

## REPORT

### Tobacco Cessation Clinic at Yenepoya Medical College, Mangalore

The National level Tobacco cessation campaign titled - **Tobacco free Youth Campaign 2.0** was launched by the Hon'ble State Minister of Health and Family Welfare on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024 from 11.00am to 1pm. During this event the Minister of Health and Family Welfare Shri Prataprao Jadhav inaugurated the Tobacco Cessation Centers (TCCs) in all medical Institutions across India through a virtual platform. In line with this initiative, operational guidelines for establishing TCCs in medical institutions were released on World No Tobacco Day 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024.

In view of the above, our institution also made arrangements for the establishment of TCC at Pulmonary Medicine department in the hospital building of Yenepoya Medical College in accordance with the operational guidelines and displayed the inauguration plaque outside the TCC and participated in the virtual inauguration.

Venue: Tobacco Cessation Clinic, Yenepoya Medical College Hospital, Deralakatte, Mangalore

Time: 11am - 1pm

Participants -

1. Dr Rajesh V, HoD, Pulmonary Medicine department
2. Dr Anil Kakunje, HoD, Psychiatry department
3. Dr Akshaya KM, HoD, Community Medicine department
4. Dr Imaad Mohammed Ismail, Professor, Community Medicine department
5. Along with postgraduates and students

All the members gathered at the designated location and joined the pre circulated web link and listened to the program, guest talks and motivational speech of invitees and dignitaries.

The center was inaugurated simultaneously with the plaque in the background at around 12.30pm. The staffs presented highlighted the need for a specialized Tobacco Cessation Center and the need to treat this menace affecting millions of people. The program concluded at around 1pm. Few photos are attached.

  
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