



**PRINCIPAL  
DESK**

World emergency day was celebrated this year on 27<sup>th</sup> of May. The international emergency day was launched by the European Society for Emergency Medicine 4 years back. 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019 marked the dawn of a new era for emergency medicine globally. EMA India collaborated with 24 other emergency medicine organizations globally to celebrate world emergency day. Emergency Medicine is a medical specialty that equips doctors with the knowledge & skill required to care for people with life threatening or urgent health needs. Though it has been practiced for many years, it has grown as a speciality of its own only in recent years. It is an integral part of health care delivery system and decisions & interventions taken in the emergency department is very crucial in the outcome of patients. The campaign theme for the year 2023 is "Your safety our priority". The campaign is dedicated to the safety of our patients who need attention and relief from pain and disease. In the light of various incidents which are happening recently to doctors and health care workers, it is equally important that a safe and secure environment is given to our colleagues so that they can deliver the appropriate care efficiently to our patients. The emergency department of our institution, commemorated the event with various activities. Emergency medicine Quiz program for interns & UGs was conducted on 25<sup>th</sup> May which turned out to be an exciting event. The Central Travancore EM club was inaugurated on the same day with participation from our neighboring hospitals and a CME followed. EM awareness program for the Police personnel of Koipuram was conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> May. The EM team from Pushpagiri led by Dr. Arjun gave hands on training for Basic resuscitation, choking etc. The emergency department of our institution headed by Dr Roney is doing an excellent job in terms of patient care and students training. I wish all success for their future endeavours.

## Accelerate action together. SAVE LIVES – Clean Your Hands

**Dr Aneeta Mary Jacob**

Infection control officer, PIMS&RC



World Hand Hygiene Day campaign is celebrated each year on 5<sup>th</sup> May with the goal of improving hand hygiene in health care, and thus supporting the prevention of often life-threatening health care associated infection.

SAVE LIVES: Clean Your Hands annual global campaign was launched in 2009. The central core of this campaign is that all health-care workers should clean their hands at the right time and in the right way. Each year WHO chooses a theme. "Accelerate action together. SAVE LIVES – Clean Your Hands" was the slogan for 2023, emphasizing the need to accelerate action to prevent infections and antimicrobial resistance in health care and to build a culture of safety and quality in which hand hygiene improvement is given high priority.

Thousands of people die every day around the world from infections by multidrug resistant organisms (MDROs). Hands of the health-care worker is the main pathway for transmission of these organisms. Various studies based on hand hygiene has shown that substantial decrease in colonization and infection by MDRO's is associated with significant improvement in hand hygiene compliance. Therefore, implementation of hand hygiene is the key to break the transmission of these organisms. Preventing MDROs in health-care settings is urgent as the number of antibiotics available to treat these infections are also limited. This campaign calls out to all health care workers to love the 5 moments of hand hygiene and lead the way for clean hands. Performing hand hygiene and providing cleanliness is a sign of respect and dignity to those who seek healthcare.



## National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme clinic inauguration

New NTEP clinic of PMCH was inaugurated under the Department of Community Medicine on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023. The clinic started working with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023. The clinic was blessed by Rev. Fr. George Valiyaparambil (Director). The Clinic was inaugurated by Dr. Niran Babu (DTO, Pathanamthitta) & Dr. Aparna Mohan (WHO NTEP Consultant, Kerala). A formal meeting was conducted at Inspire hall following the inauguration. Dr. Abraham Varghese, Dr. Tomy Philip, Dr. Mathew Ninan, Dr. Midhun M, Dr. Sherin Susan Paul and Dr. Betsy A Jose spoke during the meeting. Dr. Betsy A Jose (Assistant Professor, Community Medicine is the new NTEP Nodal Officer for PMCH.) The clinic is located at the Pulmonology block. Mrs. Monai (Health Educator, Department of Community Medicine) will counsel the patients and dispense the anti TB medicines.



## Autism Summer Camp



Pratheeksha CDC conducted 10 days intensive summer camp with a theme as 'RAINBOW' for children with Autism from 17/04/2023. It was conducted as two batches (morning and afternoon) and total of 38 children attended. Camp included various activities such as Learning Programme, Art work, Story time, Sensory play, Water play, Sand play, Snack time, Outdoor and Indoor games, speaking with mic and one day tour programme. Initial nine days of activities were conducted at Pratheeksha AUSUM hall and senate hall. A one day group tour in Pushpagiri Medical College bus, was arranged to a nearby sports center with swimming pool facilities along with parents for outdoor experience, group gathering and social exposure. Camp was well enjoyed by our kids and appreciated by our parents. It is expected that summer camp experience will bring about definite modification in the social behavior of children and the emotional and futuristic out look of parents. All children & the therapists were given refreshments during the camp time.

## Mega Camp at Puthusherry



The Pushpagiri Medical College Hospital in collaboration with PRPC & PRC organized a mega camp at Puthusherry on 29/05/2023. Services from various departments including General Medicine, Orthopedics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Community Medicine & Pediatrics were provided. The Department of Community Medicine provided cancer screening as part of CanCare. Cancer screening was done for thyroid and breast cancer. Breast cancer screening was done using the iBreast screening machine. Around 45 patients were screened for cancer. The camp was coordinated by Dr. Betsy A Jose & Marketing team of PMCH.



# NSS ORIENTATION & DYUTHI SPECIAL CAMP REVIEW MEETING

NSS unit of PIMSRC conducted a 7 day special camp : Dyuthi from 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Mary Matha Public School. The feedback & experiences of the camp was presented to Rev. Fr. George Valiyaparambil (Director), Dr. Tomy Philip (Principal) and Dr. Vikram Gowda (Vice Principal) on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at Lecture Hall 1. A short film named 'Parinamam' was released by the Director on the occasion. New volunteers were enrolled and they were welcomed to the unit by the Principal. Dr. Vikram Gowda congratulated the Unit for their activities. The program was coordinated by Dr. Betsy A Jose, NSS Programme Officer and the NSS volunteers.

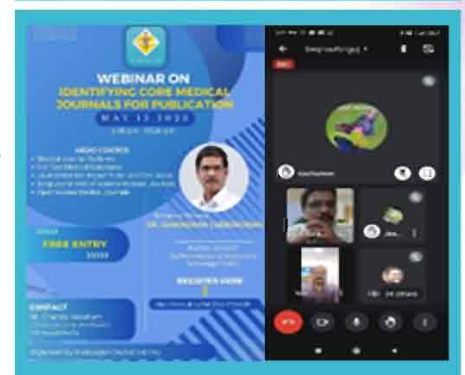


## Providence Home Visit

NSS unit of PIMSRC in collaboration with House surgeons of 2017 MBBS batch visited providence home, Kunnathanam on 16/04/2023. The volunteers & CRRJ representatives handed over clothes, eatables and books to 200 inmates of the orphanage. The in charge of the home briefed us about the working pattern and staff pattern of the home. Children of the home showcased their talents in front of the audience. It was a memorable and heart touching visit for all the attendees. The volunteers and HS were accompanied by Rev. Fr. George Valiyaparambil (Director) and Dr. Betsy A Jose (NSS Programme Officer).

## Webinar : “Identifying Core Medical Journals for Publication”

The Central Library, Pushpagiri Institute of Medical Sciences & Research Centre, Tiruvalla organised a One Day Webinar on -“Identifying Core Medical Journals for Publication” which was conducted on 12th May 2023 through 'Google Meet' platform. Dr. Surendran Cherukodan, Assistant Librarian of Cochin University of Science & Technology (CUSAT), Ernakulam was the Resource Person for the webinar. Topics covered in the webinar included Scopus index & Scopus indexed Medical Journals, H-index journals, Web of Science indexed journals, Google Scholar, Journals platforms, Predatory (fake) journals, Category of quality journal publishers, ScienceDirect, Peer-reviewed journals & articles, Different approaches to quality journals etc. Online registration platforms were facilitated for the convenience of registration. Internal and external teaching faculty, Clinicians, Scientists & Librarians from various institutions attended the webinar. Total participants who attended the workshop were 69. There was time for an interactive session. Mr. Chandy Abraham, Chief Librarian delivered the Welcome Speech, Dr.Tomy Philip, (Principal, PIMS&RC) gave felicitation. Mr.Liju C. Gopalan delivered vote of thanks.





# 14<sup>th</sup> INTER MEDICOS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Mid May marked the return of the much awaited Jacob Mar Theophilos Memorial Basketball tournament which was one of the very essence of Pushpagiri. The 14<sup>th</sup> Edition of the tournament after 4 years of the previous expedition was held on the 13<sup>th</sup>,14<sup>th</sup>,15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of May organized by the Vyuha college union in association with the Department of Physical Education. The exquisite grandeur of the event was very obvious in the echoes of anticipation that waived throughout Pushpagiri when word spread that the return of the high adrenaline basketball action was imminent. The event was inaugurated by Shri. Mathew T. Thomas, MLA in the presence of Mr. Sejin Mathew, Indian International Basketball player. The first day was made memorable by a "dunk show" between "Air Kerala" and "Big Black Giant" where the two showcased their freestyling and slam dunks which left the crowd in awe and on their feet. The fourth day marked a spectacular finish for Theophilos amid the excitement of four matches. The guest match between Pushpagiri Alumni and The Shepherd's team of the priests of Tiruvalla Archdiocese was conducted, which saw the Alumni team win. Later on, Ernakulam Medical College won the girls' final by defeating Pushpagiri emerging as Champions. The boys' teams finals were the fourth match and it was a pinnacle of excitement. MOSC Medical College won against Pushpagiri on their home turf. The day and the adrenaline packed tournament was concluded by the closing ceremony wherein Changanassery MLA Adv. Job Michael was the chief guest. On the occasion, the Fr. George Valiyaparambil (Director), the Dr. Tomy Philip (Principal), Dr. Sabu Samuel (Head of Sports Department) Fr. Roy John and union office bearers were also present.





## PMR REHAB FEST'23

On April 29<sup>th</sup>, at Senate Hall in Pushpagiri, the Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PMR) Department of Pushpagiri Medical College Hospital hosted the annual fellowship day "Rehab Fest 2023" with the goal of enhancing peer group interaction, functional independence, and quality of life of people with disabilities, who were previously rehabilitated by the PMR Department. The gathering of the patients and family members who have been getting care from the PMR team in this department since the month of July 2021 was a heart-warming occasion for everyone. This family gathering- "Rehab Fest" was the first of its kind in the Pushpagiri PMR department. Dr. Kurian Zachariah, the founder and ex-HOD of the PMR Department, St. John's Medical College, Bangalore, was the chief guest. For everyone, his presence and message were a great source of inspiration. H.G. Most Rev. Dr. Thomas Mar Koorilos (Archbishop of the Tiruvalla Archdiocese) delivered the benedictory address and presented gifts to the beneficiaries. Fr. Samuel Vilayil, the executive director of the Bodhana Thiruvalla Social Service Society (TSSS), spoke to the audience on the potential of social work in rehabilitation. Dr. Jimi Jose, the department's in-charge, welcomed the gathering and Rev. Fr. George Valiyaparampil (Director), commended all the patients and their families for taking the initiative to make this event a success. Rev. Fr. Thomas Pariyarath (Administrator, PMCH) also joined the day's program, and public meeting and greeted the beneficiaries. All patients who joined the occasion of the PMR Rehab Fest '23 had free Psychiatrist assessment by PMR specialist doctors, prescribed therapy services delivered by physiotherapists, occupational therapist, and speech therapist, and also free blood tests. The family reunion also included fun activities, peer group sessions, and other artistic performances. This day was an important milestone in the history of the PMR Department, Pushpagiri Medical College Hospital, which encourages persons with disabilities to move forward with hope, and support each other through peer group connections. The entire PMR team, including medical students and interns, along with the hospital administration worked together in making this event a success.



## ENTE KERALAM EXHIBITION

Department of Community Medicine of Pushpagiri Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre in collaboration with Excise Department hosted a stall along at `Ente Keralam` exhibition and fair which was conducted at Pathanamthitta District Stadium from 12/05/2023 to 18/05/2023. The stall consisted of various normal and pathological specimens of organs affected by smoking and alcohol. The stall was run by House surgeons. The 2<sup>nd</sup> year MBBS students posted in Department of Community Medicine were taken for a visit to the exhibition on 16/05/2023 as part of the posting and the National Service Scheme. The visit was coordinated by Dr Felix Johns (Professor and HOD, Department of Community Medicine), Dr Betsy A Jose (Assistant Professor), Dr. Harishankar, Dr Roshna, Dr Sapna (PG Residents), Mrs Monai (Health Educator) and Mrs. Shiny (Health Inspector). The exhibition had seminar to promote public health. The students understood the meaning of intersectoral collaboration in promoting health.

## SPORTS REHABILITATION CLINIC



Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PMR) of Pushpagiri Medical College Hospital conducted a sports rehabilitation clinic at KGF Indoor Stadium, Thiruvalla, Pathanamthitta, from May 19 to May 24 on the occasion of Yonex Sunrise Kerala State Junior Ranking Tournament 2023



# PUSHPAGIRI RESEARCH CENTRE UPDATES

## National Conference on 'Microbiome-Little Bugs: friends or foe!' (Bioradiance-2023)

Pushpagiri Research Centre and Department of Microbiology, Pushpagiri Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre supported by American Society for Microbiology (ASM) organized Bioradiance 2023, a one day National Conference with the central theme of "Microbiome- Little bugs: friends or foe!" on 27th May 2023. Though, Bioradiance is being conducted annually since 2013, this was the first time it was conducted in a hybrid mode. It was also celebrated as Pushpagiri Research Day. It was an occasion of coming together of researchers and clinicians under one roof to share knowledge, discuss important scientific advancements in research and the way forward for research scholars, scientists and students of biosciences, medical, and dental branches from all over India. The conference began with the first talk by Dr Rama Chaudhry (Former International Ambassador of American Society for Microbiology (ASM) to India, Former Dean Research and Head, AIIMS, New Delhi, SR Director and Professor Microbiology, Dean Research, NIMS University, Jaipur) who discussed the importance of the less talked organism, Bartonella and its high time we take it seriously. She stressed how important is we believe what we find out, and try to substantiate it by sound scientific knowledge and proof. This talk was followed by the inaugural programme. Dr Sherly Antony (ASM young Ambassador to India and organising secretary of Bioradance 2023) delivered the welcome speech. This was followed by the introductory address by Rev. Dr Mathew Mazhavancheril (Director, Pushpagiri Research Centre) who spoke of the importance of research and on the commitment of faculty, towards a common goal of research and development of mankind. Thereafter, the chief guest of the ceremony, Dr Sabu Thomas (Faculty Scientist and Principal Investigator, Pathogen Biology Division, Rajiv Gandhi Center for Biotechnology, Trivandrum) delivered the inaugural address where he stressed the significance of Microbiome and how our lifestyle changes has affected our flora thereby making us prey to various diseases. Then the conference was inaugurated by lighting of lamp. Dr Sabu Thomas was honoured for his long research career by Rev. Fr. George Valiyaparambil (Director, PIMS&RC) with a traditional Aranmula kannadi. Dr Sunil Rao felicitated Dr Sabu Thomas with a ponnada signifying his immense contributions in the Kerala state having several publications, funded projects and also mentored several youngsters and inculcated in them a passion for research and innovations. Rev. Fr. George Valiyaparambil inaugurated the first of its kind here, the Mar Athanasios Research Endowment award. He spoke on why research should be undertaken and how the management is supporting the faculty of medical college with such kind of gestures. He congratulated all the winners of the award and prayed that all faculty take up more research work and come forward in the coming years to win the award. This was followed by distribution of prizes to the winners, Dr Punya Chandran (Department of Physiology), Dr Reeba Mary Issac (Department of Pathology), Dr Sherly Antony (Department of Microbiology), Dr.Varkey S Kulangara (Department of Orthopaedics) and Dr P. S. John (Department of Orthopaedics). Next Dr Gaddam Vijaya Lakshmi (Vice Principal, PIMS&RC) delivered the vote of thanks who thanked all the dignitaries, speakers, sponsors and delegates. There were around 210 delegates with poster presentations, making the event a grand success. The scientific sessions continued by Dr Sabu Thomas, who spoke on 'Gut Microbiome: an emerging frontier to human health.' He condensed the topic in a very palatable manner for the students with various anecdotes of his personal experience. He was presented with a memento by Dr M.O Annamma (Former Principal, PIMS&RC). The next invited lecture on the 'Molecular detection of oral microbiome in health and disease' was by Dr Kishore G Bhat (Clinical microbiologist, Arihant Super specialty Hospital, Belgaum). His talk gave young researchers an insight to the mesmerising world of different molecular techniques. He was presented a memento by Dr Dr Sunil Rao (Professor and Acting Head of Microbiology,PIMS&RC). This was followed by lunch. Afternoon session included a talk by Dr Beena Antony on 'Dysbiosis of microbiome with an emphasis on Clostridiodes difficile and currentperspectives'. She was presented with a memento by Dr Kishore G Bhat. The final talk of the day was by Dr Sherly Antony (Coordinator, Pushpagiri Research Centre and Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology, PIMS&RC). She talked about 'A career in microbiology: the way forward with a peak into ASM.' Her lucid talk covered all the basics of how to proceed forward which proved to be very valuable for the budding research scholars as well as clinical microbiologists. She was presented with a memento by Dr Nebu George Thomas (Professor, Department of Periodontics, Pushpagiri College of Dental Sciences and Scientist, Pushpagiri research Centre). Meanwhile, the poster presentation began at 8.20 am in Lecture Hall 1 and 2 with 2 categories being held simultaneously i.e. General research, and Clinical cases and research respectively. The judges for the category 1 were Dr Sreeja Nair (Department of Microbiology), Dr Prabha S.P (Department of Biochemistry), and Ms. Nisha Kurian, (Department of Community Medicine, PIMS& RC). While the judges of Category 2 were Dr Liya Roslin Joseph (Department of Pharmacology), Dr Amrutha Mary Zachariah(Department of Physiology) and Dr Anjum Susan John (Department of Community Medicine, PIMS& RC). The onsite and online sessions were managed smoothly and smartly by Dr Soumya R S, (Pushpagiri Research Centre), Dr Leya Elizabeth Babu (Department of Physiology), Dr Rosin George Varghese and Dr Betsy Jose (Department of Community Medicine, PIMS&RC). This was followed by the valedictory speech and announcement of the winners of Poster competition by Dr Leya Elizabeth Babu. The winners of Category 1 were Dr Ruby Varghese (Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, School of Sciences, Jain, Deemed to be University, Bengaluru), Dr Namitha Vijay (PIMS&RC) and Dr Betsy Thomas (Pushpagiri College of Dental Sciences). While in the category 2 the winners were Dr Amrithavarshini (Amrita School of Nanosciences and Molecular Medicine), Dr Raksha Bhatt (St. Martha Hospital, Bangalore) and Dr.Anju Mathew (Pushpagiri Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre). The various prizes were handed over by Dr Sunil Rao and Dr Nebu George Thomas, to the winners. The valedictory session concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr Sherly Antony. The active participation of delegates, scientists, faculty members, students and research scholars from various Institutions were the highlight of the conference making it a successful and fruitful event. The programme ended with the national anthem





## Dr Aniket Naha was invited as a SPEAKER FOR NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Dr. Aniket represented PRC and gave a talk on the topic 'Bioinformatics and its application in Plant Biology' on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 in Three Days National Workshop on 'Plant Biology and Biotechnology.'

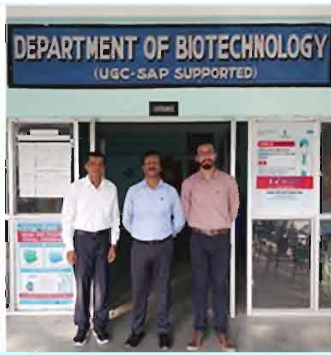


## Visit to Assam University

Dr Aniket Naha guided students of 6th Semester Biotechnology (Hons.) Gurucharan College, Silchar and demonstrated Advanced Instrumentation Facilities in Central Instrumentation Facilities in Assam University, Silchar. He had a discussion with the Scientists and Professors namely Prof. Pranab Bihari Mazumdar from Department of Biotechnology, Prof. Indu Sharma, Department of Microbiology, Assam University, Silchar and Dr. Anupam Guha, Tripura for future collaborative projects with Pushpagiri Research Centre (PRC), PIMS & RC, Tiruvalla on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.

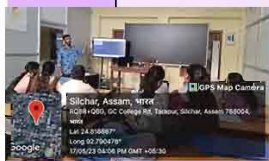







## GUEST FACULTY FOR BIOINFORMATICS

Dr Aniket Naha served as Guest Faculty for 'Diploma Course in Bioinformatics' in Gurucharan College, Silchar from 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.

Dr Soumya R.S has been selected as Scientist In charge of Animal house facility member secretary to Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) Order No 25/441/2009-AWD, Govt of India.

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Subject: Revision of Institutional Animals Ethics Committee (IAEC) - regarding

Sir,  
Kindly refer to your application on the above subject. CCSEA hereby accords approval to your request for revision of IAEC.

2. Accordingly, the revised IAEC is as under:

S.No.	Name of IAEC Members	Designation in IAEC
1	Dr Santosh Pillai	Biological Scientist, Chairperson
2	Dr Soumya RS	Scientist In-charge of Animal House Facility, Alternate Secretary
3	Dr Sreeja Nair	Scientist from different discipline
4	Dr Parvitha Chandran	Scientist from different discipline
5	Dr Lakshmi Prasad K.	Veterinarian
6	Dr. Kachin J. Sharma	Main Nominee
7	Dr. Nishant Kumar Gupta	Link Nominee
8	Dr Prakash K.G.	Scientist from outside the Institute
9	Dr. Sibi P.J.	Socially Aware Nominee

3. It is stated that only above approved IAEC members shall sign, with date, on the attendance sheet of the IAEC meetings, and decisions will be taken only in meetings where quorum is complete. The quorum for holding IAEC meeting is six (6), and Main Nominee, Scientist from Outside the Institute and Socially Aware Nominee must be present in such meetings. Link Nominee can attend in case main nominee conveys his unavailability in writing to the chairman IAEC. However, the Link Nominee must be invited once a year to update him/her about the activities of the IAEC. Any decision taken in the meetings of IAEC without quorum shall be considered invalid.

Yours Sincerely,  
  
(Dr. S. K. Dutta)  
Member Secretary (CCSEA)

Copy for information to Members of CCSEA:

1. Dr. Sachin P. Sharma	Main Nominee
2. Dr. Nishant Kumar Gupta	Link Nominee
3. Dr. Prakash K. G.	Scientist from outside the Institute
4. Dr. Sibi P.J.	Socially Aware Nominee

## RESEARCH PUBLICATION

- Title** : Microbial Fuel Cell: A State-of-the-Art and Revolutionizing Technology for efficient Energy Recovery
- Authors** : Aniket Naha, Reetika Debroy, Dhruvdyoti Sharma, Maulin P. Shah, Soumitra Nath\*
- Journal** : Cleaner and Circular Bioeconomy (Elsevier Publication)
- Link** : <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2772801323000155#bib0018>



## 'CHIRIKILUKKAM'- PREVESHANOLTSAVAM FOR ANGANWADI KIDS

Department of Community Medicine participated in 'Chirikilukkam'-Preveshanoltsavam for Anganwadi kids in the field area of Family Adoption Program (2021 Batch). Rev. Fr. George Valiyaparambil gave away gifts to children who completed Anganwadi training and are starting their regular schooling from this academic year. Mr. Shah, ward councilor extended his support in his ward for all activities by the department. Dr. Neetha Mary Kurian (Associate Professor), Dr. Joe Abraham, Dr. Betsy A Jose, Dr. Rosin George Varghese (Assistant Professors), Dr. Hari (PG) and Health Inspectors attended the programme.



NSS unit of PIMSRC observed World No Tobacco Day on 31.5.23 .

All MBBS students (400) of PIMSRC took a Pledge to not to use Tobacco in any of it's forms.

A bottle art competition was also conducted among the students on the No Tobacco theme.

Rev. Fr. George Valiyaparambil (Director), Dr. Tomy Philip (Principal), Dr. Vijaya Lakshmi( Vice principal- Academics) also joined the NSS unit for pledge taking.

NSS Programme Officer: Dr. Betsy A Jose ( Asst prof Community Medicine) coordinated the program.



# ACHIEVEMENTS



Dr. Clint, Department of Orthopaedics, PIMSRC received best international researcher award for research & excellence in musculoskeletal oncology for the paper: 'The great mimicker - case report of eosinophilic granuloma of proximal radius and review of literature '- in IIRA 2023.

Congrats Meera Merin - 1<sup>st</sup> year MBBS - 1<sup>st</sup> prize for Poster Designing competition held in connection with Asthma Day by Department of pulmonology.



Congratulations Dr. Linta Anna Antony, final year PG resident, Department of Pediatrics, for 3<sup>rd</sup> prize for oral presentation at Summer PEDICON - IAP state conference, conducted on 07/05/2023.

Dr. Sunil Mthew , Professor, Department of General Medicine, received Bharat Ratna Dr. Abdul Kalam Gold Medal Award ( Global Economic Progress & Research Association – ND ).

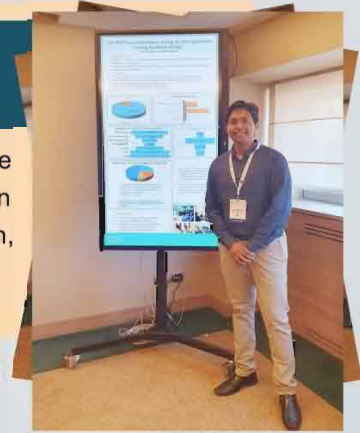


Pathanamthitta District Senior Swimming Championship : Congratulation Dr. Snehal Sudhakar B , Senior Resident , Department of Gastroenterology for winning district senior swimming championship.



## PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Joe Abraham, Assistant Professor, Department of Community Medicine presented a poster titled "COVID 19 vaccine hesitancy among an urban population during lockdown in India" at World Congress on Public Health, Rome (2<sup>nd</sup> May to 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023)



## APPOINTMENTS



Dr. Balachandran P.K is appointed as Professor and HOD in the Department of Dermatology & VL from 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023.



Dr. Anand Viswam is appointed as Junior Resident in the Department of Endocrinology from 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023.



Dr. Anjum Susan John is appointed as Assistant Professor in the Department of Community Medicine from 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023.



Dr. Aani P Jayan is appointed as Junior Resident in the Department of Oncology from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023.



Dr. John B Jacob is appointed as Senior Resident in the Department of General Surgery from 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023.



Dr. Neetha Mary Kurian is appointed as Associate Professor in the Department of Community Medicine from 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023.



Dr. Anjua A.S is appointed as Junior Resident in the Department of Urology from 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023.



Dr. Flora Rachael Shajan is appointed as Junior Resident in the Department of Urology from 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023.



Dr. Sujin Koshy is appointed as Assistant Professor in the Department of Neurology from 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023.



Dr. Murali Appuktan is appointed as Assistant Professor in the Department of Gastro & HPB Surgery from 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023.



## PUSHPAGIRI CLINICAL CLUB NEWS

The sessions of Clinical Club were conducted in the Month of May. Topics taken and their respective speakers were as follows:

- ▶ Biologics - Boon for Severe Asthma - Dr. Akhila Prasad
- ▶ Elizabethkingia Meningoseptica -The King sized enemy of the neonatal brain  
Dr. Amulya A D
- ▶ Know Your Local Antibigram - Pushpagiri Hospital Antibigram 2022 -  
Dr. Aneeta Mary Jacob
- ▶ Why do we miss Eating Disorders in Clinical Practice - Dr.Nibin Wilson
- ▶ An uncommon case of paraplegia - A Gory affair - Dr. Jeethu T J

Conveners Capsule – Soft Doctor Series Speakers for the month were:

Dr. Bency K Thomas  
Dr. Bincy Varghese  
Dr. Abraham Varghese  
Dr. Roy Abraham Kallivayalil  
Dr. S. Vijayalekshmi

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