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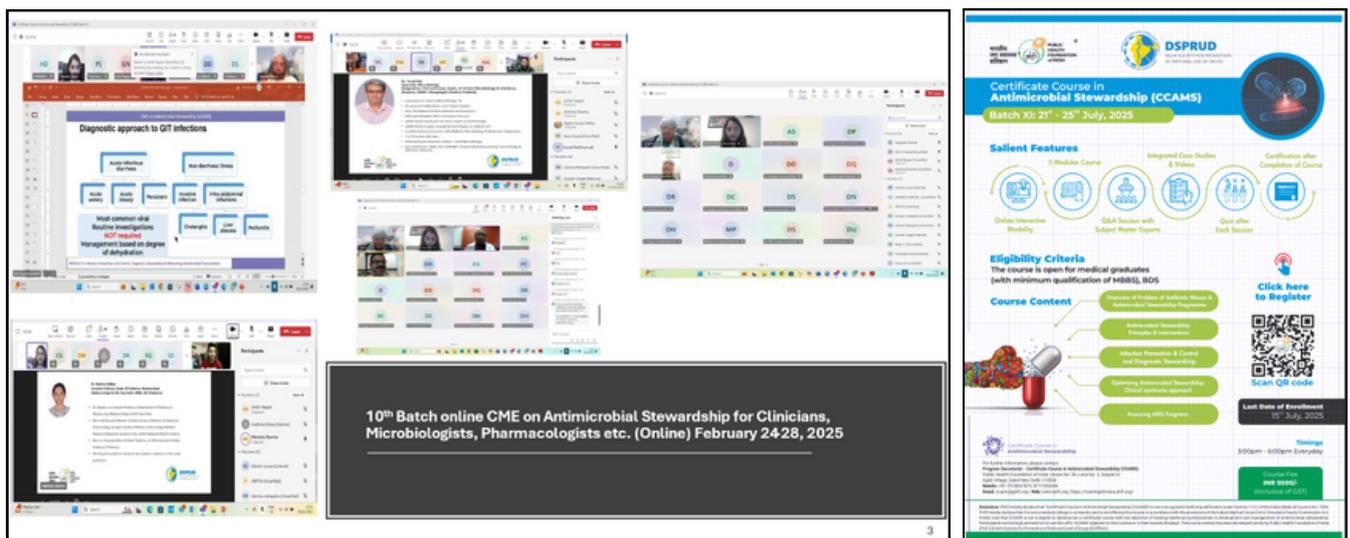
HIGHLIGHTS

**activities undertaken by
DSPRUD during the year
2024-2025**



ACTIVITIES FOR CAPACITY BUILDING TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION OF ANTIBIOTIC STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Certificate Course on Antimicrobial Stewardship (CCAMS)



In partnership with the Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI), DSPRUD has been conducting clinician training programs for antimicrobial stewardship since 2020. The technical aspects of developing the training modules and facilitating the sessions are managed by DSPRUD. These training courses consist of five modules, aimed at equipping doctors with the essential knowledge and competencies for effective antimicrobial stewardship practices.

The course curriculum comprehensively covers topics such as antibiotic resistance, principles of antimicrobial stewardship, infection control, diagnostic stewardship, and strategies for optimizing and evaluating antimicrobial stewardship programs.

Over the past years, twelve batches (10 online and 2 face-to-face) of participants have successfully completed the training, and ten trainings in online mode and two training in physical mode, had been conducted.

This collective effort has resulted in the formation of a skilled group comprising approximately 567 trained doctors. The details of this year's training sessions are outlined below:

- 9th Batch Training: The training for the 9th batch of participants took place from April 22-26, 2024. A total of 29 participants benefitted from the course.
- 10th Batch Training: The training for the 10th batch of participants took place from February 24-28, 2025. A total of 95 participants benefitted from the course, which was originally designed for 70 seats only. This course was in collaboration with Centrient Pharmaceuticals.

The course received an overwhelmingly positive response. Participants appreciated the course's well-structured content, practical approach, and relevance to real-world challenges in antimicrobial resistance.

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN UNDER CSR INITIATIVES

1. Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS): In Obstetrics and Gynaecology Practice: CSR initiative of Centrient Pharmaceuticals

As part of its ongoing commitment to promote antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) in reproductive health, DSPRUD organized a national online training program on 4 January 2025, with the main objective to provide obstetricians and gynecologists with focused training on rational antimicrobial usage in reproductive health and emphasize effective treatment protocols for infections during pregnancy, childbirth, and various gynecological procedures. The course brought together a distinguished panel of experts, including Dr. Mala Srivastava (Sr. Consultant & Professor, GRIPMER & SGRH; President, NARCHI Delhi Chapter), Dr. A.G. Radhika (Sr. Consultant, Obs & Gyn, UCMS & GTBH, New Delhi), Dr. Sumit Rai (Professor of Clinical Microbiology, AIIMS, Mangalagiri), Dr. K. Aparna Sharma (Professor, Obs & Gyn, AIIMS, New Delhi), and Dr. Archana Mishra (Obs & Gyn, VMMC, New Delhi), with sessions moderated by senior professionals such as Dr. Manju Puri (Former Dir Prof, Obs & Gyn, LHMC & President, NARCHI, New Delhi), Dr. Poonam Joon (DMS & Consultant, Sanjay Gandhi Hospital), and Dr. Sangeeta Sharma (Professor & Head, Neuropsychopharmacology, IHBAS & President, DSPRUD (Hony)).

This effort was in collaboration with the National Association for Reproductive and Child Health of India (NARCHI), who are a leading non-profit organization dedicated to advancing reproductive and child health in India through education, research, and professional collaboration among healthcare providers. A total of 208 obstetricians and gynaecologists participated from across multiple states in India, representing a broad range of public and private sector institutions—from tertiary-care hospitals to mid-level and community health facilities.

The training addressed critical topics such as rational antibiotic use in common obstetric scenarios (e.g., normal delivery, episiotomy, and C-sections, operative vaginal deliveries, and perineal injuries), targeted therapy for infections like PID and UTIs, application of the WHO AWaRe classification, and the role of infection prevention and control (IPC) in minimizing antimicrobial resistance. As a result, a stronger network of trained professionals is now better prepared to implement AMS practices, with heightened awareness around AMR prevention and a commitment to driving safe, effective, and rational antibiotic use in reproductive healthcare.

The program continued to make a meaningful impact, with participants showing clear improvements in their knowledge and confidence by the end of the training. Despite practical challenges such as clinical duties and connectivity issues, the program was widely appreciated for its clinical relevance, evidence-based content, and structured stepwise approach. Real-world case discussions stood out as the most valuable component, helping participants gain greater clarity in antibiotic prescribing, strengthen their understanding of prophylaxis protocols, and reinforce infection prevention and control practices. The interactive sessions, including polls and Q&A, kept participants engaged, though some expressed interest in more specialty-specific modules, additional visuals, and extended group discussions for deeper exchange of ideas. Overall, the course was recognized as both practical and impactful, equipping health professionals with skills they could directly apply in their practice. Building on this strong feedback, DSPRUD plans to scale the training to wider healthcare settings and embed it into a sustained education model that promotes the use of local evidence and empowers practitioners to play a stronger role in tackling antimicrobial resistance.



DSPRUD & NARCHI
inviting for Panel Discussion

ONLINE Antimicrobial Stewardship in Obstetric & Gynae Practice



START AT
03 PM - 06 PM



ON SATURDAY,
4 JANUARY 2025



DR MALA SRIVASTAVA
Sr. Consultant & Professor
GRIPMER & SGRH
President, NARCHI
Delhi Chapter



DR A. G. RADHIKA
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DR ARCHANA MISHRA
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New Delhi

MODERATORS



DR MANJU PURI
Former Dir Prof,
Obs & Gyn, LHMC, &
President, NARCHI,
New Delhi



DR SANGEETA SHARMA
Professor,
Neuropsychopharmacology,
IHBAS & President,
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DR POORNAM JOON
Sr. Specialist,
Obs & Gyn,
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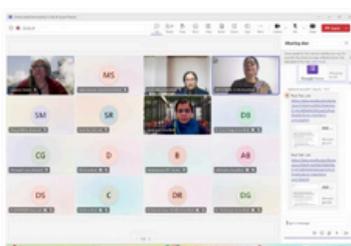
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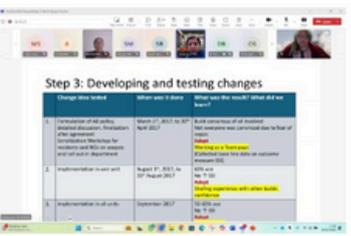
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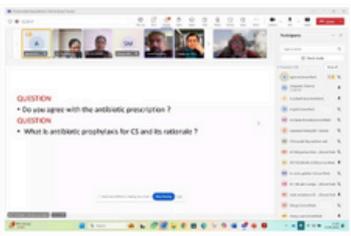


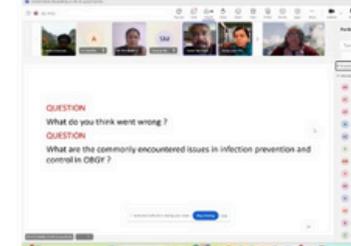
Antimicrobial Stewardship in Obs & Gynae Practice

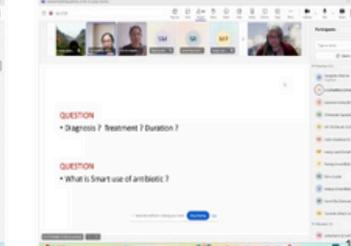
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2. Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS): In Dental Practice

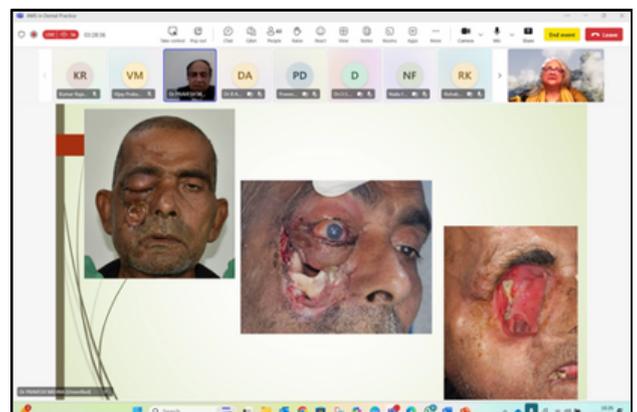
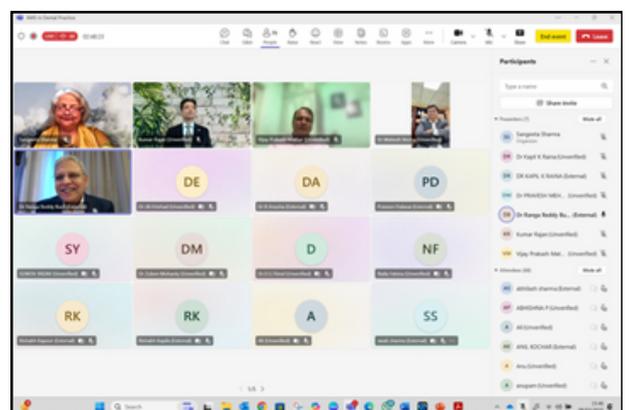
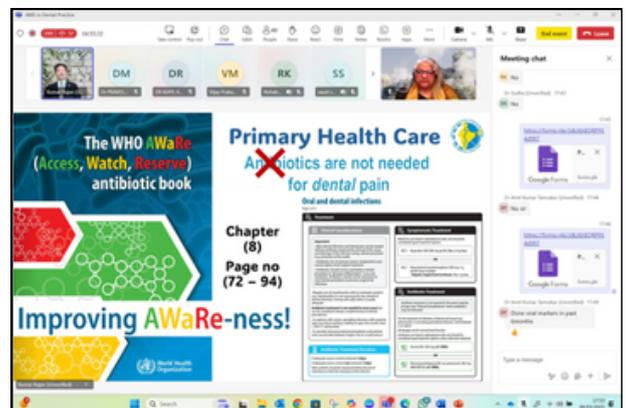
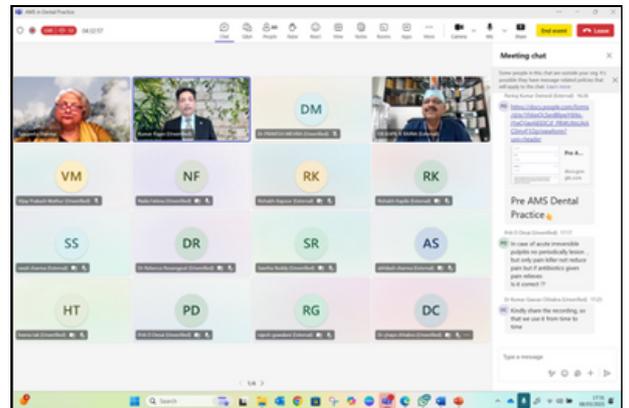
This year witnessed the launch of the first-ever initiative on antimicrobial stewardship in dentistry, establishing a strong foundation for rational antibiotic use in a specialty often left outside stewardship conversations. Organized as an online workshop on 8 March 2025, the program brought together national leaders in dentistry, infection control, and public health for an intensive three-hour session moderated by DSPRUD namely Dr Mahesh Verma (VC, GGSIPU), Dr Ranga Reddy Burri (Infection Control Academy of India), Dr Vijay Mathur (AIIMS), Dr Pravesh Mehra (LHMC), Dr Kumar Rajan (public health consultant) and Dr Kapil Raina (IDA West Delhi) – convened under the moderation of Dr Sangeeta Sharma (IHBAS & DSPRUD) for a three-hour online workshop on antimicrobial stewardship in dentistry.

We saw 117 dental surgeons from 19 states (81% UP, 20% Delhi, 10% West Bengal, plus Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Karnataka and others). The event attracted wide participation from dental surgeons, faculty members, microbiologists, surgeons, and administrators across the country, along with a few international attendees, reflecting the broad interest in addressing inappropriate prescribing practices in dental care.

The agenda combined evidence with practice, beginning with an overview of antimicrobial stewardship and its role in dentistry, followed by discussions on prescribing attitudes, real-world case scenarios, challenges faced in private practice, and the application of AWaRe categorization and IPC protocols.

Participants engaged actively with case-based examples and interactive quizzes, which highlighted measurable improvements in their understanding of stewardship principles.

The program was received with enthusiasm and earned excellent feedback from participants, who highlighted its strong clinical relevance, practical examples, and clear, logical flow. Many valued the emphasis on targeted prescribing protocols, the importance of regular prescription audits, and the reinforcement of infection prevention and control practices—even in smaller clinics and private settings.



Participants also expressed interest in more in-depth case analyses, enhanced visuals, and greater opportunities for peer-to-peer discussion to deepen the learning experience. The program not only underscored the urgent need for targeted prescribing protocols and regular audits in dental settings but also laid the groundwork for expanding stewardship efforts into private practices and smaller clinics. This pioneering effort has set the stage for sustained capacity building, stronger antibiotic governance, and better integration of infection prevention and control within the field of dentistry.

3. Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS): In Pharmacy Practice

Another important milestone this year was DSPRUD's online training program held on 22 March 2024 designed specifically for pharmacists, a professional group whose role in antimicrobial stewardship is often neglected or underutilized.

The session drew a total of 285 participants wide participation from across India (20 states) and abroad (7 participants), with attendees representing corporate hospitals, tertiary-care institutions, mid-level hospitals, community pharmacies, and public sector facilities. This pan-Indian and international reach reflected both the urgency of the issue and the eagerness of pharmacists to actively strengthen their role in stewardship initiatives.

The program brought together leading voices from government, academia, and hospital practice. Faculty included Mr. Pankaj Bector (NCDC/MoHFW), Dr. Pramil Tiwari (NIPER), Dr. Atul Nasa (IPGA), Dr. Shivani Juneja Bedi (Fortis Mohali), Dr. Sangeeta Sharma (IHBAS & DSPRUD), and Dr. K.S. Sachdeva (GoI/NACO & Molbio). Adding a valuable international dimension, Dr. Mohamed Hisham, Lead Clinical Pharmacist at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, shared insights on using digital tools and data analytics for stewardship, emphasizing their importance in monitoring antibiotic use and resistance patterns.



Delhi Society for Promotion of Rational Use of Drugs

Invites for Program on

Antimicrobial Stewardship in
Pharmacy Practice

March 22, 2025 Online 2-5 PM



Mr. Pankaj Bector
Head of Procurement,
NCDC, MoHFW



Dr. Pramil Tiwari
Professor,
Pharmacy
Practice, NIPER,
S.A.S. Nagar



Dr. Atul Nasa
Former Drugs
Control Officer,
Delhi, President,
IPGA



Dr. Shivani Juneja Bedi
Consultant, Clinical
Pharmacology
Fortis Hospital
Mohali



Dr. Mohamed Hisham
Lead Clinical
Pharmacist
Cleveland Clinic Abu
Dhabi, United Arab
Emirates



Dr. Sangeeta Sharma
Professor,
Neuropsychopharmacology,
IHBAS & President,
DSPRUD



Dr. KS Sachdeva
Former DDG, Central TB &
NACO Division, GoI, &
President & CMO
Strategy, Molbio & Vice
President, DSPRUD

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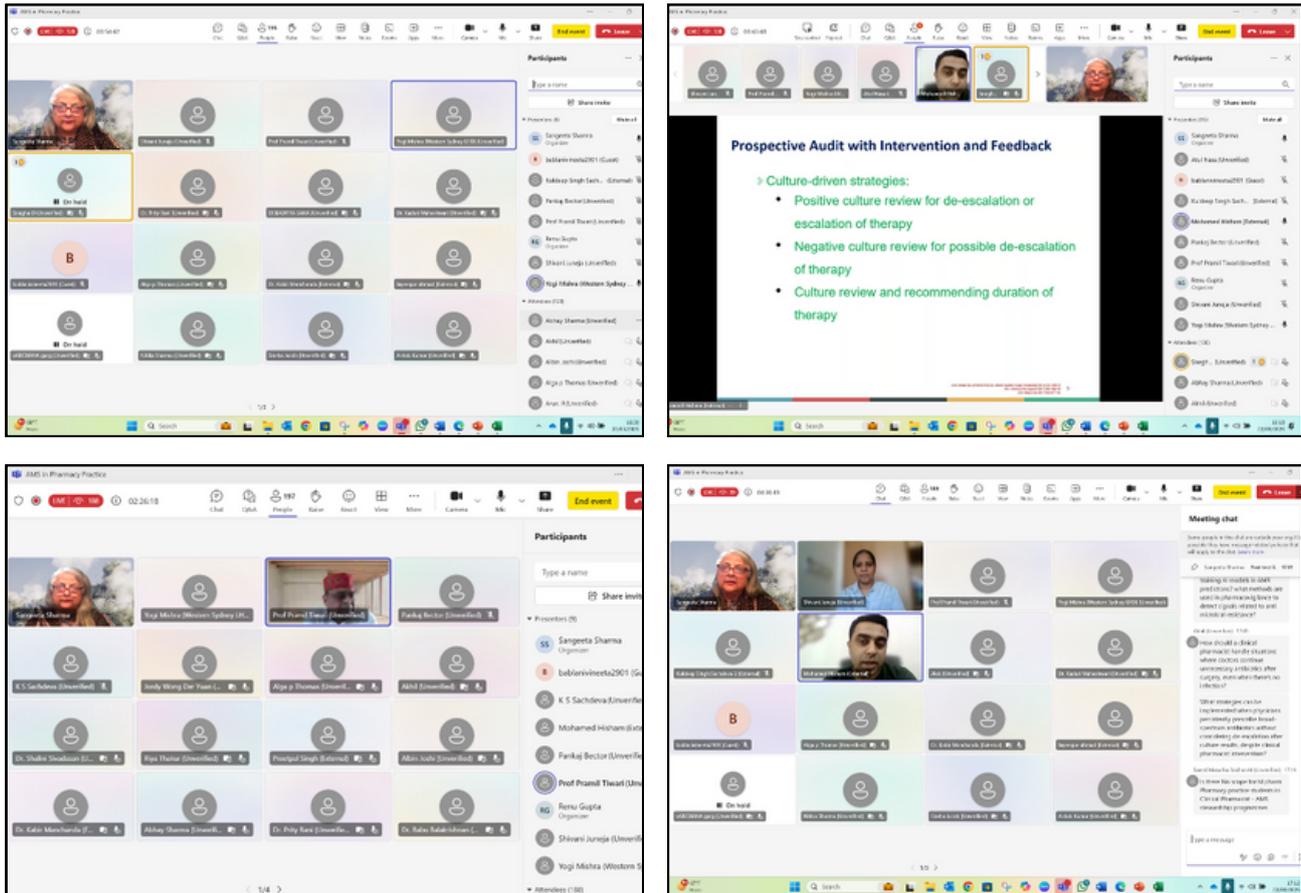
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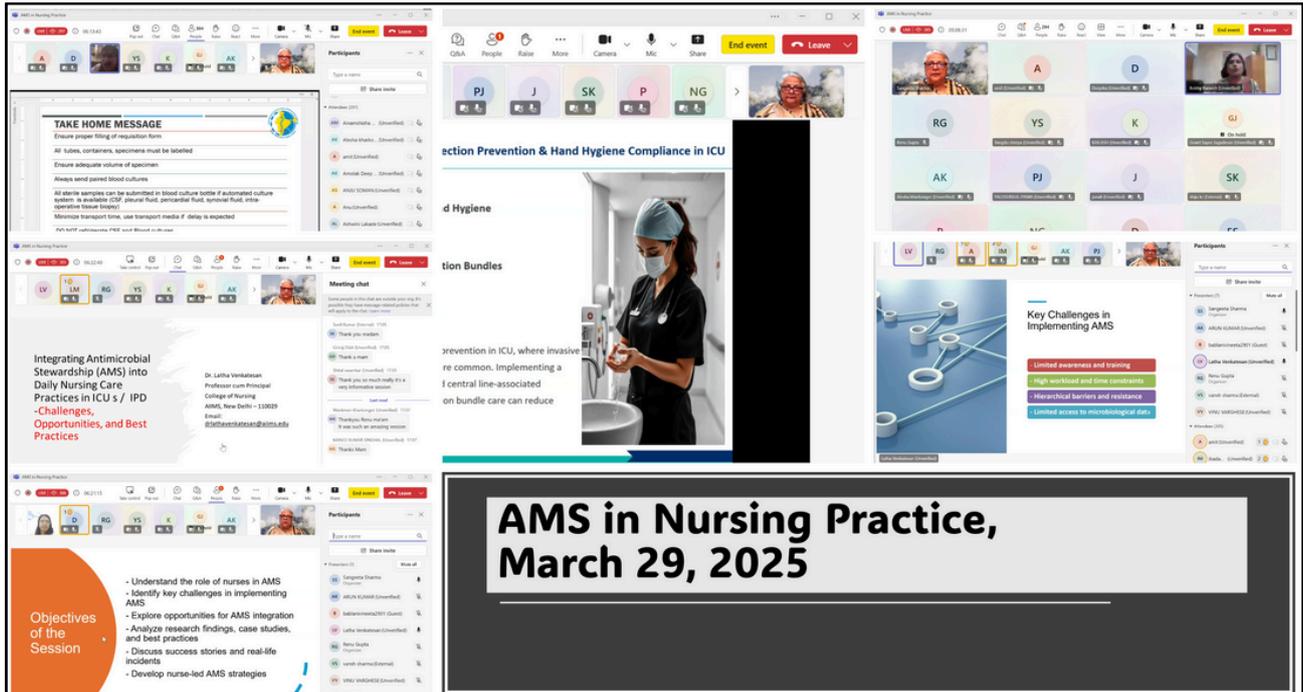




The sessions highlighted the multifaceted contributions pharmacists can make: from shaping regulatory frameworks and hospital interventions to addressing community-level challenges, integrating stewardship into TB care, and leveraging technology for smarter prescribing and reporting. Participants valued the program's practical orientation, evidence-based content, and interactive discussions, noting clear gains in their understanding of stewardship principles and motivation to apply them in their practice. Feedback strongly affirmed the effectiveness of the training and called for more in-depth case studies, visual learning tools, and structured follow-up sessions. By bringing pharmacists into the spotlight and equipping them with relevant skills, DSPRUD has broadened the scope of antimicrobial stewardship and strengthened the collective fight against antimicrobial resistance

4. Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS): In Nursing Practice

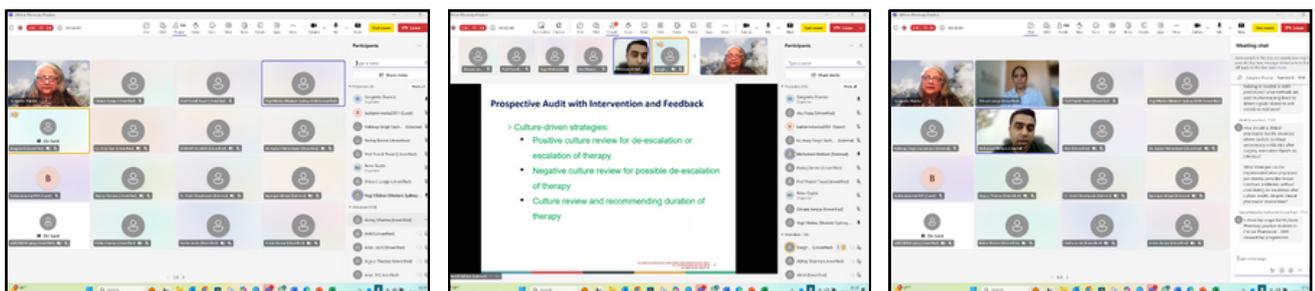
DSPRUD introduced another landmark new initiative this year by organizing its first dedicated online training course for nurses on 29 March 2025, highlighting the often under-recognized but critical role of nursing professionals in antimicrobial stewardship (AMS). The program brought together 366 participants from 19 states across India, along with a small international contingent, demonstrating its wide reach and strong relevance. The majority of attendees were Nursing Officers, Staff Nurses, and Registered Nurses, complemented by nursing faculty, administrators, and specialists, making the session highly representative of the nursing community's frontline role in AMS.



The training featured five distinguished experts across nursing, microbiology, and pharmacology: Dr. Bobby Ramesh (Group Director Nursing Excellence, Sarvodaya Healthcare, Faridabad), Dr. Latha Venkatesan (Principal & Head, Nursing College, AIIMS, Delhi), Dr. Vinu Varghese (Nurse Educator, BLK-Max Super Speciality Hospital), Dr. Renu Gupta (Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology, IHBAS, Delhi), and Dr. Sangeeta Sharma (Professor & Head, Neuropsychopharmacology, IHBAS, Delhi). Together, they delivered sessions that balanced conceptual frameworks with actionable strategies, covering AMS fundamentals, diagnostic stewardship, antibiotic categorization, pharmacokinetics in nursing care, IPC practices, error reduction strategies, and the use of technology, including AI-driven alerts and monitoring systems.

The session concluded with an engaging Q&A that enabled cross-disciplinary exchange and reinforced the practical application of the strategies discussed. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with participants consistently appreciating the clarity, relevance, and direct applicability of the content to their daily responsibilities. The training not only enhanced knowledge but also reinforced the central role of nurses in AMS—emphasizing their leadership in communication, real-time case analysis, structured feedback systems, and implementation of stewardship practices at the bedside.

By formally bringing nurses into the spotlight of stewardship efforts, DSPRUD has set a precedent for broader interdisciplinary engagement. Moving forward, this initiative will focus on embedding AMS into nursing curricula, strengthening technological support, and further empowering nurses as leaders in the national fight against antimicrobial resistance.



5. Empowering Communities for TB Elimination and Breast cancer

In December 2024, DSPRUD launched the project “Empowering Communities: Fighting TB and Breast Cancer” in partnership with Burkert India under its CSR mandate and the Resilient Health and Climate Foundation. Implemented in collaboration with the National Institute of Tuberculosis and Respiratory Diseases (NITRD) and the South Delhi Municipal Corporation Polyclinic in Munirka, the initiative was aligned with India’s 100-Day Campaign for TB Elimination and focused on strengthening community-based screening in some of South Delhi’s most underserved urban settlements.

The project introduced advanced diagnostic tools such as the Truenat Duo platform and an AI-enabled ultra-portable handheld X-ray unit, expanding access to early detection in resource-constrained settings. Local volunteers, ASHAs, and Anganwadi workers were trained to mobilize households, carry out community outreach, and support screening camps across Munirka Village, Kusumpur Pahadi, and Coolie Camp. Thousands of families were sensitized, and awareness activities reached tens of thousands of residents, embedding the message that TB is preventable and curable with timely detection and treatment. Screening identified individuals with abnormal chest X-rays who were rapidly linked to NITRD for confirmatory testing and free treatment, directly contributing to national TB elimination goals. Women were also offered breast health checks, and those with abnormal findings were referred to tertiary care hospitals for further evaluation, integrating broader preventive health into the campaign.



To ensure sustainability, diagnostic equipment was officially handed over to the State TB Office, Delhi, through the New Delhi TB Centre, strengthening the local health system’s capacity beyond the life of the project. Continuous oversight by DSPRUD, NITRD, RHCF, and Burkert India ensured accountability, adaptive planning, and achievement of outreach targets. This initiative demonstrated the power of public–private partnerships in addressing two major public health challenges simultaneously and highlighted the effectiveness of community-based screening as a cornerstone for accelerating India’s progress toward TB elimination.

The campaign extended its reach to raise awareness and conduct breast cancer screening across communities in South Delhi. A total of 500 women were screened, of whom 10 were identified with breast abnormalities and promptly referred to Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi, for further evaluation and care.

DISSEMINATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION OF STANDARD TREATMENT GUIDELINES (STGS) WITH NHSRC - MONTHLY WEBINIERS

Capacity Building for Rational Use of Medicines

DSPRUD, in partnership with the National Health Systems Resource Centre (NHSRC), continued its flagship national training initiative on rational use of medicines, marking the third consecutive year of monthly webinars dedicated to improving prescribing practices, enhancing medication safety, and advancing the nationwide adoption of Standard Treatment Guidelines. Held on the third Saturday of every month, these webinars have evolved into a trusted and much-anticipated platform for continuous professional development.

Cumulatively, more than 15,000 healthcare professionals have participated in these sessions over the past three years. Each cycle continues to attract new attendees while also drawing back many returning participants, a testament to the program's sustained relevance and impact. The strong and consistent feedback received has been highly encouraging, with participants emphasizing the practical utility, clarity, and immediate applicability of the content. The growing demand for these webinars reflects their unique ability to address real-world challenges faced by providers across the health system.

The success of the initiative is rooted in its design. Prominent faculty from across the country have been engaged to lead sessions, while DSPRUD has taken full responsibility for developing and delivering the technical content. A hallmark of these trainings is the case-based approach, which ensures that stewardship principles are contextualized and directly linked to day-to-day clinical practice. Pre- and post-tests built around case scenarios are conducted during each session, which not only measure knowledge gain but also keep participants actively engaged.

In this year's cycle alone, over 4,294 healthcare professionals took part in the webinars. The program's sustained success has been made possible through the vision and support of Dr. J. N. Srivastava, Advisor-QPS, NHSRC, and Maj Gen (Prof) Dr. Atul Kotwal, SM, VSM, Executive Director, NHSRC, with the coordination and technical leadership of Dr. Sangeeta Sharma, who has ensured the smooth conduct and continuity of the sessions.

Now firmly established, this initiative stands as a leading national platform for building capacity in rational medicine use, embedding evidence-based practices, and supporting India's health system in delivering safe, effective, and rational patient care.

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1.	20.04.2024	Nutritional disorders in children: Myths & Facts	Dr. Sangeeta Sharma, Professor-IHBAS and President, DSPRUD, New Delhi	376
		Nutritional disorders in children	Dr. AP Dubey, Former Director Professor & Head, Department of Pediatrics, MAMC & LN Hospital, New Delhi	
		Common nutrition deficiencies in Children	Dr. Puneet Kaur Sahi, Associate Professor, Department of Pediatrics, MAMC & LN Hospital, New Delhi	
2.	18.05.2024	Early Recognition & Management of Chest Injury	Dr. Narendra Chaudhary, Additional Professor, Department of Surgery, JP Trauma Centre, AIIMS, New Delhi	156
		Navigating Complexity: Challenges and solutions	Dr. Sangeeta Sharma, Professor-IHBAS and President, DSPRUD	
3.	15.06.2024	Acute Stroke Management	Dr. Suman Kushwaha, Professor, Department of Neurology, IHBAS, Delhi.	216
		Overcoming Obstacles: Managing Acute Stroke Patients in Remote Areas	Dr. Sangeeta Sharma, Professor-IHBAS and President, DSPRUD	

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4.	20.07.2024	Polycystic ovary syndrome: Clinical Practice Guidelines for Diagnosis and Management	Dr. Poonam Joon, Deputy Medical Superintendent, Head of Department (Obstetrics & Gynaecology), Sanjay Gandhi Memorial Hospital, New Delhi.	294
		Polycystic Ovary Syndrome: Challenges and Possible Solutions	Dr. Sangeeta Sharma, Professor-IHBAS and President, DSPRUD	
5.	17.08.2024	Challenges and Opportunities in the Management of TB	Dr Rajendra Prasad, Director, Medical Education and Prof & Head, Pulmonary Medicine, Era's Lucknow Medical College, Lucknow, & Vice Chairperson, National Task Force for T.B Elimination India	208
6.	21.12.2024	Adult Vaccines in India	Dr Anup R Warriar Sr Consultant, Infectious Diseases, Aster MEDCITY	404
		Management of AEFI	Dr A P Dubey Ex-Director Prof & Head Pediatrics, MAMC Delhi	

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7.	18.01.2025	Anaemia in Pregnancy	Dr Shakun Tyagi Professor, Dept of Obs & Gynae Lok Nayak Hospital, New Delhi	469
		Challenges in Antenatal Care Pregnancy	Dr Pawan Kumar Additional Commissioner Maternal Health & Immunization, MoHFW	
8.	15.02.2025	Management of Pyrexia of Unknown Origin	Dr Anup R Warriar Sr Consultant, Infectious Diseases, Aster MEDICITY	284
		Management of fever in young infants	Dr Shobhna Gupta Deputy Commissioner & Incharge (CH and RBSK), MoHFW	
		Challenges with management of fever	Dr Sangeeta Sharm, Professor, Neuropsychopharmacology IHBAS, New Delhi President - DSPRUD	
9.	15.03.2025	Approach to management of Poisoning in children	Dr. Nayer Jamshed, Additional Professor, Emergency Medicine, AIIMS, New Delhi	356
		Management of Pesticide poisoning in adults	Dr Sumit Pachori, Consultant, General Medicine, MAMC, New Delhi	
		Challenges, gaps & solutions for handling poisoning and emergencies	Dr Sangeeta Sharma Professor, Neuropsychopharmacology IHBAS, New Delhi President - DSPRUD	

ACTIVITIES COMMEMORATING “PATIENT SAFETY DAY - 2024”

In commemoration of Patient Safety Day 2024, the National Health Systems Resource Centre (NHSRC) organized a series of activities to highlight the impact of diagnostic errors on patient harm and to emphasize the importance of accurate, timely, and safe diagnoses. On this occasion, DSPRUD, Delhi was specially recognized for its sustained contributions to patient safety, with particular focus on medication safety and management.

DSPRUD’s efforts have consistently centered on raising awareness, strengthening education, and fostering collaboration in the field of patient safety. By actively engaging healthcare professionals, administrators, and patients, DSPRUD has worked to promote rational use of medicines, improve prescribing practices, and minimize medication-related risks. These initiatives reflect a deep commitment to building a culture of safety within the healthcare system and to advancing the well-being of patients nationwide.



Patient Safety Day Celebration, NHSRC, September 17, 2024

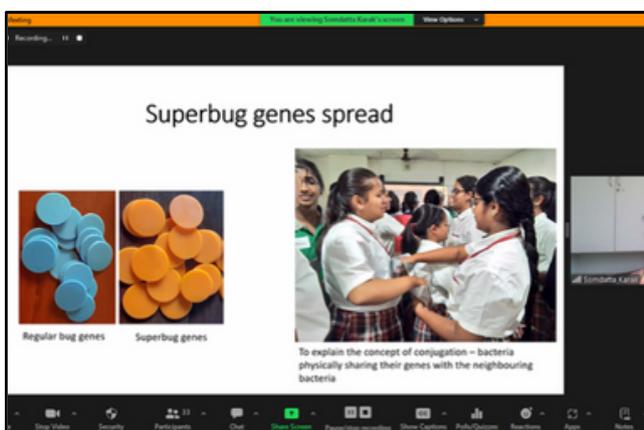
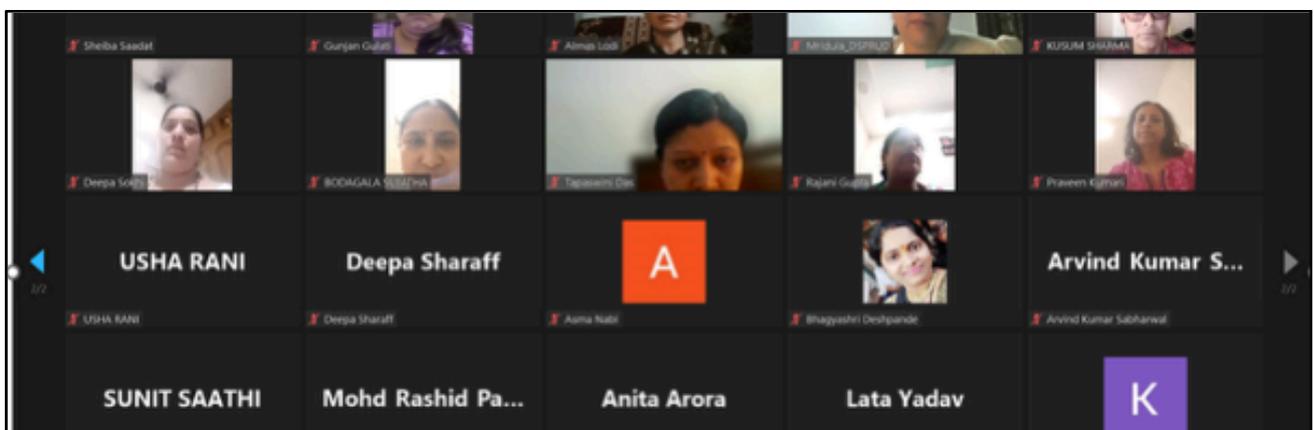
PUBLIC AWARENESS

School teachers: Targeted Campaign to Raise Awareness about “AMR” among School Teachers

Third Online campaign on “Campaign to Raise Awareness about Antimicrobials among School teachers’ on 2024 in collaboration with ECHO India, and DSPRUD.

This 4-month-long online campaign was dedicated to raising awareness about AMR among schoolteachers from Delhi schools was organized from February-June 2024 in collaboration with ECHO India. The primary focus of the campaign was to equip teachers with valuable knowledge and practices related to AMR and its impact on society. A total of 93 schoolteachers registered in the program from both public and private institutions across Delhi, NCR.

A cross-sectional survey and in-depth interviews with educators in four states examined AMR content in curricula and teaching practices. AMR content was inconsistently addressed, limited to one hour per year, with little structured teacher training or curricular support. The intervention effectively enhanced AMR knowledge among teachers, affirming the value of early, structured education. However, significant curricular gaps remain.



ECHO Targeted AMR awareness campaign with Schoolteachers

PUBLIC AWARENESS

College Students: Interactive and fun session with college students

Innovation and the need to engage college students were at the forefront of the Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Programme held in January 2025. Organized by DSPRUD at **Vivekananda College for Women, University of Delhi and Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies**, the event featured a groundbreaking Comedy Quiz that captivated over 600 college students. This creative initiative seamlessly combined humour with education, transforming complex topics like the journey of germs, Infection Prevention and Control (IPC), AMR, TB, and the One Health concept into an interactive and memorable experience. By adapting traditional childhood games to convey scientific concepts in a simple, relatable manner, the program ensured that both science and non-science students could connect with and understand these crucial messages. This innovative approach not only made learning fun but also reinforced the importance of awareness in combating AMR.



Innovative Engagement with College Students



Snake & Ladder

Card Game

Dart Game

Interactive and fun session with college students

MASS MEDIA CAMPAIGNS

Engaging both mass print media and social media is crucial for disseminating vital messages about AMR and the misuse of antibiotics to a wide audience. By leveraging traditional outlets like newspapers and magazines alongside digital platforms such as Facebook, and Instagram, we can reach diverse populations with accurate, accessible information. These channels allow us to share compelling stories, infographics, and expert insights that educate the public on the dangers of antibiotic misuse and the critical impact of AMR. This multi-pronged approach not only amplifies the reach of our message but also empowers communities to adopt responsible antibiotic practices, ultimately contributing to improved public health outcomes.

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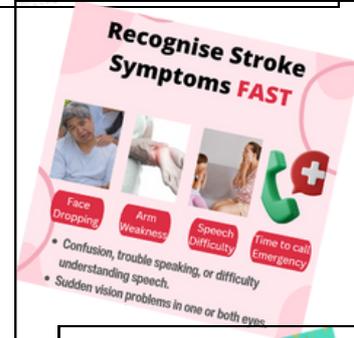
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डॉ. संगीता शर्मा की उपस्थिति में ज्ञानवर्धक सत्र सम्पन्न

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अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी ट्रस्ट ड्रग्स अभव फाउंडेशन द्वारा एक विशेष यूट्यूब सजीव प्रसारण (लाइव फॉडकास्ट) का आयोजन किया गया, जिसका विषय था - 'दवा त्रुटियों की रोकथाम = सर्वोत्तम उपाय और नवाचार'। इस महत्वपूर्ण सत्र में मानव व्यवहार और सम्बद्ध विज्ञान संस्थान (आईएचबीएस) की प्रोफेसर तथा दिल्ली औषधि उपयोग प्रोत्साहन समिति (डीएसपीआरयूडी) की अध्यक्ष डॉ. संगीता शर्मा मुख्य वक्ता रहीं। उन्होंने दवा की सुरक्षा, औषधीय नीति और विवेकपूर्ण औषधि उपयोग पर अपने विशेषज्ञ विचार प्रस्तुत किए। डॉ. शर्मा ने बताया कि दवा त्रुटियाँ वे गलतियाँ होती हैं, जो औषधि के गलत चयन, मात्रा, समय या डॉक्टर व फार्मासिस्ट के बीच समुचित समन्वय के अभाव में होती हैं, और इससे रोगी को गंभीर हानि पहुँच सकती है। विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन के अनुसार, हर वर्ष लाखों लोग ऐसी गलतियों के कारण गंभीर बीमारियों या मृत्यु का शिकार बनते हैं। भारत में यह चुनौती इसलिए अधिक गंभीर है क्योंकि यहाँ दवाओं की उपलब्धता के साथ-साथ जन-जागरूकता की भी कमी है। इस समस्या से निपटने के लिए उन्होंने कुछ वैश्विक उपाय सुझाए, जैसे - दवा पत्रियों को इलेक्ट्रॉनिक स्वरूप देना, फार्मासिस्ट की अनिवार्य भूमिका सुनिश्चित करना, चिकित्सा कर्मचारियों का नियमित प्रशिक्षण, तथा मरीजों को भी उनके उपचार संबंधी जानकारी देना और जागरूक करना। उन्होंने यह भी बताया कि आधुनिक तकनीकों जैसे चिकित्सीय निर्णय सहायता प्रणाली (सीडीएसएस) और कृत्रिम बुद्धिमत्ता (एआई) दवा सुरक्षा के क्षेत्र में भविष्य में क्रांतिकारी बदलाव ला सकते हैं। डॉ. शर्मा ने डीएसपीआरयूडी संस्था के प्रयासों का उल्लेख करते हुए कहा कि

संस्था वर्षों से दिल्ली समेत विभिन्न राज्यों में दवाओं के विवेकपूर्ण उपयोग को बढ़ावा देने के लिए प्रशिक्षण शिविर, पाठ्यक्रम, और औषधि समाचार पत्रिका जारी कर रही है। उन्होंने बताया कि आने वाले वर्षों में यह प्रयास डिजिटल तकनीकों के सहारे और प्रभावशाली बनेंगे। इस संवादपरक कार्यक्रम में देशभर से कुल 180 प्रतिभागियों ने भाग लिया। इनमें चिकित्सा छात्र, नर्सिंग कर्मचारी, औषधि विशेषज्ञ तथा आम नागरिक शामिल थे। सबने सीधा प्रसारण के दौरान प्रश्न पूछे और सुझाव साझा किए। कार्यक्रम की संचालनकर्ता रहीं दिल्ली की यूट्यूबर आद्या सिंह, जिन्होंने सहज भाषा में विषयों को प्रस्तुत किया और डॉ. शर्मा से व्यवहारिक सुझाव साझा करवाए। अभव फाउंडेशन द्वारा अब तक 500 से अधिक वेबिनार, कार्यशालाएँ, प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम और सजीव वार्ताएँ आयोजित की जा चुकी हैं, जिनमें ढाई लाख से अधिक प्रतिभागियों ने भाग लिया है। यह सजीव कार्यक्रम भी जनस्वास्थ्य प्रणाली में गुणवत्ता और सुरक्षा सुनिश्चित करने की दिशा में महत्वपूर्ण प्रयास रहा।



Print and social media - Article and messages



Responsible use of Antibiotics

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Educate. Advocate. Act Now: Confronting antimicrobial resistance
 Awareness is crucial to stop misuse of antibiotics to stop antimicrobial resistance and its harmful side-effects

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) is a global public health threat. It is caused by the overuse and misuse of antibiotics, leading to the development of drug-resistant bacteria. This resistance can spread to other people and animals, making infections harder to treat. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that AMR causes about 700,000 deaths each year. In India, AMR is a major cause of death, particularly among children and the elderly. The misuse of antibiotics is a major driver of AMR. People often take antibiotics when they are not needed, or they do not take them as prescribed. This allows bacteria to survive and multiply, becoming resistant to the drug. To combat AMR, it is essential to educate the public about the proper use of antibiotics and to advocate for stronger regulations and enforcement. Acting now is crucial to prevent a future where common infections become untreatable.

एंटीबायोटिक दवा जल्दा पूजा इस तरह खतरनाक को चतुर्धा बढ़ा सकता है, जो नहीं खायाओं मीनों

दुनियाभर में कई देशों में एंटीबायोटिक दवाओं का जल्दा पूजा बढ़ रहा है। भारत में भी इन दवाओं की खपत में इजाजत हो रहा है, यानी, खाना, पाना और सुझाए जैसी सामान्यों में जिनमें बिना डॉक्टरों की सलाह के एंटीबायोटिक दवा ली है, लेकिन वे जानकार भी बन सकते हैं, ऐसे देशों में, इन दवाओं का खतरा है।

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एंटीबायोटिक का जल्दा पूजा देश के लिए चिंता का एक बड़ा कारण बन गया है, बीते कुछ सालों में भारत में इन दवाओं का इस्तेमाल काफी बढ़ गया है। अधिक इस्तेमाल से सेहत को भी काफी नुकसान हो रहा है। एंटीबायोटिक दवाओं के जल्दा पूजा से शरीर में मौजूद बैक्टीरिया के खिलाफ रजिस्ट्रेस पैदा हो रहा है। इस वजह से दवाओं का बीमारी पर असर नहीं हो रहा है और मरीजों के इलाज में समस्या हो रही है। एंटीबायोटिक का इस्तेमाल सेहत के लिए विनाशकारी खतरनाक है और वे कैसे जानलेवा बन रहा है, इस बारे में एक्सपर्ट से जानते हैं।

इंटीब्यूट ऑफ सुपान विहेनियर एंड एसाइड साइंस (IHBAS) की प्रोफेसर डॉ संगीता शर्मा बताती हैं कि कोविड के दौरान और उसके बाद से ही एंटीबायोटिक दवाओं का जल्दा पूजा बढ़ गया है, सेबेटी इन्फेक्शन की वजह से इनका जल्दा पूजा काफी बढ़ गया। भूमि कई एंटीबायोटिक और द काउंटर मीजुड हैं तो लोग डॉक्टर की सलाह के बिना ही इनको मीडिकल से खरीद कर खा लेते हैं। एंटीबायोटिक दवाओं का जल्दा पूजा और मिसजुज लेने ही हो रहा है। इसकी वजह से शरीर पर दवाओं का असर तो हो ही नहीं रहा बल्कि, अच्छे बैक्टीरिया भी मर रहे हैं। इस कारण खतरा बैक्टीरिया शरीर में फैल रहे हैं और अच्छे वालों को ओवरपावर कर रहे हैं, ये सेहत के लिए अच्छा नहीं है।

एंटीबायोटिक कैसे बन रही खतरनाक?

डॉ संगीता बताती हैं कि एंटीबायोटिक दवाओं का जल्दा पूजा है, कुछ लोग तो बिना डॉक्टरों की सलाह के इनको ले रहे हैं और ओवर पूजा हो रहा है। जल्दा एंटीबायोटिक खाने के कारण शरीर में मौजूद बैक्टीरिया इन दवाओं के खिलाफ खुद को मजबूत बना लेते हैं, बैक्टीरिया में इन दवाओं के खिलाफ रजिस्ट्रेस पैदा हो जाता है, यानी, बैक्टीरिया पर एंटीबायोटिक का असर होना बंद हो जाता है, ऐसे में मरीज को जब ये दवा देते हैं तो उनपर असर नहीं करती है, ऐसे में इलाज से फायदा नहीं होता है और मरीज की मौत हो जाती है। दुनियाभर में हर साल लखों मीनों एंटीबायोटिक रजिस्ट्रेस के कारण हो रही है।

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- [podcast] 2024 Asia Pacific Feminist Forum to focus on "Feminist world-building: Creative energies, collective journeys"

Looking back at CNS audio podcasts of 2024 on a range of issues around health and development justice, that streamed via CNS on Apple Podcasts, Amazon Music, Spotify, YouTube Podcasts, Tunein, Podtail, BluBrry, ListenNotes, American Podcasts, CastBox FM, Ivy FM, Player FM, iVoox and other podcast streaming platforms, here is a list of top 10!

- Find all TB → treat all TB → prevent all TB → End TB
- Youth and gender-based violence: Challenges and solutions
- Asia Pacific not on track to end AIDS, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections
- Science has gifted us tools to find, treat and prevent TB but are we using them?
- AMR Dialogues | Bhakti Chavan, a member of WHO Task Force of AMR Survivors
- TB science simplified
- Are we on track to end malaria by 2030?
- Reality check on gender justice in the Pacific: Nalini Singh of Fiji Women's Rights Movements speaks
- AMR Dialogues | Dr Sangeeta Sharma speaks on diagnostic stewardship and Antimicrobial Resistance
- When we can reach the moon then why cannot we reach the unreached people in the communities with health services?

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PUBLICATIONS/PROJECTS

WHO Accoladed DSPRUD: Featured two of the best practices of DSPURD

WHO highlighted the work and accomplishments of DSPRUD in their publication “Compendium of Best Practices and Case Studies in Quality of Care, Patient Safety, and Infection Prevention and Control in Lower- and Middle-Income Countries”.

WHO collected the best practices from major regions in Asia and only four were chosen from India. This compendium was put together to shine a light on real-world examples of how to weave patient safety and infection prevention into every aspect of health-care delivery, especially in resource-constrained settings. It’s anchored in the goal of universal health coverage- making services effective, people-centred and safe-and it presents cost-effective approaches that any country can adapt. By bringing together evidence-based case studies and best-practice models from LMIC, it gives health-care teams and policymakers a blueprint for building resilient systems that deliver quality care and guard against preventable harm ([World Health Organization](#)).

A total of 22 examples in all have been included in the compendium. Of those, four come out of India:

- Part A, Case 3: Implementation of the Surviving Sepsis Campaign guidelines in a tertiary care hospital in India
- Part B, Case 1: Safe medication practices – nurturing responsible health habits through public education (DSPRUD)
- Part C, Case 2: Diagnostic stewardship to antimicrobial stewardship: transforming practice for optimal antimicrobial use (DSPRUD)
- Part F, Article 3: India Hypertension Control Initiative (IHCI): a WHO-led success story

In particular, DSPRUD’s two submissions - Safe medication practices through public education and the diagnostic-to-antimicrobial stewardship model-stand out as scalable, community-focused interventions that drive responsible medicine use and support antimicrobial stewardship right where it matters most.

Case 1: Safe Medication Practices – Nurturing Responsible Health Habits Through Public Education

Led by Delhi Society for Promotion of Rational Use of Drugs (DSPRUD) and IHBAS, India

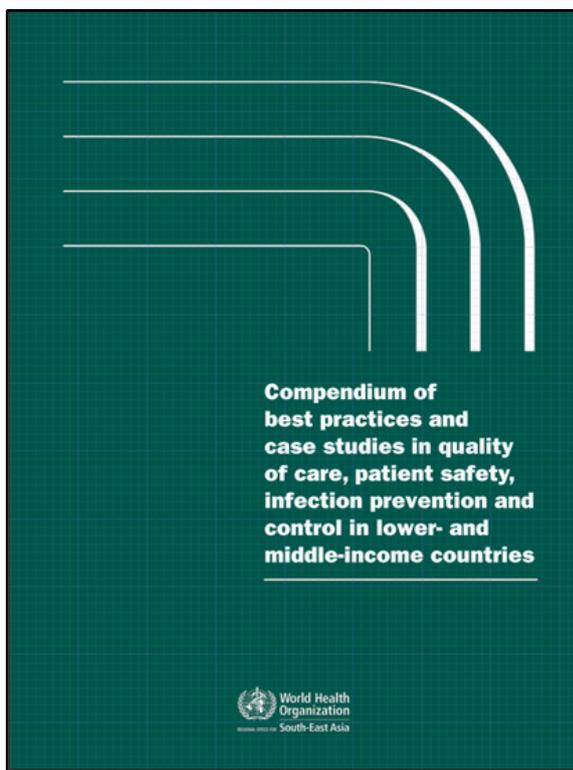
This initiative focused on promoting medication safety and rational drug use through school-based public education campaigns. Between 2019 and 2022, DSPRUD conducted widespread awareness drives in Delhi schools, educating students and teachers about antimicrobial resistance (AMR), hygiene, and safe medication use. Supported by WHO and local partners, a targeted 3-month virtual training campaign was later implemented using the ECHO platform to train schoolteachers on medication safety, diabetes care, and proper use of vitamins and nutraceuticals. The campaign showed significant improvement in participants’ knowledge and engagement, with over 200 teachers trained and notable post-intervention gains in safe medicine practices. The initiative demonstrated the potential of educator-led community awareness and highlighted the need for integrating such content into school curricula.

Case 2: Diagnostic Stewardship to Antimicrobial Stewardship – Transforming Healthcare Practices

Led by DSPRUD and IHBAS, India

DSPRUD pioneered a structured educational programme aimed at enhancing diagnostic and antimicrobial stewardship (DS-AMS) among healthcare professionals. Through tailored online and in-person training modules for doctors, nurses, and lab technicians, the initiative addressed gaps in test ordering, specimen handling, and interpretation of diagnostic results. Over 2,400 participants benefited from the programme, with significant improvement in knowledge and practices related to rational antibiotic use. The initiative emphasized the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration and the integration of DS into AMS strategies. It laid the foundation for responsible test utilization and antibiotic prescription, critical to combating AMR and improving patient outcomes in resource-constrained settings.

These initiatives showcase DSPRUD's leadership in building sustainable, education-driven models to improve medication safety and antimicrobial stewardship in India, with potential for replication across similar contexts globally.



Antimicrobial use in peri-surgical prophylaxis

IPC Master class held on 25 February 2025 and March 4, 2025, on "Antimicrobial use in perisurgical prophylaxis" organized by SANMED. Dr. Anup Mohta and Dr Sangeeta Sharma were the experts.



INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

Workshop on Monitoring and Optimizing Antimicrobial Use – Nepal

As part of its continued efforts to strengthen antimicrobial stewardship across the region, DSPRUD participated in a workshop organized by WHO GLASS-AMC, WHO SEARO and Country Office, on Monitoring and Optimizing Antimicrobial use in Kathmandu, Nepal from 29 July to 1 August 2024. The event focused on enhancing capacity among healthcare professionals for rational antimicrobial use and data-driven decision-making. The workshop brought together over 40 participants, including pharmacists, microbiologists, clinicians, and hospital administrators from various healthcare institutions across Nepal. The sessions covered key topics such as antimicrobial consumption surveillance, hospital-based stewardship strategies, and monitoring tools.

The program was facilitated by Dr. Sangeeta Sharma, a senior infectious disease expert, along with resource from DSPRUD who shared practical insights and tools developed through Indian experiences in antimicrobial stewardship. Participants responded positively, noting that the workshop provided valuable hands-on knowledge, encouraged regional collaboration, and offered practical approaches to improving antimicrobial use in clinical settings. The feedback highlighted the relevance of the training and called for continued engagement on antimicrobial resistance and stewardship.

Support to develop Standard Treatment Guidelines for Maldives

DSPRUD was entrusted by the World Health Organization (WHO) Maldives, in collaboration with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Ministry of Health (MOH) Maldives, to lead the development of national clinical management guidelines for 28 priority disease conditions, ranging from noncommunicable diseases such as diabetes, obesity, chronic kidney disease, and cardiovascular disorders to mental health, gastrointestinal, respiratory, neurological, and oncological conditions. The project involves a structured six-month program that includes reviewing existing screening and treatment pathways in the Maldives, benchmarking international protocols, and drafting standardized, evidence-based guidelines tailored to the Maldivian context. DSPRUD is also responsible for conducting stakeholder consultations—both virtual and in-person—facilitating workshops to orient health professionals and delivering editable electronic versions of the finalized guidelines to ensure wide usability. This initiative marks a significant step in strengthening the country's health system through rational, uniform, and context-sensitive clinical practices.

REPRESENTATION OF DSPRUD IN VARIOUS FORA

Dr. Sangeeta Sharma, Co-chair, National Committee on 'Pharma and Healthcare' Sector Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC) since March 2024.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS FOR 2024-2025

The annual accounts are placed before the committee.

RECOGNITION/PUBLICATION/PARTICIPATION

Representation/Participation or Contribution of DSPRUD to Professional Associations/National or International bodies:

Dr. Sangeeta Sharma:

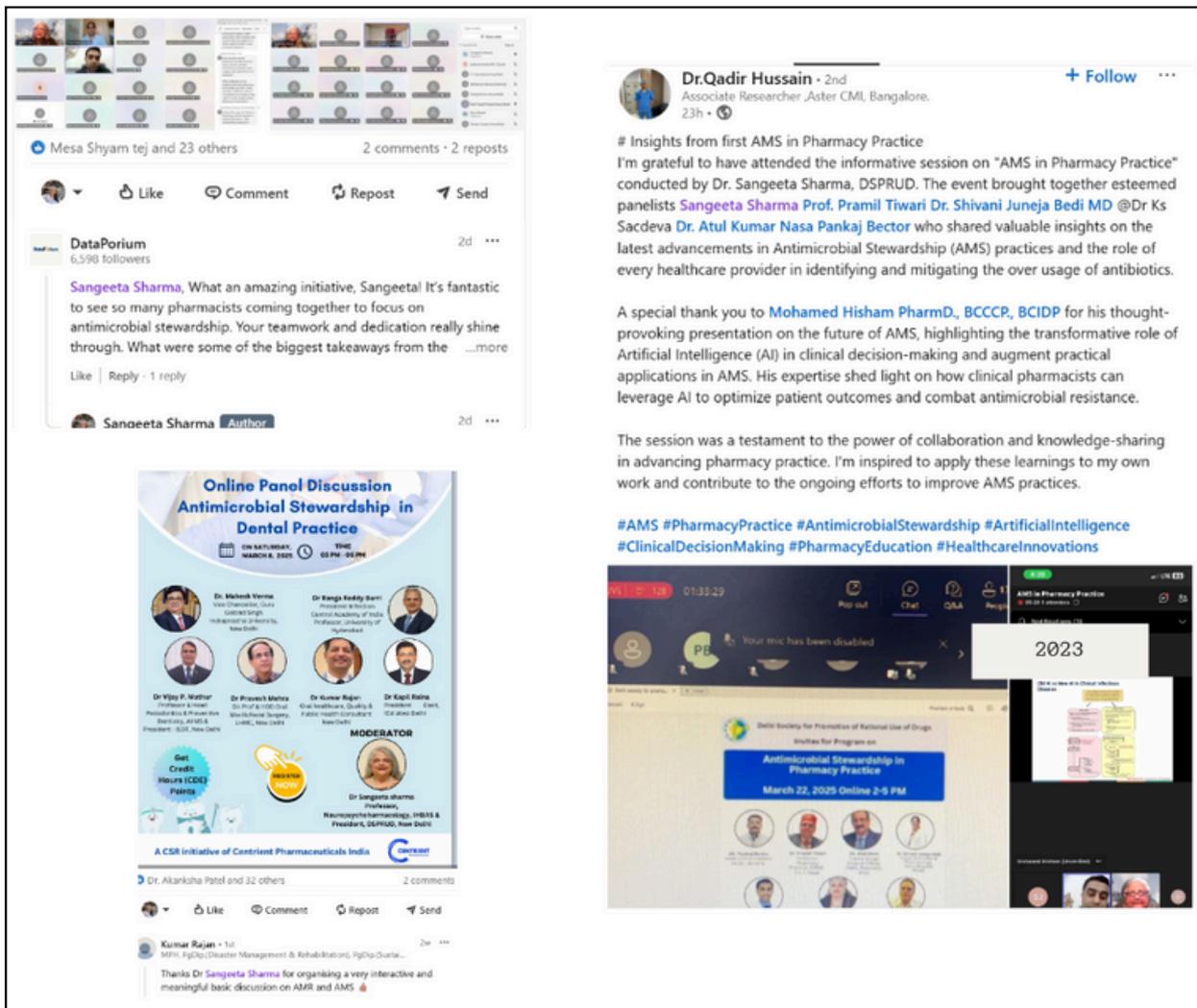
- Published Book titled "Excellence in Clinical Laboratory Operations: A Comprehensive Guide to Quality Practices and Reliable Results".Sangeeta Sharma, Rachna Agarwal (eds). Ahuja Publishing, June 2024.
- Co-chair, National Committee on 'Pharma and Healthcare' Sector Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC) since March 2024.
- Member Scientific Committee & Chairperson, 2nd International Conference on Forensics, Security and Law organized by Amity Institute of Forensic Sciences, March 20 & 21, 2025 at Noida.
- Panellist for a Panel Discussion on "Can we make TB treatment shorter and safer" at India Innovation Summit organized by DHR/ICMR in collaboration with the Central TB Division (CTD) MoH, The Union and other stakeholders on March 18-19, 2025 at New Delhi.
- Panellist for a Panel Discussion on "Antimicrobial Resistance Stewardship: Innovations, Challenges, & Sustainable Solutions" at Global Conclave on Oral Health Innovation & Research (GCOHIR) organized by Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Research, Education & Incubation Centre, & Indian Dental Association (HO), Mumbai on February 15-16, 2025 held at Delhi.
- Resource person for Executive MBA Programme on "Contemporary Issues in Patient Safety" at Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Lucknow on February 27, 2025, at Lucknow.
- Speaker topic "AMS Strategies Combatting Factors Contributing to AMR Operative in Community" at National Conference of Hospital Infection Society India (XVIII HISICON) organized by HISI from February 6-8, 2025, at Lucknow.

- Chairperson for Scientific Session on “Current Innovative Strategies to Counter Antimicrobial Resistance” organized by International Pharmacology Conference (IPC) & 54th Annual Conference of Indian Pharmacological Society 2024 (IPSCON-2024) at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi on November 29, 2024.
- Resource Person for 5-Day certificate Programme on “National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS)” organized by Academy of Hospital Administration (AHA), on November 27, 2024, at Noida.
- Speaker National Consultation on "Medication and Patients Safety" organized by under the aegis of (International Union of Basic and Clinical Pharmacology) IUPHAR, the Indian Pharmacological Society and the Medical Pharmacologists Society (MPS) on November 29, 2024, at New Delhi.
- Participated in “Jyot se Jyot – Awareness to Action” organized by CAHO & Orchid AMS on November 25, 2024, at New Delhi.
- Faculty for online CME “Practice of Antimicrobial Stewardship and Antibiotic Usage” on the occasion of World Antimicrobial Awareness Week organized by NEIGRIHMS, Mawdiangdiang, Shillong on November 22, 2024.
- Moderator for a panel discussion on “Awareness to Action: Addressing AMR through One Health Collaboration” organized by FAO, November 20, 2024, at Delhi.
- Plenary session on “Combating Antimicrobial Resistance: Strategies for Effective Stewardship” At International patient experience & safety Conference organised by Sarvodaya Hospital, on November 16, 2024, at Faridabad, Haryana.
- Faculty in a CME on “Addressing Antimicrobial Resistance in the fight against TB organized by The Union, USAID, and KGMU on October 15, 2024, at Lucknow.
- "ICARS C-CAMP AMR Partnership Event and Stakeholders' Meeting" organized by C-CAMP (Centre for Cellular and Molecular Platforms, a Dept. of Biotechnology, Govt. of India Initiative) and International Center for Antimicrobial Resistance Solutions (ICARS) held on October 14, 2024, at the India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.
- Speaker “Diagnostic Stewardship: The Future of Antimicrobial Therapy” organized by G-SPARC, October 3-5, 2024, at Hyderabad.
- Panellist “Role of Healthcare in Viksit Bharat’ organized by Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC) on September 24, 2024, at Delhi.
- Panellist “Strategies to combat increasing Antifungal resistance” in Continuing Medical Education (CME) on AMR in Fungal Infections organized Mycology Division, Department of Microbiology, University College of Medical Sciences, Delhi, in partnership with the WHO Country Office for India on September 15, 2024, at New Delhi.
- Panellist “Antimicrobial Resistance in India: Impact, Challenges and Solutions” organized by Pharmaceuticals Export Promotion council of India (Pharmexcil) from August 28-30, 2024, at IEML, Noida
- "Unifying Voices of the Region on Addressing Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR): UN General Assembly High-Level Meeting (UNGA HLM 2024) on AMR and beyond" organized by ReAct Asia Pacific Antimicrobial Resistance Conference 2024 held on August 21-22, 2024, at Jakarta, Indonesia (Joined Online).

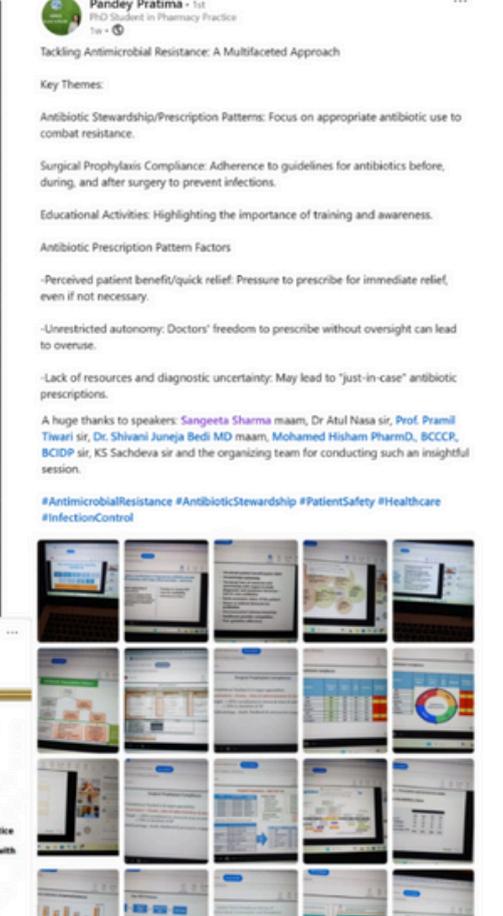
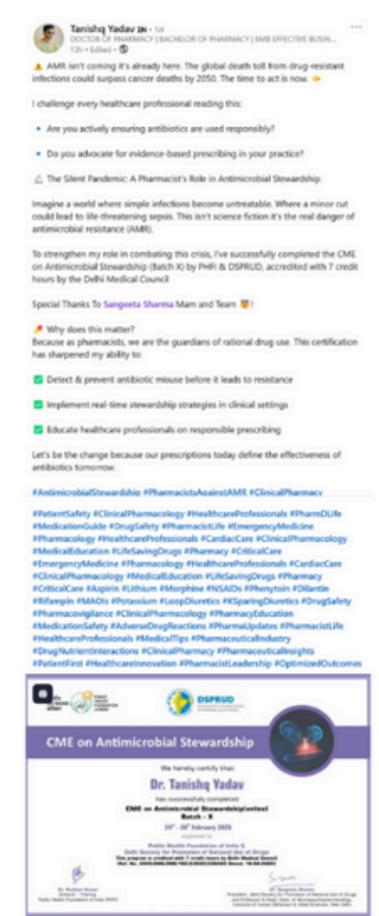
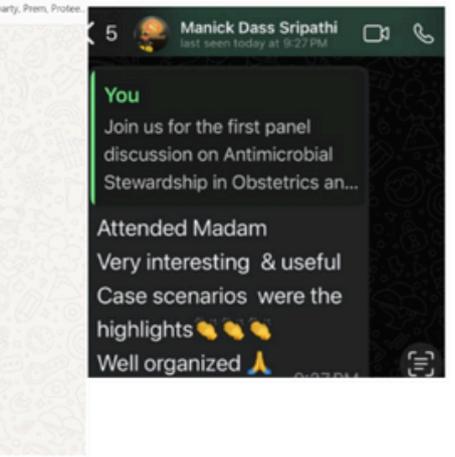
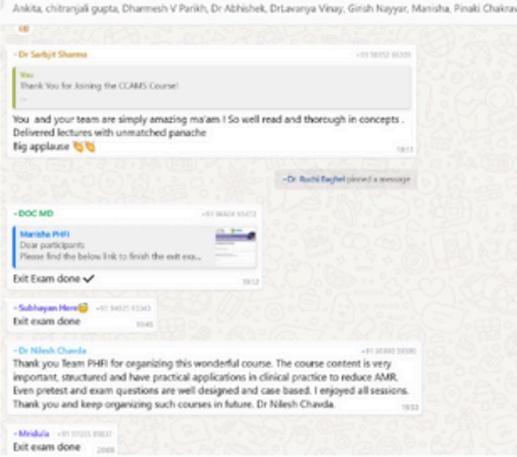
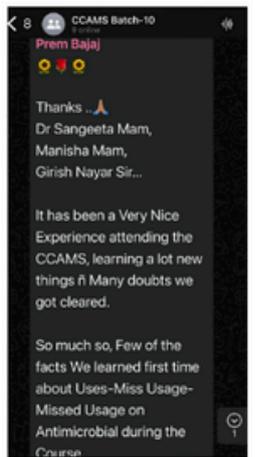
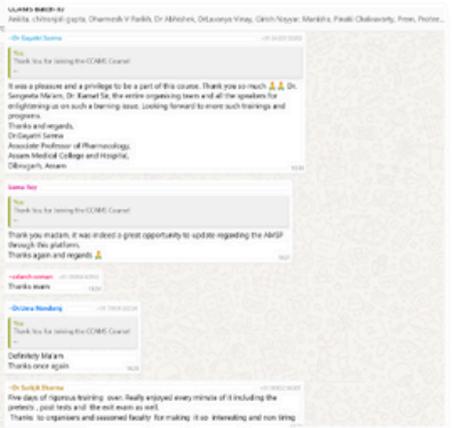
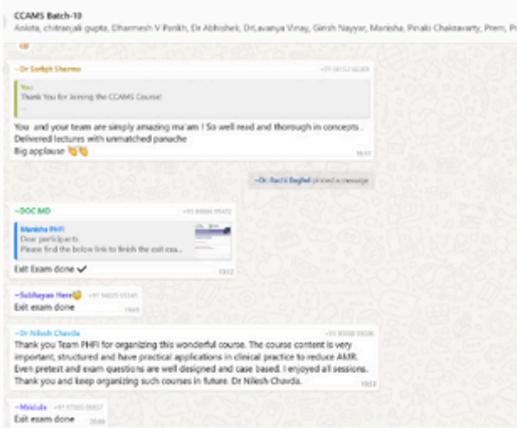
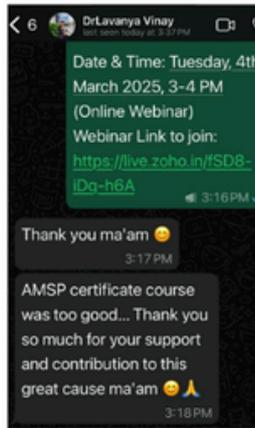
- Resource person 'Medication Errors and its importance in Pharmacovigilance' in the 30th Skill Development Programme, organized by National Coordination Centre-Pharmacovigilance Programme of India, Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, August 6, 2024.
- Consultation for National Alliance of Medical Professionals on AMR organized by Indian Medical Association and World Health Organization Country Office, July 7, 2024 at New Delhi.
- Speaker "Compliance to Medications: Practical Consideration" on the occasion of Smart Medication Day "Be Vigilant of Medication error" organized by PGIMER, Chandigarh under the aegis of Indian Pharmacological Society (IPS) on May 5, 2024.
- Speaker to "Optimize the use of antimicrobials in human healthcare - Delhi Best Practices" in National Consultation organized by National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) Delhi and WHO Country Office for India on 2-3 May 2024 at NCDC
- Faculty "Medication Errors and its importance in Pharmacovigilance" in 31st Skill Development Programme organized by Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, November 19, 2024.
- Speaker "Diagnostic Stewardship" MediSafe Con organized by Peerless Hospital, Kolkata on September 28, 2024, at Kolkata.
- Faculty "Medication Safety for Healthcare Administrators" at 100th Training course for Senior Hospital Administrators conducted by National Institute of Health & Family Welfare (NIHFW) on September 3, 2024, at New Delhi.
- Resource Person for 5-Day certificate Programme on "National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS)" organized by Academy of Hospital Administration (AHA), on September 10, 2024, at Noida.
- Panellist for Pre-Conference workshop "Implementing Antibiotic Stewardship Program" Organized by Sarvodaya Healthcare & G-SPARC, August 11, 2024.
- Resource Person for 5-Day certificate Programme on "National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS)" organized by Academy of Hospital Administration (AHA), on May 10, 2024, at Noida.
- Faculty for Certificate Course in Patient Safety & Communication (CCPSC) for Medical Officers, Staff Nurse & Lab Technicians, co-organized by Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI), NHSRC and Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, May 7, 2024, at Bhopal.
- Faculty for 9th Certificate Course in Antimicrobial stewardship (CCAMS), course co-organized by Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) and Delhi Society for Promotion of Rational Use of Drugs held on April 22-26, 2024.
- Faculty for QM & AHO Diploma 44th batch 2024 organized by Academy of Hospital Administration (AHA), on April 4, 2024, at Noida.
- Panellist for National Nursing Conclave "Interdisciplinary collaboration for enhancing patient safety" Organized by Sarvodaya Healthcare May 3, 2024.

ACCOLADES

DSPRUD’s initiatives continued to receive wide recognition through 2024–25. The Certificate Course on Antimicrobial Stewardship (CCAMS), now in its 10th batch, was praised by participants for being practical, engaging, and highly relevant in addressing antimicrobial resistance. Health professionals appreciated the structured design, strong conceptual grounding, and clinical applicability, with several calling it a “much-needed” program that clarified complex stewardship strategies. Online discussions and CME sessions organized by DSPRUD also drew accolades from pharmacists, clinicians, and academicians across India and abroad, highlighting the team’s leadership in promoting rational antibiotic use, clinical decision-making, and patient safety. Multiple participants credited the courses and panel discussions with sharpening their prescribing skills and equipping them to reduce AMR in real-world practice. These consistent endorsements underscore DSPRUD’s reputation as a trusted national and regional leader in advancing antimicrobial stewardship, standard treatment guidelines, and rational medicine use.



Accolades for CCAMS course 10th Batch Held on Feb 24-28, 2025



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Together, these partnerships have played a pivotal role in advancing DSPRUD's mission to promote rational medicine use, patient safety, and public health impact nationwide.



**We thank you for your continued
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