



33rd Annual International Conference of the Indian Association of Palliative Care (IAPC)



Pre Conference Workshop : 12th February 2026

Conference : 13th - 15th February 2026

Venue - Sparsh Hospice

Organized by: Sparsh Hospice, Hyderabad & Basavatarakam Indo-American Cancer Hospital and Research Institute, Hyderabad

Neuropalliative care in Action: Dignity, Dialogues and Home

Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Duration: 6 hours

S.No.	Session	Facilitators	Time
	Welcome and pre-test		9:00 am
	Introductions and ice breaker	Dr Priya Thomas NIMHANS NPC team	
	Setting the context and expectations		
1	Neuropalliative care: Revisiting the concepts	Dr Roop Gursahani	10.00 am
2	Nursing guidelines in Neuropalliative care	Ms Susan J	11.00 am
Break			
3	Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) in neuro-palliative care	Ms Arshida	11: 45 am
4	Distress screening and addressing grief in the context of neuropalliative care	Dr Gargi S Kumar Mr Kailash Ganga	12. 30 pm
Lunch Break			
5	Preserving Dignity and Identity in Progressive Neurological Conditions.	Dr Priya Thomas Dr Gargi S Kumar Mr Kailash Ganga	2.15 pm
Break			
6	Compassion at the doorstep: The paradox of home in neuropalliative care	Ms. Soja Joseph NPC Team	3:30 pm
	Post-test, valedictory and feedback	NIMHANS NPC team	4:30 pm

Faculty:

Dr Roop Gursahani, Consultant Neurologist, Hinduja Hospital, Mumbai

Dr Priya Thomas, Professor, Dept of PSW, NIMHANS, Bengaluru

Dr Gargi S Kumar, Assistant Professor, Vidyashilp University, Bengaluru

Mr Kailash Ganga, Senior Psychiatric Social Worker and Research Scholar, NIMHANS

Ms Soja Joseph, Social Worker, Neuropalliative care, NIMHANS

Ms Arshida P, Speech and Language Pathologist, Neuropalliative care, NIMHANS

Ms Susan John, Senior Nurse, Neuropalliative care, NIMHANS



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