

Event Report – 2nd SMICON 2025

National Conference on Neuro-Communication and Vestibular Balance Disorders

Venue: Dr. Ganesan Learning Centre, AVMC\&H Campus, Puducherry

Date: 6th & 7th September, 2025

The School of Rehabilitation and Behavioral Sciences (SRBS), Vinayaka Mission's Puducherry Campus, Vinayaka Missions Research Foundation (Deemed to be University), in collaboration with the Sri Mookambika Institute of Speech and Hearing Rehabilitation and Research Centre, organized the 2nd SMICON – 2025, a two-day National Conference on Neuro-Communication and Vestibular Balance Disorders, as part of the VMRF Silver Jubilee Celebrations. The event drew over 250 delegates and 20 resource persons from across India, including academicians, clinicians, and researchers.

The Inaugural Function on 6th September was graced by Dr. S. Sevel (Director, Health and Family Welfare Services, Govt. of Puducherry) as the Chief Guest, alongside eminent dignitaries including Dr. Subodh Kumar (Former Member Secretary, RCI, New Delhi), Dr. G. Elangovan (Founder Chairman, A.G. Padmavathy Hospital, Puducherry), and senior leaders of VMRF (DU). Hon'ble Chancellor Dr. A.S. Ganesan extended his full support and encouragement, while Vice President Dr. Anuradha Ganesan and Mr. Suresh Samuel provided valuable guidance throughout the event.

The conference featured plenary lectures, panel discussions, and scientific paper presentations, highlighting advances in diagnosis and rehabilitation of neuro-communication and vestibular disorders.

The Valedictory Function on 7th September was addressed by Justice S. Vimala (Former Judge, High Court of Madras) as Chief Guest. Programme highlights and welcome address was delivered by Dr. Arun Banik with special addresses by Dr. Sudarshan Naidu, Advisor, SMI-AHS and Dr. Venugopal, Principal, SMI-AHS. Vote of Thanks was delivered by Dr. A.V. Anusha Muthukumar, Director, SMI-AHS.

The event concluded successfully with widespread appreciation from delegates and authorities, serving as a significant platform for knowledge exchange, professional networking, and future research directions in rehabilitation sciences.



