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Celebrating Legacy, Shaping the Future of Pharmacy - 75th IPC: A Proud Milestone for IPGA and Indian Pharmacy

There are moments in the life of a profession that do more than mark time; they define identity, renew purpose, and ignite collective pride. The upcoming 75th IPC is one such moment, and for IPGA to stand as its proud organizer is both an honour and a historic responsibility.

IPGA stands with immense pride as the organizer of the upcoming 75th IPC in New Delhi, a landmark Platinum Jubilee celebration marking 75 years of excellence, progress, and collective purpose in Indian pharmacy.

This occasion is not just a celebration of legacy, but a call to unite every pharmacy professional under a shared vision of advancing healthcare through knowledge, service, and collaboration. It is a moment to reaffirm that the pharmacy profession in India is far more than the science of medicines alone; it is a discipline rooted in innovation, patient care, public health, regulation, technology, and national development. Over the years, IPC has consistently served as a dynamic forum where ideas become collaborations, collaborations shape policy, and professional dialogue is transformed into meaningful action.

As we look ahead to this historic milestone, we must also reflect on what it represents for the next generation. Pharmacy students and young professionals are not participants in the future; but are already the pillars of modern healthcare. They emerge as researchers, clinical decision-support professionals, formulation scientists, regulatory experts, educators, innovators, and healthcare communicators. A landmark event like IPC has the power to inspire them, expose them to the vast opportunities within the profession, and instill in them the confidence that they are part of something larger, nobler, and deeply impactful.

As IPGA proudly leads the 75th IPC, let us unite to honour our legacy and shape the future of Pharmacy Profession in Indian together.

IPGA's FDP NEWS



FDA New Drugs Approved in 2026

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The 2026 drug approval landscape highlights a clear shift toward rare diseases, precision or mechanism-based therapies and is further supported by the rising use of biologics and peptide-based therapies.

1. Zycubo (copper histidinate) [First FDA-approved therapy for Menkes disease]

Indication: Menkes disease (pediatric patients)

Drug class: Copper replacement therapy / micronutrient supplement / rare disease / precision medicine

Menkes disease is an X-linked recessive disorder caused by a defective copper transporter, leading to systemic copper deficiency and resulting in severe neurodegeneration, seizures, hypotonia, and early childhood death. The drug, Zycubo (copper histidinate), works not by fixing the gene, but by using a different transporter, the LAT1 (SLC7A5) amino acid transporter to enter the brain without needing functional ATP7A. An early start corrects systemic copper deficiency and restores activity of copper-dependent enzymes (e.g., cytochrome c oxidase).

3. Bysanti (milsaperidone)

Indication: Schizophrenia; bipolar I disorder (mania/mixed episodes)

Drug class: Atypical antipsychotic (D2/5-HT2A antagonist)

Milsaperidone is not first-in-class, but part of ongoing optimization of antipsychotics. It is the prodrug, that is converted to iloperidone, already FDA approved drug showing bioequivalency to iloperidone at both low and high doses. It has been designed to improve the positive and negative symptoms in psychosis showing its action through dopaminergic type 2 (D2) and serotonin subtype 2A (5-HT2A) receptor modulation.

2. Adquey (difamilast 1% ointment)

Indication: Mild–moderate atopic dermatitis in adults and children aged 2 years and older

Drug class: Selective PDE4 inhibitor (phosphodiesterase-4 inhibitor)

Adquey (difamilast 1% ointment) is topical, phosphodiesterase-4 subtype B (PDE4B) inhibitor, the enzyme that degrades intracellular cAMP. Selective PDE4 inhibition raises cAMP, suppressing release of pro-inflammatory cytokines like TNF- α , IL-4, IL-13. It does not cause "burning and stinging" sensation upon application in atopic dermatitis (AD), as shown by Crisaborole that is another member in the same class.

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4. Loargys (pegzilarginase-nbln)

Indication: Arginase 1 deficiency (hyperargininemia)

Class: Enzyme replacement therapy (pegylated recombinant human arginase 1)

Arginase 1 deficiency is an autosomal recessive urea cycle disorder caused by loss of the arginase 1 enzyme, which normally converts arginine to ornithine and urea. The result is accumulating arginine (hyperargininemia), causing progressive spastic diplegia, intellectual disability, and growth failure. Unlike other urea cycle disorders, it rarely causes acute hyperammonemia. It degrades plasma arginine directly, compensating for deficient endogenous enzyme, thereby, reducing the toxic arginine accumulation and preventing the progressive spasticity and neurological decline.

5. Yuviwel (navepegritide)

Indication: Achondroplasia in pediatric patients ≥ 2 years with open epiphyses

Drug class: C-type natriuretic peptide (CNP) analog

Achondroplasia, a short-limbed dwarfism disorder, results from a gain-of-function mutation in FGFR3 that suppresses chondrocyte proliferation and differentiation at the growth plate, ultimately impairing longitudinal bone growth. Yuviwel (navepegritide), as a CNP analog, binds to NPR-B receptors and activates the cGMP-protein kinase G pathway, thereby counteracting the downstream inhibitory effects of FGFR3 signaling and promoting endochondral ossification. Yuviwel (navepegritide) represents a pathway-targeted rather than purely symptomatic therapy.

6. Icotyde (icotrokinra) [first-in-class oral cyclic peptide]

Indication: Moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis

Drug class: First-in-class oral cyclic peptide IL-23 receptor antagonist

Icotyde (icotrokinra), marking an important advancement toward orally effective peptide-based therapies, represents a novel pathway-targeted immunomodulatory therapy. It is a first-in-class oral cyclic peptide that antagonizes the IL-23 receptor, thereby inhibiting activation of the Th17 pathway, a key driver of inflammation in plaque psoriasis. By acting at the receptor level, icotrokinra directly suppresses the underlying immune dysregulation rather than providing only symptomatic relief.

7. Lynavoy (linerixibat)

Indication: Cholestatic pruritus in PBC

Drug class: IBAT inhibitor (ileal bile acid transporter inhibitor)

Lynavoy (linerixibat), approved in March 2026 for cholestatic pruritus in Primary biliary cholangitis, is a bile acid transport inhibitor targeting symptom pathophysiology. It inhibits the ileal bile acid transporter (IBAT), thereby reducing enterohepatic circulation and lowering systemic bile acid levels responsible for pruritus. Acting locally in the gut with minimal absorption, it offers a targeted and safer approach for managing refractory itching in cholestatic liver disorders.

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8. Tividenofusp alfa-eknm (Avlayah)

Indication: Hunter syndrome (MPS II, neurological involvement)

Drug class: CNS-penetrant enzyme replacement therapy

Avlayah (tividenofusp alfa-eknm), granted accelerated approval in March 2026 for Hunter syndrome with neurological involvement, represents a CNS-targeted advancement in enzyme replacement therapy. Hunter syndrome results from iduronate-2-sulfatase deficiency, leading to glycosaminoglycan accumulation, including in the brain. Unlike conventional ERT such as Idursulfase, which does not cross the blood–brain barrier, this therapy is administered intrathecally, enabling direct CNS delivery and reduction of neurotoxic substrate levels.

9. Relacorilant (Lifyorli)

Indication: Platinum-resistant ovarian cancer

Drug class: Selective glucocorticoid receptor modulator (SGRM)

Lifyorli (relacorilant), approved in March 2026 for platinum-resistant ovarian, fallopian tube, or primary peritoneal cancer (with nab-paclitaxel), represents a targeted hormonal approach beyond classical pathways. It is a selective glucocorticoid receptor modulator that inhibits cortisol-driven tumor survival and chemoresistance. By blocking GR signaling, it enhances tumor sensitivity to taxane therapy. Compared to Mifepristone, it shows better selectivity with minimal progesterone receptor effects, improving tolerability for oncological use.

10. Insulin icodec-abae (Awiqli)

Indication: Type 2 diabetes

Drug class: Once-weekly basal insulin analog

Awiqli (insulin icodec-abae), approved in March 2026 for the management of Type 2 diabetes mellitus, represents a pharmacokinetic advancement in insulin therapy. It is an ultra–long-acting basal insulin analog designed for once-weekly dosing, unlike daily insulins such as Insulin glargine and Insulin degludec. Structural modifications enable albumin binding and slow release, maintaining sustained glycemic control while reducing injection frequency and potentially improving adherence.

11. Orforglipron (Foundayo)

Indication: Obesity / weight management

Drug class: Oral non-peptide GLP-1 receptor agonist

Foundayo (orforglipron), approved in April 2026 for chronic weight management in Obesity and overweight patients with comorbidities, represents an advancement in incretin-based therapy. It is a non-peptide, small-molecule GLP-1 receptor agonist that enhances insulin secretion, suppresses appetite, and delays gastric emptying. Unlike peptide agents such as Semaglutide and Liraglutide, it is orally active without dosing restrictions, improving convenience and patient adherence.

IPGA EVENTS REPORT



Industry Visit-Cum-Training Program at G.S. Pharmbutor Pvt. Ltd., Rudrapur, Uttarakhand

The Industrial Pharmacy Division of the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA), with the active support of Mr. Deepak Sharma, Delhi, successfully organized an Industry Visit-Cum-Training Program for the pharmacy students at SGT University at G.S. Pharmbutor Pvt. Ltd., Rudrapur, Uttarakhand, on 17 December 2024.

The program was conducted with the objective of providing students with practical exposure to pharmaceutical manufacturing practices, quality systems, regulatory requirements, and formulation classification. A total of around 35 participants, including undergraduate pharmacy students and faculty members, took part in the visit and benefited from the academic-industrial interaction.

The program commenced with a welcome and orientation session by the management and technical team of G.S. Pharmbutor Pvt. Ltd. Students were introduced to the company's manufacturing capabilities, product segments, and the importance of Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP), documentation, and compliance systems. Safety protocols and confidentiality guidelines were also explained prior to the facility visit.

During the industrial tour, participants were given exposure to raw material handling, production workflows, quality control laboratories, and packaging sections. The session enabled students to gain first-hand understanding of industrial processes, equipment, documentation practices, and compliance-driven manufacturing systems.

A technical training session was also conducted on formulation classes and HSN-based product classification. Students were introduced to the regulatory and practical distinctions among Ayurvedic medicaments, NSAIDs, antibacterial & medicaments, veterinary products, oral rehydration salts, and cosmetic formulations.

The program served as a valuable platform for bridging classroom learning with real-time industrial practices. It significantly enhanced the participants' technical knowledge, regulatory awareness, and professional outlook. The Industrial Pharmacy Division of IPGA remains committed to organizing such industry-oriented initiatives for the benefit of future pharmacy professionals.



PRIME PHARMA CON 2026 at Prime College of Pharmacy, Palakkad

The IPGA Kerala State Branch, in association with Prime College of Pharmacy, Erattayal, Palakkad, successfully organized PRIME PHARMA CON 2026, a two-day International Conference, on 2nd and 3rd February 2026 at Prime College of Pharmacy, Palakkad. The conference was centered on the theme “Frontiers in Drug Discovery and Pharmaceutical Research.”

The conference was inaugurated by Dr. Jagadeesh Bayari, Head, Department of Bioscience and Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Palakkad, Kerala. Dr. Rajasree R.S., Dean, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Kerala University of Health Sciences, attended the event as the Guest of Honor. The conference featured eleven scientific sessions delivered by distinguished academicians and researchers from India and abroad, providing a rich platform for academic exchange and scientific discussion. In addition, two workshops were conducted alongside the conference, further enriching the learning experience of the participants.

The event witnessed the enthusiastic participation of more than 700 delegates from various parts of the country, reflecting its wide academic and professional reach.

During the valedictory function held on 3rd February 2026, the IPGA Kerala State Branch announced and presented its prestigious awards for 2025. Dr. Aju Joseph Kurian received the Best Regulatory Officer (Chandrasekharan Nair Memorial) Award. The Best Teacher (I. Ramabhadran Memorial) Award was jointly conferred on Dr. Rajasree R.S. and Dr. Sharath Chandran C. The Best Industrial Pharmacist (Dr. S.B. Rao Memorial) Award was presented to Sri Sijo Joy Edappully, while Sri Aneesh M. received the Best Community Pharmacist (G.R. Nair Memorial) Award.



Pharma Rally-IPGA Kerala State Branch at Palakkad

The IPGA Kerala State Branch organized a Pharma Rally at Palakkad on November 22, 2025, starting from Moyans Girls High School to Fort Maidan, in celebration of National Pharmacy Week. The event received strong support from Prime College of Pharmacy, Grace College of Pharmacy, KTN College of Pharmacy, and Sanjoe College of Pharmacy. Over 400 students actively participated in the rally. President IPGA Kerala State Branch Sri PM Jayan Flag off the Rally. Distinguished attendees included Dr. Nisith M.C., Vice President; Dr. Sajeeth, State Treasurer; Sri Abdul Nazar; and Dr. Muhammed Harish. Faculty members from the participating colleges also joined the event. Special appreciation is due to Dr. Sajeeth for his dedicated efforts in making this rally a success.



International Conference on Digital Transformation in Pharmacy at Sharda University Agra



The event was held under the guidance of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Jayanthi Ranjan and Registrar Prof. (Dr.) Sanjay Mishra, and under the leadership of Prof. (Dr.) Gyanendra Kumar Sharma, Dean, Sharda School of Pharmacy.

The inaugural session was graced by Chief Guest Prof. (Dr.) Atul Kumar Nasa, Pro Vice-Chancellor, SGT University, Gurugram, who emphasized the importance of digital technologies, artificial intelligence, and data-driven education in strengthening pharmaceutical learning and enhancing healthcare delivery.

The Sharda School of Pharmacy, Sharda University Agra, successfully organized a two-day International Conference on the theme "Digital Transformation in Pharmacy: Advancing Learning and Professional Excellence" on 14–15 February 2026 at Raman Hall, Sharda University Agra. The conference was conducted in hybrid mode and was sponsored by Sharda University Agra and the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA).

The conference concluded successfully, providing a valuable platform for academic exchange, professional interaction, and discussion on the future of digital transformation in pharmacy.



The Guests of Honor included Prof. (Dr.) Vijay Bhalla, Dean (IQAC), SGT University, Gurugram, and Prof. (Dr.) Akash Ved, Associate Dean (Pharmacy), Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Technical University, Lucknow. The conference was further enriched by the presence of Special Guests Dr. Devender Pathak, Emeritus Professor, MVN University; Prof. (Dr.) Pranay Wal, Director, Pranveer Singh Institute of Technology (Pharmacy), Kanpur and Vice-President (UP), IPGA; and Dr. Jeyabalan Govidasamy, Principal, Alwar Pharmacy College.



The program was organized under the patronage of Shri P.K. Gupta, Chancellor, and Shri Y.K. Gupta, Pro-Chancellor, Sharda University Agra. Dr. Vikash Sharma, Assistant Professor, Sharda School of Pharmacy, served as the Organizing Secretary, with support from Dr. Gurvinder Pal Singh, Ms. Ashni Singh, and Mr. Anirudh Pratap Singh as Joint Organizing Secretaries.

KBICONN 2025: “Path to Parity: Strategies in Generic Drug Development”

The National Conference on “Path to Parity: Strategies in Generic Drug Development” was successfully organized by the K. B. Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (KBIPER), Gandhinagar, on 5–6 December 2025. The two-day academic event brought together eminent academicians, industry professionals, researchers, and students to deliberate on the evolving landscape of generic drug development and its role in ensuring affordable and high-quality healthcare.

The conference aimed to strengthen understanding of scientific, regulatory, and strategic aspects of generic medicines, with particular emphasis on complex formulations, regulatory compliance, intellectual property challenges, and global market access. The inaugural session featured a keynote address by Dr. Atul Nasa, who highlighted the expanding role of pharmacists in healthcare and emphasized their contribution to patient-centric drug development.

Technical sessions across both days covered a wide spectrum of topics. Industry experts such as Mr. Varun Doshi, Dr. Hardik Joshi, Dr. Stavan Nagori, Dr. Dhaval Patel, and Mr. Bhavik Joshi shared valuable insights on socioeconomic importance of generics, sterile formulation strategies, holistic product development, patent landscapes, and global regulatory pathways. These sessions provided participants with a comprehensive understanding of the challenges and opportunities in generic drug development.

A major highlight of the conference was the poster presentation session, which showcased 23 research posters and 19 review posters. The session encouraged academic excellence, innovation, and student participation, with awards recognizing outstanding research contributions. The event witnessed participation from over 180 delegates representing various reputed institutions across the country.

Overall, the conference successfully bridged academia and industry, fostering knowledge exchange, collaboration, and professional growth. It reinforced KBIPER’s commitment to advancing pharmaceutical education and research while contributing meaningfully to the development of safe, effective, and affordable generic medicines for society.



Awareness and Placement Seminar on PMBJP Held at KBIPER College, by IPGA Gujarat Branch

On 18th February 2026, the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA) Gujarat State Branch, in collaboration with the Placement Cell of KBIPER, Gandhinagar, organized an Awareness Seminar and Placement Camp for final-year B Pharm, M Pharm, and Pharm D students under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendra initiative of the Indian Red Cross Society. The program highlighted career opportunities in the pharmaceutical sector, with Ms. Sunita Joshi, HR Manager, emphasizing the scheme's motto "Seva Bhi, Rozgar Bhi," and Mr. Roshan Pandit, Senior Communication Officer, sharing insights on networking and professional growth. A debate on generic versus branded medicines underscored the importance of affordable, quality healthcare. The event saw enthusiastic participation from students and faculty, with active involvement from IPGA Gujarat leaders and KBIPER coordinators. Dr. Divyesh H. Shastri delivered the vote of thanks, appreciating the support of Kadi Sarva Vishwavidyalaya leadership, the Karmyuga Pharma team, and the student forum for making the seminar a success.



Faculty of Health Sciences at Atmiya University, in association with the IPGA Rajkot Chapter



On 21st November 2025, the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Faculty of Health Sciences at Atmiya University, in association with the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA) Rajkot Chapter, organized PharmArtist 2025 as part of the National Pharmacy Week celebrations. Coordinated by Dr. Dharmik Mehta and Ms. Arti Dwivedi, the event aimed to showcase the artistic skills of pharmacy students by having them design innovative pharmacy-related models using fruits, vegetables, flowers, and leaves. Participants created creative representations of topics such as viruses, human reproductive systems, cholesterol structures, the brain, kidneys, and drug delivery systems. The models were judged on artistic, technical, and domain-specific aspects, with winners receiving prizes and e-certificates. More than 30 students and over 50 visitors engaged with the exhibition, making it a unique and interactive way to learn pharmacy concepts while celebrating the profession.



On 18th and 27th February 2026, the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Faculty of Health Sciences at Atmiya University, in collaboration with the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA) Rajkot Chapter, celebrated National Pharmacy Education Day 2026 as directed by the Pharmacy Council of India. Coordinated by Dr. Dharmik Mehta, Dr. Parag Rabara, Ms. Reena Ughreja, and Ms. Rachana Joshi, the event engaged over 150 participants through expert sessions and a creative competition. The sessions covered diverse topics including artificial intelligence as a creation or threat, HIV/AIDS awareness, and career opportunities after pharmacy graduation. Additionally, the "Lab to Art" competition encouraged students to design artistic prototypes on pharmacy themes using lab materials like test tubes and slides, with entries judged on creativity, technicality, and innovation. Winners received prizes and e-certificates, while more than 100 students gained an opportunity to explore pharmacy concepts in an engaging and artistic manner.



Faculty of Health Sciences at Atmiya University, in association with the IPGA Rajkot Chapter

On 5th March 2026, the Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendra, Papaiyavadi, Rajkot, in collaboration with Morepen Laboratories and the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA) Rajkot Chapter, organized a General Health Check-up Camp to mark the 8th Jan Aushadhi Week celebrations. Coordinated by Dr. Pratik Vediya along with Mr. Jayesh, Mr. Abhi, and Mr. Sahil, the camp served over 30 public participants by measuring key health parameters such as weight, blood pressure, and random blood sugar using advanced diagnostic devices from Morepen. Based on the results, attendees received guidance on maintaining and improving their health, and were also trained to operate medical devices for routine self-checkups at home. The initiative successfully promoted health awareness and highlighted the importance of accessible diagnostic tools in everyday healthcare.



On 7th April 2026, the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Faculty of Health Sciences at Atmiya University, in collaboration with the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA) Rajkot Chapter, Agarwals Eye Hospital, Smile Plus Hospitals, and Morepen Laboratories, organized a World Health Day health check-up camp. Coordinated by Dr. Dharmik Mehta, Dr. Kevin Garala, and Mr. Pratik Khuman, the camp benefited over 300 participants including students, faculty, and staff. The check-ups were conducted across four categories: general body parameters (blood pressure, blood glucose, weight), eye examinations, dental check-ups, and skin assessments. Medical practitioners provided personalized advice based on findings, with several students identified as having vision issues and others showing elevated blood pressure or glucose levels, who were guided on corrective measures and healthy practices. The initiative successfully promoted awareness of preventive healthcare and helped participants better understand their current health status.

On 21st April 2026, the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences at Atmiya University, in collaboration with the Rajkot Pharmacist Association (RPA) and the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA) Rajkot Chapter, organized an awareness seminar on the Role of Pharmacists in the Fight Against Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR). Coordinated by Mr. Vijay Chauhan, Dr. Kevin Garala, and Dr. Dharmik Mehta, the event featured expert talks by Dr. Sachin Parmar, Mr. Pratik Omy, and Mr. Satyen Patel, who highlighted the growing threat of AMR and emphasized the crucial role pharmacists play in its prevention, particularly in South Asian countries like India. With over 250 participants including students, faculty, and staff, the seminar successfully raised awareness about AMR and reinforced the responsibility of future pharmacists in combating this global health challenge.



Columbia Institute of Pharmacy, Raipur (CIP), in association with IPGA, Chhattisgarh

Between February and March 2026, Columbia Institute of Pharmacy, Raipur, in association with the Indian Pharmaceutical Graduates' Association (IPGA), organized a series of impactful academic and cultural events.

On 14th March 2026, a guest lecture was delivered by Mrs. Pallavi Mishra, child psychologist and founder of Wonder Kids Academy, on "Healthy Mind, Better Care." She emphasized the importance of emotional support, positive communication, and stress-free environments in shaping students' personalities. Dr. Abhishek Mishra, ex-dental surgeon and NRHM associate, also spoke on "Diabetes and Oral Health," highlighting the link between diabetes and oral hygiene, and encouraging healthy daily habits. The event was attended by dignitaries including Shri Harjeet Singh Hura, Prof. Ravindra Kumar Pandey, Dr. Trilochan Satapathy, and Dr. Bina Gidwani, with coordination by Dr. Neha Dubey and support from student volunteers.

On 8th March 2026, International Women's Day was celebrated with joyful activities such as Compliment Circle and Musical Chair, fostering appreciation for women's contributions. The program was guided by Dr. Bina Gidwani and coordinated by Dr. Neha Dubey, with participation from senior IPGA members and faculty.

On 6th March 2026, National Pharmacy Education Day was observed on the birth anniversary of Professor M.L. Schroff. The Literary Club organized engaging activities like Pharma Decode and Picturica, while speakers highlighted Schroff's contributions to pharmacy education.

On 14th February 2026, CIP commemorated the seventh anniversary of the Pulwama attack through the Army Act Competition, honoring the sacrifice of 40 CRPF officers. Memorial activities and plays created a solemn and respectful atmosphere.

On 21st February 2026, National Science Day was celebrated with a quiz competition and 3D model contest organized by the Literary Club. The event encouraged creativity, scientific thinking, and active student participation, with dignitaries and faculty present.

These events collectively enriched students' academic knowledge, cultural awareness, and social responsibility, reflecting CIP's commitment to holistic education under the guidance of Prof. Ravindra Kumar Pandey and the active involvement of IPGA Raipur.



INDIAN PHARMACY GRADUATES' ASSOCIATION (ODISHA BRANCH)

Activity Report: The Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA), Odisha State Branch, undertook several impactful initiatives between November 2025 and March 2026, strengthening professional development, public health awareness, and industry collaboration.

The National Pharmacy Week 2025 was celebrated at SOA University, Bhubaneswar, with over 300 pharmacists, regulators, and students participating. Distinguished guests graced the event, and eminent scientists recognized globally by Stanford University were honored with the IPGA-O Eminent Pharmacist Award, while young researchers received the IPGA-O Young Pharma Researcher Award.

On 22nd November 2025, an expert talk by Mr. Anshuman Saran of Aurobindo Pharma highlighted global perspectives on quality assurance, vaccines, and career opportunities. A Pharma Awareness Rally in Cuttack further engaged the public on vaccination and preventive healthcare.

The Odisha Pharma Summit on 16th December 2025 marked a milestone as the state government signed MoUs with pharmaceutical companies, supported actively by IPGA-Odisha. The summit also witnessed the launch of the Odisha Pharma & Medical Devices Policy 2025, aimed at attracting investments, fostering innovation, and generating employment.

Youth development was prioritized through the GPAT Super 30 Examination on 13th December 2025, organized with Dadhichi College of Pharmacy, nurturing talent for national pharmacy aptitude tests.

On 22nd February 2026, Dr. Atul Nassa, National President of IPGA, delivered a hybrid expert talk emphasizing innovation, ethics, and professional networking in pharmacy.

A Mega Placement Drive conducted by MacLeod's Pharmaceuticals at AIPER, Cuttack, provided employment opportunities to B.Pharm graduates across Odisha, strengthening industry-academia linkages.

Conclusion: Through celebrations, expert talks, awareness rallies, policy advocacy, youth development programs, and placement drives, IPGA-Odisha showcased exemplary commitment to advancing pharmacy education, empowering graduates, and supporting healthcare growth in the state. Their efforts effectively bridged academia, industry, and government, positioning Odisha as a rising hub for pharmaceutical innovation and employment.



INDIAN PHARMACY GRADUATES' ASSOCIATION (ODISHA BRANCH)




64th National Pharmacy Week (NPW)
(16th to 22nd Nov-2025)
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'Pharmacists as Advocate of Vaccination'
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Northern Institute of Pharmacy & Research (NIPR), Alwar with IPGA Alwar Local Chapter

Report on 64th National Pharmacy Week (NPW-2025)

The Northern Institute of Pharmacy & Research (NIPR), Alwar celebrated the 64th National Pharmacy Week (16–22 November 2025) under the theme “Pharmacists as Advocates of Vaccination”. The program was sponsored by the IPGA Alwar Local Chapter, led by Prof. G. Jeyabalan (President, IPGA Alwar & Joint Secretary-North, IPGA) and Prof. (Dr.) B.K. Kumawat (Secretary, IPGA Alwar), who also served as the Chief Patron of the event.

The week commenced with an inauguration ceremony featuring lamp lighting, torch ignition, and sports oath, graced by Chief Guest Prof. G. Jeyabalan (Principal, APC, Alwar). In his address, he highlighted the important role of pharmacists in promoting vaccination and public health awareness, while Chief Patron Prof. (Dr.) B.K. Kumawat encouraged students to actively contribute to healthcare and community service. Poster, model, and rangoli competitions were also organized on the first day.

During Days 2 to 4, various sports and co-curricular activities including Volleyball, Badminton, Kabaddi, Basketball, Chess, Carrom, athletic events, Tug of War, Lemon Race, Quiz Competition, and a blood donation activity were conducted with great enthusiasm.

On Day 5, a vaccination awareness program was organized in Bahadurpur village, involving a nukkad natak, pamphlet distribution, and awareness rally, effectively spreading awareness about the benefits of vaccination.

The celebration concluded with a valedictory and cultural program, where Blue House was declared Overall Champion, and Gagandeep Singh (B. Pharm) and Hiya Sharma were awarded Best Individual Performers.

The week-long celebration successfully promoted vaccination awareness and reinforced the role of pharmacists in safeguarding public health.

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Alwar Pharmacy College, JECRC Alwar NCR Off Campus, with IPGA Alwar Local Chapter

Alwar Pharmacy College, JECRC Alwar NCR Off Campus, organized a two-day career-oriented training program on Clinical Research, Pharmacovigilance, and Clinical Data Management in collaboration with Clinosol Research Pvt. Ltd. The program was held on 28th and 29th March 2026 and aimed to provide pharmacy, life sciences, and medical students with practical exposure to the growing field of clinical research.

Renowned industry experts, Prof. C.S. Mujibuddin (Founder & CEO, Clinosol Research) and Ms. Uma Priya (Co-Founder & Director, Clinosol Research), conducted intensive training sessions. Students were guided through the complete process of clinical trials, pharmacovigilance practices, data management, ADR reporting, protocol review, case report forms, and monitoring. Each session included hands-on assignments, ensuring practical learning alongside theoretical knowledge.

Key highlights of the workshop included:

- Live training with real-time case studies.
- Practical assignments on clinical trial processes.
- Special sessions on resume writing and LinkedIn profile optimization.
- Training materials and certificates of participation.
- Comprehensive career guidance for entering the clinical research industry.

Dr. G. Jeyabalan, Principal of Alwar Pharmacy College, emphasized that the workshop would be highly beneficial for students aspiring to build careers in clinical research, pharmacovigilance, and data management. He noted that India's clinical research industry is expanding rapidly, and such training programs enhance employability and prepare students for global opportunities.

The program successfully provided students with industry-relevant skills, practical knowledge, and career direction, marking a significant step toward bridging academia and the clinical research sector.



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WOMENS' FORUM

IPGA Women Forum South Zone Celebrates International Women’s Day with Inspiring Webinar



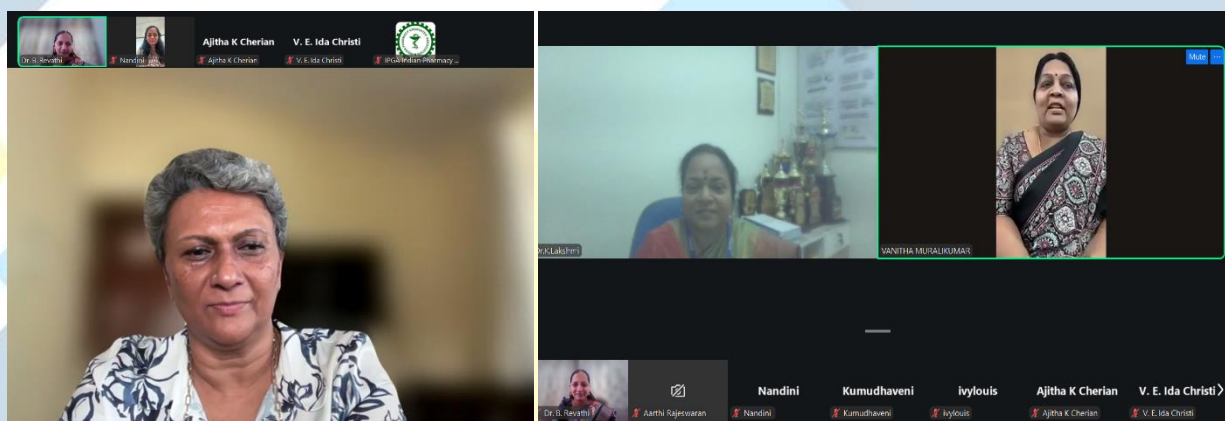
The IPGA Women Forum South Zone marked International Women’s Day 2026 with a vibrant and thought-provoking webinar themed “Give to Gain: Empowered Women, Empowered Nation.” The event was jointly organized by the South Zone IPGA Women Forum representatives of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu, reflecting the spirit of unity, leadership, and women’s empowerment across the region. The webinar was coordinated by Dr. B. Revathi, Head and Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacology, QIS College of Pharmacy, Andhra Pradesh, who warmly welcomed the distinguished guests, eminent

speakers, faculty members, and enthusiastic student participants. The event began with greetings and best wishes conveyed on behalf of Dr. Atul Nasa, National President, IPGA, along with state leaders and office bearers who have continuously supported the mission of the Women Forum.

The occasion was graced by Dr. Manju Singh, Chairperson, IPGA Women Forum, as the Chief Guest, whose inspiring words set the tone for the celebration. The webinar featured enriching sessions by esteemed speakers Dr. Vanitha Muralikumar, Founder of Dhanwanthralaya, Chennai & Smrithi Ayurcare, Malaysia, and Smt. Ivy Louis, Founder and Director, Vienni Training & Consulting LLP, Bengaluru. Their insightful talks encouraged participants to think beyond conventional boundaries and embrace leadership, service, and self-growth.

The programme also included welcome remarks, keynote observations, and speaker introductions by Women Forum coordinators from the four southern states, showcasing remarkable teamwork and coordination. With over 300 participants registered, the webinar witnessed enthusiastic engagement and emerged as a grand success.

The event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, acknowledging the speakers, dignitaries, organizers, and participants whose collective efforts made the celebration memorable and meaningful.



Women's Day Celebration at SIMS College of Pharmacy

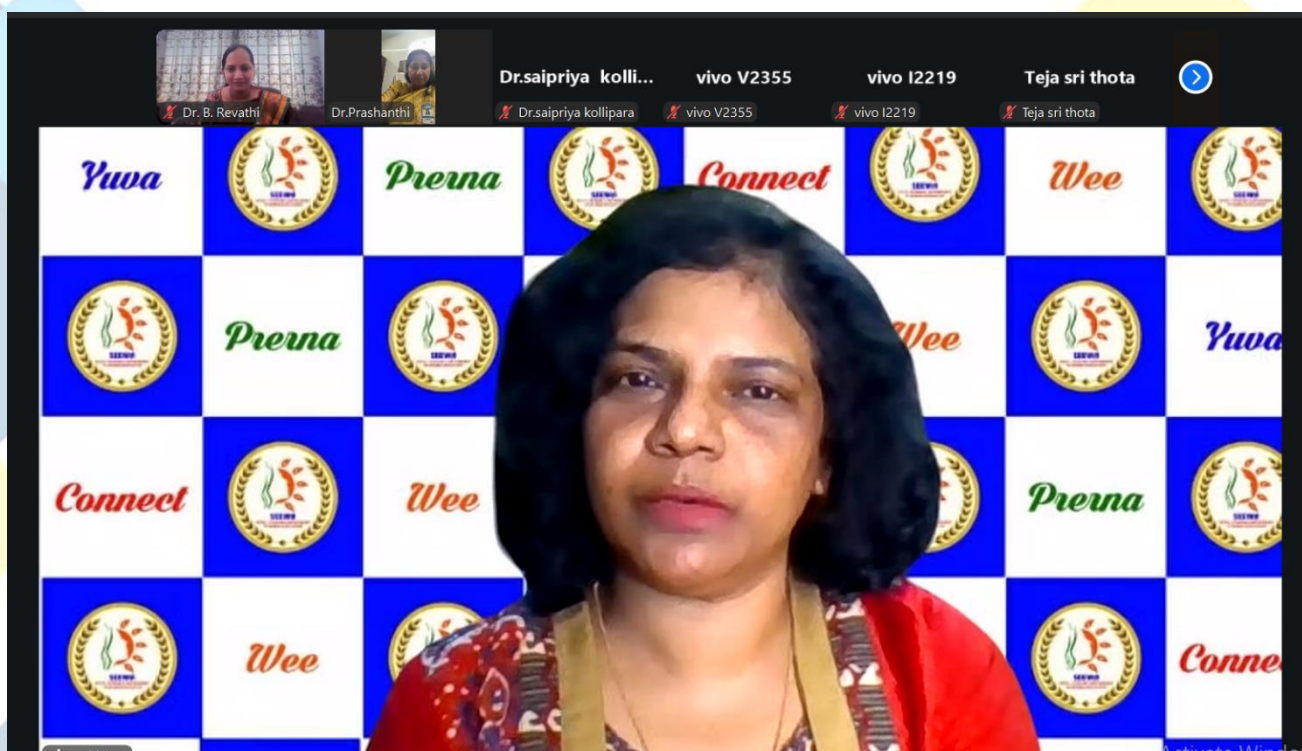
SIMS College of Pharmacy, in association with the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association (IPGA) Women Forum – AP State, successfully organized an International Women's Day Celebration Webinar on the theme "Give and Gain" on 6 March 2026 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. The programme was coordinated by Dr. M. Prashanti Evangelin, Vice Principal and IQAC Co-Coordinator, and witnessed the active participation of 100 students, faculty members, and pharmacy professionals.

The webinar was conducted with the objective of inspiring women professionals and students by emphasizing the values of empowerment, leadership, self-growth, and contribution to society. The programme commenced with a warm welcome address and the introduction of the dignitaries, setting a positive and enthusiastic tone for the event.

The occasion was graced by Dr. Revathi Boyina, M.Pharm., Ph.D., Coordinator of the IPGA Women Forum, AP State, who attended as the Guest of Honour. The keynote session was delivered by Ms. Jyothi Para, Founder and CEO of SEEWA & Virtual Glocal Pvt. Ltd., who shared valuable perspectives on women empowerment, professional excellence, and the importance of giving back to society while advancing personally and professionally.

The event also featured Ms. Saipriya Kollipara, Founder and Director of JSV Rudra Health Care Pvt. Ltd., as a Special Invitee. She motivated the participants to cultivate entrepreneurial thinking and highlighted the growing opportunities for women in the healthcare and pharmaceutical sectors.

The webinar was organized under the guidance of Principal Dr. B. Thangabalan, with support from Director B. Bharat Reddy, Secretary Dr. B. Siva Sireesha, and the organizing team. The session was highly interactive and impactful, leaving the participants inspired to believe in their potential and contribute meaningfully to society.



Webinar conducted by the IPGAWF-TN branch

A virtual seminar titled “**Studies on Functionalized Drug Delivery Strategies for Effective Asthma Management**” was successfully conducted on 8th November 2025 at 3:00 PM.

The event featured Dr. K. Ruckmani, Director of the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Hajipur, as the distinguished speaker. The seminar attracted 70 delegates, reflecting strong interest in the subject matter.

Organizing Committee:

Convenor: Dr. Lakshmi

Co-Convenors: Dr. C. Vinodhini, Dr. R. Vadivu

Organizers: Dr. K. G. Lalitha, Dr. G. Umarani

Programme Highlights:

Welcome Address & Introduction: Delivered by Dr. K. G. Lalitha, setting the tone for the seminar.

Keynote Session: Dr. K. Ruckmani provided an in-depth exploration of functionalized drug delivery strategies for asthma management. The session emphasized recent advancements in nanocarrier-based drug delivery systems, targeted therapies, and personalized medicine approaches, highlighting their potential to improve therapeutic outcomes.

Interactive Q&A: Delegates actively engaged with the speaker, posing questions and sharing perspectives on the innovations discussed.

Vote of Thanks: Concluded by Dr. G. Umarani, acknowledging the contributions of the speaker and organizing team.

Key Insights: Dr. Ruckmani’s presentation shed light on the evolving landscape of asthma treatment, particularly the role of functionalized drug delivery systems in enhancing patient care. The discussion underscored the importance of nanotechnology and personalized medicine in addressing the complexities of asthma management.

Participant Feedback: The seminar was met with enthusiastic participation and highly positive feedback. Delegates appreciated the relevance and timeliness of the topic, noting that the insights gained would significantly enrich their understanding of emerging therapeutic strategies.

Conclusion: The virtual seminar was conducted seamlessly, marking a successful academic event that bridged knowledge and innovation. The contributions of the organizing team and the expertise of Dr. K. Ruckmani ensured that the session was both informative and impactful.

Women's Day Special Seminar on Research Entrepreneurship and Grant Funding Conducted by IPGA Women's Forum Kerala State Branch



A Women's Day Special Seminar on the theme "Empowering Women Researchers: Grant Funding for Entrepreneurial Excellence" was successfully conducted on 1st March 2026 through an online platform. The program was organized by the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association – Women's Forum, Kerala State Branch.

The seminar was planned with the objective of empowering women researchers, faculty members, postgraduate students, and aspiring entrepreneurs by providing structured knowledge on grant funding opportunities, research commercialization, and entrepreneurial pathways. The program served as an important platform to encourage women in pharmacy and allied sciences to explore innovation-driven career opportunities and translate research into meaningful societal and professional outcomes.

The technical session was delivered by Dr. Fathima Beegum, M.Pharm., Ph.D., Director, Surusa Healthcare, who shared valuable insights on research funding mechanisms, grant literacy, and the importance of entrepreneurial thinking in academic and scientific careers. Her session was highly informative and motivating, offering practical guidance to participants seeking to strengthen their research and innovation capabilities.

The program received an encouraging response, with more than 160 registrations, demonstrating the growing interest in research entrepreneurship, grant literacy, and innovation-led professional development among women in pharmacy and allied sciences.

The successful conduct of the seminar reflected the commitment of the IPGA Women's Forum Kerala State Branch toward promoting capacity building, professional empowerment, and academic advancement among women professionals and students.

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