



AVATAR INDIA 2026

3rd Annual Conference of Avatar India Society

21st - 23rd August 2026

Taj Coromandel, Chennai

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PROGRAMME OVERVIEW



Day 1 - 22nd August 2026

HALL - A

TIME	TOPIC
8:00 AM onwards	Registration - Registration desk open
8:30 AM	Programme Starts - Start of Day 1 proceedings
8:30 – 9:30 AM	Session 1: Fundamentals and Controversies in Tunneled Catheters
8:30 – 8:40 AM	“Catheter - The necessary evil” – The Indian experience
8:40 – 8:50 AM	USG guided venous access – common errors and how to avoid them?
8:50 – 9:00 AM	“TCC – How to choose it right”?
9:00 – 9:20 AM	Debate: How to place a TCC? “Don’t be blinded by the Narrative” - Landmark driven placement “Fluoroscopy or Forget it” - Guided placement
9:20 – 9:30 AM	Discussions
9:30 – 10:30 AM	Session 2: Advanced Scenarios in Tunneled Catheters
9:30 – 9:40 AM	Over the Wire (OTW) exchange of TCC – When and how?
9:40 – 9:50 AM	“Think lateral - Think External Jugular”
09:50 – 10:00 AM	Femoral TCC - Tips and tricks
10:00 – 10:10 AM	TCC with a stent/pacemaker insitu - practice points
10:10 – 10:20 AM	Pediatric tunneled catheters
10:20 – 10:30 AM	Discussions
10:30 – 10:45 AM	Coffee Break
10:45 – 11:45 AM	Session 3: Troubleshooting Common TCC Challenges
10:45 – 11:00 AM	Dysfunctional TCC – Stepwise troubleshooting
11:00 – 11:20 AM	TCC related central vein thrombus and CRAT – Do’s and Don’ts
11:20 – 11:35 AM	Trouble in the Tunnel
11:35 – 11:45 AM	Discussions
11:45 AM – 12:15 PM	Memorial Lecture Prof Vidya Acharya Memorial Lecture: “Interventional Nephrology in India – The past, present and the future”

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12:15 – 12:50 PM	Industry Sessions
1:00 – 2:00 pm	LUNCH
2:00 – 3:10 PM	Session 4: Arteriovenous Access – Planning and Creation
2:00 – 2:10 PM	Look before you leap: How I screen before an AV Access creation?
2:10 – 2:25 PM	Underutilized access creation techniques
2:25 – 2:40 PM	AV Grafts – Are we using them enough?
2:40 – 3:00 PM	Debate: "AVF creation by Nephrologists vs Surgeons" Nephrologists - AVF! No big deal" Surgeons - "It's a Knife! We wield it better"
3:00 – 3:10 PM	Discussions
3:10 – 3:25 PM	Tea Break
3:25 – 4:40 PM	Session 5: Clinical Complications in AV Access
3:25 – 3:40 PM	"Immature AVF" – way forward
3:40 – 3:55 PM	Street smart ways to increase access longevity
3:55 – 4:10 PM	Thrombosed AVF – Options in a resource-limited setting
4:10 – 4:25 PM	"No Thrill? No problem" – Advanced endovascular techniques for thrombosed access
4:25 – 4:40 PM	Discussions
4:45 – 5:15 PM	Industry sessions
5:15 - 6:00	Panel discussion - "Dysfunctional access – Optimizing outcomes"
6:30 PM onwards	Inauguration & Dinner

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TIME	TOPIC
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Poster Viewing - e-Poster viewing
1:00 – 2:10 PM	Free Paper Presentations
2:15 – 4:00 PM	Workshop: Tunneled Catheter – Basics and Beyond
2:15 – 2:25 PM	TCC insertion fundamentals
2:25 – 2:35 PM	Tip placement optimization
2:35 – 2:45 PM	Immediate complications and management
2:45 – 2:55 PM	TCC surveillance
2:55 – 3:05 PM	“Breaks and Leaks” – Management
3:05 – 3:15 PM	Safe TCC removal
3:15 – 4:00 PM	Hands-on practice session

HALL - C

TIME	TOPIC
2:00 – 4:00 PM	Endovascular workshop – Mentice
4:00 – 6:00 PM	Company session on devices and products

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8:00 – 8:30 AM	Industry Session
8:30 – 9:30 AM	Session 1: Endovascular AV Intervention Techniques
8:30 – 8:40 AM	Ultrasound-guided interventions
8:40 – 8:50 AM	Fluoroscopy-guided interventions
8:50 – 9:00 AM	CO ₂ Angiography - When and how?
9 00 - 9 20 AM	Recent advances in vascular access
9 20 - 9 30 AM	Discussions
9 30 - 10 30 AM	Session 2 Central Venous Stenosis
9 30 - 9 40 AM	Central Vein Obstruction - Clinical diagnosis and prevention
9 40 - 10 00 AM	"To be or not to be" - Stents in central venous stenosis
10 00 - 10 15 A	"Indian Jugaad" - Cost effective and innovative approaches in CVO
10 15 - 10 30 AM	Discussions
10 30 - 12 20 PM	Session 3 Procedural Complications in Access Interventions
10 30 - 10 40 AM	Arterial puncture during dialysis line insertion
10 40 - 10 55 AM	AVF rupture during endovascular procedures - Is everything lost?
10 55 - 11 10 AM	Arterial embolization during interventions - Management algorithm
11 10 - 11 25 AM	"To tame the tempest" - Central vein rupture during interventions
11 25 - 11 40 AM	"A friend or foe" - Stent related problems in vascular access
11 40 - 11 50 AM	When the drug becomes the Devil - Complications secondary to pharmacologic agents in interventions
11 50 - 12 00 NOON	Preventing and managing biopsy bleeds - Novel techniques
12 00 - 12 20 PM	Discussions
12 20 - 1 00 PM	Session 4 Practical Issues in Interventional Nephrology
12 20 - 12 30 PM	Radiation safety in the Cath lab
12 30 - 1 00 PM	Panel Discussion - Controversies and current status of accreditation of Interventional Nephrology in India
1 00 PM	Valedictory Ceremony and Awards
1 30 PM onwards	Lunch & GBM

Day 2 - 23rd August 2026

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TIME	TOPIC
9:00 – 10:10 AM	Free paper presentations
10:10 – 10:30 AM	Practical Image Review Session Interpreting access angiograms for beginners
10:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Peritoneal Dialysis Session
10:30 AM – 10:40 AM	Selecting the right patient for PD
10:40 AM – 10:50 AM	PD catheter insertion by the nephrologist - tips and tricks
10:50 AM – 11:00 AM	Urgent start PD
11:00 AM – 11:10 AM	Outflow obstruction in PD: Case based discussion
11:10 AM – 11:20 AM	The PD membrane and the PET - Practical scenarios and applications
11:20 AM – 11:30 AM	Dealing with cuff extrusion in PD
11:30 AM – 11:45 AM	Discussions
11:45 AM – 12:30 PM	Hands-on PD Catheter Insertion

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TIME	TOPIC
10:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Endovascular Simulation Workshop (Mentice)