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**Latest Medical facilities at Walawalkar Hospital - Seminars organized by the hospital for awareness**

**Spontaneous response to the seminar and Participants in the seminar were Dr. Suvarna Patil, Dr. Netaji Patil Dr. Sunil Nadkarni and other doctors.**

With the rapid advancement in the medical field, Walawalkar Hospital has started a unique program with the aim of making the doctors serving in the villages of Konkan aware of this, and in turn, the patients can benefit from it. Despite the lack of modern health facilities in the village, seminars were organized in some talukas to guide them on what precautions should be taken during treatment so that the patient's pain is reduced. Number of doctors in different talukas, such as 39 in Chiplun, 40 in Dapoli, 37 in Guhagar, 26 in Mandangad, 72 in Mangaon, 80 in Ratnagiri, 51 in Rajapur, and 40 in Khed and Devrukh, spontaneously participated in this program. This program was organized in every village itself. All the doctors appreciated all the facilities available under one roof at Walawalkar Hospital.



**From left - Nandan Hande, Vinodbhai Agarwal, Dr. Netaji Patil, Subhash Karandikar, Rajesh Belgaonkar, Shrikant Paranjape, Dr. Suvarna Patil, Ravindra Prabhune**

These gatherings were addressed by Dr. Sunil Nadkarni (Cervical Spine Specialist), Dr. Anand Joshi (Stomach and Liver, Pancreatic Disorders), Dr. Suvarna Patil (MD Medicine), Dr. Netaji Patil (Radiologist), Dr. Abhay Gondhale (Nuclear Medicine), Dr. Mridul Bhatjwale (Neurologist), Dr. Pratik Shahane (Ear, Nose, Throat Specialist) and Orthopaedician and Spine Specialist Dr. Omkar Sudame.

**Goodwill gift and feedback from the Rotary Club of Pune South**



"Today, all of us members visited this organization. It is truly awe-inspiring to see their work going on here in research, sports complex, medical college and hospital, and school. Behind every work done, the well-being of the population is considered, and then the work is finalised. Therefore, the emotion behind the work and quality of work is of the highest standard. Here, the power of Guru Maharaj's blessings can be seen with clear vision. Meeting all the people here, one can understand the level of dedication of a person. We have never seen

a greater social work, service to God than this. We are very happy to be here. Best wishes, may God give us the wisdom to take some inspiration from this." - Rotary Club of Pune (South)

## Girls from the Dervan cohort received training for traditional Ganeshotsav decorations



This year, a total of 24 girls from Chiplun, Sangameshwar, and Guhagar talukas participated enthusiastically in the handicraft training organized at the S.V.J.C.T. Skill Development Center in Dervan. This training on teaching eco-friendly and traditional handicrafts for Ganpati decoration was given by Chandrika Kamat (Mumbai), an instructor of Arts and Crafts. She gives demo programs on the topic of 'Art and Craft' on various renowned TV channels. She also conducts workshops for TV artists and fashion designers from Mumbai and Delhi. Under the direction of Hemant Trivedi and as per the designs of Shayna N.C., she has specially designed sarees for the charity fashion show of the 'Cancer Patients Association'. She conducts various workshops on the occasion of Ganpati and Diwali every year.

Girls were taught decorations like pleated flowers, sunflowers, and fan folds. Training was given to make jumbo flowers, colourful peacocks. Each girl was given their materials and was given hands-on activities. The girls said that they can start handicraft decorations for the Ganpati festival as a business and earn income using this skill. This initiative, under the guidance of Mrs. Kamat, has created confidence in the girls, and their creativity has been unleashed.

## Kantha Work Training



'Kantha work' is a type of traditional embroidery, it is also called 'hand embroidery'. Hand embroidery is done on new clothes, pillow covers, sarees, etc. Mrinmayi Avachat, founder of 'Nikai Fashion Studio', came to provide training on this. She is a fashion designer and entrepreneur. She has worked as a faculty member at Pearl Academy. She has completed an executive program in fashion design in London.

On 22nd and 23rd May 2025, S.V.J.C.T. Skill Development Center and Dervan Cohort Project girls were trained in Kantha Work. The girls in the new batch were taught small shapes' running stitch, mirror work, and Sindhi taka. They were also taught how to do slip stitch, hemming, how to do finishing of table-runners and how to do clean and beautiful work without any complications in the stitches while embroidering. Some girls have also got employment from this.

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