

SCHEDULE – Day 1

Fri, 05th Dec 2025

08:30 am – 09:30 am

Registration

Lobby on Ground Floor

Yellapragada Subbarao Auditorium
Level –2 | **Lead > Transform**

Hall A: Caregiver Sessions
Level –1 | **Empower > Act**

Hall B: Care Provider Sessions
Level –2 | **Implement > Scale**

09:30 am – 10:15 am

Plenary Keynote: Building Dementia Inclusive Mental Health System

Chair: Radha S Murthy | Co Chair: Iracema Leroi

The Canadian Path from Policy to Practice – Renuka Prasad

Integrating Dementia into India's Public Health System – Rajinder K Dhamija

10:15 am – 11:45 am

The Landscape of Dementias

Chair: Vengamma Bhuma

Alzheimer's Disease – G Butchi Raju

Young Onset and Atypical AD – Venkateswarlu Kolichana

Frontotemporal Dementia – G Kishore Babu

Treatable Dementias – Madhusudana Babu

Vascular Dementias – K Satya Rao

Minimal Cognitive Deficit – Kota Suresh Kumar

11:45 am – 01:15 pm

Recent Updates Symposium

Chair: Bhuvaneswaran

MCI – S Gopi

Biomarkers in Dementia – Sateesh Kumar T

Recent Advances on Management of Dementia

– PSSV Haritha

Emerging Drug Therapies in Management of

Dementia – Akella Krishna Sowmya

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Kranthi Swaroop Kuma

11:45 am – 01:15 pm

Workshop:

What I still have not what I have Lost –

Reframing the Softer Side of Dementia Care –

Kachina Chawla, Beth Nolan

10:15 am – 11:15 am

Dementia-Friendly Ecosystem

Building Dementia-Friendly Primary
Health Clinics, Hospitals, Public Spaces
– A Scalable Model

Moderator: Pretesh Kiran

Prem Narasimhan

Srikala Bharath

Anu KN

11:15 am – 01:15 pm

Closed Room Session

SABHI – Leadership Training for
Brain Health: South Asia and the World
An Initiative of GBHI, NIMHANS and DIA

Chair: Mathew Varghese

Iracema Leroi

PT Sivakumar

Ramani Sundaram

01:15 pm – 02:00 pm

Lunch & Networking

Lunch at Auditorium Annex in Level –2 and Central Courtyard in Level –1
Poster Presentation in Level –2 | Exhibitor Stalls in Level –2

02:00 pm – 03:00 pm

Emerging Trends Plenary

Chair: Venkateswarlu Kolichana

Emerging Alzheimer's Treatment –

Vengamma Bhumma

Dementia Services in India – Current Status

and Future Needs – Sridhar Vaitheswaran

DemSupport: A Post-Diagnostic Dementia Support

Initiative by NIMHANS and DIA – PT Sivakumar

02:00 pm – 03:00 pm

Workshop:

Care for Caregivers Through Cultivating Compassion
and Resilience: Mindfulness Practices for Caregivers
of Individuals with Dementia – Aruna Sri Sikha

Caring for Caregiver – Exercise Based Approach –

Nisha Ramachandran

02:00 pm – 03:00 pm

Workshop:

Workshop for Physiotherapy Students –
Mahima Dani

Role of Physiotherapy intervention
in Dementia – Pavan Kumar

03:00 pm – 04:00 pm

Inaugural Session

04:00 pm – 04:30 pm

Tea & Networking

Refreshments at Auditorium Annex in Level –2
and Central Courtyard in Level –1

04:30 pm – 05:30 pm

Assessments for Dementia

Chair: Rekha Dutt

Neurological – Anuradha N

Psychiatric – NN Raju

Caregiver-Based – Abhishek R

Cognitive Assessments at MOSJE Old Age Homes:

Insights and Outcomes – Priya Rose KJ

04:30 pm – 05:30 pm

Symposium: Co-morbidities in Dementia

Chair: K Satya Rao

Implementing Cognitive Screening in a

Tertiary Diabetes Specialty Centre – Uthra SC Bose

Cardiovascular Diseases and Dementia – P Ramana Rao

Managing comorbidities through Ayurveda –

Rakesh Nair

04:30 pm – 05:30 pm

Symposium: Technologies
for Dementia

Chair: Pavithra Gangadharan

Improvement in Cognitive Performance
with Brain Training Games: Impact of
Age and Practice – Sumiti Saharan

Enhancing Access to Dementia Care

through Technology-Based Interventions

Using the CT App – SP Goswami

ECHO Tele-mentoring Model for

Capacity Building – Sandeep Bhalla

SCHEDULE – Day 2

Sat, 06th Dec 2025

Yellapragada Subbarao Auditorium
Level -2 | **Lead > Transform**

08:00 am – 09:00 am
Paper Presentations
Chair: Prabha Adhikari

09:00 am – 10:00 am
Symposium: Multidimensional Approaches to Dementia
Chair: Pretesh Kiran
Autonomic Dysfunction and Behavioural Symptoms in Dementia: Toward a Neurovisceral Framework – Sravani G
Frailty and Dementia: The Silent Collision – Mahima Dani
Integrative Genetic–Exosomal–Digital Twin Framework for Early Detection and Continuum Mapping in AD – Venkata SM

10:00 am – 10:45 am
Cohort Studies in Ageing
Chair: Renuka Prasad
Findings from LASI–DAD Study – Newer Insights on Dementia Research in India – Mathew Varghese, Pranali K, Joyita Banerjee
CBR–SANS COG and CBR–TLSA cohorts: Update on Recent Findings – Jonas S Sundarakumar

10:45 am – 11:30 am
Public Function

11:30 am – 12:00 noon
Coffee & Networking

12:00 noon – 01:30 pm
Geriatric Medicine Symposium
Chair: NN Raju
Vascular Dementia & Response to Pramipexole – Prabha Adhikari
Polypharmacy and Deprescribing in Geriatric Patients with Cognitive Impairment – Dharshitha Varigonda
Dementia care Paradigm – Prem Narasimhan
Cancer and Cognition – Anupa Pillai
Rehabilitation Strategies for Elderly with Dementia – Steve Paul
Decade Of Dementia Care – Still Connecting The Dots! – Anand P Ambali

01:30 pm – 02:15 pm
Lunch & Networking

02:15 pm – 03:45 pm
Panel Discussion: Palliative care in Dementia
Chair: NS Raju
Nandini Vallath, Roop Gursahani, Seema Rao, Vidya Viswanath

03:45 pm – 04:30 pm
Dementia- Policy, Advocacy and Rights
Moderator: Srikala Bharath
Legal Perspective of Euthanasia: Emerging Trends – R Venkata Rao
Strategic Dovetailing of holistic Dementia Care into India's Health and Elder Care Policies – Renu Vohra
Dementia Care in India: A Policy Report – Pranathi Ramachandra

04:30 pm – 05:30 pm
Symposium: Community Approach to Dementia Care
Chair: Sridhar Vaitheswaran
Dementia in Community Settings: A Perspective – Manoj Kumar
Dementia Screening & Care in Rural and Urban Underprivileged Areas in India – Challenges and Potential Solutions – Pretesh K
National Dementia Support Line (NDSL): Patterns of Use, Reach, and Impact – Vaishnavi Karnik
Caregiver Support Group: Insights from DIA – Hema Palakodeti

Hall A: Caregiver Sessions
Level -1 | **Empower > Act**

08:00 am – 09:00 am
Paper Presentations
Chair: Nidhi Mishra

09:00 am – 10:00 am
Symposium: Psychosocial Management in Dementia
Chair: Nilanjana Maulik
From Burnout to Balance: Practical Strategies for Managing Caregiver Stress – Ravi Soni
Approach to Communication, Activities & Environment – Ravikanth K
Expressive and Emotion–Based Therapies in Dementia Care – Nidhi M
Aggression in Dementia Form Models to Management – Anusha N

10:00 am – 10:45 am
Workshop for Professional Caregivers
Building Emotional Intelligence for Dementia Care: Skills for Professionals and Family Caregivers – Nilanjana Maulik

Refreshments at Auditorium Annex in Level -2 and Central Courtyard in Level -1

12:00 noon – 01:30 pm
RRTC Ageing Workshop
Exclusively for Representatives of Old Age Homes

Lunch at Auditorium Annex in Level -2 and Central Courtyard in Level -1
Poster Presentation in Level -2 | Exhibitor Stalls in Level -2

02:15 pm – 03:45 pm
Workshop: Care for Caregivers
N Vyjaaynthi Venkataramu

04:30 pm – 05:30 pm
Symposium: Strategies in Dementia Care: Perspectives from Multi-Disciplinary Team
Chair: Kota Suresh Kumar
Communication, Speech, & Language in Dementia – Anusha A
Reclaiming Moments of Mind: Cognitive Stimulation in Dementia Care within the Indian Context – Tanvi Mallya
Food, Nutrition and Safe Feeding Practices in Dementia – Shweta Iyer
Bridging Care Gaps: Social worker Approach – Rachita Rao

Hall B: Care Provider Sessions
Level -2 | **Implement > Scale**

08:00 am – 09:00 am
Paper Presentations
Chair: S Gopi

09:00 am – 10:45 am
Livelihood & Dementia
A DIA and UWM Initiative (Invite only)
Shailesh Wagle
Shreya Parashar
Adil Qureishi

12:00 noon – 12:45 pm
Workshop: Differentiating Dementia from Pseudodementia
Malladi Srinivasa Sastry

12:45 pm – 01:30 pm
Workshop: Nursing Students- Compassion in Action
Sr Hanife MacGamwell

02:15 pm – 03:45 pm
Symposium: Care providers
Chair: S Premkumar Raja
Best Practices in Residential Dementia Care – Neha Sinha
Impact of 24×7 Nurse Manager Access on Reducing Unwanted Hospital Visits – Rahul Padmanabhan
DemClinic: From Community Screening to Clinical Care – Chippy Sebastian
Dementia Care–giving Burden or Joy? – Sailesh Mishra

03:45pm – 04:30 pm
Workshop for Psychology and Social Work Students
Two Minds, One Journey: Understanding Mental Health in People Living with Dementia and Their Caregivers – Tanvi Mallya