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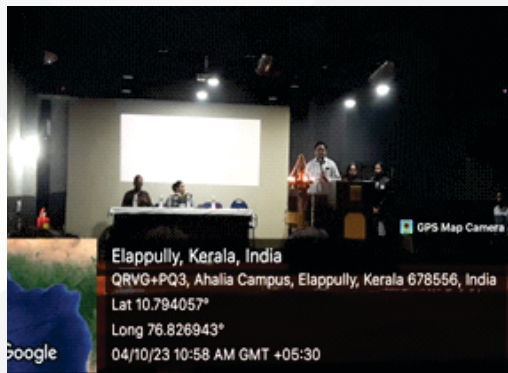
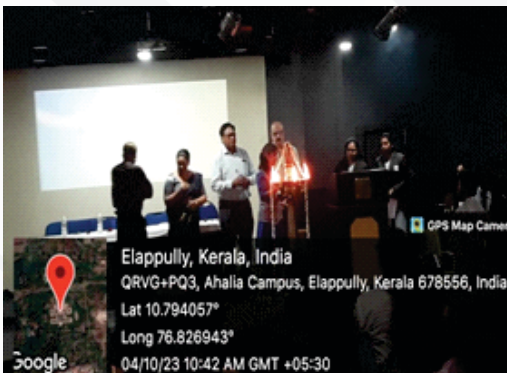
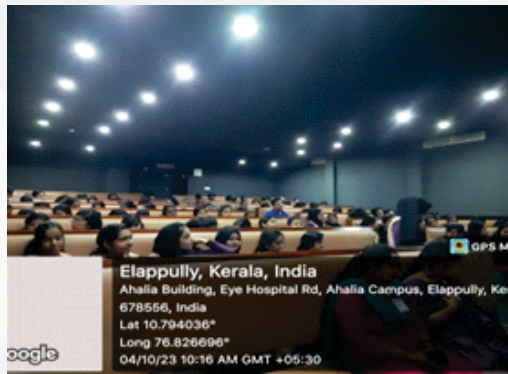
## SWACHHATA HI SEVA CAMPAIGN @ ASORC

October 1, 2023 On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, Ahalia School of Optometry and Research Centre students organised a campaign in conjunction with the Archaeological Survey of India to clean the area around the Ahalia Foundation Eye Hospital and set up a garden.



## SIRO RECOGNITION

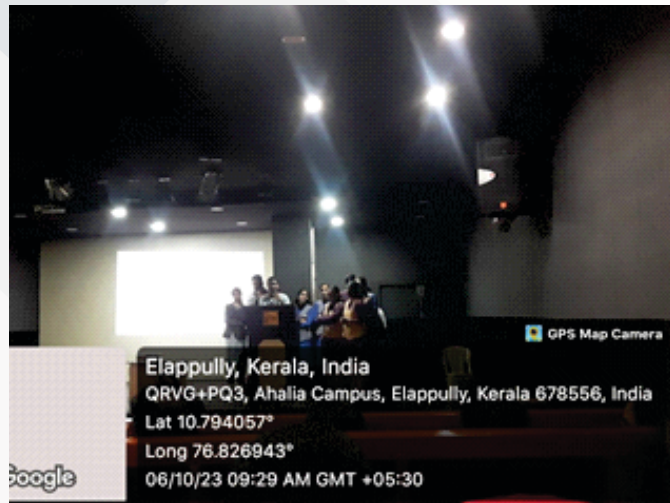
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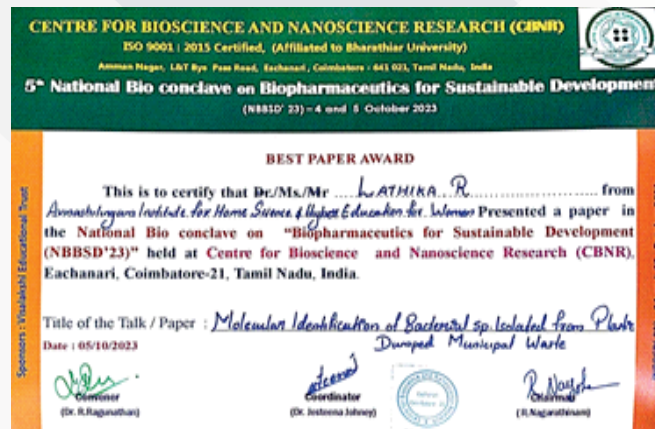
## EFFECT ON CONTACT LENS DESIGN ON OBJECTIVE VISUAL ACUITY BASED PARAMETERS IN PRE- PRESBYOPIC PATIENTS PHOTOPIC AND MESOPIC LIGHTING CONDITIONS

Ms. Aarathy S. J., First year M.optom student, presents a journal article on "*Effect on Contact Lens Design on Objective Visual Acuity Based Parameters in Pre- Presbyopic Patients Photopic and Mesopic Lighting Conditions*" on October 6, 2023, in the AFEH Auditorium. Each student avidly participated in the discussion, and Mr. Rashad, Assistant Professor, was present and engaged with every single student.



## ACHIEVEMENT

Our faculty Mrs. Lathika R presented a paper in the 5th National Bio conclave on "**Biopharmaceutics for sustainable Development (NBBS'D'23)**" on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023 held at Centre for Bioscience and Nanoscience Research (CBNR), Coimbatore. She won best paper award for her paper entitled "**Molecular identification of Bacterial Species isolated from plastic Dumped Municipal waste**".





# POSSIBILITIES OF ADVERSE EVENTS RELATED TO MEDICAL DEVICES: OPTOMETRIST PERSPECTIVE – WEBINAR

**“Possibilities of Adverse Events Related to Medical Devices: Optometrist Perspective”** Talk delivered By Dr. Venkataramana, Professor & HoD, Ahalia School of Optometry and Research Centre in a Webinar conducted by MvPI in association with National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare providers, All India Ophthalmological Society & Optometry Council of India

The image displays a promotional poster for a webinar on the left and a screenshot of the webinar interface on the right. The poster features logos for the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, National Institute of Mental Health & Neuro Sciences, and the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers. It specifies the date and time as 12-OCT-23 @ 11 AM and lists the target audience as directors of NPCBVI, hospital administrators, and ophthalmologists/optometrists. Contact information for MvPI and the IPC is provided. The screenshot shows the webinar title, the speaker's name (Dr. Venkataramana Kalikivayi), and his credentials, including his role as Professor and Head of the Department at Ahalia School of Optometry & Research Center and as an Interim Commission Member for NCAHP. Logos for Ahalia Foundation Eye Hospital and Ahalia School of Optometry are visible at the bottom of the screenshot.

## WORLD SIGHT DAY 2K23

World Sight Day was celebrated on October 12th, 2023 with a unique focus- "**Love your eyes at work**". A rally that aims at creating awareness among public on the importance of eye care in the work place was conducted at Vadakancheri Town and more than 50 members were participated. District wise inauguration and a mega eye camp were held at Vadakancheri Grama Panchayat community hall. The programme was commenced by Shri.Sumod(Hon.MLA,Tharoor)



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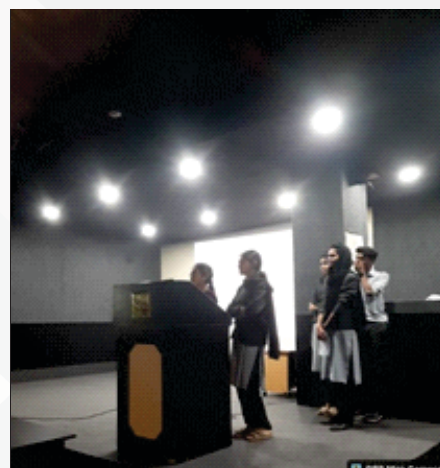
## VISION FOR CAUSE SCHOOL SCREENING

Ahalia School Optometry and Research Centre in Association with the Optometry Council of India and Zeiss Aloka have conducted a school screening of the students at Govt High School, Vennakkara, Palakkad, Kerala. We have done a school screening for about 514 beneficiaries and the students who were diagnosed with ocular disease and higher powers were referred to the Ahalia Eye Hospital for further detailed eye examination and treatment. 21 beneficiaries were prescribed spectacles and orders were placed. Spectacle will be distributed within 3 weeks.



## MANAGEMENT OF AMBLYOPIA IN PEDIATRIC PATIENTS: CURRENT INSIGHTS

The JC was conducted by Shivashikha 1<sup>st</sup> Year M.Optom Student on the topic “Management of Amblyopia in Pediatric Patients: Current Insights” on October 20, 2023 . All students and faculties were attended.





## ASCON 2023 @ AHMEDABAD

Our faculties and students participated **International Optometry Conference ASCON 2023** conducted by Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO) on 03<sup>rd</sup> to 05<sup>th</sup> November at **Karnavati University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat**. Our HoD **Dr. Venkataramana Kalikivayi** and **Ms Lavanya K** were Panellists for **Research in Optometry: Unveiling the boon or bane for advancement**. In the three day session students and faculties got opportunity to learn from experienced International Faculties on different Topics.



## **2021 BATCH COLLEGE TOUR (RAJASTHAN, DELHI, AGRA)**

From November 6th to 10th, 2023, students of the 2021 Batch of BSc Optometry travelled to various tourist destinations in Northern India. They have travelled to Jaisalmer Fort, Jodpur in Rajasthan, Sabarmati Ashram, Adalaj Step Well in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, Akshardham Temple, Red Fort, India Gate in New Delhi, and Tajmahal in Agra. This was an excursion programme with ASCON Gujarat.

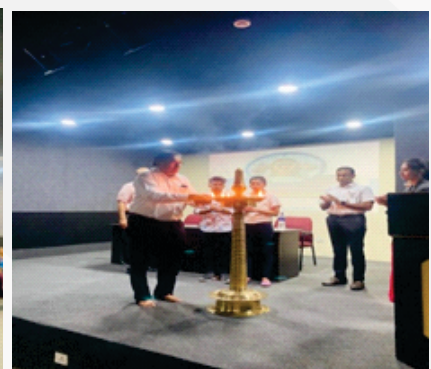
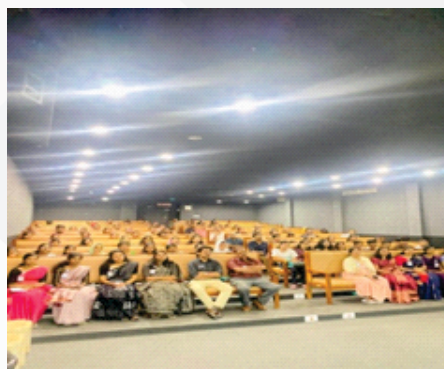
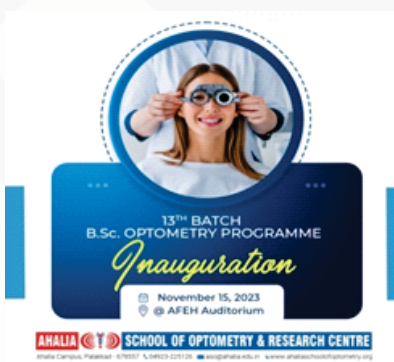




## INAUGURAL CEREMONY OF B.Sc. OPTOMETRY BATCH

Inaugural ceremony of the 13th Bsc Optometry Batch of Ahalia School of Optometry and Research Centre (ASORC) was held on Wednesday 15th November 2023 at 10.30 am at Ahalia Foundation Eye Hospital Auditorium. The program started as the students and other dignitaries arrived. Miss Lathika R Assistant Professor welcomed guests, Dr Sajeev Cherian Jacob (Principal ASORC, Medical Director Ahalia Foundation Eye Hospital) Dr Krishna Kumar Kishore (Executive Director, Ahalia Group of Institutions) Dr Venkataramana Kalikivayi (Head of the Department ASORC).

The Program was followed by small talk by the guests in which they focused on the importance of education, exposure, experience, and time management in life. After that there was a brief introduction about Ahalia Campus, Ahalia School of Optometry and Research Centre achievements by Ms. Athira S (Lecturer), Faculty Introduction by Ms. Keerthana A (Lecturer), Academic Rules and regulations by Hafeena Ershad (Assistant professor). Then Ms Sandra (Lecturer) delivered a Vote of Thanks. The program concluded with the National Anthem.



## AWARENESS RALLY ON WORLD DIABETES DAY

On World Diabetes Day, November 14th 2023, Students of Ahalia School of Optometry and Research Centre, held a rally to raise awareness about Diabetic Retinopathy. The rally was held in Perinthalmanna Malappuram, and began at 9 am. Students used posters and banners to raise awareness about Diabetic Retinopathy





## AHALIA ARTS FEST 2023

Ahalia Group of Institutions conducted “Ahalia Arts Fest” from November 13 to November 20 2023. Ahalia Arts Fest is a 08 days programme conducted every year with participation of eight educational institutions in the campus. Performance by famous musical bands like, Almaram, Avial, Bro house, Street academics, M Qube and Job Kurian .

Students of Ahalia School of Optometry and Research Centre participated in many on stage and off stage competitions and bagged many prizes. English Short Story writing (1st), Malayalam Short Story Writing (1st), Malayalam Poetry, Mime (2nd), Group Dance (2nd), Oppana (2nd), Face Painting (1st and 2nd ), Nail Art (1st ) and Flash Mob (2nd).



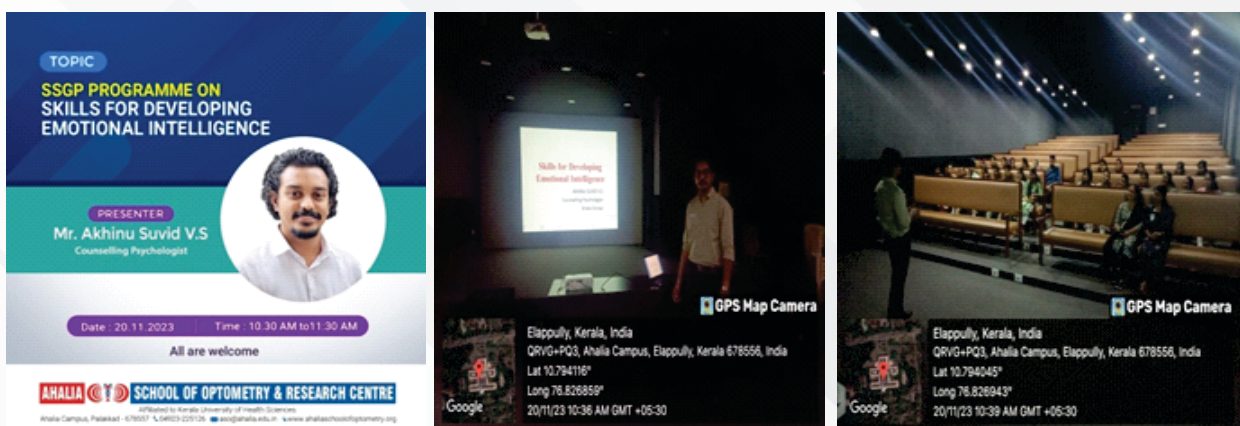
## ORIENTATION FOR THE FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS (BATCH 2023-27)

On 15 November 2023, the class in charge, Mrs. Mini T oriented them on the policies of ASO and motivated them. Ice-breaking sessions were conducted to engage the students and to make them know each other. The subjects in the first year were introduced. As a part of introducing the faculty members to the freshers, an interaction session was conducted on 16 November 2023 between all the faculty members and the freshers. This helped the students to feel comfortable with the faculties. Ms Athira and Mrs Lathika took the students for a rock garden visit.

- The students were given awareness of Fire and Safety measures available on the campus. The session was handled by Mr. Prathin, from the Department of Fire and Safety on 18th November 2023. The demo session helped the students understand the importance of Fire and safety.



- On 20th November, 2023 the students were given orientation on “Skills for developing emotional intelligence” by Mr Akhinu Suvid V S, Counselling Psychologist, Ahalia Counselling Department.





- Mrs Lathika R, Assistant Professor, ASORC gave **“Awareness on Anti ragging”** as part of the SSGP programme.



- Dr G Thamarai Selvi, Gynaecologist, Ahalia Women and Children Hospital, gave a talk on **“Menstrual Health Awareness”** for all the students which was very informative.

