



2nd National Conference on Recent Advances in Assessment and Management of Vestibular Disorders

The Department of Audiology, School of Rehabilitation and Behavioral Sciences (SRBS), Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (VMRF), Puducherry, successfully organized the *2nd National Conference on Recent Advances in Assessment and Management of Vestibular Disorders (RAAM-VD)* on 23rd and 24th October 2025 at the Ganesan Learning Centre, Puducherry Campus. The event, approved by RCI-CRE, was led by Dr. Arun Banik (Convener), Dr. Prajna Bhat (Organizing Chairperson), and Mr. Sridhar S and Mr. Kalaiyarasan R (Organizing Secretaries). The two-day conference aimed to enhance professional competency in vestibular diagnostics and management, encourage interdisciplinary collaboration, and promote academic exchange among professionals and students.

The conference witnessed enthusiastic participation from **278 delegates** representing **12 premier institutions** across Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, and Puducherry. Esteemed experts including **Dr. Srinivas Dorasala, Dr. S.S. Vignesh, Dr. Niraj Kumar Singh, Dr. Aravind Kumar R, and Dr. Pradeep Yuvaraj** delivered insightful lectures and live demonstrations on advanced vestibular assessment techniques such as **cVEMP, oVEMP, vHIT, and VNG**. Hands-on workshops provided participants with valuable practical exposure to equipment handling, calibration, and interpretation of vestibular tests.

The scientific sessions featured **40 presentations** under *Hearing Sciences* and *Vestibular Sciences* categories, highlighting cutting-edge research and clinical innovations. The *Best Oral* and *Best Poster* awards recognized outstanding contributions from institutions like AIISH, Mysuru; SRM Medical College, Chennai; and Madras Medical College, Chennai. The conference also emphasized the link between vestibular disorders and cognitive function, expanding the interdisciplinary understanding between neuro-otology, audiology, and cognitive sciences.

Participants appreciated the structured scientific sessions, expert resource faculty, and the overall organization of the event. Many reported enhanced confidence in vestibular evaluation and clinical decision-making. The event successfully bridged the gap between research and clinical practice, promoting collaboration among ENT surgeons, audiologists, and neurologists. The RCI-CRE accreditation added further value by offering recognized credits. The RAAM-VD 2025 conference marked a significant milestone in advancing vestibular science education and clinical excellence in India. The success of this national event reinforces SRBS, VMRF's commitment to fostering professional growth, interdisciplinary research, and evidence-based clinical practice in audiology and rehabilitation sciences.

