

Day 1

Aravind Auditorium



IROP 2026

Aravind Eye Hospital Coimbatore | 21st Pre Conference | 22nd / 23rd Aug 2026

Awareness Program

Date : 21-08-2026

Time : 15:00-17:00

Hall : Aravind Auditorium

Chairpersons

Dr. S. Srinivasan, Dr. S.V. Chandrakumar, Dr. Parag K. Shah, Dr. Rajvardhan Azad, Dr. Anand Vinekar

Panelists: SNCU Neonatologists & Ophthalmologists DPM's

Welcome & Lighting of the Lamp:

Felicitation of the dignitaries by Dr. V. Narendran, CMO, AEH, CBE

1. Welcome Address

Dr. Parag K. Shah - 5 min

2. Why is ROP Awareness Needed: The iROP Society Journey

Dr Rajvardhan Azad, President, iROP Society - 15 min

3. Challenges in ROP management in the Government Sector:

Dr. J. Saravanan -15 min

4. How to reduce the burden of ROP in newborns

Dr. Senthil - 15 min

5. LFOM study interim results

Dr. Khushi Kandoi - 7 min & Discussion by - Dr. Abiramalatha - 8 min

6. ROP Staging & Screening Criteria: The current scenario

Dr. Abhishek Das - 15 min

7. Current ROP Treatment options:

Dr. S. Prema - 15 min

8. Medico-Legal aspects of ROP: safeguards and recent advances

Dr. Anand Vinekar - 15 min

Panel Discussion - 15 min

Vote of thanks - Dr. S. Prema



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Best Paper Session

Date : 22-08-2026

Time : 09:00-10:45

Hall : Aravind Auditorium

Judges: Mangat Dogra, Subhadra Jalali, Parijat Chandra, Suchetra Kulkarni.

(6 Min Presentation + 3 Min Q&A)



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Inauguration & Awards

Date : 22-08-2026

Time : 11:00-12:00

Hall : Aravind Auditorium

1. Welcome Address - Organising Chairman - 5 min
V. Narendran, Organising Chairman
2. President's message - 10 min
Rajvardhan Azad, President iROP Society
3. Secretary's Report - 10 min
Anand Vinekar, Secretary, iROP Society
4. Ambassador report - 10 min
Karobi Lahiri / in her absence Shilpi Shah
5. Prof Rajvardhan Azad Oration - 20 minutes
Eli Pradhan, Nepal
6. Vote of Thanks: 5 min
Parag Shah, Organising Secretary



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Innovations in ROP

Date :	22-08-2026
Time :	12:00-13:00
Hall :	Aravind Auditorium

Dr Rajvardhan Azad: Founder & President, Indian ROP Society :Our Journey: 15min

Panelist: Prof Rajvardhan Azad, Anand Vinekar, Parveen Sen, Vishal Agarwal, Prema Subramaniam.

1. Integrating Offline AI in ROP - Snehal Bavaskar
2. OCTA in ROP - Manavi Sindal
3. New Illumination systems in ROP surgery - Sushma Jayanna
4. K.Chandrasekhar, CEO Forus talk - 15 min



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Module 1: Persistent Avascular Retina

Date : 22-08-2026

Time : 13:30-14:15

Hall : Aravind Auditorium

Expert Panel: Pramod benede, Manavi Sindal, Parveen Sen, Alay Banker, Abhishek Das.

1. Following up PAR on Fluorescein Angiography - Shilpi Shah
2. Is PAR different for different Anti VEGFs - Devesh Kumawat
3. Debate: Reinjection vs Laser in PAR - Khushboo Patel vs Renu Ranjan
4. Q &A: Audience cases if present / discussion



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Module 2: Lasers

Date : 22-08-2026

Time : 14:15-15:15

Hall : Aravind Auditorium

Expert Panel: Eli Pradhan Subhadra Jalali, Tapas Padhi, Prabhu Baskaran, Upendra Babu,

1. Posterior laser: primary vs secondary - Shilpi Nanaware
2. Laser after anti-VEGF: are the settings different? - Subina Narang
3. Timing laser after anti VEGF: Early vs Late - Archana Rajamani vs Sonal Paliwal
4. Q &A: Audience cases if present / discussion



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Module 3: Anti VEGF

Date : 22-08-2026

Time : 15:15-16:15

Hall : Aravind Auditorium

Expert Panel: Parag k Shah, Parijat Chandra, Vasumathy V, Ajay Kapoor, Syed Mohideen

1. Aflibercept: Current status in the Indian context - Vasumathy V
2. Debate on aliquoting Avastin in private practice - Ajay Kapoor (aliquot) vs Rekha Singal (multi-puncture)
3. Biosimilars in Ranibizumab: where do regulations and clinical evidence intersect - Komal Agarwal
4. Re-injections - when exactly? Alay Banker
5. Q &A: Audience cases if present / discussion



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Break-out Rooms and Focus group workshops

Date :	22-08-2026
Time :	16:30-17:30
Hall :	Aravind Auditorium

(20 min each, rotation)

Break-out room 1: Imaging: Faculty: Forus, Remidio, others

Break-out room 2: Anti VEGF: Alay Banker, Vasumathy V, Ajay Kapoor, Samarth Agarwal, Shalini Singh

Break-out room 3: Surgery: Pramod Bhende, Subhadra Jalali, Parijat Chandra, Parveen Sen, Deeksha Katoch



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Debates & Hot Topics

Date : 23-08-2026

Time : 08:00-10:00

Hall : Aravind Auditorium

Panelists: Rajvardhan Azad, Eli Pradhan, Suchetra Kulkarni, Renu Ranjan, Hema Duraichamy

(8 min each + 4 minutes panel each)

1. Laser under topical vs general anesthesia

Topical - Deeksha Katoch

General Anesthesia - Anil Gangwe

2. Razumab vs RaniEyes

Razumab - Hitashree

RaniEyes - Puja Maitra

3. Interval laser vs Leave alone

Interval - Sherina Thomas

Leave Alone - Hemalatha B C

4. Mobile phone imaging vs wide-field imaging

Mobile Phone - Anubhav Goyal

WFI - Aparna Gupta

5. ROP laser in OT vs NICU

In OT – Bruttendu Moharana

NICU- Ajay Kapoor



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State Representatives Plenary

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Panel: Anand Vinekar, Mangat Dogra, Vasumathy V, Venu Gopal

6-8 minutes each + Discussion

1. Punjab - Ajay Kapoor
2. Gujarat - Alay Banker
3. Jharkhand – Bibhuti Kashyap
4. Chhattisgarh - Anil Gangwe
5. Rajasthan - Gulshan Barwar
6. Odisha – Tapas Padhi
7. Madhya Pradesh - Aditi Agarwal
8. Karnataka - Snehal Bavaskar
9. Kerala - Lekha
10. Tamil Nadu - Puja Maitra
11. Chandigarh – Deeksha Katoch
12. Uttar Pradesh – Koppal Mithal
13. Delhi – Shalini Singh
14. North East: Tania Vaid
15. Bihar – Dr.Santhosh singh



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Module 4: ROP Surgery

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Module 4: Pramod Bhende, Subhadra Jalali, Parijat Chandra, Parveen Sen, Saravanan VR

1. ROP Stage 5C surgery - tips: Pramod Bhende
2. Handling intra-operative hemorrhage - Deeksha Katoch
3. Innovations in anesthesia in ROP surgery - Sushma Jayanna
4. Re-surgery in ROP: case selection - Parijat Chandra
5. Bilateral simultaneous surgery - Rekha Singal



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Challenging Cases (Competitive)

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