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## IACLE India Members' Meeting – 24-25 November



The IACLE India team organized a members' meeting at the Lotus College of Optometry in Mumbai, India, on 24-25 November. Executive Manager of Global Education **Lakshmi Shinde** and Executive Manager of Educational Programs **Nilesh Thite** opened the meeting with an IACLE update detailing all educational activities since June 2020.



During the first day, four IACLE members and FIACLEs delivered lectures on varying topics. FIACLE **Dr Pancham Kulkarni** discussed 'Ocular surface and comfort and how to teach the topic to students'. **Premjit Bhakat** talked on 'Grading anterior ocular structure'. FIACLE **Runa Mazumder** shared her experience on how to conduct case discussions using IACLE's [Case Reports](#). Finally, **Saranya Balasubramaniam** presented 'How to conduct hands-on practical sessions in clinics', showcasing various innovative techniques to engage students.

Day two of the meeting began with a recap from the previous day. Following this, Lakshmi Shinde shared the various resources available to IACLE members, including the [ICLC2020](#), [Case Reports](#), [Flashcards](#), and the [IACLE Library](#). Asia Pacific Administrator **Kavitha Jayanna** and Lakshmi Shinde demonstrated how to set up a [Student Area](#) and how to run the [Student Trial Exam](#) via [IACLETOP](#).



Next on the agenda was FIACLE **Ankit Varshney** who shared his experience of organizing industry seminars at his institute. He discussed the benefits to students, enhancing skills through hands-on workshops and how students gain more knowledge about the contact lens products available in the market. FIACLEs **Venkataramana Kalikivayi** and **Veshal Madan** also shared their thoughts on how students benefit from industry seminars.

The morning session ended with a panel discussion on 'An educator's role In increasing contact lens penetration'. Lakshmi and Nilesh led the discussion and were joined by industry representatives **Mamta Joshi** from Bausch + Lomb, and **Rashmi Kanojiya** from CooperVision.

An interesting part of the meeting was the live role plays where educators and industry representatives participated in depicting real-life scenarios. The themes of the role plays were:

- Contact lenses to spectacle wearer
- Daily disposables for occasional wear
- Multifocal lenses to emerging presbyope



Members were enthusiastic regarding the role plays and provided their input on how they can be incorporated while teaching students.

To end the day, the team announced exciting upcoming events, such as the [4<sup>th</sup> IACLE World Congress](#) and the 2023 [Fellowship Exam](#). The team encouraged members to complete the [Distance Learning Program](#) to prepare for the upcoming Fellowship Exam.

All attending members were awarded with a certificate of attendance.