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Workshop on Simulator-based Training in Manual Small Incision Cataract Surgery Aravind - Madurai

Editorial

After a gap of more than two years, HR personnel across Aravind centres were brought together for a retreat at Aravind-Madurai. The retreat provided practical inputs to refine and restructure various systems and procedures of the HR department towards ensuring its effective functioning.

The concept of Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) is relatively new to people at Aravind. It is a strategy that operates according to the idea that everyone in a facility should participate in maintenance of equipment or instruments, rather than just the maintenance team.

Accolades

Certificate of Appreciation Aravind - Tirunelveli, January 26

Aravind Eye Hospital, Tirunelveli received a Certificate of Appreciation for exemplary performance under Chief Minister's Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme (CMCHIS-AB-PMJAY). Dr. V. Manekha, Chief - Orbit & Oculoplasty Clinic received the certificate from Thiru. V. Vishnu, IAS honorable District Collector, Tirunelveli during the Republic Day Celebration.

Aravind Events

HR Retreat 2023 Aravind-Madurai, February 3-4

Restructuring the HR Division for effective functioning was the core concept of the retreat. HR Managers from all tertiary centres and managers of secondary centres participated. Dr. S.R. Krishnamdas, Director-HR, AECS welcomed the participants. Dr. R.D. Ravindran, Chairman, AECS delivered the keynote address.



New AOP Supervisors, Tutors and Performers Aravind-Madurai, February 2

Aravind Eye Hospital, Madurai started the selection process for the positions of Supervisor, Tutor, and Performer in November 2022. There were 137 potential candidates. 360 degree feedback was obtained, personal interview was conducted by Dr. Usha Kim, Director - AOP training, AECS.



TNOA Mid-year Sandhippu Courtallam, January 28-29

TNOA Mid-year Conference was held at Courtallam under the leadership of Dr. R. Ramakrishnan, President - TNOA and Advisor, Aravind-Tirunelveli. The conference was well planned and the sessions were organised in an interesting and engaging way.



Workshop on Simulator-based Training in Manual Small Incision Cataract Surgery Aravind-Madurai, January 21-22

Cataract services of Aravind Eye Hospital, Madurai organised the workshop which included classroom lectures, complex case handling video sessions and hands-on practice on the simulator. A total of 39 participants from various medical colleges took part.



Library Week Aravind-Madurai, January 7-25

Aravind Library and Information Centre, Madurai observed Library Week, a weeklong event from January 7 to 14, and January 19 to 25. This was a unique programme organised for all resident doctors and AOP. It aimed to reach out, teach and spread knowledge to everyone.

Library Week started off with a Writathon arranged from January 7 to 9. A photo quiz on clinical images was anchored by Dr. Rupa, Medical Officer, Paediatric Ophthalmology Clinic, Aravind-Madurai. She also gave a motivational talk.



Pongal CME Aravind-Coimbatore, January 4-11

Pongal CME was organised during January 4 to 11. Mr. Gautham Kumar, Manager-Quality, Aravind-Coimbatore reviewed the incidents and errors in 2022, explained the root cause analysis and corrective and preventive actions.



Aurolob Aurolob Day Aravind, January 28

After two years, Aurolob arranged a formal function to celebrate its annual day. Dr. P. Ramesh, Founder, Aarby Eye Hospital was the chief guest and delivered a special talk. Dr. G. Nachiar, Trustee, Aurolob and Director Emeritus, AECS; Dr. P. Balakrishnan Managing Director Emeritus, Aurolob and Dr. P. Vijayarajakshi, Chief - Vision Rehabilitation Centre, Aravind-Madurai graced the occasion.

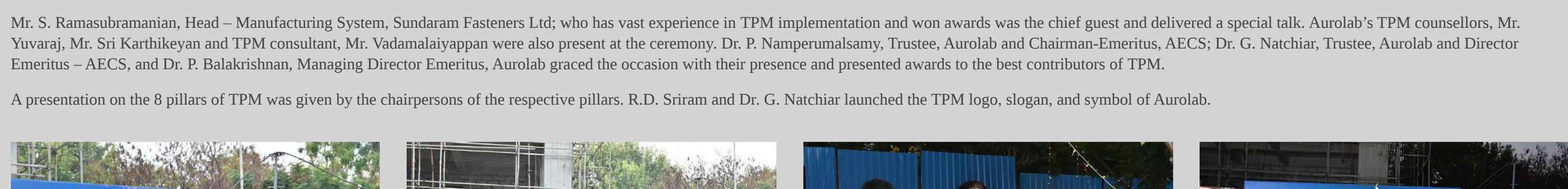
Service awards were distributed to the employees. Students from Madurai Natya Kalalaya performed a dance drama, depicting the life story of the famous Tamil freedom fighter, Veeramangai Velu Nachiyar. Aurolob staff put a skit titled, 'Vidhi Mathi Vidiyadadi'.



TPM Deployment Aravind, January 27

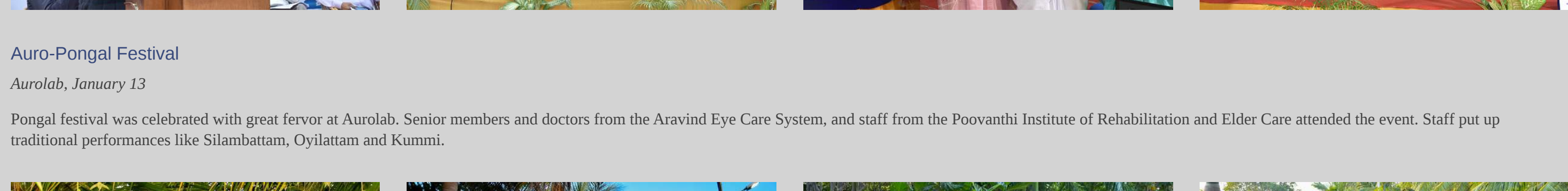
Total Productive Maintenance (TPM), a concept originated in Japan, is a strategic method for continual improvement and excellence in all aspects of an organisation. It helps improve productivity, quality, cost, delivery, morale, safety and environmental.

Mr. S. Ramasubramanian, Head - Manufacturing System, Sundaram Fasteners Ltd; who has vast experience in TPM implementation and won awards was the chief guest and delivered a special talk. Aurolob's TPM counsellors, Mr. Yuvaraj, Mr. Sri Karthikeyan and TPM consultant, Mr. Vadimalayappan were also present at the ceremony.



Auro-Pongal Festival Aravind, January 13

Pongal festival was celebrated with great fervor at Aurolob. Senior members and doctors from the Aravind Eye Care System, and staff from the Poovalanthe Institute of Rehabilitation and Elder Care attended the event.



Participation in Conferences

Aravind participated in the TNOA mid-year conference held at Courtallam in the last week of January and training awareness on its products such as the Aurovive Vivid, Aurovive TVC Toric IOL, and Hummingbird lens. It took part in the Annual Conference of Hayana Ophthalmological Society during January 21-22 and provided phaco training for doctors.

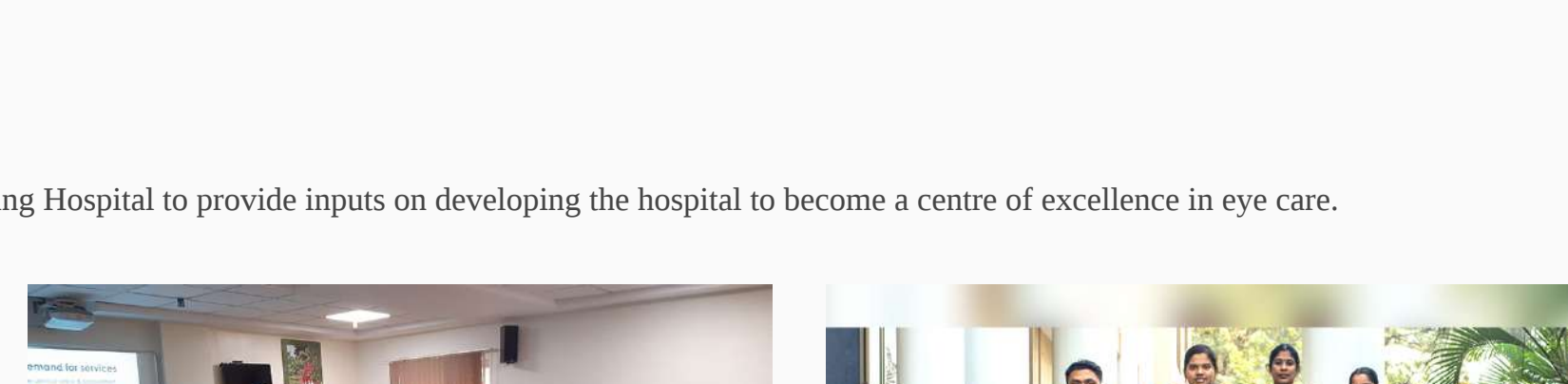
LAICO

Visit to Cape Coast Teaching Hospital Cape Coast, Ghana, February 5-11

Dr. R. Venkatesh, Chief Medical Officer, Aravind-Pondicherry and K.M. Sashipriya, LAICO visited Cape Coast Teaching Hospital to provide inputs on developing the hospital to become a centre of excellence in eye care.

Management Priorities in Eye Care Delivery for Heads of Eye Hospitals LAICO, January 15-21

LAICO conducted the 21st batch of the course, Management Priorities in Eye Care Delivery for Heads of Eye Hospitals in the second week of January. A total of 19 participants from India, Bangladesh and Nigeria participated.



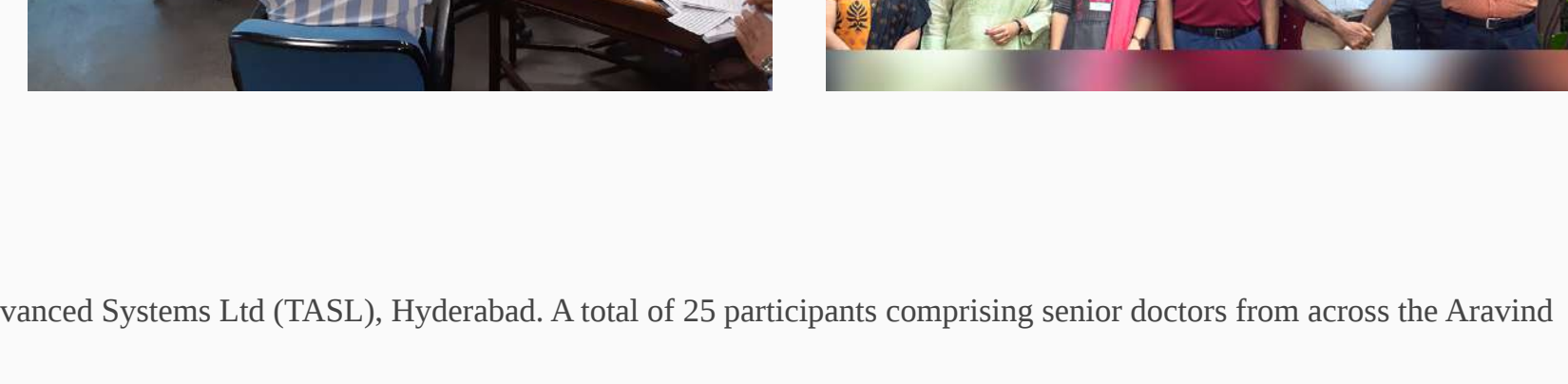
Kaushalam Hyderabad, January 5-8

Second session of Kaushalam, the value-based leadership seminar series anchored by LAICO was organised at Tata Advanced Systems Ltd (TASL), Hyderabad. A total of 25 participants comprising senior doctors from across the Aravind centres as well as senior executives from Aurolob and TASL took part.

Conference Attended

Genomics India 2023 Conference Bangalore, February 2-3

Dr. P. Sundaresan - Gene therapy for an inherited eye disorder and mitochondrialopathy



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Training

Table with 3 columns: Course title, Training Centre, No. of enrolments. Rows include Fellowship in Cornea, Fellowship in Orbit & Oculoplasty, Fellowship in Retina, Fellowship in Glaucoma, Fellowship in Paediatric Ophthalmology, Short Term Training Programs - For Ophthalmologists, Clinical Observership Program in Diagnosis and Management of Glaucoma, HelpMeSee Simulation-based Training in MSICS, Short term training in vitrectomy, Phacoemulsification, Small Incision Cataract Surgery, Short Term Training Programs - For Paramedicals, FFA & USG, Refraction techniques, OT Techniques, Ocularist, Management Courses, Management Priorities in Eye Care Delivery.

Statistics

Table with 13 columns: Hospitals, Out-patient visits, Paying (New & Review), Free Direct walk-in (New & Review), Outreach Out-patients, Comprehensive Eye Camps, Diabetic Retinopathy Camps, Refraction Camp, Mobile Refraction Unit, School Screening, Paediatric Eye Screening Camps, IOP Screening, Vision Centres, Community / City Centres, Total OP Examinations, Total number of camps, Surgeries, Cataract, *Cataract Surgeries, Total Surgeries.

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