

ASPA & IAPA 2026

Scientific Sessions — Day 1 & Day 2

September 10–12, 2026 · CMC Vellore, India

Day 1 · September 11th, 2026

- Scudder Auditorium – Hall A
- Examination Hall (Hall B) Parallel Session (SIG)
- Parallel Session (Exam Hall First Floor) – E-poster Presentation on Day 1 (13:30 - 15:30)

TIME	HALL A · SCUDDER AUDITORIUM	HALL B · EXAMINATION HALL (PARALLEL)
		6.30 am - 7.30 am ORIENTATION TALK Introduction to Nature Observation, iNaturalist and eBird
7.30 am - 8.30 am	• Breakfast Session (Pre Booked) • General Conference Registration	
8.30 am - 9.30 am	PLENARY SESSION 1 Small Patients, Big Responsibilities: Safety First in Paediatric Anaesthesia • 15 min — Physiologic Vulnerability in Paediatric Anaesthesia — Agnes Ng Suah Bwee • 15 min — Learning Systems: From Incidents to Improvement — Rajeev Subramanyam • 15 min — Global Initiatives & their Local Impact — Soichiro Obara • 15 min — Q & A Chair: Neerja Bhardwaj / Subrahmanyam Maddirala	
9.30 am - 10.00 am	KEYNOTE ADDRESS 1 Dreaming Science with No Borders: Perspective from Global Collaborative Paediatric Anaesthesia Research Network • 25 min — Nicola Disma Chair: Elsa Varghese / Vrushali Ponde	

TIME	HALL A · SCUDDER AUDITORIUM	HALL B · EXAMINATION HALL (PARALLEL)
10.00 am - 10.30 am	PANEL DISCUSSION NORA Unplugged: Safety Beyond the Operating Room • 30 min — Ritu Pradhan, Aavula Murlidhar, Rakhee Goyal, Dilek Altun Moderator: Vivian Yuen	10.00 am - 10.50 am SPECIAL INTEREST PARALLEL SESSION Pain SIG • 25 min — Case-based interactive discussions — Angela Yeo, Ayuko Igarashi, Gezy Giwangkanaca, Genevieve Dsouza, Raylene Dias, Elizabeth Joseph, Deepti Manjunath • 5 min — Quick Myth buster to break myths surrounding procedural pain • 7 min — Roleplay on age-appropriate communication • 8 min — Care pathway for common procedures • 5 min — Conclusion Moderator: Anuradha Ganigara
10.30 am - 10.50 am	Tea Break	
10.50 am - 11.30 am	HOW I DO IT? Tiny Airway, Big Skills: How I Do It? • 15 min — Use of USG for the placement of cuffed ETT in neonates - Does it really matter?— Tariq Wani • 15 min — Tubeless Anaesthesia - DISE, Airway evaluation for suspected laryngo-tracheomalacia / stenosis— Benoit Beauve • 10 min — Q & A Chair: Kavisha Dissanayake / Ayuku Igarashi	
11.30 am - 12.40 pm	ACADEMIA Advanced Concepts in Neonatal Anaesthesia: Physiology, Pharmacology & Critical Decision-Making • 12 min — Beyond Basics: Advanced Neonatal Physiology & Its Anaesthetic Implications — Anju Benedon • 12 min — Neonatal Pharmacology: Precision Dosing & Drug Selection in High-Risk Situations — Dyugu Kara • 12 min — Managing the Critically Ill Neonate: Complex Scenarios & Decision-Making — S Ramesh • 12 min — Neonatal Neuro development Assessment and Procedural Pain— Angela Yeo Siok Hoong • 12 min — Q & A Chair: Rajani Sundar, Giuseppe A Marraro	11.45 am - 12.30 pm SPECIAL INTEREST PARALLEL SESSION Crisis Management • 15 min — The science behind the Leadership in OR (role of anaesthesiologists as leaders- including NTS)— Ina Ismiarti binti Shariffuddin • 15 min — Crisis Leadership: Planning, Response, and Resilience (emphasis on CRM, mock drills, post crisis management) — Preeta George • 15 min — Integrated Disaster Management: From Risk to Recovery (Natural disaster- flood, earthquakes etc) — Ritu Pradhan Chair: G. Priya / Ravi Kishore / Poonam Motiani

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12.40 pm - 1.10 pm	PANEL DISCUSSION Building a Culture of Safety in Resource-Limited Settings • 30 min — Panelists: Meera Kurup, Samzai, Verghese Cherian, M.S.R.C Murthy ----- Moderator: Pauline Wake	12.40 pm - 1.20 pm KAHOOT QUIZ
1.10 pm - 2.10 pm	Lunch & Networking	
2.10 pm - 2.40 pm	KEYNOTE ADDRESS 2 Education and Safety • 25 min — Rebecca Jacob ----- Chair: Zehra Serpil Ustalar Ozgen / Agnes Ng Suah Bwee	
2.40 pm - 3.40 pm	RECORDED SESSION New Horizons in Paediatric Anaesthesia • 15 min — Application of Automatic Closed-loop Anesthesia in Pediatric Surgery — Zheng Jijian • 15 min — From molecules to milestones: Anaesthesia impact on neuro development — Vesna Jevtovic-Todorovic • 15 min — Tubeless anaesthesia in thoracic surgery in children— Pan Shoudong • 15 min — Q & A	2.50 pm - 3.35 pm PARALLEL SESSION Smile Train Session • 15 min — Syndromic Babies Under Anesthesia: Challenges and Solutions— Mohammad Azam Danish • 15 min — Anaesthetic Management of the cleft palate— Usha Shenoy • 15 min — Post operative care of a shared airway — Anita Nehete ----- Chair: Vibhavari Naik /Faye Evans
3.40 pm - 4.25 pm	PRO-CON SESSION Debates in Paediatric Anaesthesia • 12+3 min — 1. Walking the tight rope; sip till send / conventional fasting— Subramanyam Vs Sandhya Y • 12+3 min — 2. Anaesthesia Impacting IQ of my kid_ Consent to include all information to parents Vs limited and relevant information— Gezy giwangkancana vs R. Jayanthi • 12+3 min — 3. Sick laparotomies -Bed side Vs Operation theatre— Genevieve D'Souza Vs Anjolie Chhabra ----- Moderator: Felicia Lim / Usha Nair / M.S.R.C Murthy	
4.25 pm - 4.40 pm	Tea Break	
4.40 pm - 5.30 pm	Final Quiz	
		5.30 pm - 6.30 pm AGM - ASPA

TIME	HALL A · SCUDDER AUDITORIUM	HALL B · EXAMINATION HALL (PARALLEL)
6.30 pm - 10.30 pm	Entertainment & Gala Dinner	

Day 2 · September 12th, 2026

- Scudder Auditorium – Hall A
- Examination Hall (Hall B) Parallel Session (SIG)
- Senate Hall C – 10 oral presentations
- 5 Prize winners (including all the categories) will be presenting in Scudder Auditorium

TIME	HALL A · SCUDDER AUDITORIUM	HALL B · EXAMINATION HALL (PARALLEL)
6.00 am - 8.00 am	Early Morning Campus Activity (EMCA)	
8.15 am - 8.30 am	ASPA 2027 Welcome by Team China • 15 min — Zhang Jijian	
8.30 am - 9.15 am	PLENARY SESSION Building Safer Practice: Education and Simulation in Paediatric Anaesthesia • 15 min — Building Competence and Confidence: Safety Courses in Paediatric Anaesthesia (PPLS, MEPA, ASPA safe drug dosing)— Zehra Serpil Ustalar Ozgen • 15 min — Point-of-Care Ultrasound: Competence, Credentials, and Ethics— Hee Soo Kim • 15 min — Q & A Chair: Lakshmi Kumar / Indu Sen	
9.15 am - 9.45 am	KEYNOTE ADDRESS 3 Paediatric Anaesthesia Fellowships: Workforce, Access and Return on Investment -Lessons from PATA and opportunities for Africa-Asia collaboration • 25 min — Faye Mazo Evans Chair: Masao Yamashita / S Ramesh	
9.45 am - 10.00 am	Tea Break	
10.00 am - 11.00 am	SYMPOSIUM Current Trends in Paediatric Regional Anaesthesia • 15 min — Caudal analgesia - Time tested or outdated? What are the new options emerging? — Vrushali Ponde • 15 min — Epidural in Neonates — Aki Uemura • 15 min — Novel ways to rehabilitate cerebral palsy children — Laksmi Vyas • 15 min — Q & A Chair: Ina Ismiarti binti Shariffuddin / Rufinah Teo	10.00 am - 11.00 am SPECIAL INTEREST PARALLEL SESSION Cardiac Anaesthesia Session • 12 min — Preop risk assessment in Cyanotic heart diseased children posted for non-cardiac surgery.— Rakesh Kumar (Moderator: Moderator: Lalitha Manickam/Cherian Verghese) • 15 min — Anaesthesia for a child with unrepaired cyanotic congenital heart disease posted for non cardiac emergency surgery. — Dilek Altun (Moderator: Moderator: Lalitha Manickam/Cherian Verghese) • 30 min — Panel Discussion — Lalitha Manickam, Dilek Altun, Rakesh Kumar, Kirubakaran D(Moderator: Moderator -Naveen Suda/Cherian Verghese) • 3 min — Q & A

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11.00 am - 11.50 am	PANEL DISCUSSION - STRIKING A BALANCE Paediatric Crossroads: Experts Debate the Most Challenging Management Dilemmas Panelists: Vibhavari Naik, Neerja Bhardwaj, Norifumi Kuratani, Chandrika Y.R., Sunidhara Reddy, Preethy J Mathew Moderator: Ekta Rai	
11.50 am - 12.50 pm	SYMPOSIUM - RECENT GUIDELINES / RESEARCH UPDATE Current Updates in Paediatric Anaesthesia 15 min — Transferring a sick neonate to OT: Is it needed always and how to make it safe?— Norifumi Kuratani 15 min — Safe Extubation: Key Concepts Every Anaesthesiologist Should Know— Pankaj Kundra 15 min — Paediatric Obesity - A Growing Challenge— Nandini Dave 15 min — Q & A Chair: Sapna Bhatla / Rodrigo Lopez Barreda	
12.50 pm - 1.10 pm	Group Pic	
1.10 pm - 2.00 pm	Lunch & Networking	
2.00 pm - 3.00 pm	BEYOND ANAESTHESIA 15 min — What do Sakura, or Cherry blossoms , symbolise for Japanese. — Masao Yamashita 15 min — Finding Serenity: Capturing Nature Through the Eyes of an Anaesthesiologist — Mohammed Azam Danish 15 min — Wellness and Anaesthesia — Rodrigo Lopez Barreda 15 min — Learning from post retirement journey dedicated to patient safety — Rajani Sundar	2.00 pm - 3.00 pm SPECIAL INTEREST PARALLEL SESSION WFSA Presidential Theme 2026-2028 - Anaesthesiology along the patient pathway 15 min — Introduction 15 min — The expanding role of anaesthesiologists in paediatric liver transplant pathways— Lakshmi Kumar 15 min — Preventing chronic post-surgical pain in children - anaesthesiologists' continuum of care— Rufinah Teo 15 min — From fear to trust - managing perioperative anxiety in children -- Anju Gupta Moderator: Vibhavari Naik/Suman Gupta
3.00 pm - 3.30 pm	Winning Presentations	
3.30 pm - 4.30 pm	Valedictory Function	