

REPORT FROM INDIA

India National Report (June–December 2025)

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Foreword

It is my privilege to present the **Association of Medical Women in India (AMWI) Activity Report for the period June to December 2025** to the **Medical Women's International Association (MWIA)**. The initiatives undertaken during this period reflect AMWI's sustained commitment to holistic women's health, academic excellence, ethical medical practice, leadership development, and advocacy.

Through coordinated national, state, and chapter-level activities, AMWI members actively contributed to education, community engagement, and policy-aligned advocacy, while strengthening alignment with MWIA's vision and global objectives. I sincerely acknowledge the dedication of all office bearers, branch leaders, and members, and look forward to continued collaboration with MWIA.

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International Recognition and Leadership Updates

- AMWI records with pride the significant representation and achievements of Indian medical women at the **MWIA Congress held in Cairo in October 2025**, marking an important milestone in India's engagement with MWIA and global women's health leadership.
- AMWI is honoured to note the election of **Dr. Mandakini Megh**, President, AMWI India, as **President-Elect of MWIA**, reflecting her sustained contributions and leadership at national and international levels.
- AMWI also acknowledges the election of **Dr. Vandana Walvekar** as **Vice President, Central Asia Region, MWIA**, recognising her service and leadership within the organisation.
- The Jhirad oration was delivered by Dr. Eleanor Nwadinobi at the Congress.

Several AMWI members received **international awards, including the MWIA Triennium Award**, and delivered **scientific and invited presentations** at the Congress, underscoring the collective academic excellence and global engagement of Indian medical women.



National Conference of Medical Women in India

Organised by: AMWI, West Bengal

Theme: *Holistic Health of Women*

Dates: 12–13 December 2025

Venue: Baptist Missionary Society Auditorium, Kolkata

- The National Conference successfully brought together medical women from multiple specialties to deliberate on clinical, ethical, social, and technological aspects of women's health.

- The scientific programme on Day 1 covered oncology, immunology, endocrinology, environmental health, medical ethics, fetal medicine, surgery, pain management, and menopausal health.

– **Dr. Nirmala Mokadam Memorial Oration:**

"On Being a Generalist" – **Dr. Prachi Mahajan**

– **Keynote Address:**

"Born Too Soon" – **Prof. Dr. Geeta Ganguly Mukherjee**

- **Dr. Marie Catchatoor Memorial Oration:**

"Combating Workplace Violence: Addressing Challenges and Promoting Safety" – **Dr. Mandakini Megh**

- **Dr. Hemprova Ghosh McDonald Memorial Oration:**

"Pain Management to Pain Medicine" – **Dr. Krishna Poddar**

- The conference also included the **Winifred Fernandes Competitive Short Paper Session**, AMWI Council Meeting, and formal inauguration.

- Day 2 featured sessions on internal medicine, psychiatry, adolescent and geriatric health, infertility, gynaecological technology, third gender health, cardiology, anaesthesiology, and cancer survivorship, along with panel discussions on infertility, holistic wellbeing, and prevention of child abuse.

- The conference concluded with a valedictory session reaffirming AMWI's commitment to holistic, inclusive women's healthcare.

Webinar: “Unite to End Digital Violence Against Women and Girls”



Organised by: Mumbai Obstetrics and Gynecology Society & AMWI

In association with: MWIA – Central Asia Region

Date: 25 November 2025

Coordinators-Dr.Gauri Karandikar,Dr.Rajeshree Katke,Dr.Bhumika Kotecha

- The national webinar highlighted digital violence as an emerging public health and human rights concern and emphasised the role of healthcare professionals in prevention, documentation, and survivor support.

- **Key contributions included:**

- Leadership perspective and UNITE Campaign commitment – **Dr. Mandakini Megh**
- Advocacy and global digital safety – **Dr. Vandana Walvekar**
- Public health and cybersecurity – **Dr. Anuja Gulati (UNFPA)**
- Medico-legal responsibilities – **Dr. Shailesh Mohite**
- Clinical support for survivors – **Dr. Suchitra Pandit**

- The panel discussion moderated by Dr.Purnima Satoskar alongwith esteemed panelists,Dr.Geeta Balsarkar,Dr.Ashwini Bhalerao,Dr.Rucha Sule,Dr.Chikhalkar and Mr. Paresh Chitnis addressed postgraduate training, preventive education, trauma-informed care, forensic documentation, and digital reporting mechanisms.

- The webinar concluded with the **AMWI Pledge and Call to Action**, reinforcing collective responsibility and support from Dr.Rajendra Sankpal,President, Mumbai Obstetrics and Gynecology Society

Branch Reports

West Bengal Branch

- 21 June 2025 –

8th Dr. Sobha Ghosh Memorial Oration

Orator: **Prof. Sarmila Mallik**, Principal, Tamralipto GMCH

Topic: *Glimpses of Public Health Programmes with Special Reference to Reproductive and Child Health*

- 26 July 2025 –

44th Prof. Anjali Chatterjee Memorial Oration

Orator: **Dr. Dipanwita Banerjee**, Gynaecological Oncologist, CNCI, Kolkata

Topic: *Back to Basics: Recognising Red Flag Symptoms in Gynaecological Oncology*

Awards:

– Prof. Anjali Chatterjee Memorial Award for Voluntary Medical Service – **Dr. Malina Dey**

– Award for Women Medical Research Worker in Biochemistry – **Dr. Manali Sinharay**

- 23 August 2025 –

15th Mrs. Promodini & Dr. Purnima Chatterjee Memorial Oration

Orator: **Dr. Mandira Pal**, Consultant Paediatrician

Topic: *Immunisation: An Overview*

- 6 September 2025 –

CME Programme

Speaker: **Dr. Mary D'Cruz**

- 13 September 2025 –

14th Dr. Tulsi Basu Memorial Oration

Orator: **Dr. Anuradha Ghosh**

Topic: *Overview of FNAC and Pap Smear Tests in Semi-Urban Settings*

- 18 October 2025 –

28th Dr. Mukulika Konar Memorial Oration

Orator: **Dr. Saktikana Mitra Basu**

Topic: *Midlife in Women – Crisis or Opportunity*



Mumbai Branch

• 25 April 2025 –

Annual General Body Meeting and Inauguration at Jaslok Hospital

Academic Lecture: *Role of Genetics in Medical Practice* – **Dr. Hema Purandarey**

• 7 August 2025 –

World Breastfeeding Week Celebration at Jaslok Hospital

Organised by **Dr. Purnima Satoskar & Dr. Shipa Agrawal**

Attendance: 37 delegates

• 7 September 2025 –

CME: *From FOG to FIT – A Midlife Women's Wellness Journey*

In association with Mumbai Menopause Society

Organiser: **Dr. Vijaya Babre**

Attendance: 97 delegates

• 13 September 2025 –

CME with Guest Speaker **Dr. Azmy Birdi**

Venue: Breach Candy Hospital

Attendance: 45 delegates

• 27 September 2025 –

Jagruti Meeting on Breast Cancer Awareness

Venue: Hotel Heritage, Byculla

Talks:

– Early Detection & Diagnosis – **Dr. Sachin Almel**

– Surgical Management – **Dr. Karishma Kirti**

Attendance: 48 delegates



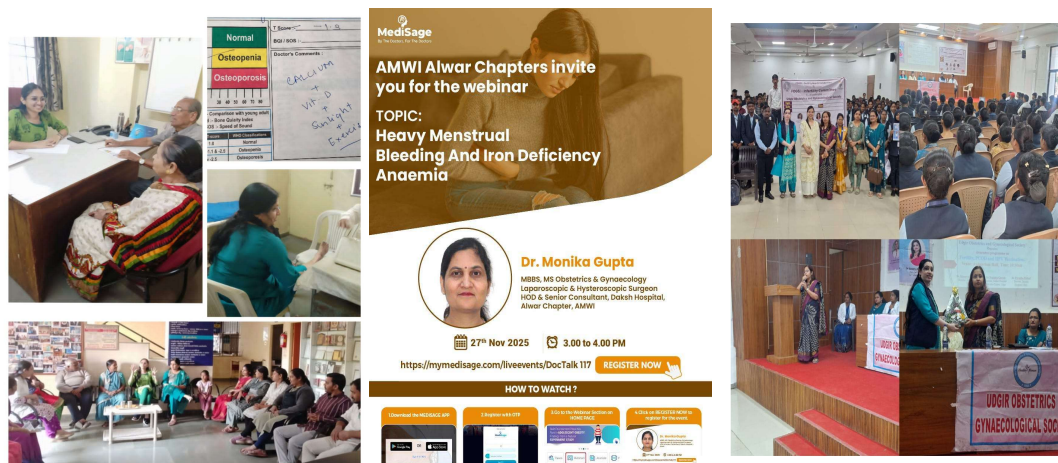
Nagpur Branch

- **6 July 2025 –**
Participation in **AMWI Council Meeting**
- **25 July 2025 –**
First General Body Meeting at IMA House, Nagpur
Presided by **Dr. Anjalee Chivhane**
- **18 September 2025 –**
Launch of **“Swasthya Varta”** Public Education Series
Inaugural Topic: *Chronic Pain and its Management*
Speakers: **Dr. Sunita Lawange & Dr. Archana Deshpande**
Live-streamed and uploaded on YouTube
- **6 October 2025 –**
TEDx Nagpur Talk by **Dr. Laxmi Shrikhande**
Topic: *Gender Equality and Importance of Sex Education*
- **14 October 2025 –**
Second *Swasthya Varta* Session
Topic: *Festivals and Diabetes*
- **22 November 2025 –**
CME: *Organ Protection in Diabetes and Hypertension*
Speaker: **Dr. Gira Soni**
Moderator: **Dr. Shilpa Paranjape**
- **22 November 2025 –**
Diwali Milan and Felicitation of **Dr. Gira Soni**



Chapters

- **Nashik, Udgir, Paratwada, and Alwar Chapters** conducted date-wise community health awareness activities on bone health, cervical cancer, anaemia, and social issues.



Conclusion

The period from **June to December 2025** reflects active national engagement, strong branch-level programming, and meaningful international participation by AMWI. Through academic excellence, advocacy, leadership development, and community outreach, AMWI continues to advance women's health in alignment with MWIA's global mission. The Association remains committed to sustained collaboration and impactful action in the years ahead.