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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members,

Greetings to the ISHA family!

It is a pleasure to connect with you through this edition of Pathfinder. I extend my sincere appreciation to all our members for your continued support and commitment to the growth of our profession and our association.

Over the past few months, the Executive Committee has remained focused on strengthening ISHA through collaboration, professional development, advocacy, and public awareness. We have continued to build meaningful partnerships with national and international organizations, creating new opportunities for learning, research, and professional engagement for our members.

I am delighted to share that the ISHA Accreditation Program for Private Clinics has been a resounding success. The encouraging response from practitioners across the country reflects our collective commitment to quality, ethical practice, and excellence in clinical services. This initiative is an important step toward establishing national benchmarks and enhancing public confidence in our profession.

Our state branches have continued to play a vital role in taking ISHA's vision forward through collaborative activities and member engagement. Equally encouraging has been the enthusiastic participation of members in awareness campaigns and professional observances, helping increase the visibility of speech-language pathology and audiology across the country.

This issue of Pathfinder highlights these achievements and several other initiatives undertaken by ISHA in recent months. I hope it inspires you to remain actively involved in the association's activities as we continue to work together for the advancement of our profession.

Thank you for your continued trust, support, and participation. Together, we can build a stronger, more vibrant ISHA.

With warm regards,

Dr. Sanjay Munjal

President

Indian Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ISHA)

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE



Dear Life Members, Colleagues, and Friends,

Greetings from the Indian Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ISHA).

Over the past few months, ISHA has continued to work towards strengthening our profession through advocacy, professional development, collaborations, and member engagement. I am pleased to share some of the important initiatives undertaken during this period.

Our recent Life Membership Drive received an encouraging response. To motivate more professionals to join ISHA, special concessions of ₹1,000 for recently graduated professionals and ₹500 for practicing professionals were offered. I am delighted to share that nearly 200 professionals became Life Members during the drive. I warmly welcome them to the ISHA family and request all members to encourage their colleagues and students to become Life Members. A stronger membership gives ISHA a stronger voice in representing the profession.

ISHA continues to actively engage with policymakers on issues affecting our profession. We have submitted a representation to the 8th Pay Commission and are awaiting an opportunity for an in-person hearing. We also met the Additional Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, and the Member Secretary to discuss several professional issues. I am pleased to note that the Additional Secretary has forwarded ISHA's representation to the Ministry of Railways requesting a review of the concessional railway travel policy for deserving persons with hearing impairment.

To strengthen early identification of hearing loss, ISHA has constituted a Task Force on Newborn Hearing Screening, which is expected to submit its recommendations shortly. We have also initiated collaboration with the Cochlear Implant Group of India (CIGI) and received a positive response for working together to promote Universal Newborn Hearing Screening across the country.

ISHA is also expanding opportunities for professional development through collaborations with like-minded organizations. We are pleased to collaborate with the Shri Chandrashekhar Institute of Speech and Hearing, Bengaluru, for its Fellowship Programme in Swallowing Disorders, under which ISHA Life Members receive a 5% concession on the programme fee. We are exploring additional collaborations with national and international organizations to benefit our members and strengthen the profession.

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

The Association is closely monitoring developments related to the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) and the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions (NCAHP). We are gathering relevant information to help members make informed decisions and continue to represent concerns raised by our Life Members and state branches before the appropriate authorities.

To support the long-term growth of ISHA, a Task Force for Resource Mobilization has been constituted to raise funds for establishing a permanent ISHA office and creating a corpus for legal advocacy. I sincerely request all Life Members to contribute generously towards these important initiatives.

I also request our state branches to work in close coordination with the national body by pursuing issues concerning Life Members with local authorities and following up on representations made by ISHA. My congratulations to the Kerala Branch and the Assam Branch for their commendable efforts in proactively representing professional issues before various authorities. Their initiatives reflect the spirit of leadership and service that strengthens our Association.

Finally, I appeal to all Life Members to actively support ISHA by encouraging new memberships and helping us connect with policymakers, administrators, and other stakeholders at the national level. Together, through unity and collective action, we can further strengthen our profession and ensure greater recognition and opportunities for future generations.

Thank you for your continued trust, support, and commitment to ISHA.

With warm regards

Dr. Noorain Alam,
General Secretary, ISHA



Dear Members,

Greetings!

Thank you all for sending manuscripts to JISHA for consideration for publication, and I look forward to your continued support. The latest volume of JISHA, Volume 40 (1), was published online on 6th July 2026 and comprises 14 articles (1 invited article, 2 reviews, 8 original research articles and 3 case studies).

We have now applied for ESCI indexation and are hopeful to be indexed with ESCI this year.

We also wish to inform our readers that the JISHA website is now available exclusively on Ovid, a globally trusted platform used by millions of researchers and clinicians to access evidence and support patient care. Readers can access the journal online at the following URL

<https://www.ovid.com> > jnls > jisha

Three webinars were conducted under the aegis of JISHA on writing research papers using the EQUATOR network. These were well received, with 100-plus participants for each webinar.

Looking forward to continued support from ISHA members.

With regards,

Dr. Deepa A. Valame

Chair-Publications

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Reflecting on ISHACON 57 in Ahmedabad

The Indian Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ISHA) proudly hosted its landmark 57th Annual Conference, ISHACON 57, at the AUDA Auditorium in Ahmedabad, Gujarat. Featuring cutting-edge keynote addresses, specialized panel discussions, and extensive oral and poster research presentations, the event successfully highlighted emerging technologies, evidence-based clinical practices, and innovative methodologies in communication sciences and disorders. We extend our deepest gratitude to the organizing committee, volunteers, delegates, and sponsors whose relentless dedication and enthusiasm turned ISHACON 57 into an unforgettable milestone for our association.

Expanding Our Peer-Review Database

To maintain the highest levels of academic rigor, transparency, and quality across our conference proceedings and associated scientific platforms, we are continuously looking to strengthen our national pool of academic evaluators. We warmly invite senior researchers, experienced clinicians, and dedicated academicians to join the ISHA Reviewers Database. Active participation as a reviewer ensures that our vetting process remains robust, fair, and representative of the diverse sub-specialties within speech, language, and audiology. Professionals interested in contributing their expertise to the evaluation of future scientific submissions are encouraged to formally express their interest by mailing their credentials and primary domains of expertise to office@ishaindia.org.in or directly contacting the Secretary- Dr Noorain Alam.

Enhancing Scientific Submissions and Evaluation Processes

In our continuous pursuit of academic excellence and streamlined administration, several key structural changes have been implemented regarding the submission of scientific papers and the overall process of acceptance and rejection. Most notably, a rigorous pre-screening plagiarism filter is enforced prior to peer review, requiring submissions to clear strict similarity thresholds to be eligible for presentation and awards. For more details please go through isha website.

Gearing Up for ISHACON at Vizag

Building on the tremendous momentum of our recent editions, the association is now actively gearing up for the upcoming ISHACON conference in Visakhapatnam (Vizag). Set against the scenic coastal backdrop of the "City of Destiny," preparations are already underway to deliver an unparalleled academic and cultural experience. The local organizing committee, alongside the national executive body, is curating a comprehensive scientific program designed to push the boundaries of rehabilitation technology, clinical diagnostics, and therapeutic breakthroughs. As we finalize key tracks, keynote schedules, and workshop modules at the Vizag Conventions venue, we encourage our members, research scholars, and industry partners to mark their calendars, prepare their latest clinical studies, and join us in making this upcoming national convention a resounding success.

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for Impact



EXPLORE
Visakhapatnam

PLEASE BLOCK THE DATES!

Further details will be announced soon.

Looking forward to host you

The Organising Committee

Website: <https://ishacon2027.com/>

CALL FOR PAPERS - 58th ISHACON 2027

Greetings!

The scientific committee of ISHA invites scientific papers for the 58th ISHACON, 2027, to be held in Vizag, Andhra Pradesh, from 29th January to 31st January, 2027. The abstracts of papers may be submitted under the Speech, Language, and Audiology Categories, either in platform (oral) or poster mode. The platform (oral) presentations are open only to PG/PhD/Research Fellows/Practicing Professionals.

Key Dates

Dates	Task
September 30, 2026	Last date for submission of abstracts (Max. words -1200, excluding references)
October 31, 2026	Notification of selected abstracts.
November 30, 2026	Last date for submission of full-length papers (Follow submission guidelines of JISHA: https://journals.lww.com/INSH/Pages/informationforauthors.aspx)

GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACTS:

Preparation:

The abstract must be on original clinical/research work carried out by the authors themselves. Case studies may be submitted to the poster mode only. No review of literature, systematic review, meta-analysis, or compilation of work done by others will be accepted.

The abstracts must include clearly defined sections as follows: Introduction, Need for the study, Aim & Objectives, Method, Results & Discussion, and Summary & Conclusions (bibliography optional).

Please check your abstract for similarity with previously published works (i.e., plagiarism and AI). Only papers with $\leq 25\%$ similarity (for plagiarism and AI) will be considered for review and possible acceptance.

Submission:

The last date for abstract submission is 30th September 2026, by 11 PM. Abstract submission portal will be deactivated after 11 PM on 30th September, 2026. All abstracts should be submitted through the online "article submission" module in the members-only pages of www.ishaindia.org.in

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- The presenting author should be a life/ordinary/student member of ISHA. ISHA membership is mandatory for ALL authors and co-authors. The membership number and email ID must be provided when submitting the abstract online.
- Please note that new membership registration will not be provided from 25th September to 30th September. Additionally, conversion of the 3-digit life membership number to the current 8-digit number will also not be done during this period.
- The author who submits the abstract will be the PRESENTING and CORRESPONDING author. No changes will be accepted after submission. Please do not ask for additions/revisions to names post-submission.
- The 8-digit ISHA membership number should be entered during submission. Wait for your details to be updated on the ISHA website. To avoid problems during the submission of abstracts, it is advised to submit the abstract(s) well in time. No requests will be entertained regarding submission after the due date.
- All abstracts submitted by the due date will first be scrutinized for adherence to the format and plagiarism guidelines. Only those abstracts that meet the guidelines will be considered for the subsequent review process.

Additional submission regulations:

- One member cannot submit more than five papers (as author and/or co-author) in total for ISHACON 2027 (across all three categories). After the first five papers, any subsequent submission that carries the same author's name will not be sent for review. Requests to delete/change the author's name after reaching the limit of five papers will not be entertained.
- Only the first author / corresponding author will receive email intimation regarding the acceptance of the paper. Separate emails will not be sent to all co-authors. Intimation regarding rejection of the paper will not be sent to the authors. Authors are advised to check the ISHA website and their Spam folder if they do not receive the intimation within the time frame.
- During abstract submission, the first author must indicate whether the paper is being submitted for the oral or poster category. If submitting for oral presentation, there will be an option to consent to a poster presentation in case the paper is not selected for oral presentation. Papers rejected for oral presentation will not be considered for poster presentation (and vice versa) unless this option is explicitly checked during submission. Any request to change the category after submission will not be considered. The acceptance list published on the ISHA official website will be deemed final.
- Students (Undergraduate only) cannot submit/ be a co-author in a platform (oral) presentation. All authors in the oral presentation must be PG/PhD students/Research Fellows/Practicing Professionals (with a valid ISHA Life/ associate membership number).
- The scientific committee reserves the right to revise, update, or modify the regulations related to submission, review, and selection at any point in time.

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Intimation of decision:

If the abstract is selected for presentation at the 58th ISHACON, a link will appear in the 'Article submission' section to submit a full-length article. Full-length papers, prepared in adherence to the JISHA guidelines, must be submitted before 30th November, 2026. Submissions must be made online.

GUIDELINES FOR FULL-LENGTH PAPERS

The authors of the selected abstracts, who wish to compete for awards, **MUST** submit the full-length paper on the online submission portal of ISHA (Please visit: www.ishaindia.org.in). If the authors do not wish to submit the full-length paper, they will still be entitled to presentation (but not for awards). Decisions of the scientific committee regarding acceptance, rejection, presentation mode, and awards will be final and binding.

Preparation:

- The Full-length papers must be prepared in accordance with the manuscript preparation guidelines of the Association's official journal (JISHA). These guidelines are available at: <https://journals.lww.com/INSH/Pages/informationforauthors.aspx>.
- Only the article files comprising the title of the study and a full-length paper with bibliography should be submitted. **DO NOT MENTION THE AUTHOR AND CO-AUTHORS' NAMES, INSTITUTE NAME, AND ADDRESS (or any other identifying information) IN THE ARTICLE FILE.**
- Avoid the use of bullets in your article file.
- Ensure that the combined file size does not exceed 1 MB.

Submission:

- The article files must be submitted to the submission portal of ISHA.
- **DO NOT SUBMIT** your article files to the JISHA Portal.

REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS

Abstracts:

All abstracts will be reviewed by more than one reviewer. The outcome of this review process would be a recommendation to 'accept' or 'reject'.

Full-length papers:

Prior to the commencement of the review process, a similarity (plagiarism) check would be performed on all full-length papers. Only those papers with a similarity and AI index $\leq 25\%$ would be reviewed by more than one reviewer (and thus be eligible for possible awards) on the following aspects:

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- The adherence to the preparation guidelines
- The logical organization of the content and substrates on which the outcome(s) is/are derived (e.g., study design, sample size, methods of data collection, analysis, and interpretation)
- The research/clinical impact of the study and
- The onsite evaluation

Reviewers must declare any potential conflict of interest (e.g., same institution, close collaboration, or personal relationship with any of the authors) before reviewing an abstract or full-length paper. In such cases, the paper will be reassigned to another reviewer.

Reviewers have the right to decline a review request if they are unable to adhere to the specified timelines. Any such refusal should be communicated to the scientific committee within three days of receipt of the paper so that an alternative reviewer can be appointed without delay.

For any further clarifications/queries, kindly write to us at chair.events@ishaindia.org.in

Dr. Chandrakant Vishwakarma : Chairperson and Overall Coordinator

Dr. Namita Joshi : Coordinator for scientific papers – Speech

Dr. Rupali Mathur : Coordinator for scientific papers - Language

Dr. Rohit Ravi & Ms. Shweta Deshpande : Coordinators for scientific papers - Audiology

Dr. Priya M.B. : Coordinator for handling articles and screening

(at ISHA office)

**Submit your abstract through your ISHA member's page only by logging into your account
www.ishaindia.org.in**

57TH ISHACON HIGHLIGHTS

Inauguration



Oration Awardees



Dr. N. Rathna Oration - Dr. Lakshmi Venkatesh



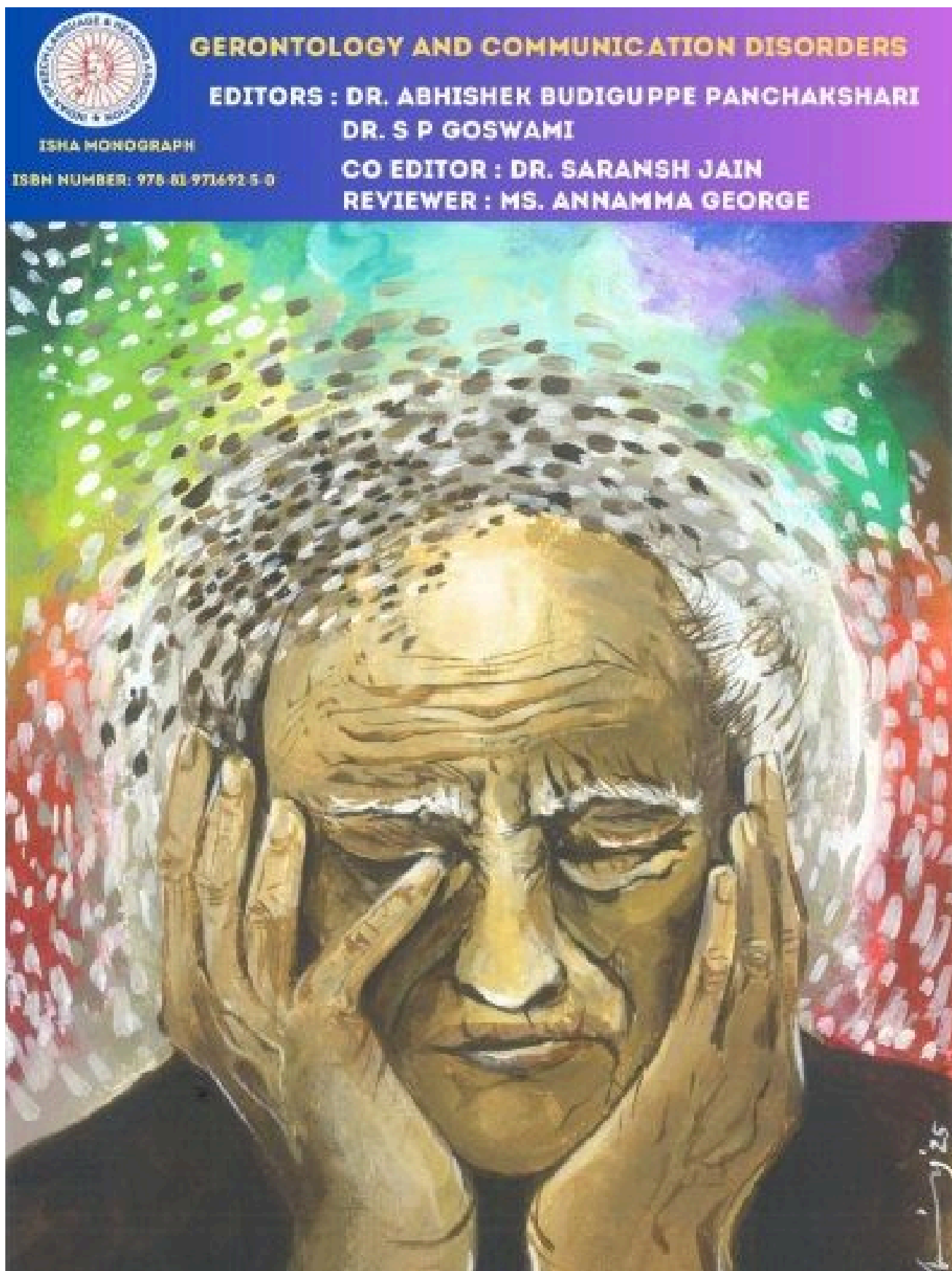
**Padma Shri Prof. S. Kamesaran Oration-
Dr. Rashmi J Bhat**



Prof. R K Oza Oration-Dr. Gurmit Kaur Bachher

57TH ISHACON HIGHLIGHTS

**Release of Monograph on
Gerontology and Communication Disorders**



Monograph is now made available for download in your ISHA memberspage!

57TH ISHACON Scientific Awards



Best Paper in Audiology

AOP043 - Contralateral Suppression Of Cervical Vestibular Evoked Myogenic Potentials: Evidence For Auditory And Vestibular Efferent Interaction

Annanya, Banapilli Sai Kiran, Bollera Gangu Chengappa, Archisman Shubhadarshan, Niraj Kumar Singh

Second Best Paper in Audiology

AP045 - Investigating the Impact of Prolonged Screentime on Vestibular Function in Adults Using oVEMP

Suman Pranav, Barkha Rajkumar, Sadiya Tariq, Deepti

Best Paper in Language Pathology

LOP048 - A Comparative Analysis of Life Satisfaction and Community Integration Across Persons with Aphasia and their Caregivers

Khyathi G., S.P. Goswami

Best Paper in Speech Pathology

SOP042 - Evaluating Outcomes of Global Intensive Feeding Therapy on Children with Autism and their Parents: Pre-Post Analysis

Kusuma M., Swapna N.





Additional Secretary Mrs Manmeet Kaur Nanda

Dr. Sanjay Munjal and Dr. Noorain Alam met Additional Secretary Ms. Manmeet Kaur Nanda at her office on 3rd Mar 2026. They also met the member secretary on the same day.

The purpose of the meeting was:

1. To apprise her of the challenges and difficulties faced by hearing-impaired persons in the issuance of concessional railway passes (including issues related to certification and procedural hurdles).
2. To discuss important matters concerning RCI-registered Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists (such as nomenclature, Recruitment rules, etc).

Renewal of Association

The Association has been renewed at the Registrar of Societies for the year 2024-25

ISHA ACTIVITIES

Formation of RCI & NCAHP Taskforce Committee

The following members have been appointed to the RCI & NCAHP Taskforce Committee to examine the advantages and disadvantages of aligning with the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) or the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions (NCAHP), and to provide recommendations to the Executive Committee of ISHA.

Chairperson: Dr. S.P. Goswami

Members:

Dr. Prakash Boominathan, Dr. Ratul Dey, Dr. Indranil Chatterjee, Dr. Vijay Kumar

Convener: Dr. Noorain Alam, General Secretary, ISHA

The committee has been asked to submit its report on or before 20.08.2026

Fund Raising Committee

A Fundraising Committee has been constituted to mobilize resources for the ISHA building and to meet legal expenses. The members of the committee are as follows:

Chairperson : Dr. M. Jayaram

Co-chair : Dr. Srikanth M. A.

Members :

Ms. Meenakshi Wadhera

Mr. Hemant Patel

Dr. Chandan Saha

Mr. Raj Pandiyan

Dr. Sandeep Maruthy

WHO Regional Workshop

World Health Organisation, South-East Asia Region, is organising a regional workshop on strengthening ear and hearing care in the South-East Asia region (SEAR) New Delhi, 24-25 August 2026.

The general objective of the workshop is to strengthen the hearing and ear care in WHO South-East Asia region. The specific objectives of the workshop are to:

- Brief the MS on the recent ear and hearing care WHO guidance documents, tools and applications.
- Discuss on current country status of ear and hearing care in each country.
- Discuss on implementing an integrated life course approach to screening and management of eye and ear care
- Develop integrated country priority actions for ear and hearing for the respective countries.
- Facilitate cross-country exchange between ministries of health, experts, civil society, NGOs, and WHO country offices.

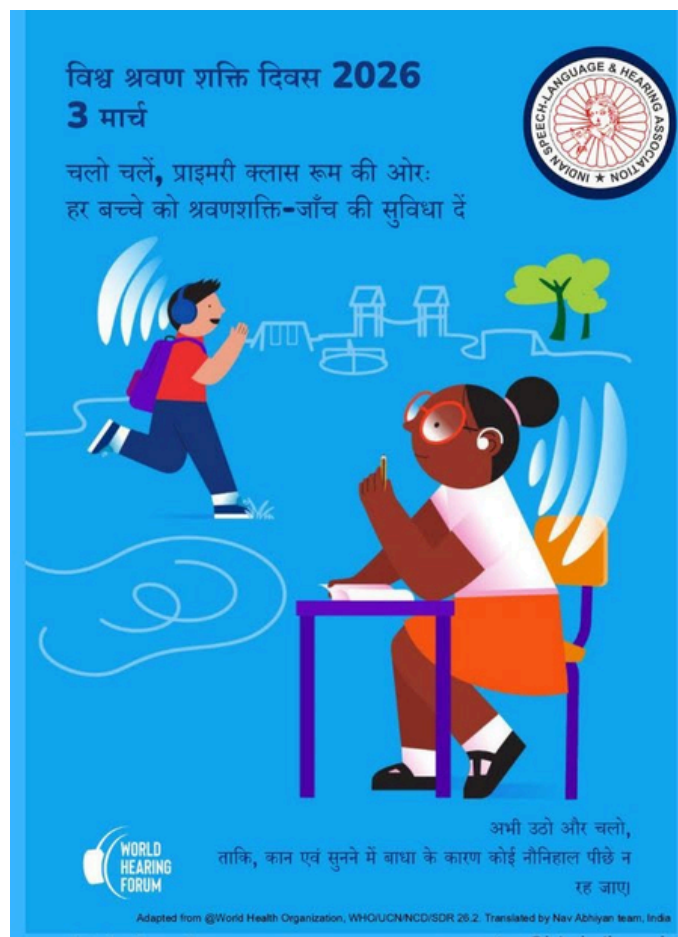
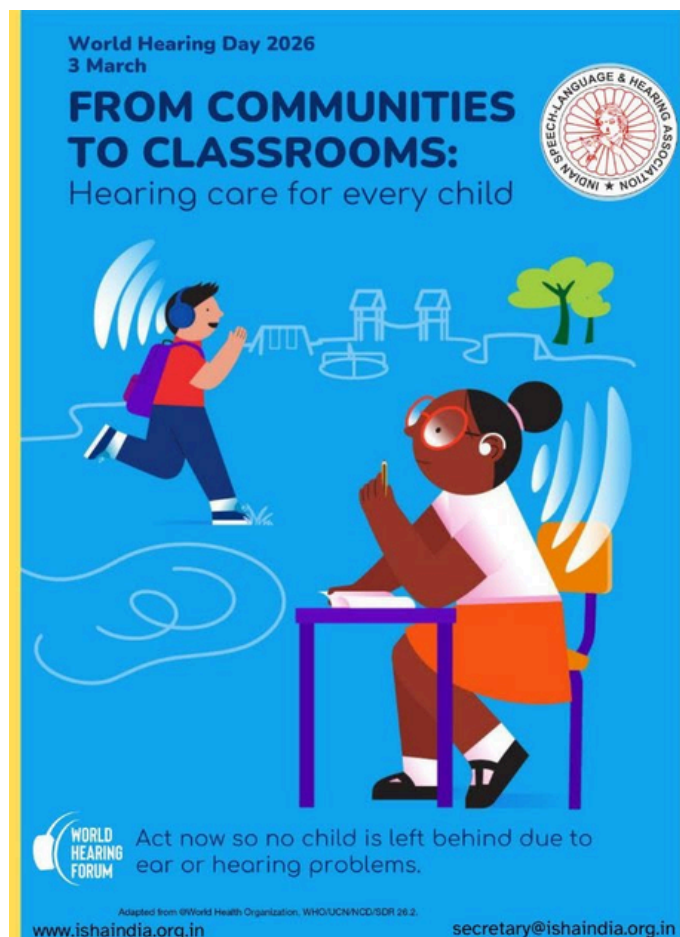
Dr. Sandeep M., Professor of Audiology, AllSH is nominated to represent ISHA at the workshop.

ISHA ACTIVITIES

World Hearing Day 2026: Community and School-Based Hearing Screening Campaign

To mark World Hearing Day 2026, the Indian Speech-Language & Hearing Association (ISHA) joined the World Health Organization's global observance under the theme "From Communities to Classrooms: Hearing Care for Every Child." ISHA issued a nationwide call for proposals inviting its members to design local outreach activities aligned with this theme. From the submissions received across the country, an expert panel selected 10 high-impact proposals based on their sustainability, community reach, and fit with the WHO theme. Each selected project received a grant of ₹5,000 from ISHA to support implementation.

The resulting activities spanned five states Punjab, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu and reached thousands of people through a mix of clinical, educational, and advocacy efforts. On the clinical side, hearing and speech screenings were conducted in government schools, urban slum communities, and preschools, identifying a substantial number of children with previously unaddressed hearing loss. Public engagement took the form of large-scale walkathons ("Hear-Walks") and street plays, supported by outreach through both traditional and social media. Teachers and parents took part in orientation sessions aimed at building "hearing-friendly classrooms" so that early signs of hearing loss are recognised sooner. The campaign also engaged senior authorities, including IPS officers and District Medical Officers, to advocate for stronger hearing health infrastructure at the policy level.



ISHA ACTIVITIES

2,264 individuals screened for hearing, spanning infants, children, adults, and the elderly

1,150 participants took part in awareness walkathons

Outreach materials and sessions delivered in Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, and Marathi

WHO theme-specific awareness videos and safe listening standards used across activities

Special focus on persons with disabilities, children and adolescents, older adults, and rural or remote populations

Impact story: During school-based screenings, several children were identified with previous unaddressed hearing loss or ear conditions. Among these, children found to have bilateral profound hearing loss were referred under respective state support schemes to avail free cochlear implants turning a routine screening into a life-changing intervention and reinforcing ISHA's message that every child deserves the right to hear and learn.

Awareness and advocacy

Building on this momentum, ISHA also has a calendar of awareness observances planned through the year, using social media posters and outreach sessions to keep members and the public engaged. Awareness posters were shared on social media to mark International Cochlear Implant Day on 25th February, World Hearing Day on 3rd March, World Down Syndrome Day on 21 March, World Autism Awareness Day on 2nd April, World Voice Day on 16th April.

Together, these initiatives reflect ISHA's ongoing commitment to combining community outreach, professional engagement, and policy advocacy in advancing hearing and communication health across India.

ISHA Webinars

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JISHA WEBINAR

WRITING AN ORIGINAL RESEARCH PAPER AND CASE REPORT USING EQUATOR GUIDELINES- INSIGHTS FROM MY EXPERIENCE



DR. NIRAJ KUMAR SINGH

Associate Professor of Audiology &
Head, Department of Audiology
All India Institute of Speech and Hearing,
Mysuru

24.04.2026, Friday @ 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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Zoom Registration Link:

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JISHA WEBINAR

WRITING SYSTEMATIC REVIEW AND META ANALYSIS USING PRISMA GUIDELINES



DR. DHANSHREE R GUNJAWATE

Associate Professor
Department of Audiology & Speech Language Pathology
Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore
Manipal Academy of Higher Education
Karnataka, India

12 May, 2026, Tuesday
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Zoom Registration link

<https://us06web.zoom.us/join/nnYTSwJwQdeetEsx7g47cw>

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Dr. Deepa Valame, Chair – Publications, organized the above two JISHA webinars towards enhancing research awareness and professional learning among ISHA members.

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LEARN FROM EXPERTS



DR. VRUSHALI ANGADI

- Assistant Professor, Dept. of Communication Sciences & Disorders, Radford University, USA
- Director, Angadi Voice and Swallowing Laboratory (AVAS Lab)
- Honorary Faculty, Tata Memorial Center, Mumbai, India

TOPIC:
SWALLOWING REHABILITATION FOLLOWING HEAD AND NECK CANCER TREATMENTS

DATE
18.04.2026
07 PM - 08 PM

ZOOM REGISTRATION LINK
<https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/6eS2PwktQRC9ZMVcFD9nHw>
Meeting ID- 822 6592 2181

WWW.ISHAINDIA.ORG.IN

Dr. Abhishek B P., Chair-Research and Training Promotion, organised the webinar.

CONNECT-UTTAR PRADESH

ISHA Connect & Collaborate Conference –Uttar Pradesh Private Practitioners

Date: 29.03.2026

Venue: Composite Regional Centre (CRC), Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

Organized by: Dr. Ram Pravesh, ISHA Chair – Private Practice Committee

Total Delegates: 148 Audiologists & Speech-Language Pathologists (ASLPs)

The ISHA Connect & Collaborate Conference for Private Practitioners, held at the Composite Regional Centre (CRC), Lucknow, on 29 March 2026, marked a significant milestone for the Indian Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ISHA). As the first conference exclusively dedicated to private practice Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists (ASLPs) in Uttar Pradesh, it created a dedicated platform for professionals to connect, collaborate, learn, and strengthen private practice services across the state.

The conference witnessed enthusiastic participation from 148 delegates representing various districts of Uttar Pradesh and neighboring states. It brought together clinicians, academicians, researchers, healthcare administrators, industry representatives, and young professionals, fostering meaningful networking and professional exchange.

The scientific program featured expert presentations on cochlear implant services, newborn hearing screening, speech-language rehabilitation, ethical clinical practice, documentation standards, clinical innovations, entrepreneurship, and the future of private practice in India. Interactive discussions provided practical insights that participants could implement in their clinical settings.

A major achievement of the conference was the initiation of interdisciplinary collaborations through Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with the Otolaryngology Association of Uttar Pradesh, Physiotherapist Welfare Association, and Psychologists Association, promoting integrated rehabilitation and multidisciplinary patient care.



CONNECT-UTTAR PRADESH

Senior professionals with more than 20 years of service in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology were felicitated for their outstanding contributions, mentorship, and dedication to the profession. The conference also received strong support from industry partners, who showcased the latest technologies and clinical innovations in hearing healthcare and rehabilitation.

Extensive media coverage in leading newspapers helped increase public awareness about Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology and highlighted the importance of early identification and intervention services.

Overall, the conference strengthened ISHA's engagement with private practitioners, encouraged greater participation in professional activities, promoted interdisciplinary collaboration, and established a replicable model for empowering private practitioners across India. The event stands as a landmark achievement in ISHA's Private Practice movement and a significant step toward advancing evidence-based rehabilitation services nationwide.

ISHA CONNECT & COLLABORATE CONFERENCE, UTTAR PRADESH PRIVATE PRACTITIONERS
@ CRC, LUCKNOW on 29.03.2026



Dr. Neha Tiwari, Mr. Rajesh R., Mr. Kunti Kumar, Ms. Shagufta, Dr. Vakil Sir, Dr. Sanyukta Jaiswal, Ms. Nalini Rastogi, Sandeep Kumar, Ms. Richa Shrivastava, Ms. Bindu Kumari, Mr. Pramod UP Kumar

Honoured professionals with 20 Years of Dedicated service in the field of Speech-language & Hearing

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SPEAKERS

Organized by:
Chairperson - Private Practice
Indian Speech and Hearing
Association (ISHA)

CONNECT-ANDHRA PRADESH

ISHA Connect & Collaborate Conference –Andhra Pradesh Private Practitioners

Date: 05.07.2026

Venue: Sri Padmavati Mahila Visvavidyalayam (Women's University), Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh

Organized by: Dr. Ram Pravesh, ISHA Chair – Private Practice Committee

Total Delegates: 73 Audiologists & Speech-Language Pathologists (ASLPs)

The ISHA Connect & Collaborate Conference was successfully organized in Tirupati with the participation of 73 Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists (ASLPs) from across Andhra Pradesh. The conference focused on strengthening private practice through scientific learning, networking, collaboration, and professional development.

The programme began with an inaugural session led by Dr. Ram Pravesh Kumar, Chair – ISHA Private Practice Committee, who welcomed the delegates and administered the ISHA Private Practitioners' Oath, reaffirming the profession's commitment to ethical practice, evidence-based care, patient confidentiality, and lifelong learning.

The scientific sessions included expert presentations on establishing a successful private practice, evidence-based hearing aid fitting, modern tools for cochlear implant surgery, and innovative child development services. Interactive discussions enabled delegates to exchange clinical experiences and address professional and ethical challenges in private practice.



CONNECT-ANDHRA PRADESH

The conference was graced by Shri Kola Anand Ji, Vice President, BJP Andhra Pradesh, as the Chief Guest. A major highlight was the signing of Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with the Indian Medical Association (IMA) & Paediatricians' Association and the Andhra Pradesh Physiotherapy Association, aimed at strengthening referral systems, integrated rehabilitation, joint continuing education programmes, and multidisciplinary patient care across the state.

Distinguished guests, resource persons, organizing committee members, sponsors, and collaborators were honoured for their contributions. The event also received excellent media coverage through press interactions and newspaper publications.

Overall, the ISHA Connect & Collaborate – Tirupati Conference successfully strengthened professional networking, interdisciplinary partnerships, and evidence-based private practice, further advancing ISHA's mission of empowering private practitioners across India.



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ISHA conducted a special membership drive offering discounted life memberships held from 1st May to 15th May 2026. We had received around 200 applications.

ISHA ACCREDITATION OF SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC



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About ISHA

ISHA is the professional association of 5500+ Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists in India. Our mission promotes excellence through advocacy, leadership, education, ethical considerations and professional networking.



Eligibility Criteria

- Clinic functional 3+ years
- Valid ISHA life membership
- Valid RCI registration
- Not blacklisted by ISHA/RCI



Validity

- Two years



Accreditation Fees

- Rs. 2500/-



Online & Offline assessments

Benefits of Accreditation

Get recognized for quality clinical services with third-party authentication. Enjoy priority in ISHA programs and workshops.

- ✓ Listed on ISHA website
- ✓ Better referrals
- ✓ Quality visibility
- ✓ Opportunity for engagement in ISHA organized webinars/workshops/seminars
- ✓ Clinics will know its strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities through an informed review process



Grading System

A+ Excellent: 90%+ | A Very
Good: 75-89% | B Good: 60-74%
| C Average: 44-59%



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ISHA is now offering accreditation for Speech and Hearing Clinics. If you are a private practitioner, we encourage you to get your clinic assessed and accredited.

Kindly send an email to the Secretary if you want your clinic assessed.

[ISHA-Accredited Clinics](http://www.ishaindia.org.in/accreditation_clinics)

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ISHA ACCREDITATION OF SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC

The ISHA Clinic Accreditation Initiative, under the guidance of the EC Quality Chairperson, Dr. Aparna Nandurkar, is a landmark quality initiative of the Indian Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ISHA). The program was initiated by Dr. S. P. Goswami with the wholehearted support of the ISHA Executive Council.

To date, 29 private Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (ASLP) clinics have been successfully accredited through a comprehensive, structured evaluation process. The assessments were conducted by designated ISHA Chairpersons and Executive Council Members using standardised accreditation criteria to ensure transparency, consistency, fairness, and quality.

The accreditation recognises clinics that demonstrate excellence in patient care, ethical practice, professional infrastructure, documentation, infection prevention and control, clinical protocols, and a commitment to continuous quality improvement.

Beyond evaluation, the ISHA evaluators also served as professional mentors to clinic owners. They guided Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists regarding the statutory and regulatory requirements applicable in their respective states. Since licensing, registration, and certification requirements vary across different states, many clinic owners were unaware of the necessary procedures. The evaluators provided guidance on obtaining appropriate registrations, including state-specific requirements such as registration with the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (PwD), Clinical Establishment registration where applicable, and other mandatory state licenses and certifications. They also encouraged clinics to maintain current ethical standards, proper documentation, and compliance with all applicable national and state regulations.

This initiative marks a significant milestone for private ASLP clinic owners by encouraging uniform standards of professional practice, strengthening regulatory awareness, and enhancing public confidence in speech, language, hearing, and vestibular services across India.

ISHA Clinic Accreditation is a voluntary quality recognition program designed to promote professional excellence and quality assurance. It does not replace any government license, statutory registration, regulatory approval, or legal requirement. Clinics are expected to comply with all applicable central, state, and local laws independently.

The ISHA Executive Council, under the leadership of the President, General Secretary, President-Elect, EC Quality Chairperson, and all Executive Council Members, remains committed to strengthening quality standards, promoting ethical and evidence-based clinical practice, and expanding the ISHA Clinic Accreditation Initiative to benefit ASLP clinics throughout the country.

ISHA ACCREDITATION CLINICS

Feedback from members who received ISHA clinic accreditation



I am extremely happy that ISHA has finally taken an initiative to recognize clinics run by Audiologist and taken in account the norms that are important to have in a speech and hearing clinic, such as sound proofing, patient registration process, materials used in therapy, etc.

This certainly gives our professionals a boost to maintain standards.

Ankur Chopra (L26055683)

Hearing Point

Uttar Pradesh



Receiving an A+ accreditation through the ISHA Clinic Accreditation Initiative has been a proud moment for our clinic, "LSRW Learning Lane". The process encouraged us to strengthen our clinical practices. We sincerely appreciate ISHA and the Chairperson, Private Practice, for this valuable initiative and their efforts to promote excellence in clinical services.

Dr. Neha Tiwari (L11081660)

LSRW Learning Lane

Uttar Pradesh



Kudos to the ISHA team for taking the initiative to review clinics for certification. This is a commendable step that will encourage quality professional practice while discouraging unqualified individuals from providing audiology and speech therapy services. It will give professionals the confidence that their work is being recognized and will reassure patients that they are receiving care from qualified experts. A truly positive move for the profession as well as the community. Best wishes for the success of this initiative!

Asha Agrawal (L11030171)

Asha Speech & Hearing Clinic

Delhi

ISHA ACCREDITED CLINICS

Feedback from members who obtained accreditation for their clinics



Receiving an A+ grade accreditation from ISHA is both a proud milestone and a deeply encouraging recognition for our team, St. George Healthcare. The ISHA Clinic Accreditation initiative is a visionary step toward unifying and elevating clinical standards across India for treatment of speech, language, hearing, and swallowing disorders.

Beyond the recognition, ISHA's emphasis on standardized assessment formats, prescribed terminologies, and recommended test materials provides a robust framework that ensures consistent, ethical, and client centered care. We applaud the current Executive Committee for leading this vital movement toward professional excellence and look forward to upholding these high standards in our daily practice.

Neeba Annie Abraham (L23074524)
St. George Healthcare
Kerala



We sincerely appreciate the Indian Speech-Language and Hearing Association (ISHA) for its commitment to promoting excellence, ethical practice, and quality standards in the field of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology. The A+ Accreditation awarded to Apple Speech and Hearing Clinic is a great honor and a strong motivation for us to continue providing evidence-based, patient-centered care. We thank ISHA team for this valuable initiative and recognition.

Amitkumar B Anand (L11040398)
Apple speech and hearing clinic
Gujarat



It is a great initiative by ISHA, a proactive step towards alleviating and standardising speech and hearing services in India.

Dr. Chandan Saha (L11040555)
Decibel Audiology and Speech Clinic Pvt. Ltd.
West Bengal

ISHA ACCREDITED CLINICS

Feedback from members who obtained accreditation for their clinics



I am delighted that ISHA is thinking and approaching in an innovative way . One of their initiative of ISHA accreditation for private clinics was an extremely thought after. It's a move that may push clinicians to strive for higher standards in their practices . I was happy that SpHear Clinic , New Delhi went through this process and received a A+ grade . The entire journey was thorough and extensive with right diligence.

I would like to encourage every clinicians to take this initiative positively and strive for the best practices . This will uplift our practice standards in this country .

Dr. Neevita Narayan (L11040417)
SpHear Speech and Hearing Clinic
Delhi



I am truly honored that Klear Speech and Hearing Clinic received ISHA Clinic Accreditation. This initiative has been a significant step toward promoting quality standards, ethical clinical practices, and continuous improvement in speech and hearing services across India.

The accreditation process encouraged us to review and strengthen our clinical protocols, documentation, patient care, and overall service quality. It has also increased the confidence of our clients and motivated our entire team to maintain the highest professional standards.

I sincerely appreciate ISHA for introducing this valuable initiative and look forward to supporting its continued success for the benefit of both professionals and the communities we serve.

Dr. Kalyani Singh (L11050884)
Klear Speech and Hearing Clinic
Haryana



SHA Clinic Accreditation is a good initiative by the parent body, it gives a face to the establishment and generates a feeling to be in qualified professional guidance for the parents.

Dushyant Kushwaha (L11040354)
वाक् श्रवण-The Speech and Hearing Clinic
Delhi

FELLOWSHIP IN SPEECH AND SWALLOWING REHABILITATION AFTER HEAD AND NECK SURGERY AND NEUROGENIC DYSPHAGIA

Discount of 5% for ISHA life members



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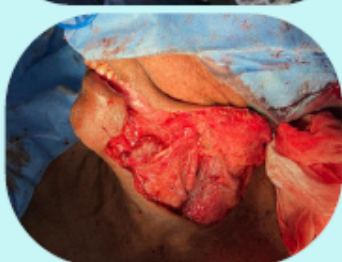
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Fellowship in Speech and Swallowing Rehabilitation after Head and Neck Surgery and Neurogenic Dysphagia - 10th Batch



In collaboration with the
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Hearing Association



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- Pioneers in the field of Speech and Swallowing
- Head & Neck surgeons
- Prosthodontist
- Physiotherapists
- Medico-social workers
- Nutritionist & other experts

COURSE DETAILS

- Date of Commencement: July 2026
- Course Duration: 7 months
- Eligibility: **BASLP/MASLP/MSLP**
- No. of seats: 10 Seats
- Fees: **Rs.75,000 + 18% GST**
5% Discount for ISHA members

FELLOWSHIP IN SPEECH AND SWALLOWING REHABILITATION

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP

This 7-month Fellowship Program is designed to provide comprehensive clinical training in speech and swallowing rehabilitation for Head and Neck cancer & Neurogenic dysphagia, with equal emphasis on theoretical foundations and hands-on clinical practice. This includes structured coursework and multidisciplinary training delivered by experts along with extensive outpatient clinical exposure.

The program includes two months of clinical postings at:

- Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bengaluru
- Narayana Hrudayalaya Hospital, Bengaluru

One month of clinical posting at:

- PMR Department, St. John's Medical College, Bengaluru



HIGHLIGHTS

- Observation of Head and Neck cancer surgeries and OPD consultations
- Supervised theoretical and practical rehabilitation training
- Access to a well-equipped Dysphagia Unit
- Hands-on speech and swallowing assessment and management
- Practical training in NMES, voice prosthesis, tracheostomy care, and FEES under expert ENT supervision

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As part of ISHA's initiative to collaborate with reputed organizations for enhancing knowledge and clinical skills among ASLP professionals, we are pleased to share this Fellowship Program in Speech and Swallowing Rehabilitation after Head and Neck Surgery and Neurogenic Dysphagia offered in collaboration with Dr. S R Chandrasekhar Institute of Speech & Hearing, Bengaluru.

We encourage eligible members to make use of this excellent learning opportunity and avail the **5% discount** on the course fee exclusively for ISHA members.

CALL FOR ISHA MONOGRAPH PROPOSALS

Call for ISHA Monograph



Life Members Only

Part A

Call for ISHA Monograph 2026-27: Editor/Author Submissions

ISHA invites life members to submit proposals for the 2025-2026 Monograph series. This call seeks original, high-quality scholarly works relevant to Indian speech-language pathology and audiology practice. Contributors will receive Rs. 30,000/- as honorarium. Please prepare your submission following the detailed guidelines for Part A (Author Details) and Part B (Monograph Details) outlined below.

Author Details

1. Publication History: List prior publications relevant to proposed topic.
2. Contact Details & Affiliation: Full address, email, phone, ORCID ID.
3. Co-author Details: Names, affiliations, roles, expertise.
4. Conflict of Interest Declaration.

Requirements

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1. Originality Statement: What makes this monograph unique.

To explore student perceptions: Include proposed chapter outline with titles and brief descriptions for each chapter.

Part B



Requirement 1 Abstract

1. Abstract (300-500 words): Purpose, scope, main arguments, significance of the work.



Requirement 2 Rationale

1. Rationale/Knowledge Gap: Literature gap, timeliness for Indian SLP/audiology.



Requirement 3 Originality

1. Proposed Chapters: Detailed chapter outline with descriptions.

Monograph



Length of Suggested Work: Specify the anticipated word count or page length for the complete monograph, ensuring it aligns with ISHA publication standards.



Proposed Timeline: Provide a realistic timeline for manuscript submission, including milestones for draft chapters, revisions, and final submission dates.

Eligibility

Only life members are eligible. Contributors receive Rs. 30,000/- honorarium.

Submission

Submit proposals to ISHA on or before **20.04.2026**.

Please submit the proposals to secretary@ishaindia.org.in with a cc to chair.research@ishaindia.org.in

Dr. Abhishek B.P., Chair-Research and Training Promotion, invited monograph proposals from members and received 14 proposals. Following a review process, two proposals were approved for publication, one for the current year and the other for the next financial year : (1) Tinnitus: Assessment, Mechanisms, and Clinical Management in the Indian Context and (2) Management of Pediatric Feeding Disorders: A Guide for Speech-Language Pathologists.

ANDHRA PRADESH BRANCH

APASLPA successfully organized World Hearing Day 2026 activities across Andhra Pradesh under the theme “Communities to Classrooms.” The initiative focused on extending hearing and speech awareness from community settings directly into schools and classrooms. Programs included school hearing screenings, awareness sessions for teachers and parents, and early identification camps in both rural and urban areas.

The activities helped create awareness at the grassroots level and sensitized educators to the early signs of hearing and speech-language disorders, thereby promoting timely referral and intervention.



APASLPA also highlighted its active participation in the ISHA–APASLPA Connect & Collaborate initiative, which aims to strengthen professional unity, facilitate resource sharing, and promote standardized practices for the advancement of the profession in Andhra Pradesh.

The association expressed its gratitude to ISHA for its continued support and guidance and looks forward to further collaborative efforts for the benefit of both the profession and the communities served.



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KERALA BRANCH



ISHA-KSB delegation comprising Mr. Jabir P.M. (General Secretary), Mr. Najim Sha (EC Member), and Mr. Deepak Jayan (District Coordinator) met the newly formed Government of Kerala to raise key issues concerning Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists across the state.

The delegation submitted representations regarding - Revision of salaries/minimum wages for ASLPs working in private hospitals - Revision of remuneration for ASLPs working under Samagra Shiksha Kerala (SSK) BRCs

The delegation met the Hon'ble Chief Minister and concerned Ministers, who responded positively and assured necessary action.

The Government of Kerala has issued a revised order for government contract pay, including posts held by Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists (ASLPs).

2021: Minimum contract salary was fixed at ₹36,000 through the sustained efforts of ISHA-KSB.

2025: A 5% increase revised the salary to approximately ₹37,800.

Finance Department Order dated 18.02.2026: The monthly contract pay has now been revised to ₹39,610, effective from 01.04.2026.

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KERALA BRANCH



IISHA-KSB organized an Autism Awareness session on 24th April at Vaikom in collaboration with ASHA workers, RBSK, MLSP, LHS, and HI, taking awareness initiatives directly into the community where they are needed most. The program was successfully conducted with the valuable support, coordination, and stakeholder facilitation extended by Ms. Greeshma, Speech-Language Pathologist at Vaikom General Hospital and Edayazham PHC.

IISHA-KSB successfully conducted the OSIT Level 1 Certification Course for Speech-Language Pathologists, aimed at enhancing clinical competencies and evidence-based intervention skills. The program included comprehensive theoretical sessions, practical demonstrations, and hands-on training relevant to speech-language pathology practice. A total of 85 Speech-Language Pathologists successfully completed the course and received OSIT Level 1 certification, marking a significant milestone in professional capacity building and continuing education for SLPs.

Our Speakers

Neha Yadav
MSW, MEd, BSL, MEd, BSL, MEd, BSL

Satyendra Kumar
MSW, MEd, BSL, MEd, BSL, MEd, BSL

Dr. Shriharsh Jahagirdar
PhD, MEd, BSL, MEd, BSL, MEd, BSL

Sanzel Shalish
MSW, MEd, BSL, MEd, BSL, MEd, BSL

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OSIT Level -1

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Objectives

- Improve oral awareness and discrimination
- Enhance muscle tone, strength, and coordination of the jaw, lips and tongue
- Support safe and effective chewing, swallowing, and oral hygiene
- Promote clear speech production and articulation

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KERALA BRANCH



ISHA-KSB convened an Emergency General Body Meeting on 15th February 2026 at Thrissur to deliberate on ethical practices in Clinical Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology. The meeting focused on formulating guidelines for diagnostic evaluations and clinical practices in the best interest of the public, regulating unethical and unprofessional advertisements through enforceable ethical standards aligned with Government MSR and regulatory documents, and discussing the standardization and registration of Audiology, Hearing Aid, and Speech Therapy centres in accordance with the RPWD Act and Kerala State Rules.



On 3rd March 2026, ISHA KSB DCC Ernakulam, in collaboration with Amritha Institute of Speech and Hearing and Amrita Vidyalayam School, organized a World Hearing Day awareness programme and free hearing screening camp. Expert talks on hearing loss, speech and learning, community support, and hearing technologies were delivered by professionals from AIMS, Swaracare, MedEI, and Shalom Clinic. BASLP students presented an awareness skit, dance, and short film, making the programme highly engaging. DCC Ernakulam thanks all ISHA KSB members, especially Mr. Jabir, Hon. General Secretary, and the participating organizations for their valuable support.

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ALAPUZHA WORLD HEARING DAY



On the occasion of World Hearing Day 2026, ISHA KSB Alappuzha DCC conducted awareness classes on hearing impairment and early diagnosis in children at SCRVTI Angadical and Kalamandiram MMAR School. Aligned with the theme “From Community to Classrooms: Hearing Care for All Children,” the sessions emphasized the impact of undiagnosed hearing loss on learning and the vital role of teachers and parents in early identification and intervention. The classes were led by Ms. Parvathy A. Nair, Audiologist, Haripad Taluk Hospital. DCC Alappuzha extends heartfelt gratitude to ISHA KSB, especially Mr. Jabir P. M., Secretary, ISHA KSB, for the guidance and support in making the World Hearing Day programme a success.

KASARGOD WORLD HEARING DAY



On 3rd March 2026, in observance of World Hearing Day, ISHA KSB Kasaragod, in collaboration with the Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Speech and Hearing, organized an awareness programme and free hearing screening camp at Ayitty Islamia AUP School. The programme began with a welcome address by Headmistress Manjula Teacher, followed by an awareness session by Ms. Sanitha P. S. on hearing conservation and early identification of hearing problems in children. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students and teachers. The programme was supported by Ms. Renya U. V., Ms. Sneha S. Raj, Ms. Sanitha P. S., and Ms. Nimisha P. K.

MADHYA PRADESH

The ISHA Madhya Pradesh Branch actively organized professional and public awareness initiatives:

Clinical Lecture on Cochlear Implant (11 March 2026): A Clinical Lecture on Cochlear Implant was conducted for Audiologists, Speech-Language Pathologists, and other professionals. The session provided valuable updates on cochlear implant technology, candidacy, rehabilitation, and current clinical practices.

World Autism Awareness Day Program (5 April 2026): To commemorate World Autism Awareness Day, the branch organized an awareness program in collaboration with the Indore Occupational Therapy Association. The event featured a panel discussion involving a Neuro Pediatrician, Pediatrician, and other professionals engaged in the management of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Attended by professionals as well as parents, the program highlighted multidisciplinary approaches to autism management and promoted public awareness. The event also received coverage in leading newspapers and local news channels, further extending its outreach.

राज एक्सप्रेस



पैनल चर्चा: हर 65 में 1 बच्चा ऑटिज्म स्पेक्टम से प्रभावित

जल्दी पहचान और राहों धेरेपी से बेहतर हो सकता है बच्चों का डिजास

भारत में अटॉरनी को सम्मान देती से सम्मान आ रहे हैं। सर्वप्रथम ही अटॉरनी हर 65 वर्षों में से 1 वर्ष पर अटॉरनी सम्मान पुरस्कार से प्रशंसित है, जबकि हर 1000 वर्षों में यह सम्मान करीब 32 से 15 तक चुंदाई है। विशेषज्ञ का मानना ​​है कि यह पहलूरी केवल बीबीसी के बन्ने के कारण नहीं, बल्कि बेहतियान जागरण, समय पर संचालन और उपयुक्तता के कारण भी है, जिससे पहले कुछ जगह वाले केस अब सम्मान आ रहे हैं। दौरे ऑनवर्चुअल सोर्सिंग एक्सपर्टिज और ट्रिनिटी स्पीकर्स की विदेशी भाषाओं में अपने सम्मान

स्कीन एक्सपोजर से भी बढ़ता है ओंटीजम का खतरा

शुरुआती संकेतों पर ध्यान जरूरी

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 - Speech Language Pathologist
 - Occupational Therapist
 - Psychiatrist
 - Psychologist
 - Special Educator
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Get Your Questions Answered

Interact directly with experts
and gain practical insights.

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MYSURU CHAPTER

World Hearing Day 2026 Hearing Screening Camp

World Hearing Day is observed globally every year on 3 March to raise awareness about hearing loss and promote ear and hearing care. To mark the occasion, the Mysuru Chapter of the Speech and Hearing Association (MyISHA) organized a Free Hearing Screening Camp on 6 March 2026 (Friday) from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in Mysuru.

The camp was conducted in collaboration with the JSS Institute of Speech and Hearing, Mysuru, and practicing audiologists from Hearzap, Oticare, Resonance, Sky, Vaibhav Speech and Hearing Clinics, and Dr. Shreyank, with the support of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC).

The initiative aimed to increase awareness about hearing loss, facilitate early identification through screening, and provide counseling and referral services for timely audiological intervention. Audiologists conducted hearing screening, counseling, and referral of beneficiaries for further management.

The camp was inaugurated by Sri Manjunath Reddy, Zonal DC, Zone 5, and was conducted simultaneously at Mysuru Town Hall, Ashoka Road and the District Early Intervention Centre (DEIC), Hebbal 1st Stage. A total of 86 beneficiaries availed the services.

Although the screening services were provided free of cost, beneficiaries were encouraged to seek further evaluation and intervention from audiologists and ENT specialists to prevent hearing and ear-related conditions from affecting their quality of life.

Photographs of the event have been uploaded on the official MyISHA Instagram page: @mysuruisha.



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MYSURU CHAPTER

As part of the World Hearing Day 2026 celebrations, MyISHA launched a Reels Challenge on its official Instagram page (@mysuruisha) on 1 March 2026. The initiative was designed to promote awareness and public engagement around the World Hearing Day theme through creative short video content.

A total of 18 reels were submitted by various speech and hearing organizations across the country. The winners were selected based on a combination of viewer engagement (total views) and scores awarded by subject experts. The challenge received enthusiastic participation and helped amplify awareness about hearing health through social media outreach.

MYISHA
THE REEL CHALLENGE

MARCH 3
WORLD HEARING DAY
Hearing care for all children

Connect Millions to Hear in 60 SECONDS

Create a 30-60 sec reel on the announced theme and stand a chance to
WIN CASH PRIZES

Theme

- Newborn Hearing Screening
- Hearing loss in the elderly and its impact
- Role of Audiologists in Hearing Care

How to Participate?

- ✓ Upload your reel on Instagram on 3rd March
- ✓ Use MyISHA Logo in the reel
- ✓ Use the official hashtag(s)
- ✓ Tag the organiser's official page

Now Open!

Best Creativity 🏆 Maximum Likes & Shares Counts

Unleash your creativity & make your reel count! 🎬👉

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Model Diagram of Proposed Office

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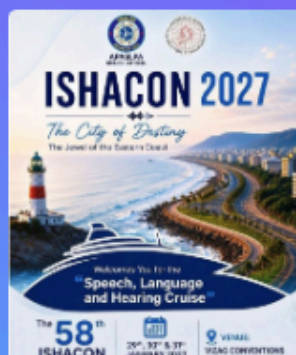
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