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Organised by IEA, Ludhiana Chapter

**Innovations and Advancements
in Epilepsy Care**

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Pre conference
Workshop:
6th August
Conference:
7th-9th August
2026



WELCOME MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

It gives us immense pleasure to welcome you to **ECON 2026**, the 27th Joint Annual Conference of **Indian Epilepsy Society and the Indian Epilepsy Association, hosted by the Punjab chapter of the Indian Epilepsy.**

On behalf of the Local Organising Committee, we are delighted to invite you to **Ludhiana** for the conference from **August 07 to 09 2026**, and engaging **Pre-Conference Workshops** on **August 06 2026**.

ECON 2026 brings together leading experts, clinicians, researchers, and people with lived experience to share knowledge, exchange ideas, and explore the latest advancements in the field of epilepsy. The scientific program has been thoughtfully curated to offer enriching academic sessions, hands-on workshops, and opportunities for meaningful collaboration.

Beyond academics, Ludhiana, known for its warmth and vibrant culture, promises a memorable experience filled with hospitality and camaraderie.

We look forward to your active participation in making ECON 2026.

Warm Regards,
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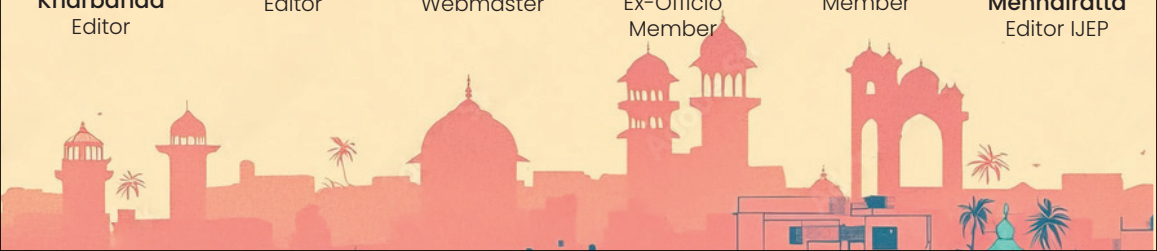
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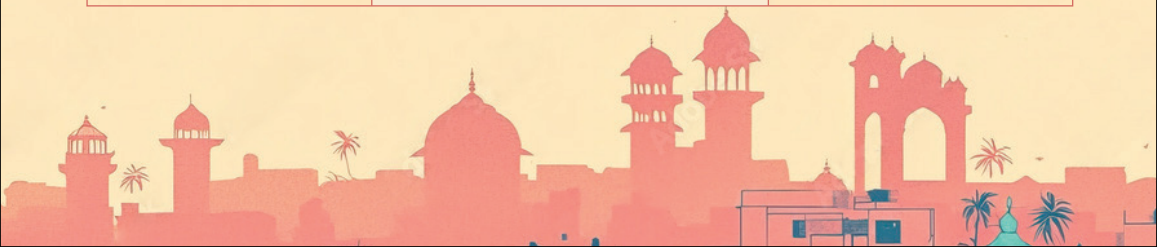


Programme

07, August, 2026 Friday

HALL A

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
07:00 - 09:00	Registration	
08:00 - 09:00	IES Teaching Session	
08:00 - 08:20	Fever induced seizures - clinical approach	Jatinder Goraya, Ludhiana
08:20 - 08:40	Epilepsy and encephalitis	Jayantee Kalita, Lucknow
08:40 - 09:00	NCC , seizures and epilepsy	VN Mishra, Varanasi
09:00 - 13 :00	CME - critical care EEG and status epilepticus	
09:00 - 10:30	Session 1: Critical Care EEG - Basics to advanced	
09:00 - 09:20	EEG in the Crtical care area - need for standradaized terminologies	Mathew Walker, London
09:20 - 09:40	ICU EEG in acute neurological insults	Atmaram Bansal, Gurgaon
09:40 - 10:00	Nonconvulsive status epilepticus - case studies	Gagandeep Singh, Ludhiana
10:00 - 10:20	ictal -interictal continuum	Neeraj Baheti, Nagpur
10:20 - 10:40	EEG monitoring in neonatal ICU - indications and techniques	Vaishakh Anand, Ernakulam
10:40 - 11:00	Coffee / Tea	
11:00 - 13:00	Session 2 : Status epilepticus	
11:00 - 11:20	Status epilepticus - Current definitions	K S Lim, Kuala Lumpur
11:20 - 11:40	New onset refractory status epilepticus - nosology and concepts	Mathew Walker, London
11:40 - 12:00	Super refractory status - role of continuous EEG monitoring	Siby Gopinath, Kochi
12:00 - 12:20	Anti-seizure medications and anesthetics in super refractory status - Challenges and controversies	Samhita Panda, Jodhpur





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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
12:20 - 12:40	Immunomodulation in NORSE and FIRES- trials and tribulations	Naveen Sankhyan, Chandigarh
12:40 - 13:00	Intersting cases	Dr Jabeen, Hyderabad
13:00 - 14:00	LUNCH	
14:00 - 15:00	Session 3: Disorders of arousal vs Epilepsy	
14:00 - 14:20	Semiology, anatomoclinical network of hyperkinetic seizures	Jayanti Mani, Mumbai
14:20 - 14:40	Sleep related hypermotor seizures: Electroclinical features and management	Sita Jayalakshmi, Hyderabad
14:40 - 15:00	Strange episodes during sleep – Epilepsy or parasomnia? How to approach	Joy Desai, Mumbai
15:00 - 16:00	Self-Limited to sleep disintegration - the spectrum	
15:00 - 15:20	Self-Limited Epilepsies Revisited: Are These Truly Benign?	Jitupam Baishya, Chandigarh
15:20 - 15:40	SWAS/DEE-SWAS: Network Disorder or Developmental Syndrome?	Neetha Balaram, Calicut
15:40 - 16:00	Critical Period Epilepsies: Windows for Disease Modification in Childhood Epilepsies	Ramsekhar Menon, Trivandrum
16:00 - 17:00	Current trends in Epilepsy	
16:00 - 16:20	Telemedicine and Telerehabilitation in Epilepsy Care	Nirmal Surya, Mumbai
16:20 - 16:40	Role of therapeutic drug level monitoring in current practice	Sudhir Chandra Sarangi, New Delhi
16:40 - 17:00	Acute symptomatic seizures	U Meenakshisundaram, Chennai
16:40 - 17:00	TBC	Nitin Sethi, New Delhi
18:00 - 19:00	INAUGURATION	
19:00 Onwards	ENTERTAINMENT & DINNER	

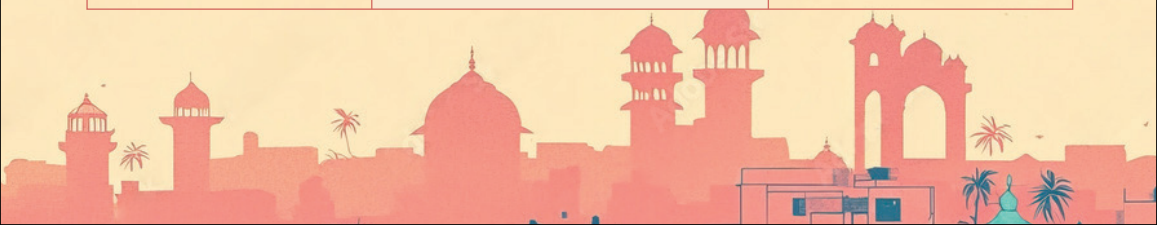




07, August, 2026 Friday

HALL B

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
07:00 - 09:00	Registration	
08:00 - 09:00	EEG Teaching session basics	
08:00 - 08:20	Technical basis of EEG	Malcolm Jeyaraj, Chennai
08:20 - 08:40	Artifacts in EEG - Physiology identification and rectification	Surya Prabha, Hyderabad
08:40 - 09:00	Normal EEG - awake and sleep	Gopi S, Vizag
09:00 - 13:00	Genetics of Epilepsies	
09:00 - 10:30	Session 1 : Genetics of Epilepsies - Basics	
09:00 - 09:20	Genetics of epilepsy - an introduction	P Satish Chandra, Bengaluru
09:20 - 09:40	Overview of developmental / Epileptic Encephalopathies	Sujit Jagtap, Pune
09:40 - 10:00	Genetic testing in epilepsy - When and where ?	Piero Perucca, Melbourne
10:00 - 10:30	Illustrative cases	Lakshmi Narayanan, Chennai
10:30 - 11:00	POSTER VIEW/COFFEE/TEA	
11:00 - 13:00	Session 2 : Advances in Genetics of epilepsies & Precision Therapeutics	
11:00 - 11:20	Genetics of focal epilepsies	Piero Perucca, Melbourne
11:20 - 11:40	Decoding metabolic epilepsies	Arushi Saini, Chandigarh
11:40 - 12:00	Genetic counselling and ethical challenges	Swasti Pal
12:00 - 12:20	Precision therapy in current practice of epilepsy	Biswaroop Chakravarty, New Delhi
12:20 - 12:40	Emerging therapeutics in epilepsy - ASO, gene therapy and beyond	Sangeetha Yoganathan, Vellore
12:40 - 13:00	Illustrative cases	Shilpa Kulkarni, Mumbai
13:00 - 14:00	Poster View / Lunch	
14:00 - 15:30	Parallel Symposium	



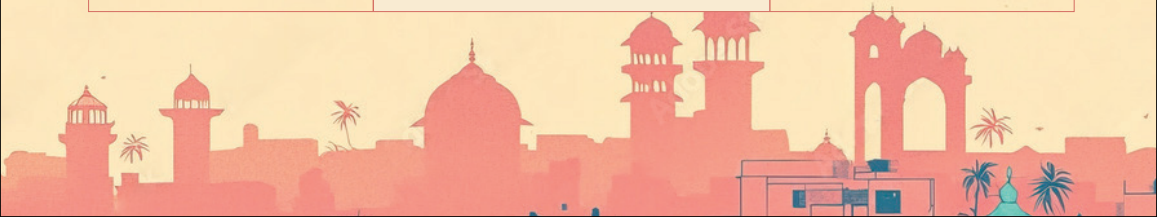
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14:00 - 14:20	Neonatal and Infantile Epileptic Encephalopathies	Shruti N M, Mangalore
14:20 - 14:40	Childhood Epileptic Encephalopathies	Anaita Hegde, Mumbai
14:40 - 15:00	Aetiology specific epileptic syndromes	Soumya CV, Cochin
15:00 - 15:20	Genetics of DEE - a practical approach in office practice	Prashant Jouhari, New Delhi
15:30 - 16:00	POSTER VIEW/COFFEE/TEA	
16:00 - 17:00	Parallel Symposium	
16:00 - 16:15	Refractory Generalized Epilepsy- Navigating the difficult terrain	Vibhor Pardasani, Mumbai
16:15 - 16:30	Focal vs Generalized- Identifying the identity theft	Sachin Suresh Babu, Calicut
16:30 - 16:45	The 3-year-old boy with refractory absence seizures	Mary Iype Trivandrum
16:45 - 17:00	Focal features in Generalized Epilepsies: How common and how to manage	Birinder Singh Paul, Ludhiana
17:00 - 18:00	Quiz Finals	Parthvi /Priyanka/ Muthukani/Ranjith



07, August, 2026 Friday

HALL C

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00	IES session	
12:00 - 13:00	Quiz preliminary	Parthvi /Priyanka/ Muthukani/Ranjith
13:00 - 14:00	POSTER VIEW / LUNCH	
14:00 - 15:20	Parallel Symposium Reflex epilepsies- an update	
14:00 - 14:20	Neurobiologic basis of reflex epilepsies	Chaturbhuj Rathore, Vadodara
14:20 - 14:40	Photosensitive and visually sensitive epilepsies spectrum, clinical features and management	Kalyani Karkare, Bengaluru



TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
14:40 - 15:00	Eating epilepsy Recent insights and management	Aparijita Chatterjee, Kolkata
15:00 - 15:20	Miscellaneous Reflex Epilepsies: Hot-Water, Startle, and rare reflex epilepsies	Ajay Asranna, Bengaluru
15:20 - 16:00	POSTER VIEW/COFFEE/ TEA	
16:00 - 17:00	Parallel Symposium Video-based session on semiology of seizures and epilepsy syndromes in children	
16:00 - 16:20	Seizure or not? Unusual seizure mimics in children	Juhi Gupta, Jaipur
16:20 - 16:40	Epilepsy syndromes in neonates and infants	Lokesh Lingappa, Hyderabad
16:40 - 17:00	Semiology of lesional focal epilepsy in neonates, infants and toddlers	Sandeep Patil, Pune
	Board Room	
14:30 - 15:30	IES EC	
15:30 - 16:30	IEA GC	
16:30 - 17:30	Joint meeting IEA/ IES	

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HALL A

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 08:20	Can We Agree? Interactive Case-Based Scenarios with Live Audience Polling	Balveen Singh, Jaipur
08:20 - 08:40	What the World Knows. Global Evidence on Seizure Action Plans and Out-of-Hospital Seizure Management	Jyotsna AS, Mysore
08:40 - 09:00	Why SEIZE-INDIA? From Evidence to National Implementation	Balveen Singh, Jaipur
09:00 - 10:00	Award Papers	
10:00 - 10:45	IES Presidential Oration	Dr. Malla Bhaskara Rao, Bengaluru
10:45 - 11:15	Poster view / Coffee / Tea	
11:15 - 12:00	Dr. B.C. Bansal/Uma Bansal Oration	Arthur Cuckiert, Sao Paulo SP

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
12:00 - 13:00	DEBATE - Rassmusens encephalitis - Early surgery remains the best therapeutic option for all patients	
12:00 - 12:20	For	Maya Mary Thomas, Vellore
12:20 - 12:40	Against	Vinayan KP, Kochi
12:40 - 13:00	Rebuttals and discussion	
13:00 - 14:00	Poster view / Lunch	
14:00 - 14:30	Invited lecture 1 Epilepsy care in the Asia Oceania region - Challenges and opportunities	K S Lim, Kuala Lumpur
14:30 - 15:00	Invited lecture 2 - The management of epilepsy in pregnancy: an update	Piero Perruca, Melbourne
15:00 - 16:00	Parallel Symposium - Current trends	
15:00 - 15:20	Minimally invasive techniques in epilepsy surgery	Sarat Chandra, New Delhi
15:20 - 15:40	Hypothalamic Hamartoma - surgical advancements	Ashok Pillai, Kochi
15:40 - 16:00	Antiseizure medications and systemic illness	Bindu Menon, Nellore
16:00 - 16:30	Poster view / Coffee / Tea	
16:30 - 17:30	Parallel Symposium - Planning for the future	
16:30 - 16:50	Digital Health Innovations for Epilepsy Care in Low-Resource Settings	Laksmi Narasimhan R, Chennai
16:50 - 17:10	Transition Care for Epilepsy - What can we learn from the west?	Sheffali Gulati, New Delhi
17:10 - 17:30	Policy Innovation for 2030: Aligning Epilepsy Care with Rights, Regulation, and Clinical Need	Sulena, Faridkot
19:30 Onwards	Gala Dinner	



HALL B

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00	Breakfast - EEG Teaching Session	
08:00 - 08:20	Interictal EEG - normal	Rajesh B Iyer, Bengaluru
08:20 - 08:40	Interictal EEG in focal epilepsies	Sanjib Sinha, Bengaluru
08:40 - 09:00	Interictal EEG in generalized epilepsies	Yogesh, Bengaluru
12:00 - 13:00	Parallel Symposium	
12:00 - 12:20	Autoimmune Epilepsies and Seizures-An Overview	Manmohan Mehndiratta, New Delhi
12:20 - 12:40	Immune epilepsies - illustrative cases	Monika Singla, Ludhiana
12:40 - 13:00	Long term disability and rehabilitation of immune epilepsies	Sangeetha Ravat, Mumbai
13:00 - 14:00	Poster view / Lunch	
15:00 - 16:00	Parallel Symposium Post-Stroke Seizures and Epilepsy: Navigating the Clinical Continuum	
15:00 - 15:20	Seizures After Stroke: Definitions, Timing, Epidemiology, and Risk of Epilepsy	Mamta Bhushan Singh, New Delhi
15:20 - 15:40	Venous Thrombosis and Epilepsy: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Challenges	Parampreet Singh, Chandigarh
15:40 - 16:00	Management of Post-Stroke Epilepsy	Sumit Singh, Gurgaon
16:00 - 16:30	Poster view / Coffee / Tea	
16:30 - 17:30	Parallel Symposium- Pediatric epilepsy surgery - basics	
16:30 - 16:50	Identifying the Surgical Child	Vrajesh Udani, Mumbai
16:50 - 17:10	Surgical Options in Pediatric Epilepsy	George Vilanilam
17:10 - 17:30	Outcomes After Pediatric Epilepsy Surgery	Pragya Gadgil
17:30 - 18:30	IES GB	
18:30 - 19:30	IEA GB	
19:30 Onwards	Gala Dinner	



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08, August, 2026 Saturday

HALL C

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:00 - 09:00	Break fast - teaching session	
08:00 - 08:30	Imaging in childhood epilepsies	Jithangi Wanigasinghe, Colombo
08:30 - 09:00	Role of imaging in presurgical evaluation	Chirag Ahuja, Chandigarh
14:00 - 15:00	Task Force Meeting	
15:00 - 16:00	Platform Session - Free Papers	
16:30 - 17:30	Platform Session - Free Papers	

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09, August, 2026 Sunday

HALL A

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast teaching session - Basics of EEG	
07:30 - 07:50	Neonatal EEG - normal and abnormal	Lokesh Saini, Jodhpur
07:50 - 08:10	Pediatric EEG - pearls and pitfalls	Mini S, Trivandrum
08:10 - 08:30	EEG spotters	Sudhir Pachipala, Hyderabad
08.30 - 09:15	BM Sharma Oration	Ashalata Radhakrishnan, Trivandrum
09:15 - 09:45	Invited lecture - Cognition in Epilepsy	Mathew Walker, London
09:45 - 10:15	3D mapping of human brain	Mohan (IIT, Chennai)
10:15 - 10:45	POSTER VIEW/ COFFEE/ TEA	
10:45 - 11:30	H C Bajoria Oration	Manjari Tripathi, New Delhi
11:30 - 12:30	Epilepsy and society Symposium	Atul Agarwal, Lucknow RK Surekha, Jaipur
12:30 - 13:30	K S Mani Forum	
13:30 Onwards	VALEDICTORY	





09, August, 2026 Sunday

HALL B

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast - EEG Teaching Session	
07:30 - 07:50	Semiological clues - basics of lateralization and localization	Dinesh Nayak, Chennai
07:50 - 08:10	Ictal EEG patterns in Temporal lobe Epilepsy	Jasmine Parihar, Chennai
08:10 - 08:30	Ictal EEG in Extra temporal lobe Epilepsy	Swapan Gupta, New Delhi



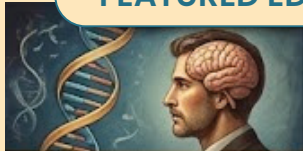
09, August, 2026 Sunday

HALL C

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast - Teaching video Session	
07:30 - 08:00	Epilepsy or Movement disorder	Divya K P, Trivandrum
08:00 - 08:30	Epilepsy - movement disorder syndromes	Ajith Cherian, Trivandrum



FEATURED EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES & FACULTY



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Kheng Seang Lim, Malaysia



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