

## EVENT REPORT

### Faculty Development Program (FDP)

Sri Chamundeshwari Medical College Hospital & Research Institute (SCMCH & RI)

Venue: ACS Auditorium

Date: 17th November 2025

Time: 11:00 am – 12:30 pm

### Event Schedule

Time	Session	Details
11:15 – 11:20 am	Opening & Welcome	Welcome by Emcee; dignitaries invited to the dais
11:20 – 11:25 am	Lighting of the Lamp	Dignitaries perform lamp lighting; <i>Shubham Karoti</i> played
11:25 – 11:27 am	Introduction to the Event	Overview of FDP themes
11:27– 11:35 am	Opening Remarks	Address by <b>Principal – Dr. Pravin G U</b>
11:35 – 11:38am	Introduction of First Speaker	Introduction of <b>Dr. Suchitra R</b> by <b>Dr Kirthana Kunikullaya U</b>
11:38 – 12:40 pm	Session 1	Talk by <b>Dr. Suchitra R</b> (45–50 minutes) – <i>“Importance and Benefits of Communication Skills”</i>
12:40 – 12:45 pm	Introduction of Second Speaker	Introduction of <b>Dr. Gangadhar BHM</b> by <b>Dr Dharani V C</b>
12:45 –1:20pm	Session 2	Talk by <b>Dr. Gangadhar BHM</b> (35-40 minutes) – <i>“Transforming Molecular Diagnostics and Precision Health in India”</i>
1:20 – 1:25 pm	Acknowledgment	Reflections on sessions by <b>Dr. Deepthi</b>
1:25 –1:30 pm	Felicitation Ceremony and conclusion	Felicitation of both speakers

(All Photographs in Annexure 1)

## 1. Introduction

The Scientific Committee of SCMCH & RI, in collaboration with **BioCipher Labs**, organized a **Faculty Development Program (FDP)** on 17th November 2025 at the ACS Auditorium. The event focused on two key themes crucial for modern healthcare practice:

- **Communication Skills for Healthcare Professionals**
- **Advances in Molecular Diagnostics & Precision Health**

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The FDP saw enthusiastic participation from faculty members, nurses, laboratory technicians, interns, and administrative staff. The program aimed to enhance communication competencies and provide deeper insights into emerging trends in molecular and genomic technologies.

## 2. Dignitaries and Guests

The event was graced by the presence of several esteemed dignitaries:

- **Chief Patron:** Dr. A.C. Shanmugam
- **Patron:** Sri A.C.S. Arun Kumar
- **Managing Trustee:** Smt. Lalithalakshmi
- **Executive Director:** Dr. S. Vijayanand
- **Medical Director:** Dr. Naveen S (in absentia)
- **Principal:** Dr. Pravin G U
- **Medical Superintendent:** Dr. Roshan Kumar (in absentia)
- **Vice Principals:**
  - Dr. Nanjaraju
  - Dr. Manjula A Patil

### Guest Speakers:

- *Dr. Suchitra R* — Expert in Ophthalmology and Communication Skills
- *Dr. Gangadhar BHM* — Molecular Biologist & Biotechnology Entrepreneur

### Organizing Leads:

- Dr. Dharani V C – Member Secretary, Scientific Committee
- Members of the Scientific Committee, SCMCH & RI

## 3. Event Proceedings

### 3.1 Opening & Welcome

The FDP commenced at 11:00 am with a warm welcome extended to all dignitaries, faculty, and participants. The dignitaries were invited to the dais, setting a dignified tone for the session.

### 3.2 Lighting of the Lamp



The ceremonial **lighting of the lamp** was performed by the dignitaries, symbolizing knowledge and enlightenment. The auspicious moment was accompanied by the devotional song “*Shubham Karoti Kalyanam.*”

### 3.3 Introduction to the Event

A brief overview of the FDP themes highlighted the importance of communication skills in healthcare and the rapidly evolving field of molecular diagnostics.

## 4. Keynote Sessions

### 4.1 Opening Remarks

**Dr. Pravin G U**, Principal, delivered the opening remarks emphasizing the relevance of continuous faculty development and the significance of the topics being addressed. (Photographs in Annexure 1)

## 5. Technical Sessions

### 5.1 Session 1: “Importance and Benefits of Communication Skills”

**Speaker:** *Dr. Suchitra R*

**Duration:** 45–50 minutes

Dr. Suchitra delivered a comprehensive session on:

- The role of communication in patient care
- Building trust and empathy
- Effective interpersonal skills among healthcare teams
- Structured communication models

One of the highlights of her session was an **interactive communication demo** involving participants:

- Ten volunteers from the audience were asked to stand in a line.
- The first participant was shown a specific sequence of actions by Dr. Suchitra.
- This participant then had to **communicate the action sequence to the next person**, who had **not seen the original demonstration**.
- This continued down the entire line, one person communicating to the next.
- By the time the action reached the **10th person**, the sequence had changed significantly.

This **engaging activity vividly illustrated how communication breaks down** when passed through multiple channels—mirroring real-life healthcare scenarios where:

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- Information is passed between nurses, residents, consultants, technicians, and support staff
- Miscommunication may lead to clinical errors
- Clarity, verification, and structured communication become essential

Participants thoroughly enjoyed the demonstration and reflected on the importance of precise communication in ensuring patient safety. Her engaging, interactive style resonated strongly with the audience. (Photographs in Annexure 1)

## 5.2 Session 2: “Transforming Molecular Diagnostics and Precision Health in India”

**Speaker:** Dr. Gangadhar BHM

**Duration:** 35–40 minutes

Dr. Gangadhar offered deep insights into:

- Precision diagnostics for infections, cancer, and reproductive health
- Integration of AI with genomics
- Innovative diagnostic platforms developed by BioCipher

The session broadened participants’ perspectives on the future of laboratory medicine in India. (Photographs in Annexure 1)

## 6. Acknowledgement

**Dr. Deepthi**, Professor of Pathology, shared her reflections on both sessions. She highlighted the value of communication in clinical practice and appreciated the advancements presented by BioCipher. (Photographs in Annexure 1)

## 7. Felicitation Ceremony

Both speakers were honoured by **Dr. Pravin G U** and **Dr. Dharani V C** with tokens of appreciation. This was followed by photo sessions with dignitaries and participants. (Photographs in Annexure 1)

## 8. Conclusion

The Faculty Development Program successfully achieved its objectives of enhancing communication skills and introducing faculty to cutting-edge developments in molecular



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diagnostics and precision medicine. The sessions were well-received, highly informative, and beneficial for the diverse audience present. Around 70 students and staff participated in the event (Annexure 2 attached). The event was organised by the Scientific Committee of SCMCH & RI, with active contributions from Dr. Kirthana Kunikullaya U, Dr. Kruthi B. N., Dr. Deepthi, Dr. Dharani V.C, Ms. Sadhana, and Ms. Mallika, whose dedicated efforts were instrumental in the smooth conduct and successful completion of the program. The Scientific Committee looks forward to conducting more such enriching programs in the future.

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# Faculty Development Program; 17/11/2025 ANNEXURE 1



Photo 1: Pre-Inauguration



Photo 2: Welcome address by the Principal, Dr Pravin G U



Photo 3: Guests and Hosts on the dais

## Session 1



Photo 4: Introduction to Dr Suchitra R, by Dr Kirthana Kunikullaya U



Photo 5: Dr Suchitra R delivering her address on “ Importance & Benefits of Communication Skills”



Photo 6: Interactive Session

## Session 2



Photo 7: Introduction to Dr Gangadhar BHM, by Dr Dharani V C



Photo 8: Dr Gangadhar delivering his address on “Transforming molecular diagnostics and precision health in India”



Photo 9: Interactive session

## Felicitation Ceremony



Photo 10: Concluding remarks regarding the sessions by Dr Deepthi



Photo 11: Felicitation of Dr Suchitra R



Photo 12: Felicitation of Dr Gangadhar BHM