



World Hospice and Palliative Care Day International Conference

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Alpha Hospice Premises
Edamuttam, Thrissur, Kerala, India

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Pain Management

An Essential Part of Palliative Care



WORLD HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE DAY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Jointly organised by
Indian Association of Palliative Care (IAPC) & Alpha Palliative Care

09, 10 & 11 October 2026

at Alpha Premises, Edamuttam, Thrissur, Keralam.

Day 1 – Programme

07.00 AM to 08.00AM	: Breakfast
08.00 AM to 09.00AM	: Registration
09.00AM to 11.00 AM	: Inaugural Session
09.00 AM	: A Tour of Alpha Hospice
09.30	: Walkathon Flag-off
	Shri.T. Narayanan IPS, DIG, Thrissur Range

Session-1

10.00-11.30 AM

Welcome Speech
Presidential address
Chair
Co-chair

Inauguration

Chief Guest
Additional Chief Guest
Felicitations

Vote of Thanks

: Topic: World Day Students Seminar Inaugural Session

: Suresh Sreedharan, Community Director, Alpha Palliative Care
: Shri. K.M. Noordeen, Chairman, Alpha Palliative Care.
: Dr. P. Raveendran, Vice Chancellor, Calicut University
: Prof. (Dr.) Mohanan Kunnummal, Vice Chancellor,
Kerala University of Health Sciences

: Shri. Ramesh Chennithala

Hon. Minister for Home and Vigilance, Keralam
: Shri. N. Shamsudheen, Hon. Minister for General Education
: H.E. Abdulla Al Owais, Chairman, Sharjah Chamber
: Shri Sanoj Herbert, Manappuram Group
: Shri K.M. Ashraf, Manappuram Group
: Various Principals from Participating Schools
: Smt. K.A. Kadijabi, Convenor, Alpha Governing Council

Session-2

11.30-01.00PM

Welcome Speech
Chair
Co-chair

Speaker

Felicitations

Vote of Thanks

12.30 PM to 1.30 PM

: Topic: Role of Youth in Compassionate India

: Shri Mohamed Rafi, Co-Director, Alpha Hospice
: Dr. Sunny Kurian, Trustee, Alpha Charitable Trust
: CA Ravi Kannampillil, Trustee, Alpha Charitable Trust
: Mr. Ramesh T.V, Secretary. General, Alpha Overseas Council
: **Dr. Shashi Tharoor, Hon. MP, Author,**
Former Asst. Secretary General of United Nations
: Prof. (Dr.) D. Mavoothu, Vice Chancellor, MG University
: Dr. T. Sajitha Rani, Vice Chancellor, Kerala Agri. University
: Prof. Ciza Thomas, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit
: Shri. Girish Menon, President, Alpha Overseas Council

: Lunch

Session-3

1.30 PM to 02.30 PM

Welcome Speech
Chair
Co-Chair

Main Speaker

Felicitations
Vote of Thanks

: Topic: Inclusive Education

: Dr. T.P. Jameela, Member, Alpha Governing Council
: Prof. Kusumam Joseph, Board Member, SAPC
: Dr. C. T. Anitha, Principal, S.N. College, Nattika
: Dr. Sameena Kalathodi, Principal, MES Asmabi College
: **Shri. Roji M. John, Hon. Higher Education Minister**
: Various Principals from participating colleges
: Shri. V.J. Thomson, Member, Alpha GC

Session-4

02.30 PM to 3.30 PM

Welcome Speech
Chair
Co- Chair

Main Speaker

Vote of Thanks

: Topic: Life before Death

: Dr. Jose Babu, Medical Director, Alpha Palliative Care
: Dr. T.P. Sreedevi, DMO, Thrissur
: Dr. Indu P S, Principal, Govt. Medical College, Thrissur
: Dr. Betsy Thomas, Principal, Amala Institute of Med Sciences.
: Dr. M.A. Andrews, Principal
Jubilee Mission Medical College Hospital, Thrissur
: **Dr. K. Suresh Kumar**
Director, Institute of Palliative Medicine, Kozhikode
: Shri. Shafeer Karumathra, Member, Alpha GC

Session-5

03.30 PM to 04.30 PM

Welcome Speech
Inauguration
Main Speaker

Chair

Co- Chair

Vote of Thanks

: Topic: Corporate Social Responsibility

: Mr. Abdul Jabbar, CMD, Hotpack Global
: Shri. Ramesh Shah, Chairman, Joy of Helping, USA
: **Shri Siddharth Balachandran**
Chairman, Indian Business & Professional Council, Dubai
: Shri Lalu Samuel
Chairman, Indian Business & Professional Council, Sharjah
: Shri. V.I. Abdhul Saleem, Executive Director, Lulu International
: Shri O.V. Mustafa, MD. Gargash Insurance, UAE
: Shri Abdul Raheem, Chairman, IBPC, RAK
: Ms. Suma Velekat, Trustee, Alpha Charitable Trust
: Dr. Sirajudeen, Director, Alpha Hospice

Session-6

04.30 to 5.30 PM

Welcome Speech
Inauguration
Chair
Co-chair

Main Speaker

Felicitations

: Topic: Business Leaders for Palliative Care

: Dr. K.K. Mohandas, Founding Director, Alpha
: **Shri. Kochouseph Chittilappilly, Chairman, KC Foundation**
: Shri. Joy Alukkas, CMD, Joyalukkas Group
: Shri Abdul Jaleel, President, Thrissur Chamber of Commerce
: Abdul Salam, Vice President, Malabar Gold & Diamonds
: **Shri. T.S. Pattabhiraman, Chairman, Kalyan Sarees**
: Shri. T.S. Kalyana Raman, CMD, Kalyan Jewellery.
: Mr. Paul Thomas, CMD, ESAF Bank
: President, Thrissur Chamber of Commerce & Industry
: President, Thrissur Management Association

Vote of Thanks

05.30 to 06.00 PM

06.00 to 08.00 PM

Welcome Speech
Chair

Inauguration

Chief Guest

Vote of Thanks

6.45 to 8.30 PM

8.30 PM

: District Governor, Lions International
: District Governor, Rotary International
: Regional Manager, State Bank of India
: Regional Manager, ICICI
: Regional Manager, Federal Bank Ltd
: Regional Manager, South Indian Bank
: Shri. V.S. Sugunan, Qatar
: Shri. CV Rappai, Qatar
: Shri. Chandramohan, Governing Council Mmember

: Tea Break

: Cultural Evening

: Prof. Kusumam Joseph, Board Member, SAPC
: K.M. Noordeen, Chairman
: Padma Bhushan Mallika Sarabhai
Chancellor, Kerala Kalamandalam Deemed University
: Shri. Sathyan Anthikkad, Film Director &
Chief Patron, Alpha Palliative Care
: Ms. Nirupama Ramesh

: Cultural Programme

: Dinner

Day 2 Programme

07.00 to 08.00 AM

08.00 to 09.00 AM

09.00 - 10 AM

10.00 to 01.00PM

Welcome Speech

Chair

Co-Chair

: Breakfast
: Registration
: A Tour of Alpha Hospice
: International Conference Official Inauguration
: Shri. VP Nandakumar
CMD, Manappuram Group & Chief Patron,
World Hospice & Palliative Care International Conference
: Dr. Geeta Joshi, President, Indian Association of Palliative Care
: K.M. Noordeen, Chairman, Alpha Charitable Trust
: Shri. Mohamed Ali Seashore, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri. Ashraffali MA, Lulu International
: Shri. Salim MA, Lulu International
: Shri. Abdhul Saleem, Lulu International
: Shri. Althaf, Lulu International
: Shri. Shanavas MA, Lulu International
: Dr Sunny Kurian, Alpha Charitable Trust
: CA Ravi Kannampillil, Alpha Charitable Trust
: Ms. Suma Velekat, Alpha Charitable Trust
: Mrs. Thahira Noordeen, Trustee, Alpha Charitable Trust
: Shri. Arif Sayani, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri.V.A.Hassan, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri.Shashidharan, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri. Abdul Jebbar, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri. Anees Moideen, Hon. Architect, Alpha Hospice
: Shri. Umakant Sanghal, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri. Davide Dondena, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri. Girish Menon, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri. T.V. Ramesh, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Dr. Sirajudeen, Director, Alpha Hospice

: Shri. Faisal Riyas Noordeen, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri. Firoz Riaz Noordeen, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Abdul Razak Puthiyaveetil, Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri C.V. Rappai, Former Director, NORKA
: Mr. Sugunan V.S, Former Treasurer, Alpha Hospice
: Ms. Kadijabi, Governing Council Convener
: Shri. Thomson, Governing Council Member
: Shri. Chandramohan, Governing Council Member
: Shri. Shafeer Karumathra, Governing Council Member
: Dr. T.P. Jameela, Governing Council Member
: Ms. Anita Bali, CSR Director, Alpha Hospice
: Prof. Kusumam Joseph, Principal, Alpha Inst. of Pal. Sciences
: Mr. Rasheed Athira, Former Secretary, Alpha Hospice
: Mr. Babu, Former President, Alpha Hospice
: Dr. Jose Babu, Medical Director, Alpha Hospice
: Dr Neil Deuchar, Clinical Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri Suresh Sreedharan, Community Director, Alpha Hospice
: Shri Poulouse, Project Director
: Shri Sharon, Architect
: Shri Midhun Ramakrishnan, Works Manager

Inauguration

: Adv. V.D. Satheesan, Hon. Chief Minister of Keralam

Dedications

End of Life Care Block

90-bed Aratrika Centre

50-Machine Dialysis Centre

Alpha Institute of Pal.Sciences

Felicitations

: Shri. Suresh Gopi

Hon.Minister of State Petroleum and Natural Gas, Govt. of India

: Shri. P. K. Kunhalikutty, Hon. Industries Minister

: Shri. K. Muralidharan,Hon.Health Minister

: Shri. O.J. Janeesh, Hon. Youth Affairs Minister

: Shri. Benny Behanan, Hon. Member of Parliament

: Smt. Geetha GopiMLA

: Shri. Thomas UnniyadanMLA

: Shri. K.K. ValsarajMLA

: Smt. Mary Thomas, District Panchayath President

: Dr. Niji Justin, Hon. Mayor, Thrissur Corporation

: Thalikkulam Block Panchayat President

Mathilakam Block Panchayat President

Valapad Grama Panchyat president

Edathiruthy Grama Panchayat present

: Shri Firosh Kalam, Trustee,Alpha Charitable Trust

: Lunch

Vote of thanks

01.00 PM to 02.00 PM

02.00 PM to 5.30PM: Scientific Sessions

TIME	HALL A	HALL B	Hall C
2:00-2.30 PM	Common Plenary Session: Why Pain Management is a Human Right: Global Perspectives & Local Realities. Speaker TBC.		
2.30 -3.00 PM	Parallel Focused Lecture- A Peaceful Death is a Human Right: Addressing the crisis of Anticipatory Medication Access at the End of Life in India. Dr Vineeth Thilakan, Associate Specialist Geriatrician, Kent Community Health, NHSFoundation Trust	Beyond the Pain Score: Understanding the whole person [Total Pain]. Speaker TBC	Malayalam sessions

3.00-3.30 PM	Opioid Stewardship. Speaker TBC	Beyond Pain: Practical Management of Breathlessness, Delirium, Nausea & Vomiting. Speaker TBC	Malayalam sessions
3.30-3.45 PM	Tea Break		
3.45-4.30 PM	Common Panel Discussion - The Living will , Dr Jose Babu, Medical Director, Alpha Palliative Care, Dr Neil Deuchar, ClinicalDirector, AlphaHospice, et al.		
4.30-5.00 PM	Bedside Diagnostics/point of Care Tests in High Dependency Palliative Care and Neuro-rehabilitation-How Far Can We Go Without Moving The Patient? Prof. Geeta Menon, National Clinical Director for Cancer and Diagnostics	Beyond Analgesics: A Multimodal Approach session to Pain Management. Speaker TBC	Malayalam sessions
5.00-5.30 PM	Parallel Focused Lecture- Frailty Syndrome: Prediction, Prevention, Palliation Dr. Vineeth Thilakan, Associate Specialist Geriatrician, Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust	Beyond Medicines: Integrating Non-pharmacological Approaches to pain management. Speaker TBC	Malayalam sessions

06.00 PM to 08.00 PM

08.00 PM to 09.00 PM

: Cultural Programme

: Gala Dinner

Day 3 Programme

07.00 AM to 08.00 AM

08.00 AM to 09.00 AM

09.00 AM to 12.30 PM

: Breakfast

: Registration

: Scientific Sessions

Time	Hall A	Hall B	Hall C
9:00–9:30 AM	Common Plenary Session: Palliative Emergency Response Unit (PERU) -A Novel Approach to Urgent Palliative Care. Dr. Ann Elizabeth Martin, Lead Doctor, Alpha Hospice; Mrs Elizabeth Lidya D'Silva, Lead Nurse, Alpha Hospice: Dr. Neil Deuchar, Clinical Director, Alpha Hospice.		
9:30–10:00 AM	Psychological Approaches in palliative care. Speaker TBC	Ethical Issues in Palliative care. Speaker TBC	Malayalam sessions
10:00–10:30 AM	Communication. Speaker TBC	Spirituality. Speaker TBC	Malayalam sessions
10:30–10:45 AM	Tea Break		
10:45–11:00 AM	Video messages from Wayne de Leeuw, Chief Executive, Dorothy House Hospice Care, U.K; and Ros Alstead OBE, FormerU.K. Nurse Director and now Alpha Hospice Senior Nursing Advisor.		
11.00-11.30 AM	Common Panel Discussion: An International Advisory Panel for Palliative Care (IAPPC) -Multidirectional Learning for World - class Hospice and Palliative Care Prof Geeta Menon, National Clinical Director for Cancer and Diagnostics England and Dr Neil Deuchar, ClinicalDirector, Alpha Hospice.		

11:30 AM–12:00 PM	Non-cancer Conditions- Heart Failure, COPD, CKD. Speaker TBC	Physiotherapy & Rehabilitation Approaches. Jithin Mathew, Chief Physiotherapist, Alpha Palliative Care.	Malayalam sessions
12:00–12:30 PM	Compassionate Leadership. Prof. Geetha Menon	Building supportive care networks. Azna Ismail, Lead Social Worker, Alpha Hospice with Dr. Neil Deuchar	Malayalam sessions

01.00PM	: Closing Ceremony
Welcome Speech	: Dr. Sanghamitra Bora, Secretary, IAPC
Inauguration	: Shri. Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan
	Hon. Speaker, Kerala Legislative Assembly
Chief Guest	: Smt. Sikha Surendran IAS, Hon. District Collector, Thrissur
Felicitation	: Dr. Neil Deuchar, Clinical Director, Alpha Hospice
Closing address	: Dr. Geeta Joshi& K.M. Noordeen
Vote of thanks	: Dr. Jose Babu, Medical Director, Alpha Palliative Care
02.00 PM	: Alpha Theme Song followed by National Anthem
2.30 PM- 5.00 PM	: Home Care Visits (Optional)