



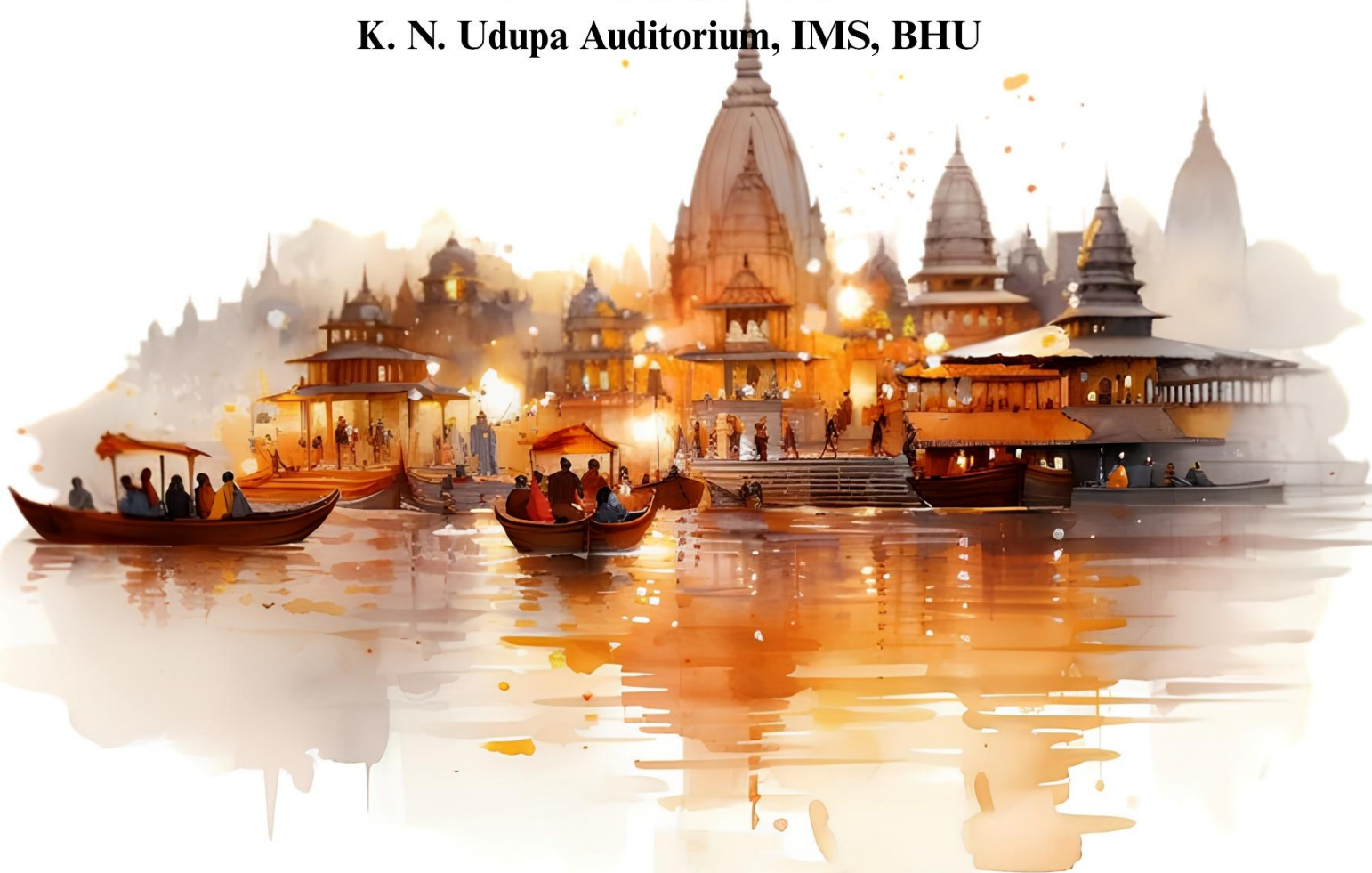
16TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE
INDIAN SOCIETY FOR TRAUMA & ACUTE CARE (ISTAC®)

TRAUMA - 2026

"BEYOND THE GOLDEN HOUR – LEVELLING UP TRAUMA CARE"

8 – 11 October 2026

K. N. Udupa Auditorium, IMS, BHU



SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

◆ ISTAC Oration
◆ Keynote lectures
◆ Military & Combat Surgery Session
◆ Acute Care Surgery Session
◆ Morbidity & Mortality Conference – How to Do It Right
◆ Trauma First Responder Programme
◆ Trauma Mindbenders – Annual Quiz
◆ Courage Under Fire – Decision-Making Session
◆ 10 Years of Trauma Surgery training in India – Panel Discussion
◆ Video-Based Surgical Procedures
◆ Trauma Protocols Every Centre Must Have
◆ Trauma Research Forum
◆ Trauma hands-on Workshops
◆ Award Papers, oral Papers & Poster Session



PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP DAY – 8th OCTOBER 2026

Venue: IMS-BHU Skills Laboratories, Wet Labs & Simulation Centre, Varanasi

Category	Workshop	Time	Convenor(s)
CADAVERIC	ED Procedures- Surgical Cricothyroidotomy, Intercostal Drain Placement, Fasciotomy For Upper And Lower Limbs	0830–1300 Hours	Junaid Alam R S Moore Umesh Kumar Sumit Sharma Vivek Katiyar Ankush Mohabey
	Advanced Procedures Emergency Department Thoracotomy Rib And Clavicle Fixation Preperitoneal Packing In Pelvic Injury	0830–1300 Hours	Abhinav Kumar Anand Mishra Shubham Srivastava S P Mishra Aman Arora
NON- CADAVERIC	Training of Trainers followed by Trauma First Responder Programme (TFRP) Training of Trainers LAY FIRST RESPONDERS Certificate course	1200–1700 Hours (Half Day)	Vipul Srivastava Harshit Agarwal Supreet Kaur Jones Dany James Poonam Joshi Rabeesh Kavita Meena
	Surgical Critical Care Workshop – Arterial Blood Gas Analysis, ROTEM/TEG Analysis Basics of Mechanical Ventilation	0900–1400 Hours (Half Day)	Richa Aggarwal Tanya Anand Yashpal Singh Bikram Gupta Shashi Raj
	POCUS (Point-Of-Care Ultrasound) in Trauma	0900-1200 Hours	Shivi Jain Veda Chigurupati Siddhi Chawla Vinod Kr Saini Arun Raj Pandey
	Basic Life Support (BLS)		Manjari Mishra Preeti Anshu Jitendra Sunita Pooja
	Wound Care Workshop		Arvind Pratap Vaibhav Jain Jam Muanching Anu Antony Vivek Srivastava

DAY 1 – 9th OCTOBER 2026 (FRIDAY) | HALL A

TIME			
0700–0800	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION		
0800–0900	SESSION 1A AWARD PAPERS: YOUNG FACULTY (ORAL) 6+2 minutes each		
0900–1000	SESSION 2A INITIAL ASSESSMENT: SYSTEMS, STRATEGIES AND RESUSCITATION		
	Designing Trauma Pathways in the ER: Space, Staff and Systems	Athish. K	Bikram Gupta Ajay Kumar Animesh Vats Rajesh Kumar Yogesh Kr Pal
	The Trauma Triage: Reducing Under- and Over triaging	Sandeep Jain	
	XABCDE: How Does It Change Patient Management?	S K Bhartiya	
	TXA, Blood and Beyond: What's New In Trauma Resuscitation?	Narendra Choudhary	
1000-1100	SESSION 3A ESSENTIAL TRAUMA PROTOCOLS FOR EVERY DEVELOPING CENTRE		
	Massive Haemorrhage Protocol — Building Yours from Scratch	Vignesh Kumar	Girish Bakshi Rahul Khanna Anita Singh Amit Singh Manjaree Mishra Ashok Yadav
	The Trauma RUSH-IN Protocol – A Must-Have for Every Trauma Centre	Shaphali Chandra	
	CT Protocol for Trauma	Ashish Verma	
	VTE Prophylaxis In Polytrauma	Dan Whitley (USA)	
1100–1230	SESSION 4A INAUGURATION & ISTAC ORATION		
	Welcome Address		
	ISTAC ORATION Shaping The Future Of Trauma Care Through Data and Innovation Orator: Dr Hassan Al Thani (Qatar) Presidential Address Secretary's Report Release of Conference Souvenir		
1230–1330	LUNCH BREAK		



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1330–1445	SESSION 5A YOUNG FACULTY VIDEO-BASED SURGICAL PROCEDURES SESSION (PART I)		
	ICD Insertion – Technique And Pitfalls	Vikram TS	Narender Kumar Umesh Kumar Satendra Kumar Sanjay Yadav Arun Kumar Pandey Suvashis Dash
	STSG, NPWT, Skin Substitutes And Cover Options	Mohit Goyal	
	Fasciotomy For Lower Limb Compartment Syndrome: The Right Way To Do It	Divakar Goyal	
	Pre-Peritoneal Pelvic Packing And Internal Iliac Artery Ligation For Exsanguinating Pelvic Haemorrhage	Vivek Kumar	
	Decompressive Craniectomy — Technique And Pitfalls	Majid Anwer	
	Surgical Stabilisation of Rib Fractures	Pranay Kabiraj	
1445–1545	SESSION 6A COURAGE UNDER FIRE: DECISION-MAKING IN REAL TRAUMA SCENARIOS		
	<i>Moderator</i> Abhinav Kumar <i>Case Presentation</i> Debmoy Ghatak Raajeshwaran MA <i>Panelists</i> S K Bhartiya Vijay Shivpuje Ajai Malhotra Sumit Sharma Samendra Pal Singh		
1545-1700	SESSION 7A RECENT UPDATES IN TRAUMA AND SURGICAL CRITICAL CARE		
	Enabling Abdominal Closure After Damage Control Surgery: Direct Peritoneal Resuscitation:	Tanya Anand (USA)	Puneet Pankaj Kumar Singh Vishwas Sathe Arun Raj Pandey Angeline Rajdhou
	CBI-M Classification In Traumatic Brain Injury: Are We Moving Beyond Mild, Moderate And Severe TBI	Ravi Shankar Prasad	



	Surviving Sepsis Guidelines 2026: What The Trauma Surgeon Should Know	Suresh Agarwal (USA)	
	Trauma-Induced Coagulopathy: Do We Understand It Better Now?	Joses Dany James	
	Artificial Intelligence in Trauma and Acute Care: Has The AI Boom Hit TRACS?	Mayur Narayan (USA)	
1700–1800	ISTAC® GENERAL BODY MEETING		



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0800–0900	SESSION 8A AWARD PAPERS: RESIDENTS (ORAL) 6+2 minutes each		
0900–1000	SESSION 9A HIGH-PERFORMANCE TRAUMA SYSTEMS: FIRST RESPONSE TO QUALITY IMPROVEMENT		
	Community First Responders: The Missing Cog In Our Trauma System	Rabeesh Kumar	S K Gupta Sanjay Saroj S Bera N K Agrawal Pankaj Kumar Vaibhav Srivastava
	HEMS in India	Madhur Uniyal	
	The Difference Between Doing Trauma And Doing It Well: Trauma Quality Improvement Programs (TQIP)	Amit Gupta	
	Legacy Of Trauma Care And Future Directions: The BHU Experience	Ajit Singh	
1000–1100	SESSION 10A YOUNG FACULTY VIDEO-BASED SURGICAL PROCEDURES SESSION (PART II)		
	Diagnostic Laparoscopy In Abdominal Trauma — How And When	Vaibhav Jaiswal	Sandeep Tiwari Mohit Joshi Mumtaz Ansari Zeeshan Hakim Harikesh Yadav R K Singh
	The Ninja Master: Tips And Techniques In The Bleeding Liver	Harshit Agarwal	
	Video Assisted Thoracic Surgery In Thoracic Trauma	Preksha Rani	
	Mandibular ORIF — Surgical Anatomy, Plating Sequence	Abhishek Jaiswal	
1100–1200	SESSION 11A LET'S DISCUSS THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM		
	Futility And Palliative Care In Trauma: Poor Prognosis Does Not Mean The End Of Care	Shailvi Gupta (USA)	V K Shukla Mamta Singh Sandeep Sahu Winston Noronha
	TRAUMANOMICS: Who Is Footing The Bill For Trauma In India?	Sukria Nayak	



			Vivek Srivastava Abhijeet Kumar
	Documentation In Trauma Medico-Legal Cases: What Every Trauma Surgeon Should Know	Swati Tyagi	
	Trauma And Critical Care Surgery In The Philippines	Aireen Patricia Madrid	
1200–1245	SESSION 12A PANEL DISCUSSION: 10 YEARS OF TRAUMA AS A SPECIALTY TRAINING IN INDIA		
	<i>Panelists</i> Sushma Sagar (AIIMS New Delhi) Sandeep Tiwari (KGMC Lucknow) Brig Pawan Sharma (Army Medical Corps) Sanjay Doke (MGM Medical College, Navi Mumbai) Mahaveer Rodha (AIIMS Jodhpur) Mahendra Chauhan (AIIMS Nagpur) Madhur Uniyal (AIIMS Rishikesh) S P Mishra (IMS BHU Varanasi) Sahil Gupta (EMC Superspecialist Hospital, Amritsar) Dinesh Gora (SMS Medical College)		
1245–1345	LUNCH BREAK		
1345-1445	SESSION 13 A SPECIAL SCENARIOS IN TRAUMA		
	Uninvited Guests - Management Of Soft Tissue Infections In Extremity Trauma	Pratyusha Priyadarshini	Vikas Singh Virendra Kumar Rohit Satendra Kumar Alok Rai Sanjay Kala
	Selective Non-Operative Management Of Penetrating Abdominal Trauma	Supreet Kaur	
	The Radiological Tertiary Survey: How To Prevent Missed Injuries In Abdominal CTs	Siddhi Chawla	
	Less Is More? Small-Calibre Versus Large-Calibre Chest Tubes For Haemothorax	Marc de Moya (USA)	
1445–1515	SESSION 14A Morbidity & Mortality CONFERENCE: HOW TO DO IT RIGHT		



	Principles Of A High-Quality M&M — What Good Looks Like LIVE Case Presentation And Group Root-Cause Analysis The Just Culture Framework — Accountability Without Blame Closing The Loop — Turning M&M Findings Into Protocol Change	Conducted and Moderated by Dinesh Bagaria	Participants Vishnu Teja Shankarnath S Abdul Hakeem Ruby Kataria
1515–1615	SESSION 15A REGIONAL TRAUMA		
	Emergencies In Orbital Trauma	Awaneesh Katiyar	Samir Misra Seema Khanna S K Tiwari Ajay Khanna Mahendra Chauhan Ankur Aggarwal
	Peripheral Vascular Injury in The Real World: Decision-Making Beyond Six Hours	Soumya Ghoshal	
	Neck Injuries - Blunt Vs Penetrating Laryngeal Injury	Damodar K	
	Debridement, Diversion, Reconstruction: Key Decisions in Perineal Injuries	Ramesh Vaidyanathan	
1615–1715	SESSION 16A TRAUMA RESEARCH FORUM		
	The Journal Of Injury And Acute Care: The Editors' Report	Subodh Kumar	Jagdish Menon Sandeep Tiwari Maneesh Singhal Mayur Narayan Vaibhav Jain Vishwambhar Singh
	Funding For Trauma Research In India: What Are The Options?	Samir Misra	
	Most Impactful Global Publications In The Past Decade	Mohit Joshi	
	Generating Evidence To Changing Practices In Trauma – Experience From India	Aftab Hossein	
1730-1800	QUIZ SESSION ONE		
	Quiz Masters Veda Chigurupati Debmoy Ghatak Abdul Hakeem		
1900	GALA DINNER		



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0830–1030	SESSION 17 A MILITARY TRAUMA CARE IN CONTEMPORARY WARFARE: FROM POINT OF INJURY TO OPERATIONAL READINESS		
	Advances in Combat Casualty Care: Lessons Emerging from Contemporary Global Co	Surg Cdr Piyush Gupta	Maj Gen Jaswinder Singh Brig Rahul Yadav
	Air Evacuation and Trauma Transfer Protocols: Optimizing Casualty Movement Through Patient Transfer Units (PTUs)	Wing Cdr S Manwatkar	
	Catching Up with Fast-Paced Technology in Combat Care: How Ready Are We?	Lt Col J K Singh	
	Prolonged Casualty Care versus Early Evacuation in Combat Operations: The Unending Debate	Lt Col Aman Arora	
	Rehabilitating the Modern War Amputee: Early Prosthetic Integration and Functional Recovery in the Armed Forces	Brig A S Kalra	
	Operational Preparedness for High-Intensity Conflict	Lt Col Ajay Sharma	
	Expert panel discussion Preparing the Military Trauma System for the Next War: What Must Change Today?”	Moderator- Col Anand Kumar Katiyar Panelists Maj Gen Anuj Chawla Brig Pawan Sharma Col Vikas Chawla Brig AS Kalra Brig Animesh Vats Brig Vikas Raj Gupta Brig Suraj Narayan Mishra Lt Col Binu Sekhar M	



1030 -1130	SESSION 18A ACUTE CARE SURGERY: WHERE TRAUMA MEETS EMERGENCY SURGERY			
	Applying Damage Control Principles in Non-trauma Emergency Surgery	Sushant Soren	Sanjay Doke Vijay Shivpuje Rahul Khanna Yaduvendra Kavita Meena	
	To Operate Or Not To Operate In Uncomplicated Acute Appendicitis: Where Does The Evidence Point In 2026?	Joseph Hanna (USA)		
	Preserving The Gut: Best Practices In The Surgical Management Of Acute Mesenteric Ischemia	Ajai Malhotra (USA)		
	Abdominal Wall Reconstruction	Satendra Kumar		
1130–1230 (Format: 8 min FOR → 8 min AGAINST → 4 min rebuttal)	SESSION 19A POINT-COUNTERPOINT DEBATES			
	Topic	PRO	CON	Satish Dharap Qamar Azam
	Surgical Stabilisation Of Rib Fractures In The Non-Flail Population- Has The Pendulum Swung Back?	Sanjay Shah	Samir Mishra	
	MESS On The Border – Early Amputation, Prosthesis And Rehabilitation Vs Multiprocedural Limb Salvage	Raajeshwaran MA	Amit Rastogi	
	Resuscitative Thoracotomy In Blunt Trauma: Life-Saving Procedure OR Futile Surgery	Vivek Kumar	Pranabh Kushwaha	
1230–1330	TRAUMA MINDBENDERS — ANNUAL QUIZ: GRAND FINALE Top Teams From Preliminary Rounds Compete	Quiz Masters Veda Chigurupati Debmoy Ghatak Abdul Hakeem		
1330	LUNCH			



DAY 1 – 9th OCTOBER 2026 (FRIDAY) | HALL B

Nursing & Paramedics

TIME	TOPIC / SESSION	SPEAKER(S)	CHAIRPERSONS
0800 – 0900 hrs	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION		
0900 – 1000 hrs	SESSION 1 B – NURSING IN TRAUMA: CONNECTING THE DOTS		
	The Trauma Nurse Coordinator — Redefining The Role In The Indian Context	Akhila R Nair	Vipul Srivastava Mahadev Singh Sen Gaurav Mishra Vivek Katiyar
	Trauma First Responder Programme And The Role Of The Trauma Nurse Educator	Rabeesh Kumar	
	From Chaos to Control: Nursing Priorities in Disaster and Mass Casualty Care	Ashish Jhakal	
	Beyond The Battlefield: Preparing Civilian Nurses For War-Related Trauma	Amanpreet Singh	
1015-1130 hrs	INAUGURAL SESSION AND ISTAC ORATION (HALL A)		
1130 – 1230 hrs	SESSION 2 B – RESUSCITATION AND EDUCATION		
	Nurse-Led Trauma Resuscitation – A Way Out To Improve Pre-Hospital Trauma Care?	Preeti Singh	Arvind Pratap Devendra Vinod Poonam Joshi Gaurav Patel
	Simulation- Based Trauma Training For Nurses- The Future Is Here	Arun Varghese	
	Trauma Nursing Education – Academic And Career Prospects In India	Sachin Dwivedi	
	Scoop And Play In A Pre-Hospital Setting- Are We There Yet?	Christina C Parihar	
1230 – 1330 hrs	LUNCH BREAK		



1330 - 1430	SESSION 3 B – SURGICAL CRITICAL CARE FOR THE TRAUMA NURSE		
	Best Practices To Enable Early Weaning From Mechanical Ventilation	Rajni Sharma	Shubham Rambharosh R N Meena Atul Jain
	Pain, The Fifth Vital Sign: How To Monitor And Treat	Anshu Skaria	
	A Refresher On Infection Control In The ICU: What Works And What Doesn't	Jitendra Singh	
	Preparing Your OR For A Trauma Rush-In: Navigating The Chaos	Jyoti	
1430 – 1530 hrs	SESSION 4 B – NURSING: POLYTRAUMA CARE & REHABILITATION		
	Monitoring The Polytrauma Patient — The Vital Signs And Beyond	Pooja Rathore	Sumit Sharma Asmit Chaudhary Prakhar Jaiswal Nistha Chawla Altaf Hussain Mir
	Taking Care Of The Intercostal Drain: Tips And Pitfalls	Priyanka Singh	
	Early Mobilisation And Rehabilitation — The Nurse-Led Role	Bajarang Lal Sharma	
	Family Communication And Psychological Support In Trauma	Srinivasan	

DAY 2 – 10th OCTOBER 2026 (SATURDAY) | HALL B
Free Papers | Poster Presentations

TIME	TOPIC / SESSION
0900 – 1100 hrs	SESSION 5 B – ORAL PAPERS (6 min each)
1100 – 1300 hrs	SESSION 6 B – POSTER EVALUATION (2 min each)

