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Advancing Haematology

4th & 5th July **2026**

Venue~Courtyard by Marriott, Bhopal

"Theme Hematology for all"

Together, lets make this is a Grand Success!

Organisers:



Dr. Saikat Datta
Organising Secretary MD, DM,
Consultant Haematologist
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yet compulsory**

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Our Values, Our Vision, Our Mission

Established in 1959, the Indian Society of Haematology and Blood Transfusion (ISHBT) is India's premier non-profit professional organization dedicated to the study and treatment of blood disorders, boasting over 2,400 life members. For over 65 years, the society has fostered excellence in patient care, clinical research, and education by connecting hemato-oncologists, pathologists, and transfusion specialists, while also supporting the next generation of medical talent through initiatives like the National Haematology Quiz and various academic awards.

ISHBT publishes the peer-reviewed Indian Journal of Haematology and Blood Transfusion (IJHBT) in collaboration with Springer Nature, and plays a key role in public health by partnering with the government on guidelines for sickle cell disease, thalassemia, and nutritional anaemia. Additionally, the society operates a trusted External Quality Assurance Scheme (ISHBT-CMC EQAS) with CMC Vellore and maintains international alliances with organizations like EHA and ASH. The society's strategic direction is guided by a distinguished Executive Committee, including President Brig. (Dr.) Tathagata Chatterjee and Honorary General Secretary Prof. (Dr.) Tuphan Kanti Dolai.



Brig. Dr. Tathagata Chatterjee
President



Dr. Tuphan Kanti Dolai
Honorary General Secretary



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Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

It gives us immense pleasure to welcome you to HemeConnect 2026, a dedicated two-day hematology conference being held on 4th & 5th July 2026 at Courtyard by Marriott, Bhopal. Organized in association with the Indian Society of Hematology and Blood Transfusion (ISHBT), this academic initiative aims to strengthen hematology education, collaboration, and patient care across Central India.

Central India continues to witness a significant burden of hematological disorders, particularly thalassemia, sickle cell disease, and other complex blood disorders. Despite the growing need for specialized care, access to expert hematology services remains a challenge in many Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities. Recognizing this gap, Dr. Saikat Datta and Dr. Sachin Bansal, both highly specialized hematologists, have envisioned HemeConnect as a platform to advance hematology practice, improve awareness, and foster clinical excellence throughout the region.

Designed for hematologists, oncologists, pediatricians, physicians, transfusion medicine specialists, pathologists, and other healthcare professionals interested in hematology, HemeConnect 2026 will offer a comprehensive scientific program covering the entire spectrum of hematology—from fundamental concepts and everyday clinical practice to advanced diagnostics, cutting-edge therapies, and emerging innovations. The conference will feature expert-led lectures, case-based discussions, panel interactions, and practical insights relevant to clinicians across specialties.

We warmly invite all specialists associated with hematology, as well as healthcare professionals seeking to enhance their understanding of blood disorders, to be a part of this unique academic gathering. Registration for the conference is complimentary; however, prior registration is mandatory to attend the scientific sessions.

Join us in Bhopal as we work together to strengthen hematology care, education, and collaboration across Central India.

We look forward to welcoming you to HemeConnect 2026



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Mentors



Dr. R K Nigam



Dr. H H Trivedi

Keynote Speakers



Dr. Prantar Chakraborty
Chief Medical Director
Sri Sri University,
Chennai



Prof. R K Jena
Professor, Head of the Department
S.C.B. Medical College and Hospital,
Odisha



Dr. Rahul Bhargava
Principal Director & Chief of Hematology
Fortis Memorial Research Institute,
Delhi



Dr. Jasmita Dass
Associate Professor of
Hematopathology, AIIMS,
Delhi



Dr. Narendra Agarwal
Unit Head & Senior Consultant
(RGCIRC),
Delhi



Dr. Nitin Gupta
Chairperson and Senior Consultant
Sir Ganga Ram Hospital,
Delhi



Dr. Sanjeev Yadav
Professor, Department of
Clinical Hematology
(SGPGIMS), Lucknow



Dr. Naresh Gupta
Hematologist Director-Professor and
Head of the Department of Medicine,
(MAMC), Delhi



Dr. Vinay Bohara
Consultant, Clinical Haematologist,
Vishesh Jupiter Hospital, Indore



Dr. Meet Kumar
Clinical Director & Head of
the Department BMT
Marengo Asia Hospitals,
Gurugram



Dr. Amit Khurana
Consultant Hematologist,
Akansha Haematology Centre,
Surat



Dr. Avinash Kumar Singh
Director & (HOD) of
Hemato-Oncology, Paras Health,
Patna



Dr. Gaurav Dhingra
Associate Professor,
(AIIMS), Bhopal



Dr. Pritish Patra
Consultant Hematologist
Apollo Hospitals,
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Dr. Siddesh Kalantri
Consultant Haematologist,
BloodCare Hematology Clinic &
Diagnostic Center, Nashik



Dr. Akanksha Garg
Consultant Hematologist and
Bone Marrow Transplant Physician,
Zydus Cancer Hospital,
Ahmedabad



Dr. Shrinidhi Nathany
Consultant, Molecular
Hematology & Oncology,
Fortis Memorial Research Institute, Delhi



Dr. Vishnu Sharma
Professor & Head of the Department of
Clinical Hematology, SMS Medical
College and Hospital, Jaipur



Dr. Aditi Jain
Hematologist Assistant Professor,
Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi



Dr. Shubh Purohit
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Keynote Speakers



Dr. Rohan Halder
Consultant Department of
Haemato-Oncology
(RGCIRC), Delhi



Dr. Bharat Singh
Assistant Professor at
Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate
Institute of Medical Sciences,
Lucknow



Dr. Neha Rastogi
Senior Consultant, Infectious Diseases
at Fortis Memorial Research Institute,
Delhi



Dr. Steve Thomas
Consultant Hemato-Oncologist,
MGM Cancer Institute, Chennai



Dr. Ashok Rajoriya
Consultant Haemato-Oncologist
Raj Apollo Spectra Hospitals,
Gwalior



Dr. Vijay Chaudhary
Senior Consultant,
Cancer Hospital & Research Institute,
Gwalior



Dr. Shilpi More
Assistant Professor,
Department of Pathology &
Laboratory Medicine ESIC Medical
College and Hospital, Delhi



Dr. Biswaprakash Patri
Clinical Haematologist
Apollo JBP Hospitals,
Jabalpur.



Dr. Manisha Shrivastava
Director-in-Charge
(BMHRC), Bhopal



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Postgraduate Hematology Quiz Competition

We encourage all postgraduate residents with an interest in hematology to participate and showcase their knowledge.



Who Can Participate?

Postgraduate residents currently pursuing:

- MD General Medicine
- MD Paediatrics
- MD Pathology



Team Composition

- Each team shall consist of three (3) postgraduate residents.
- Team members may belong to the same or different departments, provided they are from the same institution.

Competition Format

1

Preliminary Round

Format: Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)
covering Clinical Hematology and Hemato-Oncology.

Date: 04/07/2026

Time: 14:30 - 16:00

2

Grand Finale

Date: 05/07/2026

Time: 15:35 - 16:35

3

Registration

Prior registration is mandatory.
On-the-spot registration will not be permitted.

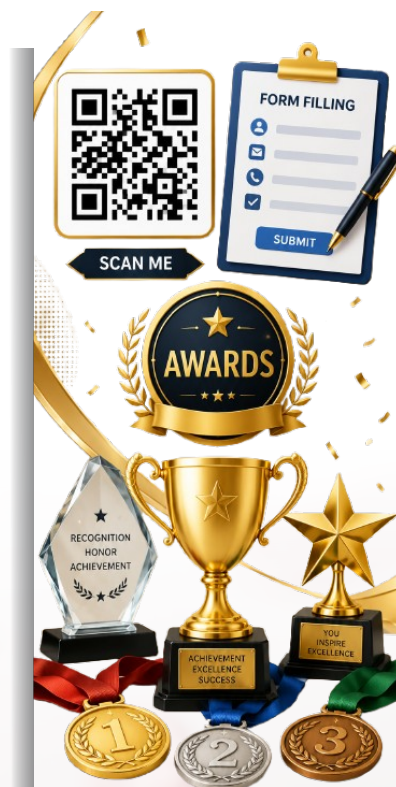
Registration link/QR code:

*The top six teams from
the preliminary round
will qualify for the Grand Finale.*

4

Prize

Attractive prizes, trophies, and
certificates await the winning teams





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Audience **QUIZ** Challenge

*Stay engaged throughout the conference and
stand a chance to win an Apple iPad!*

How It Works?

1

At the end of every scientific session, three MCQ-based questions will be displayed on the screen.

2

A QR code will appear after each session.



3

Participants should scan the QR code and submit their answers within the stipulated time.

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:

Please download and install a QR Code Scanner on your mobile phone before the conference to ensure quick participation.

4

Scoring

** Marks from all quiz questions conducted over the two-day conference will be added together*

** The participant with the highest cumulative score will be declared the winner.*

Grand Prize  iPad





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4th July

Day 1: Hall A

Session 1 : Quiz

14:30 - 16:00

Quiz Preliminary Round For Post Graduate Students
(Medicine, Paediatric, Pathology)

Quiz Master: Dr Steve Thomas, Dr Shubh Purohit

Session 2 : Diagnositic Hematopathology: Gateway To Clinical Hematology

16:05 - 16:35

Science And Arts Of Peripheral Smear Examination

Chairpersons: Dr. Rashmi Nichlani, Dr. Shubhra Prasad,
Dr. Maneesh Sulya, Dr. Farah Jalaly Meenai

Speaker: Dr. Shilpi More

16:35 - 17:05

Interpretation Of Bone Marrow Smear And Biopsy

Chairpersons: Dr. V K Bhardwaj, Dr. R K Nigam, Dr. Garima Goel,
Dr. Pooja Katiyar, Dr. Sushil Kumar Sharma

Speaker: Dr. Jasmita Dass

17:05 - 17:25

Next Generation Sequencing: Revolutionizing
Hematological Diagnosis

Chairpersons: Dr. Ramesh Madhav, Dr. Namita Chaudhary,
Dr. Vivek Shukla, Dr. Priyanka Agrawal

Speaker: Dr. Shrinidhi Nathany

17:25 - 17:30

Q & A

17:30 - 17:45

High Tea

Session 3 :

17:45 - 18:05

Anemia Not Responding To Hematinics

Chairpersons: Dr. Gopal Batni, Dr. R K Shrivastava,
Dr. D P Singh, Dr. Rajnish Joshi

Speaker: Dr. Pritish Patra

18:05 - 18:25

Approach To Thrombocytopenia

Chairpersons: Dr. H H Trivedi, Dr. Sanjeev Johri,
Dr. Ritu Singhal, Dr. Deepti Joshi

Speaker: Dr. Vijay Chaudhary

18.25 - 18:50

Panel Discussion : Thrombocytopenia In Icu

Chairpersons: Dr. Nilesh Sharma, Dr. Sumit Mandal
Moderator: Dr. Siddhesh Kalantri

Panelist: Dr. Ashok Rajoriya Dr. Rita Saxena
Dr. Vinay Bohara Dr. Rishi Katiyar
Dr. Sachin Bansal

18.50 - 18:55

Q & A



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Day 1: Hall A

Session 4

18:55 - 19:20

Panel Discussion : Approaching to Splenomegaly

Chairpersons: Dr. Shaifali Bansal, Dr. Nivesh Seehra

Moderator: Dr. Amit Khurana

Panelist: Dr. Steve Thomas Dr. C C Chaubal
Dr. Virendra Chaudhary Dr. Saikat Datta
Dr. Vishnu Sharma

19:20 - 19:45

Panel Discussion : Approach to Pancytopenia

Chairperson: Dr. Bipin Kotgirwar, Dr. Neeraj Jain

Moderator: Dr. Rohan Halder

Panelist: Dr. Shubh Purohit Dr. Aditi Jain
Dr. Gaurav Dhingra Dr. Akanksha Garg
Dr. Vishnu Sharma Dr. Biswaprakash Patri

19:45 - 19:50

Q & A

Session 5

19:50 - 20:10

Is Artificial Intelligence (AI) Changing Life Of A Physician?

Chairpersons: Dr. Rajeev Madan, Dr. Alok Verma,
Dr. Desh Deepak Ladia, Dr. Sivam Vella

Speaker: Dr. Prantar Chakraborty

20:10 - 20:30

Precision Medicine in Hematology

Chairpersons: Dr Pankaj Agarwal, Dr Sanjeev Gulati,
Dr Hasmukh Jain, Dr B K Chaturdevi

Speaker: Dr. Rahul Bhargava

20:30 - 20:35

Q & A

20:35 ONWARDS

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Day 2: Hall A

Session 1 : Hematological Consult in Gynae and Obstetrics Practice

- 09:30 - 09:50 Thrombocytopenia In Pregnancy
Chair Persons: Dr. Shabana Sultan, Dr. Rajni Hajela,
Dr. Pallavi Agarwal, Dr. Meeta Agarwal
Speaker: Dr. Avinash Kumar Singh
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- 9:50 - 10:15 Panel Discussion : Common Hematological Consult In Gynaecology
& Obstetrics Practice
Chair Persons: Dr. Shilpa Donani, Dr. Preeti Bhauria
Moderator: Dr. Akanksha Garg
Panelist: Dr. Rita Saxena Dr. Ashok Rajoriya
Dr. Shubh Purohit Dr. Vishnu Sharma
Dr. Gaurav Dhingra
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- 10:15 - 10:35 Managing Pregnancy With Thrombophilia
Chair Persons: Dr. Varuna Pathak, Dr. Sarita Agarwal,
Dr. Anupa Walia Lokwani, Dr. Nishi Mitra
Speaker: Dr. Amit Khurana
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- 10:35 - 10:40 Q & A
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- 10:40 - 10:50 Tea Break

Session 2: Approaching Cytosis

- 10:50 - 11:10 Approach To Hypereosinophilia
Chairpersons : Dr. Sudeep Pathak, Dr. G D Tiwari,
Dr. Narmada Patel, Dr. Yogendra Shrivastava
Speaker: Dr. Nitin Gupta
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- 11:10 - 11:30 Evaluation Of Leucocytosis
Chairpersons : Dr. Simmi Dubey, Dr. Arti Singh, Dr. Anil Bhargava,
Dr. Neelesh Arya
Speaker: Dr. Rahul Bhargava
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- 11:30 - 11:55 Case Based Panel Discussion Of Cytosis
(Thrombocytosis, Erythrocytosis & Leucocytosis)
Chairpersons : Dr. Rohit Jain, Dr. Anand Jat
Moderator: Dr. Meet Kumar
Panelist: Dr. Steve Thomas Dr. Aditi Jain
Dr. Vijay Chaudhary Dr. Biswaprakash Patri
Dr. Siddhesh Kalantri
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- 11:55 - 12:00 Q & A

Session 3

- 12:00 - 12:20 How I Treat Hemophilia In 2026
Chairpersons : Dr. Dipankar Sarkar, Dr. Minal Joshi,
Dr. Varun Rai, Dr. Vishal Shrivastava
Speaker: Dr. Naresh Gupta



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Day 2: Hall A

12:20 - 12:40 Implementation of National Sickle Cell Anemia Elimination

Programme: Current Status & Policy Implication

Chairpersons : Dr. Shruti Sarkar, Dr. Shweta Anand,

Dr. Vaishali Walke, Dr. Shreya Mishra

Speaker: Prof. Dr. R K Jena

12:40 - 13:00 How I Treat Aplastic Anemia in 2026

Chairpersons : Dr. Bhupendra Ratre, Dr. Ashutosh Singh ,

Dr. Pushpendra Gupta, Dr. Bhavishya Rathore

Speaker: Dr. Narendra Agarwal

13:00 - 13:20 Inauguration

13:20 - 14:00 Lunch

Session 4

14:00 - 14:20 Optimizing Blood And Component Transfusion

Chairpersons: Dr. Ramesh Bhargava, Dr. Deepmalika Atram,

Dr. Dharmendra Mekle, Dr. Somnath Raghuwanshi

Speaker: Dr. Bharat Singh

14:20 - 14:40 Apheresis To Save Life: Panel Discussion

Chairpersons: Dr. A D Suri, Dr. Chaitanya Kulkarni

Moderator: Dr. Manisha Shrivastava

Panelist: Dr. Rashmi Jain Dr. Romesh Jain
Dr. Gayatri Dr. Sanjay Gupta

14:40 - 14:45 Q & A

Session 5

14:45 - 15:10 Panel Discussion : Optimizing Treatment Of Dvt And Pe

Chairpersons: Dr. Pankaj Maheswari, Dr. Sanjay Ambhore

Moderator: Dr. Sanjeev Yadav

Panelist: Dr. Gaurav Khandelwal Dr. Shubh Purohit
Dr. Steve Thomas Dr. Khusboo Saxena
Dr. Pritish Patra Prof. Dr. Rajeev Gupta
Dr. Dilip Rathore

15:10 - 15:30 Managing Superbugs : MDR Organism in ICU

Chairpersons: Dr. Promise Jain, Dr. Vivek Rajoriya,

Dr. Sourabh Chakraborty, Dr. Vidit Goyal

Speaker: Dr. Neha Rastogi

15:30 - 15:35 Q & A

15:35 - 16:35 Pg Quiz Final Round

Quiz Master: Dr Steve Thomas, Dr Shubh Purohit

16:35 - 17:15 Vote Of Thanks, Prize Distribution And Closure



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Session 1: HEMATOLOGY UPDATE



Chairpersons : Dr. Saikat Datta, Dr. Pritish Patra

10:15 - 10:35 Immunotherapies (DARATUMUMAB AND TECLISTAMAB) in Multiple Myeloma: Changing treatment landscape
(Sponsored by : Johnson & Johnson)
Speaker: Dr. Nitin Gupta

10:35 - 11:00 CLASH OF GIANTS : CAR-T vs Bispecifics in Refractory Myeloma (PANEL DISCUSSION)
Moderator: Dr. Rahul Bhargava
Panelist: Dr. Amit Khurana Dr. Meet Kumar
Dr. Narendra Agarwal Dr. Aditi Jain
Dr. Akanksha Garg

11:00 - 11:20 Polatuzumab in DLBCL : Redefining Treatment Strategies
(Sponsored by Roche)
Moderator: Dr. Vinay Bohra
Panelist: Dr. Meet Kumar Dr. Akanksha Garg
Dr. Siddhesh Kalantri Dr. Rohan Halder
Dr. Vijay Chaudhary Dr. Abhishek Shrivastava

11:20 - 11:40 VENETOCLAX IN UPFRONT THERAPY OF CLL
Moderator: Dr. Sanjeev
Panelist: Dr. Prateek Tiwari Dr. Sachin Bansal
Dr. Ashok Rajoriya Dr. Vishnu Sharma
Dr. Avinash Kumar Singh Dr. Biswaprakash Patri

11:40 - 12:00 Elranatamab in Relapsed Refractory Multiple Myeloma
(SPONSORED BY Pfizer)
Speaker: Dr. Narendra Agrawal



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About Bhopal

Bhopal, the capital city of Madhya Pradesh, is a harmonious blend of rich heritage and modern development. Known as the "City of Lakes," it is distinguished by its scenic beauty, with iconic water bodies such as the Upper Lake (Bhojtal) and Lower Lake enhancing its serene landscape.

Steeped in history, Bhopal reflects a unique cultural legacy shaped by its princely past, evident in landmarks like Taj-ul-Masajid-one of the largest mosques in India and the grand palaces that echo its regal heritage. The city also stands as a growing hub for education, healthcare, and research, hosting reputed institutions and advanced medical facilities.

Strategically located in central India, Bhopal offers excellent connectivity by air, rail, and road, making it an accessible destination for delegates from across the country. Its blend of natural beauty, cultural richness, and modern infrastructure makes it an ideal setting for national and international academic gatherings.



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