



# Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Society



Awareness about Thalassemia

## A Mother's Strength and a Son's Determination – Shiva Prasad's Story

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**Shiva Prasad** was born in 2003 in Vikarabad District to Raju, a farmer, and Kamala, an Anganwadi teacher. Like any new parents, they were overjoyed with the arrival of their first child. However, their happiness was short-lived. By the time Shiva was just two months old, his health began to decline. He became extremely pale and weak, and his parents were forced to rush him from one hospital to another.

Initially, doctors in Mahbubnagar and Parigi treated him, but his condition worsened. Eventually, they were referred to Niloufer Hospital in Hyderabad, where he received multiple blood transfusions and was diagnosed with Thalassemia Major. This marked the beginning of a lifelong journey of regular blood transfusions and medical care. From Niloufer, Shiva was shifted to ESIC Hospital, and later to several other centers until one doctor finally directed the family to the Thalassemia & Sickle Cell Society (TSCS), Hyderabad, in June 2013. Since then, Shiva has been under the continuous care of TSCS.

Life, however, brought further challenges. Shiva's father left the family, leaving his mother Kamala to raise him single-handedly. Despite the hardships, Kamala stood firm, supported by her in-laws and parents. Shiva, too, displayed remarkable courage. When complications like nephrology problems arose, he continued his treatment without losing hope. When his oral medication was stopped and he had to start Desferal injections, Shiva himself learned to use the Desferal pump—showing his resilience and independence at a young age.

Today, Shiva Prasad is a strong and determined young man. Despite the struggles, he is filled with dreams for the future. Inspired by the doctors and the care he has received, he **aspires to become a doctor himself**, so that he can serve children like him who battle Thalassemia every day. His story is not just about illness, but about the unbreakable bond between a mother and son, the importance of timely support, and the power of hope in shaping the future.

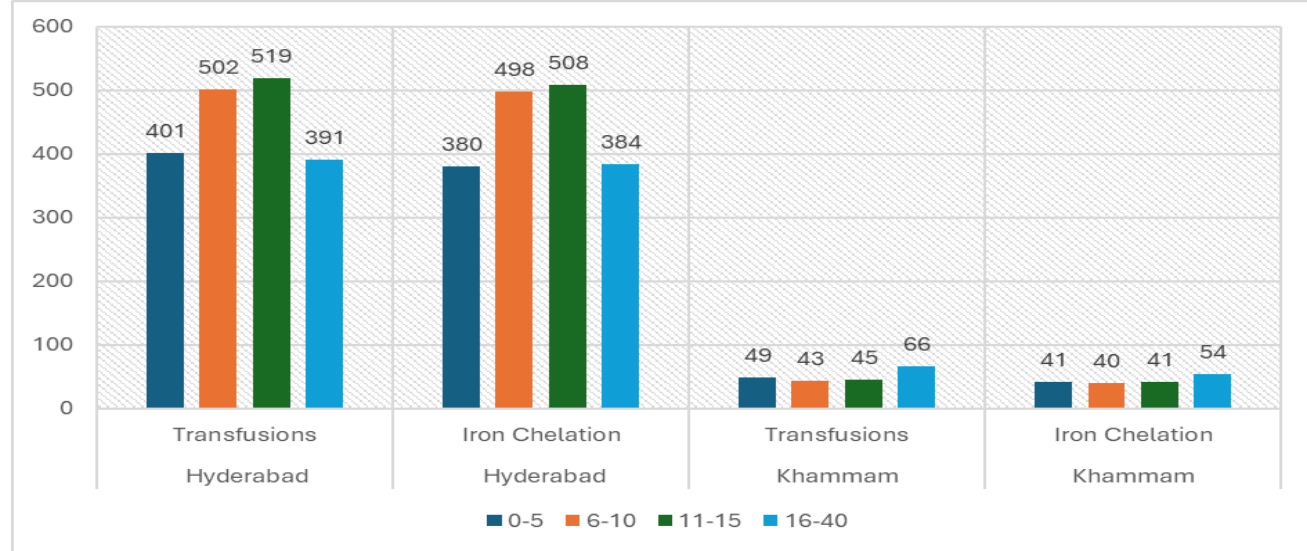
***At TSCS, we are proud to stand beside Shiva and thousands of children like him, ensuring not only their survival but also empowering them to dream big and live with dignity.***





Donate blood and be the reason of smile to many faces.!

## Blood Transfusion and Iron-Chelation Details at Hyderabad and Khammam



Total number of Blood Transfusions for the month of **August 2025** including all patients group were **1813 (Hyderabad)** and **203 (Khammam)** & a total of **2063** and **247** units of blood provided to patients in respective centres

HPLC at Society	CVS at TSCS	New registrations	Splenectomy
<b>2254</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>29</b> (27 @ Hyderabad & 02 @ Khammam)	<b>2</b>

**1596 Antenatal women** were screened for **Thalassemia** and **Sickle cell anemia** carrier status from **Government Maternity Hospital, Petlaburj (259 - 12 carriers)** , **Mahabubnagar PHCs (458 - 7 carriers)**, **Medchal-Malkajgiri PHCs (558 - 22 carriers)** **Private Hospitals (321 – 5 Carriers)** of which **33** were found to be **Thal carriers** and **SCA - 13 carriers**.

### BLOOD BANK

S.No	Particulars	Units
1	Sensitization Programs Organized	42
2	Total no of Blood Donation Camps	30
3	Blood Collection Camps and In-house	2269
4	Discard Bags	32
5	Thalassemic & General Free Issues (Khammam –245 units)	2073
6	General Paid Issues	44



Thanks to MS Education for supporting Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Anemia patients



# Donations



## Monthly Donors For August 2025

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## NEWS & EVENTS

**Visit of Atha Welfare Foundation(AWF) Afghanistan team for collaboration on 13th August 2025**



**Workshop for Nurses on Preparedness and Intervention: Handling Acute Events in Thalassemia and SCA by Dr. Nitesh Agarwal**



**Awareness Talk by Mr Hemant Kumar at ASHA Workers meeting inPHC, Mahabubnagar Dist.**



### తలసేమియాపై అవగాహన కల్పించాలి

భూత్పూర్, ఆగస్టు 5 (ఆంధ్రజ్యోతి) : తలసేమియా వ్యాధి రాకుండా గర్భిణులకు అవగాహన కల్పించడంతో పాటు సకాలంలో పరీక్షలు నిర్వహించాలని తలసేమియా నివారణ జిల్లా కో-ఆర్డినేటర్ హేమంత్ కుమార్ పేర్కొన్నారు. మంగళవారం ఆశ వర్కర్లు, ఏఎన్ఎలకు ప్రాథమిక ఆరోగ్య కేంద్రంలో ఏర్పాటు చేసిన ప్రత్యేక సమావేశంలో అవగాహన కల్పించారు. తలసేమియా వ్యాధికి మందులు లేవని, వ్యాధి రాకుండా ముందు జాగ్రత్త చర్యలు చేపట్టాలి అశ్వర్థులు ప్రజలకు అర్థమయ్యే విధంగా రబీ, నూపర్లవైజర్ సుదాకర్, ల్యాబ్ అవగాహన కల్పించాలన్నారు. డాక్టర్ ఆబ్దుల్ డెక్కిషియన్ సరేష్ పాల్గొన్నారు.

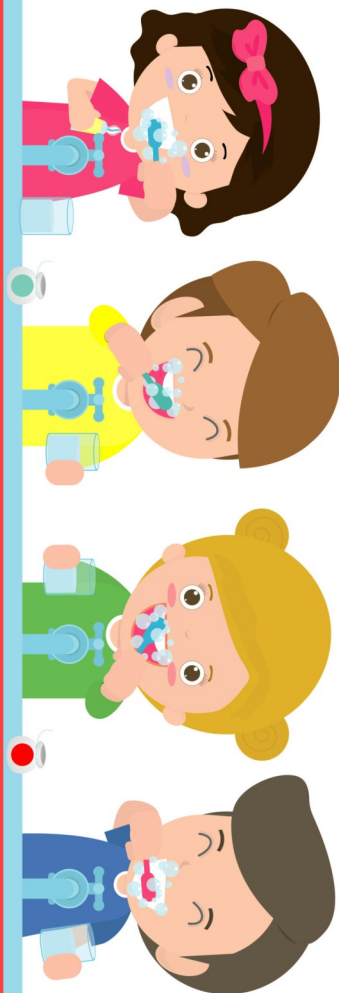


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## Health Topics in India-Specific Updates

- 1. Health ATMs in Hyderabad** To speed up diagnostics, two “health ATMs” (touch-screen kiosks) have been introduced in government hospitals in Hyderabad (King Kothi and Malakpet). They can conduct ~130 tests (blood, ECG, liver/kidney, etc.) and deliver results quickly. Initial accuracy looks good; trialing for larger rollout.
- 2. KMC Manipal launches AI in healthcare department** Kasturba Medical College, Manipal has created a dedicated AI in healthcare department — the first of its kind in an Indian medical college. This aims to integrate AI in diagnostics, treatment, medical imaging, public health etc, and to train future professionals in this cutting-edge space.
- 3. Digitizing traditional medicine knowledge** India is leading in digitizing its traditional systems (Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani, etc.) using AI, through platforms like the Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL). Goal: preserve traditional knowledge, prevent misuse/biopiracy, make it more accessible & scientifically validated.
- 4. Chronic Disease Deaths Rising (vs Global Trend)** A recent Lancet study finds that while many countries have seen declines in deaths from non-communicable diseases (NCDs), India has seen an increase in mortality from them in the years leading up to COVID-19. Particularly large contributions came from ischaemic heart disease and diabetes (including chronic kidney disease from diabetes).
- 5. GST / Tax Reliefs in Health and Insurance Sector**
  - From September 22, 2025, individual life & health insurance premiums will move to 0% GST (down from 18%). This should make insurance more affordable.
  - Also, certain life-saving and high-cost medications for cancer and chronic conditions are getting either mopped into the exempt slab or seeing lowered GST in the upcoming GST 2.0 changes.



## Reach us to extend your Help

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