



Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Society



A Journey of Courage: A Family's Fight Against Thalassemia

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In the quiet town of Thirumal Giri, near Suryapet district, lived Somaiah, a devoted school teacher, and his wife Venkatamma, a loving homemaker. The couple, united in a consanguineous marriage, were blessed with six children—four boys and two girls. Their firstborn, Mahesh Kumar, arrived healthy and full of life, bringing joy to their humble household.

However, their happiness was soon tested with the birth of their second son, Parashuram. From an early age, Parashuram exhibited signs of severe weakness and unusually pale skin. Initially misdiagnosed with anemia, he was prescribed iron supplements, but his condition showed no improvement. Further medical investigations revealed a shocking diagnosis: Parashuram was suffering from Thalassemia Major, a severe genetic blood disorder.



The news devastated the family. Parashuram was soon referred to Niloufer Hospital in Hyderabad, where he began receiving regular blood transfusions. Despite the emotional and financial strain, Somaiah and Venkatamma stood strong, determined to give their son the best possible care.

Their challenges multiplied as two more children—Vijay and Karthik—were born. When their fifth child, a daughter named Akhila, was also diagnosed with Thalassemia Major, the parents were once again shaken but did not lose hope. Their youngest child, Preethi, was fortunately born healthy.

Parashuram battled bravely for years but tragically passed away at the age of 18 due to complications related to the disorder. His untimely loss left a deep void in the family, but Somaiah and Venkatamma transformed their grief into a mission—raising awareness about Thalassemia in their village and encouraging others to undergo screening and seek timely medical advice.

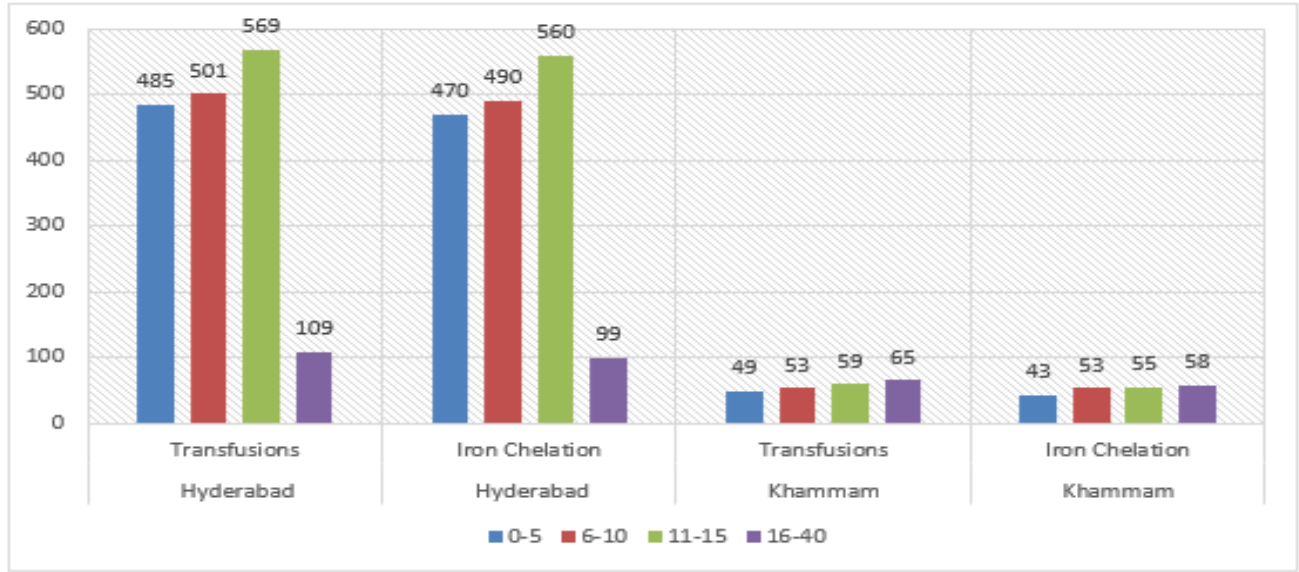
Today, Akhila is studying in 12th standard and receives regular blood transfusions at Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Society (TSCS), Shivarampally, Rajendranagar. With continued support and care, she is living a stable and hopeful life. The family, though scarred by tragedy, remains resilient and continues to spread the message of Thalassemia awareness in their community.

Their journey is a powerful reminder of the importance of early diagnosis, consistent treatment, and the strength that comes from family and community support.

Awareness about Thalassemia



Blood Transfusion and Iron-Chelation Details at Hyderabad and Khammam



Total number of Blood Transfusions for the month of **June 2025** including all patients group were **1664 (Hyderabad)** and **226 (Khammam)** & a total of **2004** and **280** units of blood provided to patients in respective centres

HPLC at Society	CVS at TSCS	New registrations	Splenectomy
2070	4	41 (33 @ Hyderabad & 08 @ Khammam)	0

1887 Antenatal women were screened for Thalassemia and Sickle cell anemia carrier status from Government Maternity Hospital, Petlaburj (292 - 7 carriers) , Mahabubnagar PHCs (678 - 13 carriers), Medchal-Malkajgiri PHCs (664 - 32 carriers) Private Hospitals (253 – 8 Carriers) of which 36 were found to be Thal carriers, AS - 7, EA - 2, HbD – 5 and Others - 10 carriers.

BLOOD BANK

S.No	Particulars	Units
1	Sensitization Programs Organized	50
2	Total no of Blood Donation Camps	38
3	Blood Collection Camps and In-house	2770
4	Thalassemic & General Free Issues	2014
5	Govt. Hospital Free Issues	100
6	General Paid Issues	55



Blood Donor Day 14th June 2025
Blood Donation camp organized at Nuclear Fuel Complex (NFC). Thanks to team NFC!





Donations



Monthly Donors For June 2025

1	Murali K Siripurapu	13	Giving Foundation
2	Shrinath Rotopack Pvt Ltd	14	Shree Jewellers Eximp Pvt Ltd
3	Lohiya Edible Oils Pvt Ltd	15	Aim Asia
4	Rupani Akber	16	Sri Nava Durga Billets Pvt Ltd
5	Supreme Agencies	17	Helping Hand Foundation
6	Srikanth Gullapalli	18	Indian Society of Blood Marroo
7	Kumar Enterprises	19	Sri Krishna Jewellery Mart
8	Deccan Switch Gears	20	Smt Banarsai Bai
9	Dr. C. Anupama Reddy	21	A S Iron & Steel India Pvt Ltd
10	Ch. Shashidar Reddy	22	K V Pattabhiram
11	V Balveeraiah & Sons	23	Rotary Trust of Lake District Moinabad
12	Sreyas Holistic Remedies Pvt Ltd	24	Hariom Pipe Industries Ltd

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Donation by Rotary Club

Rotary Club of Lake District Moinabad has generously donated ₹5,00,000 on June 20, 2025, in support of our proposal, “Towards a Thalassemia-Free Generation: Sponsorship of Prenatal Diagnosis in Carrier Couples.”

Blood donation camps (3) organized by State Bank of India (SBI)



Awareness talk at National Academy of Agricultural Research and Management (NAARM) by Mrs. Ratnavali





World Sickle Cell Day – 28 June 2025

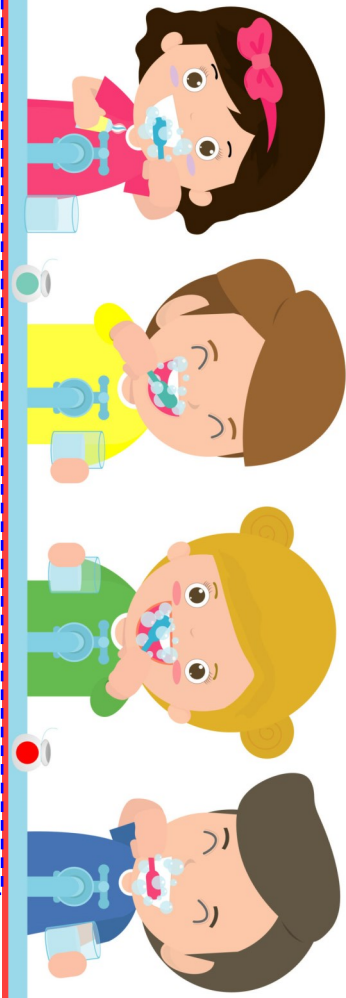
World Sickle Cell Day, observed every year on **19th June**, aims to raise global awareness about **Sickle Cell Disease (SCD)**—a genetic blood disorder that affects millions worldwide. The day serves as a platform to educate the public, policy-makers, and healthcare professionals about the challenges faced by individuals living with SCD, including pain crises, complications, and lack of access to proper care.



In 2025, the focus remains on promoting **early diagnosis, preventive screening, better treatment access, and supportive care** for those affected. It also highlights the need for **increased research, community engagement, and policy initiatives** to reduce the burden of the disease. Across the globe, organizations, health institutions, and advocacy groups come together to empower patients, dispel myths, and work towards a future where no child is born with Sickle Cell Disease.

Thalassemia and Sickle Cell Society (TSCS), Hyderabad, observed **World Sickle Cell Day 2025** on 28th June with a renewed commitment to raise awareness about Sickle Cell Disease and its impact on patients and families. The day emphasized the importance of early diagnosis, genetic counseling, and ongoing care for those affected.

The event featured a welcome address by Dr. Chandrakant Agarwal (President, TSCS), a motivational message by Dr. Suman Jain (Chief Medical Research Officer & Secretary), and inspiring talks by Mrs. Surbhi Sharma (Asst. Prof., NALSAR) and Dr. Subodh Kumar Karmanker (RIMS, Adilabad), Sickle Cell warriors. More than 100 patients and parents participated in the celebration, which included fun games and activities. Gifts were distributed to all patients, making the day joyful and memorable for everyone. TSCS reaffirmed its dedication to supporting Sickle Cell warriors through comprehensive medical care, emotional support, and public awareness initiatives aimed at prevention and better quality of life.



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