

**VINAYAKA MISSIONS RESEARCH FOUNDATION  
(DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY)**

**AARUPADAI VEEDU MEDICAL COLLEGE & HOSPITAL  
KIRUMAMPAKKAM, PUDUCHERRY – 607 402**

**DEPARTMENT OF PAEDIATRICS**

**BREAST FEEDING WEEK CELEBRATIONS – 2018**

**“BREASTFEEDING FOR HEALTHY CHILD AND HAPPY MOTHERS”**

World breastfeeding week celebration was organized by the department of Paediatrics, A.V.M.C. & H., Puducherry in the first week of August 2018 (01-08-2018 to 07-08-2018) various events and programmes were organized for both antenatal and postnatal mothers, undergraduate and post graduate students, CRRI's and nursing staff.

On 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018 the breastfeeding week celebration begin with an inaugural ceremony in the hospital outpatient area. The ceremony commenced with prayer song and lighting the kuthuvalakku. The dignitaries, The Dean Dr. B. Kanchana. M.S., presided over the function. The Medical Superintendent Dr. P. Chellapillai. M.D., DMRT, FICR, and Dr. Vijaya. M.D., DGO., H.O.D. department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Dr. A. Dharmalingam. M.D., DCH., Associate Professor of Paediatrics occupied the dias. After welcome address by Dr. N.S. Raghupathy, M.D., DCH., Ph.D., H.O.D., Department of Paediatrics welcome the gatherings. The Dean and the The Medical Superintendent addressed the inaugural ceremony. Dr. A. Dharmalingam, Dr. A. Ashvini, PG Paediatrics and Dr. Anu Nandhini, OG PG., gave the speech on the importance of breastfeeding and its benefits related to the theme of this year. Role play by nursing college students. Dr. Ragasivamalini Post Graduate compeering in tamil language for the benefit of general public including antenatal and postnatal mothers. The vote of thanks given by Dr. A. Dharmalingam, Associate Professor, Department of Paediatrics. The inaugural ceremony ended with the national anthem.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2018 Dr. A. Dharmalingm, gave awareness speech on breast feeding at Vinayak Missions College of Nursing, AVMC Campus as resource person.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2018 forenoon, the faculties of Paediatrics organized an interact session on breast feeding with the antenatal and postnatal mothers.

Dr. A. Dharmalingam gave lecture on breast feeding to staff nurses and female employees of AVMC & H., on 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2018 afternoon.

On 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018 conducted poster competition on breast feeding for Under Graduate and Post Graduates. The competition was judged by the Dean and the Medical Superintendent.

The CME and valedictory function is postponed on 21-08-2018 due to unavoidable circumstances.



**Inaugural Function Photos  
“BREASTFEEDING FOR HEALTHY CHILD AND HAPPY MOTHERS”**



**Guest Lecture on Breast Feeding at Vinayaka Missions College of Nursing**



**Breast Feeding Awareness Speech to Antenatal and Postnatal Mothers**



**Breast Feeding Awareness Posters Competition**



**Breast Feeding Awareness Speech to Staff Nurses and Female Employees of AVMC & H, Puducherry**

