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NATIONAL EPILEPSY WEEK

Epilepsy Update 2026

DATE	TIME	VENUE
Sunday, 15th November 2026	09:00am – 06:30pm (IST)	4th Floor, S. P. Jain Auditorium, Bombay Hospital, Mumbai - 400020

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
09:00-09:45am	**REGISTRATION AND TEA & COFFEE**	
09:45-10:00am	Introduction on Medical Therapy in Epilepsy	**Dr. Nirmal Surya**
SYMPOSIUM 1	**The Trusted Workhorse**	LEVETIRACETAM
10:00-10:15am	**Drug profile** – Pharmacology, dosing, formulations, adverse effects (behavioral / psychiatric)	**Dr. Neeraj Jain**
10:15-10:30am	**Current evidence** – Monotherapy and add-on trials; status epilepticus; pregnancy and elderly data	**Dr. Jayanti Mani**
10:30-11:00am	**Panel discussion** – Levetiracetam	MODERATOR **Dr. Vibhor Pardasani** PANELISTS **Dr. Neeraj Jain**, **Dr. Jayanti Mani**
SYMPOSIUM 2	**The Next-Generation Racetam**	BRIVARACETAM
11:00-11:15am	**Drug profile** – Pharmacology (high-affinity SV2A binding), dosing, IV use, adverse effects	**Dr. Joy Desai**
11:15-11:30am	**Current evidence** – Add-on trials in focal seizures; monotherapy data; switching from levetiracetam and behavioral tolerability	**Dr. Sidharth Kharkar**
11:30-12:00pm	**Panel discussion** – Brivaracetam	MODERATOR **Dr. Saurabh Kamat** PANELISTS **Dr. Joy Desai**, **Dr. Sidharth Kharkar**
SYMPOSIUM 3	**Slow and Steady on the Sodium Channel**	LACOSAMIDE
12:00-12:15pm	**Drug profile** – Pharmacology (slow inactivation of sodium channels), dosing, IV use, cardiac and other adverse effects	**Dr. Rahul Chakor**
12:15-12:30pm	**Current evidence** – Monotherapy and add-on trials in focal seizures; adjunctive data in generalized tonic-clonic seizures; use in status epilepticus	**Dr. Anand Diwan**
12:30-01:00pm	**Panel discussion** – Lacosamide	MODERATOR **Dr. Kamlesh Jagiasi** PANELISTS **Dr. Rahul Chakor**, **Dr. Anand Diwan**
01:00-02:00pm	**LUNCH**	

Afternoon Session

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
SYMPOSIUM 4	**Chasing Seizure Freedom**	CENOBAMATE
02:00-02:15pm	**Drug profile** – Pharmacology (sodium channel blockade and GABA-A modulation), slow titration, interactions, DRESS risk	**Dr. Sujit Jagtap**
02:15-02:30pm	**Current evidence** – Randomized trials in drug-resistant focal epilepsy; seizure-freedom rates; long-term open-label safety	**Dr. Sangeeta Ravat**
02:30-03:00pm	**Panel discussion** – Cenobamate	MODERATOR **Dr. Jayanti Mani** PANELISTS **Dr. Sujit Jagtap** **Dr. Sangeeta Ravat**
SYMPOSIUM 5	**Hype or Hope?**	CANNABIDIOL (CANNABIS OIL)
03:00-03:15pm	**Drug profile** – Pharmacology, pharmaceutical-grade versus unregulated oils, dosing, interactions with clobazam and valproate, adverse effects	**Dr. Sandeep Patil**
03:15-03:30pm	**Current evidence** – Randomized trials in Dravet syndrome, Lennox-Gastaut syndrome and tuberous sclerosis complex; regulatory status in India	**Dr. Natasha Tipnis**
03:30-04:00pm	**Panel discussion** – Cannabidiol (cannabis oil)	MODERATOR **Dr. Kaustubh Bavdhankar** PANELISTS **Dr. Sandeep Patil** **Dr. Natasha Tipnis**
04:00-04:30pm	**TEA & COFFEE BREAK**	

EVENING PROGRAMME · 04:30-06:30pm

Inauguration & Public Awareness Program for Person with Epilepsy

Inauguration followed by Public Awareness Program

06:30pm	**HIGH TEA**

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