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Getinge supports neonatal critical care training in India

A Neonatal Critical Care Nursing Training Initiative has been launched in India to address the growing need for skilled neonatal nurses and improve outcomes for newborns. The program, which uses a blended online–offline model to train 1,500 nurses, is supported by global medtech company Getinge.

"We are proud to support this initiative as part of our Corporate Social Responsibility program, which reflects our broader commitment to helping save lives and strengthening healthcare systems. Strengthening neonatal care capabilities is a priority for India, and initiatives like this play a vital role in equipping nurses with the critical skills required to improve newborn survival outcomes," says Aruna Nayak, Managing Director, Getinge India. "Our products and solutions contribute to saving millions of lives globally every year, and our ambition is to help save even more. Through partnerships like these, we aim to support the healthcare ecosystem by building capacity where it is needed most, particularly in areas aligned with our expertise."

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in India reports that the country's neonatal mortality rate stands at 19 per 1,000 live births as per 2021, which is considerably higher than the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goal target of 12 by 2030.

Strengthening neonatal nursing capabilities is considered one of the most effective ways to improve survival outcomes among newborns, with studies indicating potential mortality reductions from 15% to over 50%¹, depending on context.

To reach these reductions, India has a shortfall of 137,559 doctors, with 9 doctors per 10,000 population, when compared with the WHO recommended density of 10 per 10,000 population. Similarly, with 24.5 nurses and midwives available per 10,000 population, there is a shortfall of 1.37 million nurses and midwives, when compared with the WHO recommendation of 34.5.

Ready to be rolled out across multiple regions of India, the neonatal training aims to create a scalable model for efficient nursing education. Developed by KEDMAN SkillEd India Foundation, with clinical expertise from Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, the program includes 12 medically validated modules designed by neonatologists at Amrita Hospital, Faridabad.

"The curriculum integrates digital learning, simulation-based skill development, specialist-led clinical case discussions, and hands-on training. It also includes AI-enabled proctored assessments, competency-based certification, and advanced immersion programs for high-

performing participants,” says Anukriti Gulati, General Manager, Research, Learning and Design at KEDMAN.

Selected nurses will receive practical training in a Level 4 neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) environment, enabling them to build confidence and capability in managing high-risk newborns.

The Neonatal Critical Care Nursing Training Initiative represents a collaboration between Getinge India, KEDMAN SkillEd India Foundation, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Amrita Hospital, and Business Sweden, which supports Indo–Swedish cooperation in healthcare.

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