

EQUITY IN ACTION DRIVING PROGRESS IN CANCER CARE

Theme:

⁶⁶Advancing Political Leadership for Equitable Cancer Care ⁹⁹

HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL SUMMIT





Venue:

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The Asia-Pacific region, home to over half of the world's population, is defined by diverse healthcare systems, socio-economic contexts, and cancer challenges. High-income countries lead in advanced diagnostics and treatments, while low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) face significant inequities in access, late-stage diagnoses, and limited infrastructure. These disparities translate into preventable suffering and loss of life for millions.

Set against the historic Kumbh Mela in Prayagraj, symbolizing unity and shared purpose, this summit seeks to transform cancer care by leveraging collaboration, innovation, and resources across the region. By bridging divides, the event emphasizes solutions that utilize expertise from high-income regions to address the unmet needs of LMICs.

The "Equity in Action: Driving Progress in Cancer Care" conference unites political leaders, healthcare experts, patient advocates, industry representatives, and researchers, driven by a shared vision of achieving equity in cancer care. This event provides a platform to address these disparities through meaningful dialogue, innovative solutions, and sustainable partnerships.

OBJECTIVES

- Strengthen Regional Collaboration: Develop actionable frameworks to address inequities in cancer prevention, early detection, and treatment across diverse healthcare settings.
- Promote Innovation: Leverage cutting-edge technologies such as AI, precision medicine, and translational research to improve diagnostic and treatment outcomes.
- Mobilize Resources: Foster sustainable financing mechanisms and public-private partnerships to build capacity and scale cancer care solutions.
- **Empower Patients:** Center the voices of patients and advocates to ensure ethical and patient-centered innovations drive healthcare policies.
- Formalize Commitments: Unite stakeholders to adopt the Asia-Pacific Declaration on Cancer Care, reinforcing shared responsibility and accountability.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Establishment of a regional task force for cancer care collaboration and policy alignment.
- Concrete recommendations for integrating advanced diagnostics and innovations into national healthcare systems.
- Strengthened partnerships between governments, NGOs, and industry to address gaps in access, affordability, and infrastructure.
- A formal declaration of commitments through the Asia-Pacific Declaration on Cancer Care, ensuring sustained efforts toward equitable care.
- Empowerment of patients and communities as key stakeholders in cancer care and policy discussions.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

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- Keynote addresses by H. E. Ambassadors of Ireland and Switzerland
- Addresses by Hon'ble Members of Parliament(M.P.), Members of Legislative Council
 (M. L. C.), Uttar Pradesh and Members of Legislative Assembly (M.L.A.), Uttar Pradesh
- Overview of the Asia-Pacific Declaration on Cancer Care
- Success stories of impactful regional collaborations in cancer care
- Live polling session to capture audience priorities for the summit
- Political Roundtable and Signing Ceremony: Regional and Global Collaboration
- Networking Lunch
- Technical sessions
 - Charting a Unified Path for Equity in Cancer Care
 - Advancing Innovation for Early Detection
 - Building Sustainable Cancer Care Through Partnerships
 - Ethical and Patient-Centered Cancer Innovations
 - Public Health and Personalized Healthcare





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CHIEF GUESTS

66 Ambassadors champion equitable cancer care through political leadership.





H. E. Ambassador **Kevin Kelly** Ireland

H. E. Ambassador Maya Jaouhari Tissafi Switzerland

As esteemed chief guests, the ambassadors bring vital political leadership to the forefront of equitable cancer care. Their commitment to policydriven solutions strengthens global efforts to ensure accessibility, affordability, and quality treatment for all. Their presence underscores the urgency of collaborative action in advancing healthcare equity and patient-centered policies worldwide.

GUESTS OF HONOUR

As guests of honor, these distinguished leaders—Members of Parliament, Legislative Assembly, and Legislative Council—bring critical political influence to the fight for equitable cancer care. Their commitment to policy reform and healthcare advocacy strengthens efforts to ensure accessible, affordable, and quality treatment for all, fostering a future of healthcare equity.



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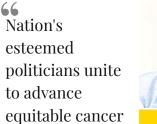
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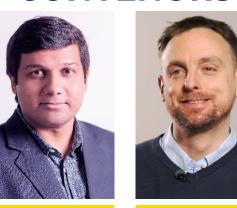
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- Dr. Saurabh Gupta, Director, Unit Head Surgical Oncology, Fortis Hospital, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi, India.
- Dr. Maricar Sabeniano, Division of Supportive, Hospice and Palliative Medicine, Philippine General Hospital, Philippine.
- Dr. Sunil K. Gupta, Director and Head, Haemato Medical Oncology and Bone Marrow Transplant, Venkateshwar Hospital, New Delhi, India.
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 Odisha, India.
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- Dr. Radharani Ghosh, Head and Senior Consultant Oncologist, Kamala Nehru Memorial Hospital, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh, India.
- Dr. Do Huyen Nga, Head of Medical Hematologic Malignancies Department, National Cancer Hospital, Vietnam.
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- Dr. Sudhendu Shekhar, Director, Oncology Cygnus Hospital, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India.
- Dr. Sadhana Dwivedi, In-charge Palliative Care Unit and Pain Clinic, Department of Radiation Oncology, Kamla Nehru Memorial Hospital, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh, India.
- Dr. Mandy Thoo, Deputy Director for Community Engagement at the National Cancer Society of Malaysia, Malaysia.
- Dr. Shanta Sharma, Public Health Expert, Department of Community Medicine, Devdaha Medical College and Research Centre, Kathmandu University, Nepal.
- Dr. Delia Nicoară, Public Health and Management Specialist, Oncology Institute "Prof. Dr. Ion Chiricuţă," Cluj-Napoca, Romania.
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Non-Indian Participant:

Academia/ Industry/ Scholar: \$200

Indian Participant:

Industry: 2000 INR Academia: 1000 INR Scholar: 500 INR

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