DemCon'26

Dementia Conference

Dementia Care:

Action to Acceleration

18th & 19th Sep 2026
IIT-M Research Park
Chennai

Dementia India *Alliance*

CME Credits Expected

In Collaboration With

Dept of Health & Family Welfare, Govt of Tamil Nadu

SCARF Schizophrenia Research Foundation (India)

Kshetra Assisted Living by Heritage ElderCare Services

Knowledge Partner

National Centre of Ageing

In Association With

National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS)

Institute of Human Behaviour & Allied Sciences (IHBAS)

CBR Centre for Brain Research, IISc

Global Brain Health Institute (GBHI)

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f No:242 /VMCON/Dean/2026 **Date: 16.09.2026**

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Sub: Request for Budget Approval – DemCon'26 Conference.

I request approval for the budget towards travel, accommodation, and food expenses for attending the **DemCon'26 Dementia Conference –"Dementia Care: Action to Acceleration"**, at IIT Madras, Chennai, from **18.09.2026 to 19.09.2026.**

The proposed budget is attached for your reference. Kindly approve the amount to facilitate the travel and stay arrangements

Rs 1500/- maximum

Ms. Vijaykumar, Tutor in Psychiatric Nursing, VMCON is attending DemCON'26 and registered. For your kind approved Sir.

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Kindly do the needful

Noted and approved

Dr. R. MANI, M.D.,
DEAN
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Thanking You,

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Encl:

1.Proposed Budget

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH NURSING

DemCon'26 Dementia Conference at Chennai IIT – 18.09.2026 to 19.09.2026

PROPOSED BUDGET

SL. NO.	PARTICULARS	AMOUNT In Rs.
1.	TRAVEL (Rs.500 X 1)	Rs. 5,00
2.	ACCOMODATION & FOOD	Rs. 1,000
	Total	**Rs. 1500**

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DATE:22.09.2026

Academic Year (2025-2026)

REPORT ON DemCon'26 Dementia Conference –"Dementia Care: Action to Acceleration", at IIT Madras, Chennai, from **18.09.2026 to 19.09.2026"**

On behalf of Vinayaka Mission's College of Nursing, Puducherry, the Department of Mental Health Nursing faculty participated in DemCon'26 – Dementia Conference, held at IIT Madras, with the theme "Dementia Care: Action to Acceleration." under the guidance of **Dr. Edna Sweenie J., Principal-cum-Professor, Vinayaka Mission's College of Nursing, Puducherry**.The programme was inaugural by Dr. K. G. Arunraj, Hon'ble Health and Family Welfare Minister, Government of Tamil Nadu, along with other distinguished VIPs, programme organizers, faculty members, and participants.The conference enhanced the participants' knowledge and understanding of dementia, its prevention and treatment, and the importance of creating awareness about dementia in society..The programme was successfully completed with active participation from the attendees. The participants expressed highly positive feedback, appreciating the conference for being informative, well-organized, and enriching

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Day 1 – 18th September 2026				
Time	**Auditorium**	**Hall A**	**Hall B**	**Hall C**
08:00 am – 09:00 am	**Registration**			
09:00 am – 10:00 am	**The Silent Tsunami: Is India Ready for the Dementia Decade?** Moderator: Mathew Varghese *Srikala Bharath, Ratnavalli E, Pavithra Gangadharan*			
10:00 am – 11:00 am	**Symposium: The Earliest Clues: Biomarkers in Dementia** Chair: Joe Varghese *Sindura Ganapathi, Thomas Mathew, Sen Varghese, Suvarna Alladi*	**Panel Discussion: Beyond Pills: Building Truly Integrated Dementia Care Systems** Moderator: Jayashree Dasgupta *Mahima Dani, Tanvi Mallya, Amulya Rajan, Rajeev Vasudevan*	**Panel Discussion: Dementia-Friendly India: Dream or Possibility?** Moderator: Steve Paul *Praveen G Pai, Pretesh Kiran, Dinesh Ramachandram, CT Sudhir Kumar*	
11:00 am – 11:30 am	**Tea Break | Exhibition Visit**			
11:30 am – 01:00 pm	**From Action to Acceleration: Inaugural Session and Keynote** *Keynote: Towards Dementia Policy for India: Vinod Paul* *Rights of Persons Living Well with Dementia: Bharat Lal*			11:00 am to 1:00 pm Poster Presentations outside the Auditorium 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Blitz Presentations
01:00 pm – 02:00 pm	**Lunch Break | Exhibition Visit**			

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Day 1 – 18th September 2026				
Time	**Auditorium**	**Hall A**	**Hall B**	**Hall C**
02:00 pm – 03:00 pm	**Symposium: Unmasking Dementia Diversity: Motoric Prodromes, Early-Onset Phenotypes, and newer treatments** Chair: Suvarna Alladi *Joe Verghese, Atanu Biswas, Padma Srivasthav*	**Participatory Panel: Who Cares for the Caregiver? Gender, Culture and the Invisible Workforce** Moderator: Jwala Narayanan *Amrita Pimpale, Soumya Hegde, Subashini Sargunan, Sheeba Ninan*	**Panel Discussion: Senior Living and Assisted Care: Opportunities and Challenges** Moderator: Rajit Mehta *Adarsh Narahari, P Suresh, Neha Sinha*	**SABHI Round Table** ***By Invite Only***
03:00 pm – 04:00 pm	**Symposium: Dementia Care – Geriatrician's Perspective** Chair: Surekha *Vasanth Karthikeyan, Gaurav Sharma, Manicka Saravanan, Thangam*	**Symposium: Precision Prevention: Reducing Risk, Increasing Resilience** Chair: Thomas Isaac *Reddy P Kommadi, Harriet Demnitz King, Uthra, Claudia Cooper, Arvind Ramnathan*	**Debate: Home or Care Home: What Truly Delivers Better Outcomes?** Moderator: Ramani Sundaram *Asheesh Gupta, Akshita Ganesh, Neha Sinha, Sridhar Vaitheswaran, Archana*	
04:00 pm – 04:30 pm	**Tea Break | Exhibition Visit**			
04:30 pm – 06:00 pm	**Symposium: Breaking the Stigma; Role of Media, Story Telling and Culture** Chair: Vasanthi *Janaki Sabish, Jayashree Dasgupta, Laxmi Ramakrishna, Shilpi Ghosh*			

Time	Main Hall	Hall A	Hall B	FGD / Invite Only
09:00 am – 9:45 am	**Panel Discussion: Voices of Experience: Stories That Change Practice** Moderator: Vijayalakshmi Viswanathan *Ramani Sundaram, Claudia Cooper, Renu Sachdeva, Gita Jayraj*	**Tech Showcase 1** Chair: Yogesh Andlay *Jwala Narayan, Sumiti Sahran, Martin Bruno, Rachita Rao, Goswami, Amod Wagh*	**Symposium: Breaking Point: Operations and Caregiver Retention Crisis** Chair: Dr. Pranathi Ramachandra Pavithra Gangadharan, Rahul Padmanabhan, Asha D'souza, Neha Sinha	
9:45 am – 10:45 am	**Debate: Hope or Hype? The New Era of Disease-Modifying Therapies** Moderator: Ratnavalli E *Pramod Krishnan, Noa Bregman, Dinesh Chaudhry*	**Tech Showcase 2** Chair: Roger Ephraim *Prashanth Reddy, Srikar Bhaskar, Pynadath, Jolly Jose, Bhavana Issar, Nidhi*	**Panel Discussion: Reimagining Social Work in Dementia Care** Chair: K R Gangadharan *A Thirumoorthy, Jeryda Gnanajane Eljo, Anish K R, Laavanya Vinayagaswami, Teddy Andrew, Chippy Sebastian*	
10:45 am – 11:00 am	**Fireside Chat** Ken Inoue			
11:00 am – 11:30 am	**Tea Break | Exhibition Visit**			
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	**Panel: Funding the Future of Brain Health** Moderator: Ashok B *Anil Parmar, Gazal, Rohit Agarwal*	**Symposium: Preparing for Tomorrow: Legal Planning, Capacity and Rights** *Roop Gurusahani, Dhvani Mehta, Prakash Goossens, NS Raju, Charlotte Kenton, Rajinder Dhamija*	**Consultation: Building a Geriatric Care Workforce for India** Moderator: Shyam Viswanathan *Ashish Jain, KS Ravi Shankar, Shailesh Wagle, Venkataraman, Anuradha Pichumani, Gajalakshmi*	11:00 am to 1:00 pm Poster Presentations outside the Auditorium 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Blitz Presentations
12:30 pm – 01:30 pm	**Ageing studies from India: LASI DAD / SANSCOG / TLSA / TSMC** Chair: PT Sivakumar *Joyita Banerjee, Pranali Khobragade, Thomas Issac, Srikala Bharath*			

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Day 2 – 19th September 2026				
Time	**Main Hall**	**Hall A**	**Hall B**	**FGD / Invite Only**
01:30 pm – 02:30 pm	**Lunch Break | Exhibition Visit**			
02:30 pm – 03:30 pm	**Symposium: Building Brain Health Leaders Across South Asia** *Iracema Leroi, PT Sivakumar, Eoin Cotter, Rohith, Shyam Viswanathan*	**Panel Discussion: Threads of Care: Weaving Support Across the Dementia Journey** Chair: Claudia Cooper *Jessica Budgett, Harriet Demnitz, Gloria Wong, Aarthy T*	**Symposium: Strengthening Dementia Care at the Primary Health Care Level** Chair: CT Sudhir Kumar *Sandeep Bhalla, K Umakalyani, Pretesh Kiran, Dinesh Ramachandram*	
03:30 pm – 04:30 pm	**Symposium: India's Roadmap for Brain Health and Dementia Care** Moderator: Rajinder K Dhamija *Renu Vohra, Ramani Sundaram, Banika Ahuja, Pranathi Ramachandra*	**Insurance Beyond Hospitals: Financing Home Care, Assisted Living, Rehabilitation and Dementia Care** *Prakash, Meera, Mansur Dalal*	**Symposium: Dementia Care in Community** Chair: Bhuvaneswaran *Manoj Kumar T, Mohanavel, Vishruth, Anu K N, Anuradha Pichumani*	
04:30 pm – 05:30 pm	**United for Brain Health: A Shared Agenda for India: Concluding Session**			
05:30 pm – 06:00 pm	**Tea, Wind-up & Certificates**			

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EVENT CLOSE OUT REPORT — ECR

(For: CME/FDP/Conference/Academic & Other Activities)

f the Department : Mental Health Nursing

f the Event : DemCon'26 Dementia Conference-IIT Madras Research Park. CHENNAI

the Event : 18.09.2026 to 19.09.2026

udgeted Income :- Nil

pproved by Dean/STB on:- Total Budgeted Expenses: Rs.976/-

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

	Particulars	Amount
A	**Income/Receipts**	
	Event Registration fee Collection	
	Institutional Fund -AVMC	
	Sponsorships	
	Grants – VMRF/GOVT. & Others	
	Donations/Any other sources (Please Specified)	
	Total Income -A	
b	**Part - B Expenses Incurred**	**Amount**
	Invitation/Banner/ Poster/Advertisement/Publicity etc	
	Certificates/Badges/Medals/Prizes for students & winners etc	
	Gifts for guest	
	Stationery /Courier/Print outs/Postal Charges	
	Conference Proceedings/ Event Reception expenses etc	
	Conference Kit/Souvenir	
	Event Management team expenses (if adapted)	
	Lunch & Snacks /Refreshments etc	
	Accommodation for resource person	Rs 355/-
)	Travel Allowance for Resource person/ Remuneration for Resource person	
1	Rent for the Organizing place (if outside AVMC)	Rs 621/-
2.	Fuel Expenses / Taxi bill etc by the Organisers	
3	TNMC registration Fee	
4.	Gala Dinner /Post Event celebration	
5.	Miscellaneous (Please Specified) - Shawl/Memento/others-Attendance Reg	
	Total Expenses – B	
	Net – Surplus/Deficit (A-B)	Rs.976/-
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ganising Chairman **Organising Secretary** **Organising Treasurer**

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Expenses/Funds Reconciliation

SL.No	Particulars	Amount

A. Advance received by Faculty members/ Organising committee members: -

	Name with AV No:	Designation	Received on	Amo
1				
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B. Amount paid directly to the Vendor by AVMC Finance Dept.,

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C. Pending Payment to be made /Reimbursable to:-

	Name	AV No :-	Amou
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	Total Amount Spent for the Event		Rs.976/-

Event Conclusion Remarks by the Event Coordinator / Secretary: -

Amount received=Nil
Amount Spent=Rs.976/-
Balance =Nil

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Participation Certificate

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Certified that

Mr. Vijayakumar R

with registration number DIA-DEMCON26-429

participated in **DemCon 2026 - International Dementia Conference**

held at the **IIT-M Research Park, Chennai** on **18th & 19th September 2026**

Radha S Murthy

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