



# Christian Medical College Vellore

## NEWSLINE

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*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him,  
so that you may overflow with hope by the power of Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13*

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The Rural Unit for Health and Social Affairs, Christian Medical College Vellore organised a half-day workshop titled 'Policy Analysis of Cervical Cancer Screening in India' on 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2022 at Senate Hall, CMC. The aim of this workshop was to spotlight the feasibility of low-cost HPV-based screening versus visual inspection methods and cytology-based screening methods in the low resource settings of India. Dr. Rita Isaac, Professor & Principal Investigator, shared the experience of a recent study done under RUHSA Department titled 'Feasibility of cervical cancer screening programme in low-health-literacy regions of India (rural, urban poor, tribal) with HPV testing on self-collected samples as a primary screening modality'.

Top-level administrators in public health sector, gynaecologists, scientists from research institutions (Indian Council of Medical Research) and CMC partners (Community Health Department and College of Nursing) participated in the workshop. Dr. Shalini Singh, Director, ICMR - National Institute of Cancer Prevention and Research; Dr. Jerard Selvam, Additional Director, National Health Mission, Tamil Nadu; Dr. Ranajit Mandal, Professor and Head, Gynae-Oncology; Chittaranjan

## RUHSA organised a Workshop on 'Policy Analysis of Cervical Cancer Screening in India'

National Cancer Institute, Kolkata; Dr. Showket Hussian, Scientist, ICMR–NICPR and a team from Cancer Institute (WIA), Adyar – Dr. Vijayalakshmi Ramshankar, Professor & Head, Department of Preventive Oncology (Research), Dr. Malliga J.S., Associate Professor, Department of Preventive Oncology and Dr. Jayashree Natarajan, Assistant Professor Department of Gynaecological Oncology, Dr. John Fletcher, Professor, Department of Virology, CMC were the key speakers for the workshop.

The ensuing discussion was robust with a lot of sharing of ideas and methods. Having a variety of researchers and policy makers working at different levels, improved the perspectives of all present. The workshop ended with a note from Dr. Jerard about the TN government's journey towards a cervical cancer-free state and how the results and models discussed on the day opened up possibilities. The RUHSA–CMC model is one he considers practical and streamlined to scale up to the state level.

## 26<sup>th</sup> State Annual Conference of the Association of Medical Physicists of India (TN & PY chapter)

The 26<sup>th</sup> State Annual Conference of the Association of Medical Physicists of India, Tamil Nadu and Puducherry chapter (TN & PY AMPICON 2022), was organized by Medical Physics, Dr. Ida B. Scudder Cancer Centre, Department of Radiation Oncology on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2022 at the CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus. The conference, aptly themed “Embracing Technology – Overcoming Challenges” was well-represented by eminent physicists and attended by over 260 faculty and delegates, including participants from outside Tamil Nadu. It comprised of three orations and three Scientific sessions, all of which focused on the theme of the conference.



During the inaugural program, Dr. Thomas Samuel Ram, Associate Director for Missions, and Head of the Department of Radiation Oncology welcomed the gathering on behalf of the Director. Dr. Joy Michael, Vice-Principal (AHS) and Dr. Reuben Thomas Kurien, Deputy Medical Superintendent offered their felicitations and highlighted how the department had grown in leaps and bounds over the years, keeping pace with the new technological advancements in RT.

The presidential address was given by Professor Dr. P. Kaliyappan, Chairman of TN & PY AMPI, followed by the presentation of the annual report by Dr. G. Bharanidharan, Secretary of TN & PY AMPI. The Guest of Honour, Dr. T. Ganesh, Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology and former Head, Department of Medical Physics, AIIMS, New Delhi, delivered the inaugural address. He urged all medical physicists to actively work hand in hand with Radiation Oncologists and Technologists to develop newer technology and overcome the challenges for enhancing cancer care. The conference e-souvenir CDs were released in the inauguration function by the Guest of Honour. During this conference, Dr. D. Victor Raj and Dr. B. Paul Ravindran, Professors of Radiological Physics (Retd), CMC Vellore were honoured to commemorate their contribution to the Medical Physics field.

The highlights of the conference included several informative and enlightening talks by renowned experts such as Dr. Ghanshyam Sahani, Head, Medical and Research Applications Division, Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB), who talked about the challenges in regulation of new technology and the development of regulatory requirements. Dr. Paul Ravindran who highlighted the importance of Artificial Intelligence and its Applications in Medical Physics.



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Professor S. Panneer Selvam who enlightened the participants about the Evolution of MRT and its applications and Dr. Subhashini John who delivered the AROI Endowment Oration shared about her experience in the development in Radiation Oncology in CMC Vellore with support from the Medical Physics team. Dr. Sai Subramani shared his first-hand experience with the installation & commissioning of the First MR – Linac in India Dr. Dayananda Sharma presented his talk on the implementation of Total Marrow and Lymphoid Irradiation (TMLI) with Helical Tomotherapy. In addition, there were several oral presentations and poster presentations as well. The conference received positive feedback from both the faculty as well the participants. The organizing committee is extremely grateful to the CMC administration for providing the necessary permissions and the support services at the CMC Ranipet campus for making TN & PY AMPICON 2022 a successful conference.

The following candidates were winners in the TN & PY AMPICON–2022 (26<sup>th</sup> State Annual Conference of Association of Medical Physicists of India, Tamil Nadu & Puducherry Chapter) organized by Christian Medical College Vellore, Ranipet Campus on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2022.

- **Ms. Vismaya John**, Medical Physics Intern, Department of Radiation Oncology was awarded TN & PY PTW Best PAPER AWARD 2022 for oral presentation titled “A Comparison of Optimization Techniques For Hdr Intracavitary Brachytherapy” .
- **Ms. Rima Singhamahapatra**, 2<sup>nd</sup> year M.Sc. Medical Physics Student, Department of Radiation Oncology was awarded Prof. CYRIL. A. JAYACHANDRAN BEST POSTER AWARD for poster presentation titled “Calculation of Midplane Dose for Traditional and MLC-Based Conformal RT by Incorporation of Correction Factors for Off-Centered Targets in “In House” Developed EPID-Based In-Vivo Dosimetry Model”.
- **Mr. Sujith Christopher J**, Department of Bioengineering was awarded Professor T.N.B. NEDUNGADI BEST PAPER AWARD for oral presentation titled “Design and Development of 3D Printed Paediatric Phantom for Evaluating the Accuracy of Deformable Image Registration Technique and Patient Specific QA”.



January 08 -14, 2023

## Special Prayers This Week



**Anaesthesia** : Dr. Ekta Rai and Staff  
Dr. Tony Thomson Chandy and Staff  
Dr. Sajan Philip George and Staff  
Dr. Georgene Singh and Staff  
Dr. Satish Kumar D. and Staff  
Dr. Anita Shirley and Staff

**Operation Theatre** : Dr. Amit Jiwan Tirkey and Staff  
Mrs. Prisella Sam and Staff  
Mrs. Sonia P. Abraham and Staff

**SICU & HDU** : Dr. Subramani K. and Staff  
Dr. Sheela Durai and Staff

### *Christian Assemblies in India*

Council Members : Adv. Raju M. Koshy  
Mr. George Thomas

Hospitals : Tiruvalla Medical Mission, Sankeshwar  
Mission Hospital, Ambajipeta Women's  
Hospital, Narsapur Christian Hospital and  
others.

## Welcome

**Dr. Sivakumar Balasubramanian**, Professor, Department of Bioengineering, on his return from sabbatical leave.

## Memorandum

**Dr. Sudha Jasmin S**, Professor, is appointed as Head of Medicine Unit-III with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> January 2023 for a four year term.

## Retirement

**Mrs. Velvizhi Susil**, Multipurpose Health Worker Gr.II is retired on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 after completing 31 years of service in our institution. She completed MPHWP course in 1990 from SON, CSI Hospital, Ikkadu and joined CMC in August 1991. She worked in 'W' ward, Q1 East and in CSSD. She is sincere, hardworking and dependable. She is cheerful and plans patient care along with staff in the unit. She actively participates in programmes related to the ward and co-operates well with others on the team. She takes care of the CSSD equipment, maintaining regular inventory. She is very dedicated to the work and is positive. She is humble and maintains good interpersonal relationship. She is very caring personally and professionally.



Her husband Mr. Susil George was a driver. Her daughter Mrs. Hema Jebaselvi is doing Master of Social Work in Voorhees College, Vellore. Her son Mr. George Nova completed his B.Sc. (Radiology) in SRM College, Kattankulathur in November 2022. The CMC family is thankful to Mrs. Velvizhi Susil for her efficient and dedicated service to this institution and wishes her God's blessings in her retired life.

## Obituaries

• **Mr. Krithivasan**, father of Mr. R.K. Arun, Senior M.R.T Gr.I, Medical Records Department, passed away on 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2023. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

• **Mr. Nepolian**, father of Mrs. Ruth Hepsi, Sr. Staff Nurse in Dental OPD, passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2023. Let us uphold all the bereaved members of the family in our prayers.

## Situations Vacant

### **1(a) Registrar (Non-PG) with MBBS for the Department of Neurological Sciences**

Salary : As per Institutional Rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

### **1(b) Senior Resident Gr.III with M.D (General Medicine) for the Department of Neurological Sciences**

Salary : As per Institutional Rules. Accommodation Provided (Partly Furnished, Depending on availability).

Applications are to be done only through the online application system.

Please log on to <https://www.cmch-vellore.edu/JobVacancy.aspx?jtype=ALL> Link : "Vacancies".

**Hard Copies and emails will not be accepted.** Applications will close by **January 21, 2023** for Items 1(a) and 1(b).

### **2. Jr. Radiotherapy Technician (Project Mode) for the Department of Radiation Oncology**

Qualifications : B.Sc. in Radiotherapy Technology from any recognized University (Registered in ELORA from AERB, Mumbai).

Salary Scale : As per Institutional Rules. Age Limit : 35 Years.

**Note : Only Regular mode will be accepted, Private or correspondence will be not accepted.**

Applications to be done only through online application system.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link : General - "Vacancies".

**Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Applications will close on **January 23, 2023** for Item 2.

### **3. Staff Nurse (B.Sc.) to work in Nursing Service at Christian Medical College, Vellore.**

Candidates applying for the post of Staff Nurse will have to undergo three months "Competency Based Training".

Salary Scale : As per Institutional Policy.

Qualification: B.Sc. in Nursing Registration with the Tamil Nadu Nurses and Midwives Council is mandatory.

Age Limit : 21 - 32 Years.

Experience : B.Sc. in Nursing with one year experience as bedside nurse in minimum of 150 bedded hospital.

Applications to be done only through online application system. Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu>

Link: "Vacancies". **Note : Only online applications will be accepted; Hard copies will not be accepted.**

Applications will close by **January 31, 2023** for Item 3.

### **4. Jr. Engineer Gr.IV for Electrical, AC, Mechanical, Communications and Chittoor Campus**

Qualifications : DEEE / DME. Age Limit : Not more than 30 Years.

Salary : As per Institutional Norms.

**Candidates who have experience as Jr. Engineer under CMC Projects mode only need apply.**

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab: "Jr. Engineer Gr.IV".

**5. Accountant** to work in a project on Term Appointment basis. The term of appointment is co-terminus with the duration of the project. The project will be implemented under **CHAD**. The name of the project is "Vellore Typhoid Vaccine Impact Trial".

Qualifications : Graduate (B.Com). Age Limit : 30 years and below.

Consolidate Salary : As per Institutional Norms.

Please log on to <http://www.cmch-vellore.edu> Link: General - "Vacancies". Tab: "Accountant".

Applications should be made online. Applications through other Job Portals will not be considered.

Apply on or before **January 14, 2023** for Item 4 and **January 16, 2023** for Item 5.



**6. Ida Scudder School Association** invites applications for the following posts:

**(a) Vice-Principal for Ida Scudder School, Vellore - 632 006, Tamil Nadu (Affiliated to the CISCE, New Delhi)** – Applicants should be Christian candidates with post-graduation in any discipline with B.Ed / M.Ed, preferably in the age group of 40 - 55 years with adequate teaching and administrative experience in reputed schools. Excellent communication and leadership skills required.

**(b) Asst. Headmaster/ Headmistress for Campus Kids Corner, CMC Bagayam, Vellore** – Applicants should be Christian candidates with post-graduation in any discipline with B.Ed /M.Ed, preferably in the age group of 40 - 55 years with adequate teaching and administrative experience in reputed schools. Excellent communication and leadership skills required.

**(c) Headmistress for John Carman School, CMC Vellore, Ranipet Campus:** Applications are invited from dynamic, Christian candidates with post-graduation in any discipline with B.Ed /M.Ed, preferably in the age group of 35 - 45 years with adequate teaching and administrative experience in reputed schools. Excellent communication and leadership skills required.

**(d) Office Staff required for Ida Scudder School :**

**Accountant** – Eligibility : B.Com / M.Com / MBA with Tally and experience in dealing with finance. Candidates with experience and fluency in English will be given priority.

**Administrative Assistant** – Graduates below the age of 35 years, who are proficient in English and Computer can apply. Experience in School bus maintenance, handling government approvals will be preferred.

**Receptionist** – Applicants should be graduates / postgraduates with proficiency in English and Computers. Candidates with front desk experience will be preferred.

**(e) Office Staff required for Campus Kids Corner :**

**Office Assistant** – Applicants should be graduates / postgraduates with proficiency in English and Computers.

Eligible, interested, candidates may apply to The Correspondent Ida Scudder School, No.1, Kalinjur Main Road, Viruthampet, Vellore – 632 006, Tamil Nadu, or email to [applications@scudderschool.ac.in](mailto:applications@scudderschool.ac.in) on or before **February 15, 2023** furnishing the CV, latest passport size photograph, copies of all the necessary certificates and other related documents and contact details in the application format available at : <http://scudderschool.ac.in/careers-2/>

**7. Scudder Memorial Hospital (CSI - Diocese of Vellore)** invited applications for the post of :

**Staff Nurse.** Qualification : B.Sc.(N), DGNM, ANM. Age Limit : 35 Years.

Minimum experience : 3 Years. Salary : As per Institutional Norms.

Application with copies certificates to be sent to the following address / e-mail to **Dr. Anbu Suresh Rao, Medical Superintendent, No.3, Kelly's Road, Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet - 632 401.**

Email ID : [smhranipet@gmail.com](mailto:smhranipet@gmail.com) / [hrrsmh2021@gmail.com](mailto:hrrsmh2021@gmail.com) / [hrd@scudderhospital.org](mailto:hrd@scudderhospital.org)

Contact No. **04172-281-550 / 04172-281-502.** Apply on or before **January 20, 2023** for Item 7.

**8. Schieffelin Institute of Health - Research & Leprosy Centre, Karigiri - 632 106** invites applications for the following post : **Medical Records Officer**

Qualification : B.Sc. in Medical Record Science (BMRSc) with minimum 1 year of teaching experience.

Age : Below 30 Years.

Candidate can apply using Job Application available at <https://leprosyhealth.org>, career section and send along with scan copies of the certificates to [personnel@karigiri.org](mailto:personnel@karigiri.org)

Last date for receipt of applications is **January 14, 2023** for Item 8.