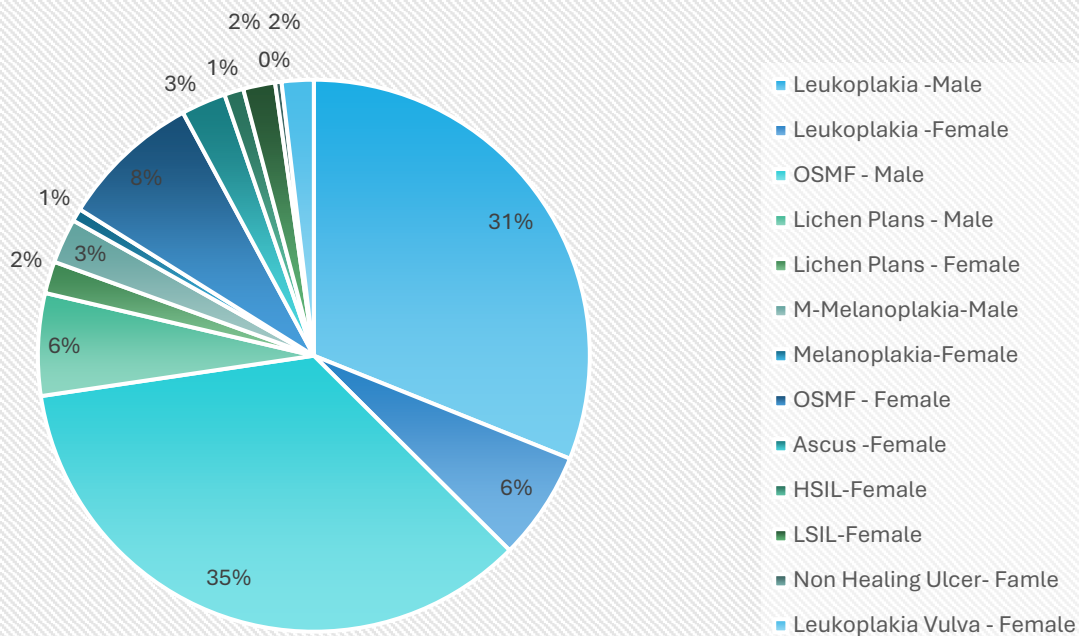
<u>ATTENDANCE TABLE</u>					
<u>CANCER DETECTION CENTRE & MOBILE CAMPS</u>					
<u>Facility</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Attendance</u>		<u>Total</u>	<u>Cases Detected</u>
		<u>New Cases</u>	<u>Old Cases</u>		<u>Pre / Suspected</u>
Babar Road	2024-2025	758	110	868	22
	2023-2024	674	102	776	16
	2022-2023	731	147	878	21
MOBILE CAMPS	2024-2025	8868	-	8868	265
	2023-2024	8111	-	8111	219
	2022-2023	8300	-	8300	305
<u>TOTAL</u>	2024-2025	9626	110	9736	287
	2023-2024	8867	102	8969	235
	2022-2023	9031	147	9178	326

Out of 9626 screened 286 individuals were found having precancerous conditions. This is 3%.

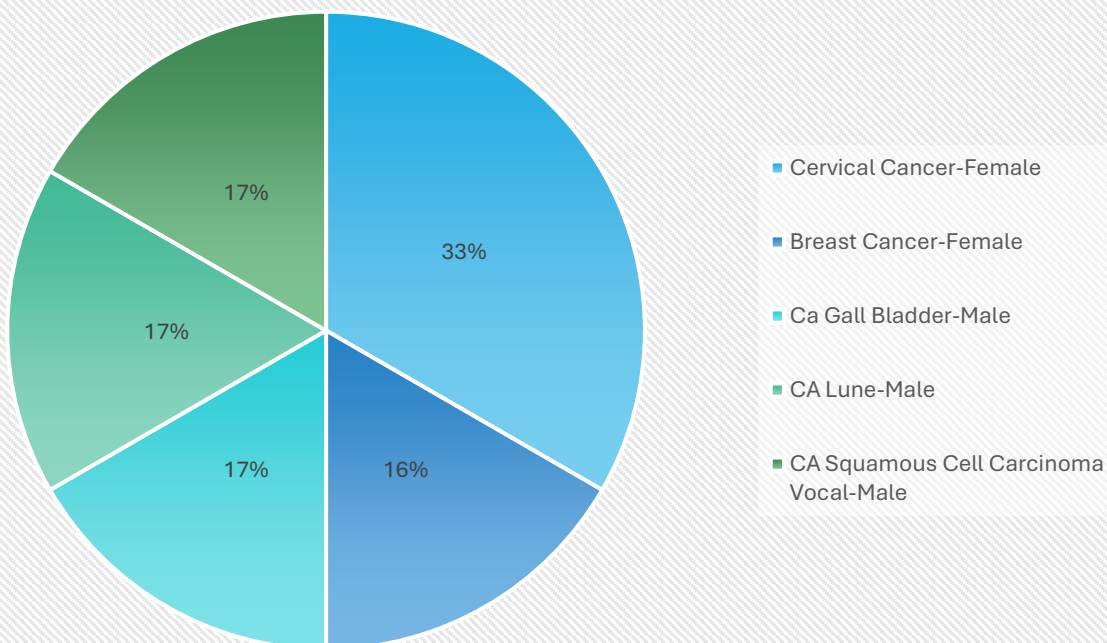
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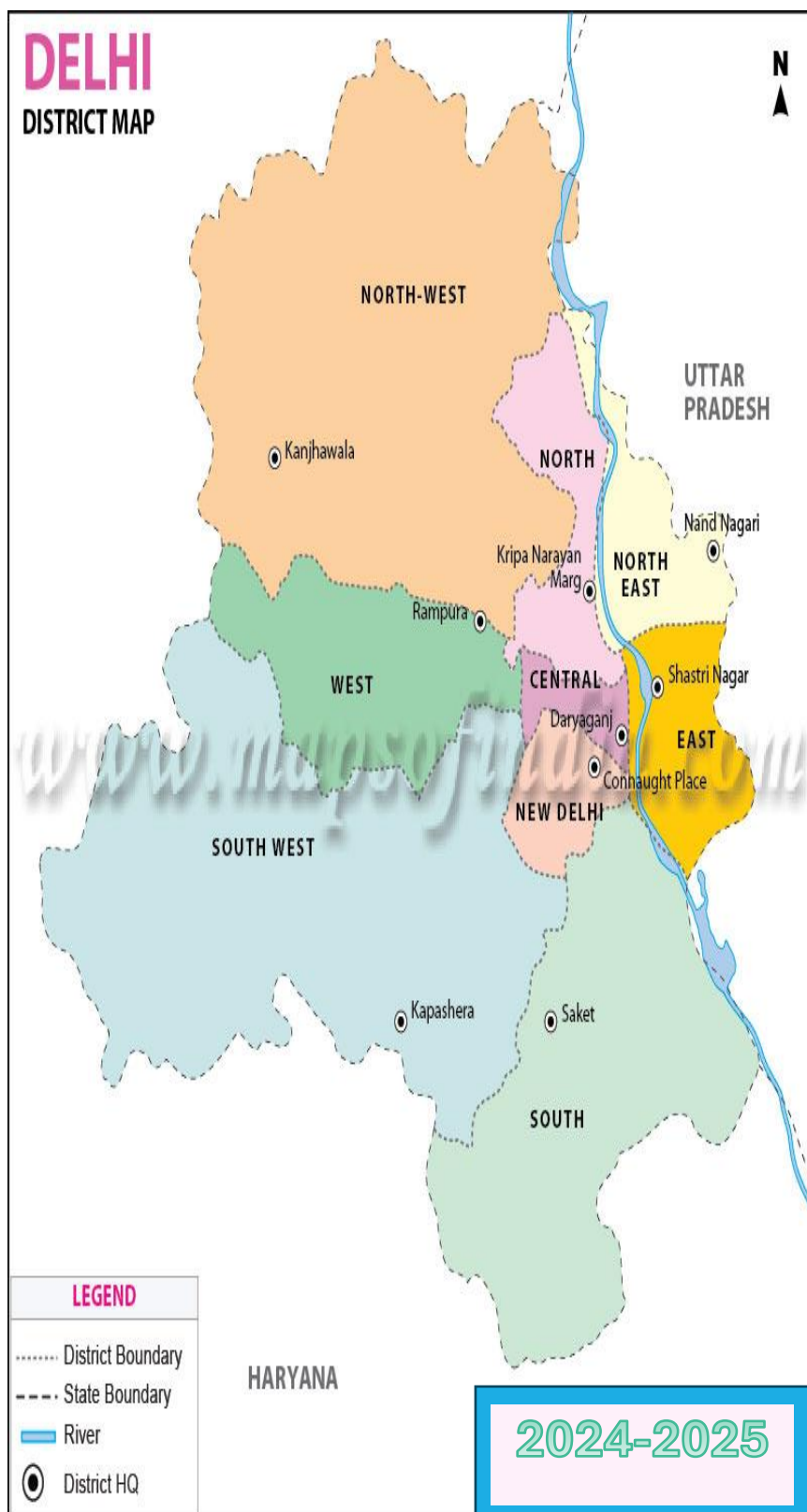
- Mammograms : 593
- HPV/DNA : 1616

Pre-Cancer



Detected Cases





North Delhi

No.of persons screened:1217
Pre-Cancer:25

Central Delhi

No.of persons screened : 97
Pre Cancer:9

New Delhi

No.of persons screened: 1164
Pre-Cancer:48

West Delhi

No.of persons screened : 1067
Pre-Cancer:29

East Delhi

No.of persons screened : 668
Pre Cancer:15

South Delhi

No.of persons screened : 1634
Pre-Cancer:46

Gurgaon

No.of persons screened: 3118
Pre Cancer:98

Faridabad

No.of persons screened: 459
Pre Cancer:11

Rohtak

No.of persons screened:94
Pre Cancer:3

Rewari

No.of persons screened:108
Pre Cancer:3

Screening Activities Photos



Success Stories



Rihana Bibi, aged 40, was screened at our detection camp and diagnosed with a pre-cancerous condition. ICS covered her diagnostic charges for biopsy and thermal ablation. Following the diagnostic report, it was found that Mrs. Rihana Bibi had cervical cancer. ICS also facilitated her treatment.



Mrs. Ashu, aged 40, was screened at our detection camp and diagnosed with a pre-cancerous condition. ICS covered her diagnostic charges for MRI Breast B/L Dynamic. Following the diagnostic report, it was found that Mrs. Ashu had Breast cancer. ICS also facilitated her treatment at Batra Hospital.

Meena Kumari was screened at our detection camp and diagnosed with a pre-cancerous condition. ICS covered her diagnostic charges for biopsy and thermal ablation. Following the diagnostic report, it was found that Mrs. Meena Kumari had cervical cancer.



Phool Kumari, aged 39, was screened at one of our detection camps and diagnosed with a pre-cancerous condition. The Indian Cancer Society covered the cost of her diagnostic procedures, including biopsy and thermal ablation. Subsequently, based on the diagnostic report, Mrs. Phool Kumari was diagnosed with cervical cancer. ICS also facilitated her treatment.

Emotional and Medical Support Services

Cancer Sahyog

Hony Joint Secretary- Rupinder Kaur
 Director: Mrs. Satinder Kaur
 Deputy Director: Ms. Soumya Rajesh
 Hospital Coordinator: Mrs. Kiran Jaitly

Overview

Founded in 1991, Cancer Sahyog is the emotional support arm of ICS Delhi, comprising trained volunteers—many of whom are cancer survivors or caregivers—who visit 14 hospitals across Delhi-NCR. They offer holistic, peer-based guidance to patients and caregivers on:

- Managing chemotherapy/radiation side effects
- Nutritional planning
- Lymphedema exercises
- Accommodation resources
- Complementary therapies

Although COVID-19 and volunteer burnout have affected continuity, the core team remains dedicated to supporting patients with empathy and resilience.

Key Activities and Statistics

6. Emotional Support: Provided to 3074 patients during hospital visits

7. Medical Assistance: Offered to 311 patients via ICS-registered service providers

8. Monthly Meetings: Regular General Body Meetings (GBMs) held, including participation in the **22nd CACI GBM** in Assam (attended by Mrs. Indra Jasuja and Dr. Priya Parmar)

9. Collaboration: Ongoing interactions with peer NGOs for best practice exchange

10. Breast Cancer Awareness – ‘Gulabi Express’ (4 October 2024)

Event Lead: Mrs. Satinder Kaur

Chief Guest: Dr. Geeta Kadayaprath

Highlights included:

- Myth-busting Q&A
- Healthy cooking contest (*Navratri Thali, Cabbage Salad, Navratan Diya*)
- Tambola game by Mrs. Meenakshi Chadha & Mrs. Sandhya Gupta
- Survivors’ symbolic “train” walk and group songs

Community lunch and NewsX media coverage **Global Representation**

Medical and Diagnostic Assistance Program Objective

To alleviate the financial burden of treatment and diagnostics for underprivileged cancer patients.

Key Support Components

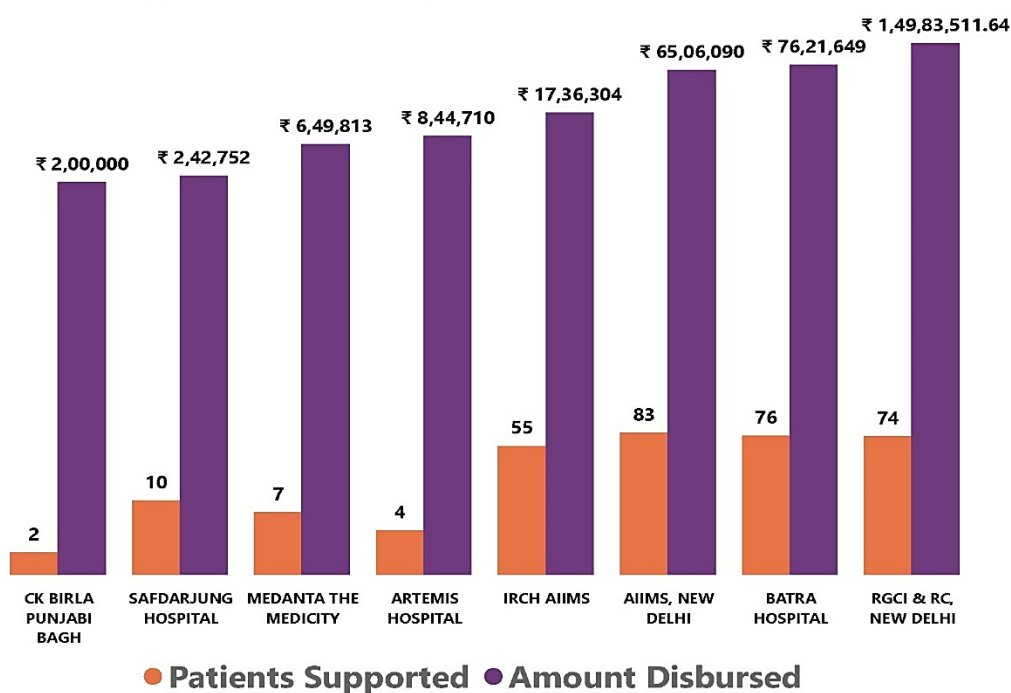
- **Diagnostic Aid:** PET/CT/MRI and other early detection tests
- **Treatment Aid:** Chemotherapy, Surgery, and Radiation

Financial Summary

- **Patients Supported (Treatment):** 311
- **Disbursed:** ₹3.27 Crore
- **Patients Supported (Diagnostics):** 52
- **Disbursed:** ₹6.4 Lakhs

311 **₹ 3,27,84,829.64**
Patient Supported **Amount Disbursed**

Hospital Wise Adoption & Disbursement



Supported By ▲	Patients Supported ▼	Amount Disbursed
Essel Social Welfare Foundation (Childhood Project)	130	1,83,24,870.99
ICS Cancer SAHYOG	112	54,30,973.11
PNB GILTZ	20	37,18,985.54
Gateway Distriparks Ltd	12	12,00,000.00
Cipla Foundation	10	10,00,000.00
Lumax Charitable Foundation	9	9,00,000.00
Essel Social Welfare Foundation	6	6,00,000.00
SRF Foundation	4	4,00,000.00
Artemis Health Sciences Foundation	3	7,60,000.00
Kosmo Plastic Exports Pvt. Ltd	2	2,00,000.00
Sud-Chemie India Pvt. Ltd.	2	2,00,000.00
NDTV Cancerthon	1	50,000.00
Total	311	3,27,84,829.64

Diagnostic Assistance

No. of Beneficiaries Amount Disbursed

52 ₹ 6,40,468.00

Beneficiaries Supported Under

Avian Media Pvt. Ltd

4 ₹ 36,940

ICS Cancer Sahyog

48 ₹ 6,03,528

Acknowledgments

Thanks to our corporate donors, volunteers, hospitals, diagnostic centers, and chemists for extending subsidized services. The Medical Committee ensured transparent and effective fund utilization.

Hospital Engagement & Volunteer Operations

Hospital Visits (Delhi-NCR)

Volunteers conducted emotional support sessions in:

- Daycare Units: One-on-one counselling
- OPDs: Group sessions in large waiting areas
- Inpatient Wards: As advised by treating doctors

Visits occurred once or twice a week across public and private hospitals.

Observations

- Volunteer teams varied in strength; RGCI remained well-supported
- Administrative processes were well-understood and managed
- ICS volunteers played an integral role in patient support and were well-received by medical staff
- A gap persists in public awareness and timely consultation, emphasizing the need for wider outreach

Suggestions for Improvement

Peer Learning: Volunteer idea exchanges through Zoom or cross-training

Value-Added Partnerships: More involvement in hospital-led programs (e.g., Medanta, Fortis, AIIMS)

Conclaves for Awareness: Proposal to organize a high-impact oncology awareness conclave

Survivors Day

Celebrating Survivors: “Unbreakable Spirit”

Date: 7th February 2025

Chief Guest: Surgeon Vice Admiral Dr. Kavita Sahai, SM, VSM

The *Survivors Day* event was an unforgettable celebration of courage, resilience, and the indomitable human spirit. Held under the theme “Unbreakable Spirit,” the occasion honoured cancer survivors through a powerful blend of music, dance, and storytelling.

Surgeon Vice Admiral Dr. Kavita Sahai, SM, VSM, graced the event as the Chief Guest, lending both her presence and words of encouragement to the survivors and their families. The program was designed to uplift and inspire, and as the Master of Ceremonies, it was a privilege to guide the audience through a sequence of moving performances and heartfelt moments.

Each artistic performance—be it a song, dance, or personal story—was a tribute to the unyielding strength of those who have triumphed over cancer. The performers poured their hearts into every note and movement, captivating the audience and drawing repeated rounds of applause. Every act echoed the resilience, hope, and courage that define the journey of survival.

The emotional high point of the evening was the tribute segment dedicated to survivors. As each story unfolded, it reminded all in attendance of the strength within the human spirit to overcome adversity. The atmosphere was charged with admiration, empathy, and a shared sense of triumph.

Survivors Day 2025 was more than a celebration—it was a reaffirmation of life, a day of joy and reflection, where every survivor was honoured not just for surviving cancer, but for inspiring others through their journey. It was a poignant reminder of the powerful impact survivors have on the lives they touch, and the communities they strengthen.





Success Stories

Mst. Rishi

Age- 8



Rishi was a patient of Retinoblastoma (eye Cancer), has now completed his treatment and become a 'survivor' was supported by ICS throughout treatment for financial aid and prosthetic rehabilitation post-surgery.

Mr. Bhavesh Kumar

Age-22



Mr. Bhavesh Kumar Prasad, son of Mr. Bhola Ram, was diagnosed with carcinoma of the left carotid body tumor. He underwent treatment at Batra Hospital, New Delhi, and required financial assistance for radiotherapy. After reviewing his case, the Indian Cancer Society approved and extended financial support to facilitate his treatment.

Mrs. Jyoti

Age-35



Ms. Jyoti, wife of Mr. Vijay, was diagnosed with breast carcinoma and underwent treatment at Batra Hospital, New Delhi. She required radiotherapy as part of her treatment. Her treating doctor requested medical assistance from the Indian Cancer Society. After reviewing her case, the Indian Cancer Society approved and provided financial assistance for her radiotherapy treatment.

Gurugram Chapter: Revitalized Engagement and Outreach

Joint Secretary: Mrs. Indra Jasuja

Director: Mrs. Kamna Taneja

Despite an initial carryover of inertia from the previous year, FY 2024–25 began with renewed momentum, starting with World No Tobacco Day celebrations at DPS, Gurugram.

Hospital Engagement and Volunteer Mobilization

In September, Hospital Director Mrs. Kiran Jaitly convened a well-attended strategy meeting. It led to significant outcomes:

- **Artemis Hospital**, previously dormant, was reinstated with twice-monthly volunteer visits.
- Leadership transitions included:
 - **Medanta**: Ms. Madhu Narain succeeded Mrs. Kamna Taneja
 - **Fortis**: Ms. Rima Lamba replaced Ms. Kiran Jaitly **Artemis**: Continued coordination by Mrs. Rashmi Vohra & Mrs. Usha Ohri

Two newly inducted volunteers, Ms. Tanuja Dhingra and Mrs. Davinder Kaur, along with Ms. Sunita Nagpal, began hospital visits. Their enthusiasm and commitment have infused fresh energy into the team.

Recognition and Participation

- **Medanta Survivor's Day (8 Feb):**
Honored Mrs. Jyotsna Govil, Mrs. Indra Jasuja, and Mrs. Aruna Ummat for contributions to emotional support. Survivor volunteers, including Mrs. Sunita Arora and Mrs. Indra Jasuja, walked the ramp with professional models, sharing stories of strength and survival.



- **Women's Day at Artemis:**

ICS was the only NGO invited. Mr. Singh praised ICS's vital role in cancer care. Attendees: Mrs. Rashmi Vohra, Mrs. Kiran Jaitly, and Mrs. Indra Jasuja.



- **Annual Day at I Discovery Nursery (22 March):**

- Ms. Rima Lamba, Ms. Madhu Narain, and Mrs. Sunita Nagpal received a donation from Principal Ms. Shalini Chaudhary—proceeds from the sale of children's artwork.





Medical Assistance in Gurugram

Medanta remains the sole empaneled hospital for ICS medical assistance in Gurugram.

- Patients supported (treatment): 7
- Patients supported (diagnostics): 1
- Outcome: All patients are doing well; no mortality reported.

Volunteer Training & Capacity Building

On 25 March, Dr. Tejindar Katria conducted a comprehensive session on the history, development, and advances in radiotherapy techniques. Volunteers were taken on a guided tour of radiotherapy equipment.

Participants: 11 volunteers from Gurugram attended this highly informative session, especially beneficial for newcomers.

Closing Note

The year proved significantly more dynamic and productive than the previous one. The inclusion of young, dedicated volunteers has invigorated the Gurugram chapter, infusing it with renewed optimism and a sense of purpose.

ICS Prashanti – Healing and Rehabilitation Centre

Director: Mrs. Sandhya Gupta

Joint Director: Mrs. Kulbir Kaur

Supported by the Cipla Foundation, Prashanti is a compassionate space for the emotional and physical rehabilitation of cancer patients and survivors.

Core Services Provided

- Post-Mastectomy Support: Free bras and prostheses (cotton and silicone)
- Rehabilitation Guidance: Arm mobility exercises post-surgery
- Wig Distribution: Boosting self-image after hair loss
- Lymphedema Therapy: Access to lymphopress machines for swelling relief
- Complementary Pain Relief: Reflexology sessions by trained professionals
- Nutrition for Children: Weekly nutrition support in partnership with CanKids
- Child-Centric Activities: Games, art, and educational activities fostering positivity

New Initiatives

- Thursday Program for AIIMS Children: Weekly visits introduced through a successful pilot
- Weekly Yoga Sessions (Fridays): Focused on holistic healing and relaxation

Emotional & Community Support

- Support Group Meetings: Peer engagement and shared healing
- Counseling: One-on-one and group sessions by psychologists
- Wellness Talks: Led by doctors, therapists, and alternative healing experts
- Chai Pe Charcha: Informal group conversations on health and lifestyle

Patient Interaction Summary

Sr.No	Description	Nos.
1.	Patients Visited	484
2.	Bra Distributed	855
3.	Prosthesis- Silicon	437
4.	Prosthesis- Cotton	38
5.	Lymphtherapy sittings	64
6.	Wigs	8
7.	Meetings & workshops	8
8.	Children patient visited	44

Support Group Meetings:

Chakra Healing & Nutrition (12 July 2024)

- Speakers: Mrs. Mukta Bhatnagar (Chakra Healing) & Mrs. Vandana Aggarwal (Nutrition)
- Focus: Mind-body energy balance, dietary guidance for cancer recovery

Gynaecological Cancers Webinar (18 July 2024)

- Speaker: Dr. Nalinee Garg (IMS BHU)
- Covered: Early symptoms, prevention (HPV vaccine), and treatment of female reproductive cancers

Art for Healing Workshop (15 October 2024)

- Conducted by Ms. Shoubhika Bhatia, organized by Ms. Ameya Aneja (DPS R.K. Puram)
- Charcoal drawing as a therapeutic tool for survivors; 35 participants attended

Women's Rights Session (13 November 2024)

- Led by Mrs. Rupinder Kaur, Joint Secretary, ICS Delhi
- Covered legal rights, protection from violence, and empowerment strategies
- 23 participants; session was also streamed live

Breast Reconstruction Awareness (24 January 2025)

- Speakers: Dr. Priyanka Tandon & Dr. Shivangi Saha (AIIMS)
- Topics: Surgical options, emotional recovery, and patient Q&A

Healing Through Yoga (24 February 2025)

- Speaker: Ms. Anju Chawla
- Emphasized accessible yoga techniques for physical and emotional healing

Support and Expansion of Survivor Services

ICS continues to strengthen its commitment to patient support, particularly for breast cancer survivors, with regular participation from individuals with metastatic and advanced conditions.

Support Group Expansion Plans

- Formation of dedicated groups for Gynaecological, Head & Neck, and Lung Cancers, enabled by medical partners and volunteer visits.
- LSR College students contribute weekly through their social responsibility initiatives, engaging children at the Centre.

Healing and Rehabilitation Centre Activities Photos



Future Roadmap

New Survivor Groups: Establish focused groups for lung, gynaecological, and throat cancer.

Empowerment Activities: Introduce stitching, knitting, and skill-building sessions for survivors and caregivers to enhance self-worth and financial independence.

Weekly Counselling: Regular Thursday counselling for survivors and caregivers to address emotional and psychological needs.

Events

Mrs. Renuka Prasad-Hony Secretary
Col Ajai Tomar (Retd) - CEO

Annual Seminar: "The Reality of Cancer – Bridging the Gap"

Date: 1st September 2024

Venue: India International Centre, New Delhi

Key Highlights:

- Victory Walk: Celebrating survivors and caregivers
- Keynote Address: Dr. Ravi Kannan
- Newsletter & Brochure Launch: By Dr. Ved Prakash (Former UGC Chairman)

Discussion Segments:

- *Psychosocial Aspects of Cancer*
- *Eat, Love & Pray* – holistic wellness
- *Rehabilitation: Getting Your Life Back*

NGO Film Showcase: Introduced by Mrs. Priya Singh Khanna

Vote of Thanks: Delivered by Mrs. Rupinder Kaur



Charity Golf Tournament – ‘Drive Against Cancer

Date: 8th November 2024

Venue: Delhi Golf Club

Supporters: SRF, DCB Bank, Dabur, Snow White, Indigo, Data Patterns, SGI, and others

Participation: 88 players, including prominent personalities:

- Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi
- Golfer Gaurav Monga
- Cricketer Murali Kartik
- Young champions Zara Anand and Kartik Singh

Highlights:

- Winners to represent India at International Pairs Festival of Golf in Hua Hin, Thailand (March 2025)
- Popular raffle prizes curated by Mr. Aman Chopra
- Volunteers appreciated for managing donor and sponsor interactions



Artists Against Cancer – "Echoes of Kabir

Date: 12th March 2025

Venue: Kamani Auditorium

Chief Guest: Shri Onkar Singh Kanwar

Performances:

- Gurbani Rendition by Dr. Inderjeet Sethi and ICS volunteers
- Sadho Band performance fusing traditional and contemporary music
Emcee: Mr. Kuljeet Singh
- Recognitions: Mr. Bhagwan Dass, Mr. S.P. Sharma, and Ms. Vandana Aggarwal for exceptional service
- This soulful evening, supported by Winstar Ecom Pvt. Ltd. and Taru Kanwar Foundation, highlighted the cultural spirit and deep compassion at the heart of ICS's mission.



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Administrative Updates

Insurance / Membership

The Delhi Branch continued to successfully coordinate and administer the annual Cancer Insurance Premium payments to New India Assurance Company. During the year under review, 105 individual members and 1 corporate member renewed their memberships under the scheme.

Donation Box

Around 100 Donation boxes are placed around the city. The task of location record of date of placement, emptying, receipts etc are maintained by the Branch. Our long-time volunteer Mr. M Lal can no longer manage this task. Mr. Vinod Kumar, (Staff) now undertakes this task & has established his bonafides with all the placements.

Funding from CSR & Events

With new regulation for CSR, the load of paperwork has expanded. This component still forms a large part of funding for Screening Camps and Patient Support. Activities of Prashanti are also supported by CSR.

However, the large sums required for AMC, Insurance, Salary etc are funded through Events.

Cancer Sahyog events of Seminar & Survivor Day raise funds for Patient Support.

Staff & volunteers

We prided ourselves on being an organisation run totally by our dedicated Volunteers. However, over the years, as age catches up, we have come to rely on qualified Staff. In addition to Col. Tomar, CEO, and Dr. Priya Parmar, chief of Operations, we have added Priya Tiwari, Community Manager & Program Coordinator, Vaishali Aggarwal, Program Coordinator in charge social media & communication and Mrs. Rajvinder-Engagement Officer.

Ms. Bhavneet Kaur has joined in Program coordinator.

We are blessed to have old hands Usha Ohri, Ritu Mathur, Bhagwan Dass, Anuj Sharma, Vinod Kumar, Rashpal Singh & Avtar Singh to support us.

In Loving Memory of Mr. Mahendra Shanker Mathur (1936–2025)

Former Honorary Treasurer, ICS Delhi Branch

We are deeply saddened by the passing of Mr. Mahendra Shanker Mathur, a treasured member of the ICS Delhi family. After a distinguished career at HSBC, he joined ICS in 1991 and went on to serve as Honorary Treasurer, becoming a guiding force in the organization's growth.

Mr. Mathur's quiet strength, integrity, and unwavering commitment left a lasting mark. He was not only a master of numbers but a man of deep humility and warmth—his gentle smile and steady presence brought comfort to all who knew him.

His legacy lives on through his daughter, Mrs. Ritu Mathur, who continues his work with dedication and heart.

We honour his memory and remain grateful for the path he helped pave. May his soul rest in peace.

A Heartfelt Tribute to Our Founder – Mr. K. K. Mehta

With deep gratitude and reverence, we remember **Mr. K. K. Mehta**, the visionary who laid the cornerstone of the **Indian Cancer Society Delhi Branch** in 1983. What began as a humble initiative has grown into a beacon of hope, healing, and resilience for thousands. His dream was not just to treat cancer—but to fight it with compassion, community, and courage.

Mr. Mehta's unwavering dedication, quiet strength, and belief in the power of **volunteerism** created a movement that continues to shape lives across Delhi and beyond. He was more than a founder—he was a guiding light whose values became the soul of ICS Delhi. The culture of selfless service that he instilled has sustained us through decades of challenge and change.

Though he is no longer with us, his spirit continues to inspire every hospital visit, every comforting word spoken to a patient, every awareness camp, and every volunteer who steps forward in service. His legacy lives on in the hearts of those who walk the path he carved—with humility, humanity, and hope.

Thank you, Mr. Mehta. You gave us more than an organization—you gave us purpose.

May your light continue to guide us.

In Conclusion

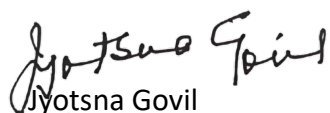
This has been a generally satisfactory year for our Branch. Many of us were felled by ill health & domestic compulsions. But there were always others who always stepped up to the plate. No task was allowed to suffer or lapse for want of attention.

Individually and collectively, every member took ownership of Branch activity.

It is very satisfying to see new trainees as well as Interns contribute to the cause of cancer control.

Staff, as always, have been the backbone of activity. They have undertaken the most mundane of activity with a smile, worked long hours without complaint, and generally run a tight ship.

My thanks to each and every individual.



Jyotsna Govil

Chairperson

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