

Conferences, Meetings, Seminars & Continuing Medical Education (CME)



Dr Subhadra Jalali, along with Dr Ravi Kumar Reddy of Medivision Eye & Health Care Centre, conducted a **training program on Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP) and newborn blindness** for postgraduate medical students in Hyderabad on 29 April 2018. Other faculty included Dr Siddharth Dikshit and Dr Rajeev K Reddy.

The **9th Exit Competency Training Program** in Paediatric Ophthalmology for residents and fellows from across the network was organized at the Visakhapatnam campus on 13 May 2018.



In partnership with Eye Bank Association of India and SightLife, the **Zonal Meeting of Eye Banks** operating in the Eastern Region was held at LVPEI's Bhubaneswar campus on 20 May 2018. The focus was on training their respective teams in quality control, sterility, effective retrieval and usage of corneas, hospital based cornea retrieval program, documentation and other legal procedures.



As part of **continuous professional development training**, a series of training programs were organized from 25-26 May 2018 for the various cadres of employees at LVPEI's Visakhapatnam campus on time management, leadership skills, achieving goals, and LVPEI values and standards.

Events, Visitors & Updates

International Nurses' Day was celebrated across all campuses on 12 May 2018.



Awards & Honours

Dr Ramesh Kekunnaya has been:

- Honoured as Faculty Member of Year 2017 in Ophthalmology by 'F1000Prime', an online service of over 10,000 of the world's top scientists and clinical researchers.
- Appointed to the BMJ Open Ophthalmology Editorial team as Associate Editor for Paediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus.

Dr Shrikant Bharadwaj has been appointed to the PLOS ONE Editorial Board as an Academic Editor.

Anniversaries

16 May - 7th Anniversary of **Revidi Vision Centre**, Visakhapatnam Dt, A.P.

18 May - 7th Anniversary of **Gajapathinagaram** and **Govindapuram Vision Centres**, Visakhapatnam Dt, A.P.

19 May - 7th Anniversary of **Kailasapatnam** and **Yelamanchili Vision Centres**, Visakhapatnam Dt, A.P.

27 May - 7th Anniversary of **Tekulapally Vision Centre**, Bhadrachalam Dt, Telangana.

29 May - 7th Anniversary of **Thallada** and **Chandrugonda Vision Centres**, Bhadrachalam Dist, Telangana, and 5th Anniversary of **Lingala Vision Centre**, Krishna Dt, A.P.

30 May - 7th Anniversary of **Kovvali Vision Centre**, Krishna Dt, A.P.

Inaugurations

LVPEI's **172nd Vision Centre** at **Vadapalem** in Kothapeta Mandal, East Godavari District, AP was inaugurated on 30 April 2018. It is linked to the secondary centre at Kapileswarapuram, Godavarthi Satyanarayana Murthy Eye Centre.





Continuing with Institute's efforts to make complex surgical procedures available at secondary centres, a **squint surgery** was performed at no cost to the patient at **Natco Eye Centre**, Kothur, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana by Dr Ramesh Kekunnaya on 9 May 2018.

Mrs Karuna Vakati, IAS, delivered a Guest Lecture on 'Health Initiatives in Telangana in the last one year' on 9 May 2018.

Dr Craig Govender, Head Physiotherapist of South Africa Cricket Team, and Director of Wanderers Sports Medical Centre, delivered a special talk and runners interactive session on 17 May 2018. The talk was organized the Hyderabad Runners Society.

The **Institute for Vision Rehabilitation** at LVPEI organized their **3rd Integrated Summer Camp** 9 - 18 May 2018 at the Hyderabad campus. Visually impaired children and their sighted peers in the age group 5-15 years participated in yoga, fitness, gardening, dance, music, storytelling, colouring, cooking, self-defence and jewellery making activities, besides visiting a radio station and couple of eateries.



World Retinoblastoma Awareness Week was commemorated 13-19 May 2018 with several activities for children and parents at Hyderabad, Adilabad, Vijayawada, and Rajangpur. These included awareness walks, magic show, drawing competition, awareness program for anganwadi workers, community awareness runs and parents' forum. Sri Anjani Kumar and Sri D Gautam Sawang, Commissioners of Police in Hyderabad and Vijayawada respectively, were the Guests of Honour for the awareness run and Whitathon Run organized by the campuses in the two cities.



Whitathon

White reflex in child's eye - a sign of Eye Cancer



LVPEI's first ever Whitathon Run, meant to raise awareness for Retinoblastoma eye cancer, and to raise funds for its treatment in poor children, got off to a grand start on 6 May 2018 with **VVS Laxman** and **Tom Moody** from SunRisers Hyderabad, the Indian Premier League (IPL) team, unveiling the event T-shirt.

Whitathon Run was a huge success with over 2500 participants, and several sponsors and partners who came forward to extend their support to this cause related initiative.

