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Message from the Editor

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the third issue of PEDICON Connect as we move closer to PEDICON 2027 at Coimbatore.

The enthusiasm surrounding our previous issues has been heartwarming. Through this newsletter, we continue to keep the pediatric community connected with the latest academic updates, innovations, interactive features, and glimpses of Coimbatore's rich culture and experiences.

PEDICON 2027 is shaping up to be a truly transformative platform of learning, collaboration, and engagement that extends well beyond the conference halls.

We thank all contributors and readers for their continued support and warmly invite more voices, ideas, and experiences for upcoming issues.

Warm regards,

Dr. A. Jayavardhana
Editor





Exclusive Update from the Organising Secretary

PEDICON 2027 holds a special place in its heart for postgraduates and senior residents — the future torchbearers of pediatric medicine.

This year, we are creating dedicated platforms for you to speak, present your research, and share your clinical experiences on a national stage. Beyond the podium, you will find meaningful opportunities to network with peers and connect with mentors who are eager to guide and inspire.

We believe that every great career has a defining moment — and PEDICON 2027 is designed to be yours. Step forward with confidence, let your work be seen, and take that important leap toward building the career you envision.

We look forward to welcoming you to Coimbatore and celebrating your contributions to our wonderful specialty.

Warm regards,

Dr. K. Rajendran

Chief Organising Secretary

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Organising Committee Review

The PEDICON 2027 Organising Committee convened to review preparations for India's premier pediatric conference. Key discussions covered scientific programming, venue logistics, delegate engagement, and workshop planning — ensuring a landmark event in Coimbatore.



PEDICON 2027 Registration Tariff

Effective from July 01, 2026

Category	1st Jul- 30th Sep 2026	1st Oct- 31st Dec 2026	On Spot 1st Jan 2027 onwards
IAP Member - Life, Fellow, Associate life	INR 21,500	INR 25,500	INR 29,500
Accompanying Person of IAP Member / Children above 6 years	INR 21,500	INR 25,500	INR 29,500
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Post Graduate	INR 9,000	INR 9,000	INR 14,000
Corporate Delegate	INR 40,000	INR 47,000	INR 54,000
SAARC	USD 360	USD 420	USD 480
NON-SAARC	USD 420	USD 480	USD 540
IAP Senior Citizen above 70 Years *	Complimentary	INR 15,000	INR 15,000

* The senior citizen member should have completed 70 years as on 01/Jan/2026

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Coimbatore — Pump Capital of India



Coimbatore, nestled at the foothills of the Western Ghats, is proudly known as the Pump Capital of India — a title earned through decades of engineering brilliance and relentless innovation.

The city manufactures over 50% of India's total motor and pump output, with more than 3,000 pump and motor units operating across the region. From submersible pumps to high-pressure industrial systems, Coimbatore's products serve agriculture, infrastructure, and industry across 100+ countries worldwide.

What sets Coimbatore apart is its unique ecosystem — a deep talent pool of skilled engineers, world-class foundries, precision machining facilities, and a culture of entrepreneurship passed down through generations. The city's pump industry contributes significantly to India's export earnings, making it a global benchmark for quality and affordability.

From powering Indian farms to supplying international markets, Coimbatore's pumps are a testament to the city's engineering DNA — quiet, powerful, and built to last.



Kongunadu Kaalan - A Flavour of Coimbatore



Among the many culinary treasures of Coimbatore, Kongunadu Kaalan holds a special place — a rich, earthy curry that speaks of tradition, terroir, and the warmth of the Kongu region.

Prepared with raw banana or yam simmered in a thick, spiced yogurt-coconut gravy, Kaalan is a dish of beautiful contrasts: creamy yet tangy, mild yet deeply flavourful. Tempered with mustard seeds, curry leaves, and a whisper of coconut oil, it carries the unmistakable aroma of a Kongunadu kitchen.

Once a humble home-cooked staple, Kaalan has found its way to street-food stalls and festival gatherings across Coimbatore, where it is served alongside steaming rice or crisp dosas. Its earthy depth and comforting texture have made it a beloved favourite among locals and visitors alike.

For delegates visiting Coimbatore, a taste of Kaalan is more than a meal — it is an invitation into the soul of Kongunadu cuisine, where every ingredient tells a story of the land.

Ooty Toy Train — Nilgiri Mountain Railway



Few journeys in India capture the romance of rail travel quite like the Ooty Toy Train. Chugging steadily through the mist-draped Nilgiri Hills, this metre-gauge marvel has enchanted travellers since 1908 — earning its place as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2005.

The Nilgiri Mountain Railway climbs from Mettupalayam to Udagamandalam (Ooty), ascending over 2,000 metres through 16 tunnels, 250 bridges, and some of the steepest rack-and-pinion sections in Asia. Along the way, passengers are treated to breathtaking vistas of tea estates, dense shola forests, cascading waterfalls, and the quiet grandeur of the Western Ghats.

What makes this journey unforgettable is its unhurried pace — a gentle five-hour ascent that invites you to slow down, breathe in the cool mountain air, and savour every curve and climb. The heritage steam locomotive, still operational on select stretches, adds a layer of nostalgia that few modern experiences can match.

For delegates visiting Tamil Nadu, the Toy Train is more than a scenic ride — it is a living testament to colonial-era engineering, ecological beauty, and the timeless charm of the Nilgiris.



The background of the poster is a vibrant blue stage scene. On the left, a silhouette of a male singer in a white lab coat with a stethoscope around his neck holds a microphone. On the right, there is a large, classic silver microphone on a stand, an acoustic guitar, and a drum set. Musical notes and light rays are scattered throughout the scene. At the bottom, silhouettes of an audience with their hands raised are visible.

Pedicon Idol

— 2027 —

A grand
musical Extravagance
from our own doctors,
a musical night from our dedicated
Pediatricians whose passion
is also music.

Expect the unexpected!!!



**State and Zonal rounds
auditions will be starting soon...**

Get Ready to Shine!

Do you have a hidden musical talent? PEDICON Idol 2027 is your stage!

Open to all pediatricians across India — solo, duet, or band
performances welcome.

Register now through your State IAP branch and make it to the
Grand Finale.

Grand Finale: January 29th, 2027 | Codissia Trade Fair Complex, Coimbatore

Sports Activities at PEDICON 2027

PEDICON 2027 brings an exciting lineup of sports events for pediatricians to unwind, connect, and compete. From cricket to pickle ball, there's something for everyone!



Whether you're a seasoned player or a first-timer, come join the fun at Codissia Trade Fair Complex, Coimbatore. Register through your State IAP branch and represent your team. Stay tuned for detailed schedules and registration updates!



State PEDICON 2025 — my Coimbatore Experience

Dr Ajay Prakaash T R
Neonatologist, Tirunelveli

State PEDICON 2025 at Coimbatore was truly an experience to remember. From the moment we entered the city, Coimbatore welcomed us with warmth, energy, and an atmosphere that perfectly blended academics, hospitality, and culture.

The conference was exceptionally well organized, with excellent scientific sessions, interactive workshops, and meaningful discussions that brought together pediatricians from across the state. Every hall was filled with enthusiasm for learning, sharing experiences, and growing together as a pediatric community. The smooth coordination, comfortable venues, and vibrant academic environment reflected the tremendous effort put in by the organizing team.

What made the experience even more special was celebrating Independence Day in Coimbatore during the conference. The city carried a festive spirit everywhere, creating a memorable backdrop for the event. Between sessions, the conversations, laughter, networking, and friendships made the entire experience feel far beyond just an academic meeting.

One of the highlights of the trip was visiting the Isha Yoga Center. The peaceful surroundings and the majestic presence of Adiyogi offered a refreshing pause from the busy pace of conference life. It gave many of us a rare opportunity to relax, reflect, and reconnect with ourselves amidst our demanding professional schedules.

Coimbatore stood out not only for its excellent conference infrastructure, but also for its hospitality, cleanliness, pleasant climate, accessibility, and the balance it offers between academics and meaningful leisure experiences. Whether it was the conference halls, the local cuisine, the warmth of the people, or the memorable places around the city, Coimbatore created an experience that stayed with all of us even after returning home.

After experiencing State PEDICON 2025, one thing became very clear — Coimbatore has everything needed to host a memorable National PEDICON 2027. The city has the capability, the spirit, and the warmth to welcome pediatricians from all across the country and create an event that will be remembered not only for academics, but for the overall experience itself.



Raag Deepak
A Painting of Devotion
Dr Sangita Lodha
Nashik

This is not just a painting I made 46 years ago...

This is a moment where devotion turned into fire.

The warmth, the surrender, the glow of inner fire.

Inspired by the legend of Meera Bai and the mystical power of Raag Deepak, believed to ignite flames, I painted not the fire you see... but the fire you feel.

The lamps around her may flicker,

But the true light rises from within her being.

Her eyes are closed, not in rest... but in union.

Her fingers don't just touch the tanpura — they dissolve into its vibration.

The flames surrounding her are not consuming... they are witnessing.

In that moment, Meera is no longer separate —

She is raag,

She is bhakti,

She is agni.

Every stroke of this canvas carries the heat of surrender,

Every hue whispers a note of divine music,

And every glow is a reminder —

True devotion does not burn you... it transforms you.

"Some songs are heard... but Raag Deepak is lived."



CLINICAL PUZZLE 3

Contributed by Dr Krithiga Theni

A 26 hours old late preterm boy baby (35 weeks) with Birth weight of 2.250 Kg presents with petechiae and purpura (20 to 30 in number) over the trunk and limbs. His CBC and other investigations are as shown below. Baby is alert and active, Euthermic, Euglycemic and maintains SPO2 in room air.

RBC Parameters		
	Hb	16.8 g/dl
	HCT	51%
	MCV	113.6 fL
	MCH	35 pg
	MCHC	33.8 g/dL
WBC Parameters		
WBC	Total count	18,500/mic.L
	ANC	11,250/mic.L
	ALC	7,250/mic.L
Platelet parameters		
	Count	51,000

Prothrombin Time: 15.1 seconds

aPTT: 49.8 seconds

Cranial Ultrasound: No evidence of Intra-ventricular or Intra cranial Haemorrhage

Mother's obstetric formula is 2-0-1-0-0. Maternal history is significant with the presence of intracranial bleed in the previous baby at 32 weeks of gestation. Previous sibling was delivered preterm and succumbed on Day 5 of life. Both in the previous and also in the present pregnancies, Mom's platelet count has been normal throughout the antenatal period and also after delivery.

What will be the immediate management you like to provide to the baby?

Send your answers with diagnosis to win exciting prizes

PEDICON Connect

Dear Friends,

We invite you to contribute to the upcoming issues of PEDICON Connect, the official magazine of PEDICON 2027. We welcome:

- **My Coimbatore Story - memorable moments, travel tales & reflections**
- **Academic Snippets - clinical pearls & quick learning insights**
- **Innovations & Ideas - practice-changing approaches**
- **Reflections - what PEDICON means to you**
- **Interesting clinical images**
- **Challenging quiz questions**
- **Diagnostic puzzles & spotters**

Selected contributions will be featured in PEDICON Connect and archived on the official PEDICON 2027 website, creating a lasting chronicle of the conference.

Congratulations to the Issue 2 Quiz Winners:

Dr. Rithika
Dr. Ashok
Dr. Ram Manohar
Dr. Priyanka
Dr. Shalini Gopinathan
Dr. Kamalesh

Answers to Quiz 2

Image Quiz

1. Menkes Kinky Hair Disease
2. X-linked recessive inheritance
3. ATP7A gene mutation
4. Kinky hair (Pili torti)
5. Early Copper Histidinate injections

Radiology Quiz

1. Bilateral punctate calcifications in the basal ganglia
2. Mineralizing angiopathy of the lenticulostriate arteries

Quiz 3 is now OPEN! We eagerly await your responses.

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