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Building Strong Foundations: Orientation Training Program for Andhra Pradesh Daycare Coordinators

Orientation Training Programme brought together four new Andhra Pradesh coordinators from centres established in collaboration with the Indian Red Cross Society, along with two experienced coordinators from Parbhani and Aurangabad, for a structured learning engagement.

The training was mapped to Bloom's Taxonomy and delivered using the flipped classroom method through the SheAL platform. Sessions covered new patient registration, Thalcare demonstrations aligned to daily workflows, chelation therapy dose setting, patient counselling, and guided exposure visits to the BMT Unit, Sankalp Blood Centre, Child Care Home, and STDC.

Designed as a fully participatory programme, the orientation moved beyond lectures into applied learning. Coordinators engaged in role-plays, group discussions, case-based problem solving, and open-book assignments that reflected real scenarios from day care operations and patient interactions.

The programme ensured alignment in protocols, documentation standards, and counselling approaches across centres. By combining structured pedagogy with hands-on exposure, the initiative strengthened coordinator readiness to deliver consistent, accountable, and compassionate care to every child and family we serve across expanding geographies.

February Highlights

Blood Donation

Total collection: **1262** units from **21** camps. **1192** units collected by **20** Sankalp Blood Centre camps and in-house donations. Managed **8** rare Bombay Blood group requests.

Thalassemia Management

Transfused **4315** units across **29** daycare centres in **7** states, aiding **2800+** children.

Prevention

Screened **5186** pregnant women and prevented **5** affected births, empowering families to take charge of their future.

Cure

Performed **23** Bone Marrow Transplants across our BMT units in Bangalore and Ahmedabad, offering renewed life to affected children.

HLA Typing

Typed **283** individuals from **86** families across **3** camps in **3** states enabling potential matches.

At Sankalp, celebration lives in every safe transfusion, every screening that protects a child's future, and every woman who strengthens care with skill and resolve.

March reminds us that awareness must lead to action. Prevention, blood donation, and shared responsibility remain central to reducing the burden of thalassemia.

Together, we move forward with purpose and shared resolve.

Team Sankalp



Every Unit Counts: Communities Powering Lifelines Through Blood Donation

Organisations and communities across the country partnered with Sankalp India Foundation throughout February to organise voluntary blood donation drives supporting children living with thalassemia and other patients who rely on regular transfusions.

Early drives by Fiery Digital Imaging India Pvt. Ltd., Borderless Access Pvt. Ltd., Embassy Heights with Mercy Mission, Firstsource, Veerashaiva Lingayat Bandhu Balaga, Alpine Eco, and Mantri Espana helped steadily strengthen the blood supply.

Corporate partners also stepped forward, uniting to make a difference.

Pega India organised drives across Bengaluru and Hyderabad, while Infosys Mysuru contributed one of the month's largest collections alongside camps by Ingram Micro, CISF, Meritor Commercial Vehicle Systems Pvt. Ltd., and Salesforce India Pvt. Ltd. Large drives towards the end of the month added significant momentum.

Epsilon organised a two-day camp collecting **250** units, while Flipkart's drive across two days contributed another **236** units.

Each of the **1200+** units collected represents a lifeline for patients who depend on regular transfusions to survive.



Advancing Cure Pathways through BMT Counselling in Jodhpur

Sankalp India Foundation conducted a two-day programme in Jodhpur to strengthen cure pathways and thalassemia awareness. Over **73** families attended an OPD with Dr Vaibhav to review HLA results and explore transplant options.

23 children were identified with full matches, with **21** families ready to proceed and **20** considering haploidentical transplant. An HLA camp the next day collected samples from **36** families. Sankalp thanks Mr Nemichand, Mr Ashish Vadera, and the Marwar Thalassemia Society for supporting the effort.



BMT Counselling Camp for HLA-typed Families at JIPMER

Sankalp India Foundation organised a Bone Marrow Transplant counselling camp at JIPMER for families exploring curative options for thalassemia. Around **20** families attended. HLA typing showed **9** full matches and **15** haploidentical options.

Dr Mohan conducted physical evaluations to assess transplant readiness, while the BMT team counselled families on preparation, finances, procedure, and recovery, helping these families understand processes and allow them to take informed steps towards a potential cure.



KMYF: A Strong Partner in Blood Donation

The Karnataka Marwari Youth Federation continues to be a deeply valued partner of Sankalp Blood Centre in promoting voluntary blood donation. During the current financial year, KMYF organised **15** blood donation camps, collecting **1,242** units, nearly **9%** of the **14,000** units collected through camps by Sankalp Blood Centre until 28 February.

Led by Mr. Rahul Mehta, the volunteers from KMYF have been instrumental in mobilizing and organizing these blood drives. The structured efforts of the KMYF team and the participation of voluntary donors have contributed significantly to maintaining a stable and reliable blood supply.



Tarento Volunteers Bring Learning and Joy

Volunteers from Tarento Technologies visited Sankalp India Foundation on 7 February 2026 for a day of learning and engagement. Ten team members explored thalassemia care, blood transfusions, and the importance of voluntary blood donation. They spent joyful time with children from the day care and post-transplant programmes through games and conversations.

The team also contributed science kits, mechanic kits, and art supplies, encouraging creativity and learning. Sankalp thanks Tarento for their warmth, generosity, and meaningful engagement.



Team From Deutsche Bank Group Explores Thalassemia Care

A team from Deutsche Bank Group visited Sankalp India Foundation for an immersive engagement on thalassemia care. The visit included a walkthrough of the Sankalp Blood Centre, Child Care Home, and Day Care unit, offering insight into transfusion support and curative pathways through bone marrow transplantation.

Volunteers also spent joyful time with children through games and conversations. The day concluded with shared reflections, highlighting how awareness, empathy, and voluntary blood donation strengthen the journey towards a thalassemia-free future.



Securonix Founding Day with Our Young Patients

A team from Securonix visited Sankalp India Foundation as part of their Founding Day celebrations, spending an entire engaging day with children through games, activities, and warm conversations.

The visit also included an awareness session on thalassemia, covering inheritance, transfusion care, blood processing, and the importance of voluntary blood donation for the volunteers.

The interaction brought much joy to the children while strengthening awareness and empathy around thalassemia care.



Abburi Chandana Gets BMT: The First Step Towards Cure from Nellore

Abburi Chandana, a child living with thalassemia, is registered at Sankalp India Foundation's Nellore Management Centre. Her journey marks a milestone as the first child from the centre to move forward for a bone marrow transplant in Bengaluru.

For families from remote regions, travelling for transplant and relocating for months can feel overwhelming, and Chandana's family faced fear and resistance before making the decision.

Through continued counselling and guidance, Sankalp's team helped the family understand the curative potential of transplantation.

At the heart of this journey was her mother's determination.

Despite challenges, she chose the path to cure, setting an example for other families and showing that access to treatment becomes possible when courage is supported by care and trust.



A Shared Journey to Cure: Nakul and Bhimappa Get Simultaneous BMTs

Nakul and Bhimappa, twin brothers from Athani in Belgaum district, grew up in a large joint family of nearly fifty members living together in a single compound. When the twins were diagnosed with thalassemia major, regular transfusions became a part of life.

Their turning point came at the Thalassemia Management Centre at KLE Society Belgaum, run with Sankalp India Foundation, where structured care led to HLA testing.

Their elder sister Swati was found to be a full match for both boys, opening the possibility of cure. The family made the decision to relocate to Bengaluru for transplant preparation.

With critical financial support from Coal India under Thalassemia Bal Sewa Yojana and careful planning, the twins successfully underwent simultaneous bone marrow transplants and were discharged free from thalassemia.

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