

# INDIAN CANCER SOCIETY NEWSCHITZ

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KARNATAKA EDITION

RISE AGAINST CANCER

#### Review

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The past two quarters have been dynamic and fulfilling, keeping our teams fully engaged and committed to our mission. A key highlight has been our outreach to school and college students through anti-tobacco awareness programs. Educating young minds about tobacco's dangers is vital in preventing long-term health risks, and we are heartened by the positive response from students and educators. We hope that these programs will lead to a lasting change in behaviour among the students.



We are inspired by the unwavering support of our donors and volunteers. We extend special gratitude to Oracle and Rubrik volunteers for their unstinting time and effort.

On the same note, meeting our passionate emotional counselling volunteers at the "Empathy in Action" event was truly inspiring, as they shared impactful field stories. With continued commitment and strong partnerships, we look forward to scaling new heights.

STUDENT FOCUSSED

# NTI TOBACCO DRIVE

162 Schools and Colleges covered

14,331 Students participated





# **CANCER AWARENESS**





Hope and Joy Fest to mark Childhood Cancer awareness month (September)



Survivors Celebrating Life and motivating others during Relay for Life at Microsoft and SAHS, Jain University



Movember - Men's Cancer Awareness month powered by Oracle Volunteers







Rubrik employees coloured cheer cards for cancer patients

# Impact

# **Beneficiaries - Jul to Dec 2024**

# AWARENESS

Direct Beneficiaries 17,676

Health care workers trained 977

No of awareness sessions 219



#### **SCREENING**

Oral Cancer screened 16569

Screened for Breast cancer 9492

Checked for Cervical cancer 6479

No of screening camps 219



### **PATIENT SUPPORT**

**Emotional Counseling Beneficiaries** 1007

Nutritional Kit Beneficiaries 2863

Wigs & Prostheses distributed 152

Financial support Beneficiaries 406

Hair donations received 482





# An excerpt from the Lancet Study titled Unveiling the cancer epidemic in India: A glimpse into GLOBOCAN 2022 and past patterns

#### **Findings**

The five most prevalent cancers affecting both genders collectively account for 44% of cancer burden in India. Notably, females exhibit higher crude incidence (104.5) and crude mortality (64.2) rates compared to males (91.5 and 62.2), based on 0.676 billion females and 0.731 billion males' populations in 2022. The middle-aged and geriatric-cohorts account the heaviest (70%) cancer burden with higher crude rates (315.9–543.1 incidents, 215.6–407.8 mortalities). Alarmingly, cancer-related mortalities have increased faster among females (1.2–4.4% APC) than males (1.2–2.4% APC) over the past decade, and are expected to continue rising over coming two decades.

#### Interpretation

Approximately three out of every five individuals in India succumb to death following a cancer diagnosis, as per the GLOBOCAN 2022 incidence (1,413,316) to mortality (916,827) ratio. Childhood and reproductive age-group individuals bear the lowest risk of developing (0.12–2.4%) and dying (0.08–1.3%) from cancer compared to their middle-aged and geriatric counterparts, having highest risks of developing (8.3–10.3%) and dying (5.5–7.7%) from cancer. As the population of India transitions from the reproductive age group to the middle age and geriatric age group, the India is anticipated to witness the highest cancer burden of all-time in near future, potentially exacerbated by the looming epidemic.







We are happy to share that Bagchi Karunashraya Palliative Care Centre was recently inaugurated in Bhubaneshwar, Odisha



ICS Branch Office moved to a new address in Kalaburagi



# **Empathy in Action: Workshop for Emotional Counselling Volunteers**



The 'Empathy in Action' Workshop for ICS Volunteers celebrated the vital role of Emotional Counselling Volunteers in supporting cancer care. Experts and volunteers came together to share knowledge, experiences, and tools to empower their mission for a healthier, more informed society.



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