

Nurses and Midwives: The Pillars of Health System

On 12 May every year nurses, midwives and other healthcare functionaries worldwide celebrate International Nurses' Day (IND) to pay tributes to Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing Florence Nightingale who was born on this day in 1820. She was named 'The Lady with the Lamp' after her habit of routinely taking rounds at night to tend to injured soldiers. The varietal activities of the IND are organised by the International Council of Nurses (ICN), the umbrella body of nurses' federations. The IND theme for 2022 is, Nurses: A Voice to Lead - Invest in Nursing and Respect Rights to Secure Global Health. The need for "real investment" to be made into the nursing workforce around the world will be the call to action from this year's International Nurses' Day, organisers said. Aware of strengthening nurses and nursing profession, we at TNAI conduct relevant programmes & activities to groom nurses as future leaders and superior delivery of services.

Highlighting the significance of theme, the ICN Chief Executive Howard Catton told Nursing Times: "The pandemic has shown us only too clearly that we need a real investment in the profession of nursing in order to secure global health. And nurses' rights, safety and wellbeing must be protected as well". As for availability of nurses, the pillars of health system, he said, "The nursing shortage is a serious threat to public health and must be addressed now." The ICN will be publishing a report on 12 May which Mr Catton said would spell out "exactly what steps we must all take to 'invest in nursing and respect rights to secure global health'." (Meanwhile, the Royal College of Nursing will be marking the day with its own campaign titled #BestOfNursing, promoting case studies about the positive difference made by nursing staff. The RCN general secretary & chief executive, Pat Cullen said, "Nurses' Day is an opportunity to showcase the amazing work of our members).

International Midwives Day: Worldwide, an estimated 3 lakh women die each year, with millions more suffering infection and disability as a result of preventable maternal causes. The International Confederation of Midwives (ICM), alongside UN agencies, WHO and other partners addresses maternal mortality and morbidity through greater access to essential midwifery services worldwide. Annually International Midwives Day is organised on 5 May to highlight the important role midwives play in improving the health of

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mothers and children all around. For the third year in succession, India's maternal mortality rate (MMR) improved to 103 in 2017-19, from 113 in 2016-18, as per figures released by the Registrar General of India recently. Given the overall good outcomes, India may set to achieve SDG of bringing MMR to 70 well before the target year of 2030. *HOD Meeting:* The meeting of HODs, the highest managing body of TNAI is being held after considerable gap on 30 April 2022 in usual (offline) way. The members shall be apprised of recent developments and plans of TNAI including the upcoming Nursing Museum in TNAI's Greater Noida premises, which is likely to be operational in June or July this year.

Wishing you a Happy International Nurses & Midwives day.

Evelyn P Kannan Chief Editor & Secretary-General

Wanted

Assistant Secretary for TNAI State Branches

(Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, West Bengal)

(Full time salaried post)

The Trained Nurses' Association of India (TNAI) requires a dynamic and mature person for a regular post as an Assistant Secretary to work at TNAI State Branch Office for a salary of Rs. 40,000/- per month.

Essential Qualifications

- 1. Registered Nurse and Registered Midwife
- 2. MSc Nursing in any specialty with five years of experience in Education/ Clinical/ Public Health/ Administration.
- 3. Member of the Trained Nurses' Association of India (Minimum 5 years).
- 4. Applicants shall hold the TNAI Membership of the respective state branch where they wish to apply.

Preference

Candidates with at least 5 years of experience and active participation in the TNAI activities at National/State level will be given preference.

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- Proficiency in written and spoken English language.
- Proficiency in computer skills (MS Office and other online submissions).
- Upper age limit is 30 years, relaxable upto 35 years if the candidate is found otherwise well suitable.
- Name and addresses of 3 referees not related to the candidate, one of whom should be the present employer if in service-otherwise last employer.
- One referee shall be preferably from TNAI State level office bearers/ executives.

Job Requirement

- She/he shall co- ordinate with the National office of TNAI by acting in liaison with Secretary General, Dy. Secretary
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- She/he shall co-ordinate with the State Branch President and Secretary to implement TNAI's programmes and welfare
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- Her/his scope of duties will include planning and implementation of various activities in the state branch (TNAI and SNAI) in consensus with TNAI Hqrs / State President / Secretary.
- She / he shall prepare, keep all necessary records, reports & minutes of every meeting related to state branch functioning.
- She/he shall co-ordinate with state SNA Advisors.
- She/he should establish/activate/rejuvenate SNA Units in educational institution of branches.
- She/he should encourage and motivate the nurses and nursing students to become life members of TNAI.
- She/he shall assist in organizing state SNAI/ TNAI Conferences in the respective state branch with the guidance of the state branch executives.
- She/he shall assess and identify the continuous professional development needs of all categories of nursing personnel.
- She/he shall assist in organising the continuous professional development programmes in their respective state branches.
- She / he shall visit the Institution/Hospital to conduct orientation programme of TNAI/SNAI.
- She / he shall initiate the SNAI/ TNAI membership drive in the respective branches.

The last date for receiving the application via post/email is 30 June, 2022.

The filled applications with relevant documents should be sent to the Secretary General, L-17, Florence Nightingale Lane, Green Park Main, New Delhi-110016 **OR** sent the application with the relevant documents to **secgen@tnaionline.org**.

PS: All claims for educational, professional and TNAI activities shall be supported by attaching the copies of the relevant certificates.

Application form for the post of Assistant Secretary for the TNAI State Branches

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Experience	Years		Months
A. Clinical			
B. Teaching			
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D. Administration			
Post held in TNAI with year and duration	1. 2.		
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TNAI programme attended			
1. National/State level Conference			
2. TNAI- House of Delegates meeting			
3. Any other programmes			
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V. Results: It must be presented in a logical sequence. Only such data as are essential for understanding the discussion and main conclusions emerging from the study should be included. Data presented in tables and figures should not be repeated in the text. Only important observations need to be emphasized or summarised. The same data should not be presented both in tabular and graphic forms. Interpretation of the data should be taken up only under the Discussion and not under Results.

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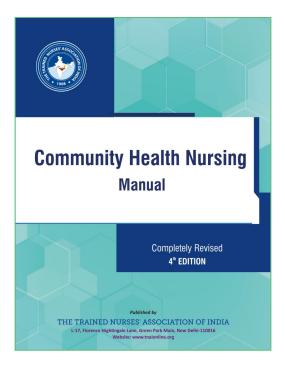
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Released on 4-5 September 2021 the long-awaited revised version of TNAI's prestigious classic publication, 'Community Health Nursing Manual' is available for readers.

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As per the TNAI Constitution Rules & Regulations & Bye-Laws page no 56-64 State Branch Election Procedure (Revised and approved by Council/HOD 2012).

1. Election will be held during General Body Meeting on Saturday, 4th June 2022 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at VHS - MA Chidambaram College of Nursing, Voluntary Hospital Services Hospital campus, TTTI post, Taramani, Chennai- 600 113, Tamil Nadu.

2. The Provisional Ballot Paper is published only for the information of the members. A separate Ballot Paper will be distributed to the voters on the day of Election.

3. Only Life members of TNAI are eligible to vote.

4. All the Voters are requested to bring their TNAI Membership card provided by the TNAI Headquarters along with Photo identity (Election card/PAN card/Driving license) before entering the hall for voting.

5. No one shall be allowed to vote before or after the schedule time of voting.

6. Names of the contestant who have not given their consent in writing to the Returning Officer will be deleted from the final Ballot Paper.

7. No addition of the contestant shall be made to the final ballot paper.

8. It is expected that the Voters/Members are well versed with the TNAI Rules and Regulation and Byelaws. A copy of the same shall be available with the Returning Officer for ready reference.

9. The person so elected for a particular office at branch level shall hold the office for the full term (four years) and shall not contest and cross to another office prior to completion of the term of her/his existing office.

10. On the day of election during the General Body meeting, open election will be conducted for the following vacant post(s):

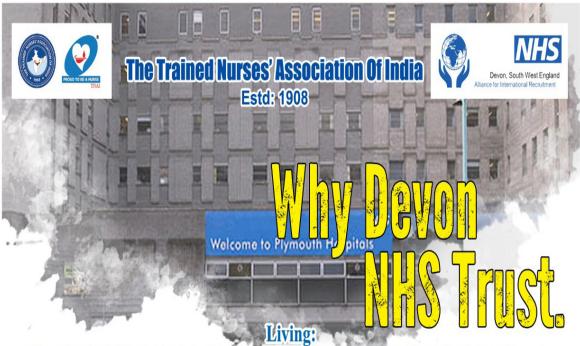
i. Joint Secretary

ii. Chairperson - Public Health Nursing Section

iii. Chairperson - LHV/ANM Committee

11. Any contestant wishing to withdraw from any office of contest should inform the Returning Officer at least 20 days prior to the election date in writing to the following address:

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Health Events of the Month

World Asthma Day: 3 May

Celebrated on the first Tuesday of May each year (this time on 3 May), World Asthma Day (WAD) seeks to promote alertness and concern globally about asthma, a common chronic respiratory disease. The difficulty in breathing of asthmatic persons is attributed to the inflammation and narrowing of the airways that may result in wheezing, coughing, shortness of breath and tightness in the chest. Asthma is also named as 'bronchial asthma'. Asthma can be intermittent, mild persistent, moderate persistent, and severe persistent.

Contrary to earlier thinking, asthma is now recognised as a spectrum of diseases in which genetic and environmental factors have a role. It has been shown that if one or both parents have asthma-related Type-2 inflammation, their child has four times more likelihood of having asthma or an allergic disorder. An estimated that 5-10 percent of people with asthma have severe asthma. According to WHO, asthma affected an estimated 262 million people in 2019 and caused 461000 deaths. Asthma remains under-diagnosed and under-treated, generating a considerable load to persons and families.

WAD is observed around the globe by the Global Initiative for Asthma (GINA). GINA undertakes collaborative activities with health care professionals and civic health officials the world over to bring down incidence, morbidity and deaths related to asthma. The theme of World Asthma Day 2022 is, Closing Gaps in Asthma Care. GINA campaigns to reduce the incidence of asthma attacks (also called episodes or exacerbations) and asthma hospitalisation. Asthma is not curable, yet with good management and use of inhaled medications, the patient can lead a normal, active life. The two main types of inhaler are: (1) bronchodilators (such as salbutamol), that open the air passages and relieve symptoms and (2) steroids (such as beclometasone) that reduce inflammation in the air passages. People with asthma may need to use inhaler daily.

International Midwives Day: 5 May

It is estimated that worldwide around 3 lakh women die each year, with millions more suffering infection and disability as a result of preventable maternal causes. The International Confederation of Midwives (ICM), alongside UN agencies, WHO and other international partners, is committed to addressing maternal mortality and morbidity through greater access to essential midwifery services worldwide. Every year since 1991, International Midwives Day is organised on 5 May to highlight the important role in care midwives play in improving the health of mothers and children all around – in hospitals, community health institutions, maternity and health centres and in home settings.

The maternal mortality rate (MMR) i.e. maternal deaths per lakh in a given time period, is an important barometer of health of women and child. Among developed countries those faring best on MMR scale are, Italy, Norway, Poland and Belarus showed lowest MMR of 2, while in Germany and UK it is 7, Canada at 10, US 19. Among India's neighbours Nepal fares worst at 186, Bangladesh 173, Pakistan 140. China is way ahead at 18.3, and Sri Lanka at 36.

For third year in succession, India's maternal mortality ratio (MMR) improved to 103 in 2017-19, from 113 in 2016-18, as per data released by the Registrar General of India in March this year 14, 2022. However, some states with very high maternal mortality are: West Bengal, Haryana, Uttarakhand and Chhattisgarh. India may set to achieve SDG of bringing MMR to 70 well before the target year of 2030.

Midwives offer affordable, compassionate and culturally-appropriate care to women during pregnancy, birth and the post-partum period. The world needs more midwives than are available. UNFPA says, "... investing in midwifery saves lives".

International Nurses' Day: 12 May

To nurses, along with other healthcare workers the world over, 12th of May every year happens to be a sacred date to pay high tributes to Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, as the nurse legend was born on this day. It is celebrated universally as the International Nurses' Day

by the International Council of Nurses (ICN), the umbrella body of nurses' federations. Apart from seminars, workshops, talks, academic programme and public recognition to nurses for having performed outstanding duties, street shows and cultural events are also conducted by health promotion organisations. On this day, ICN also releases an IND Kit that contains a region-wise summative profile of achievements and targets in various health indicators as also the comments on the current strategies especially from the nurse perspective.

Florence Nightingale has been known as 'The Lady with the Lamp' after her habit of routinely taking rounds at night to tend to injured soldiers. The varietal activities of the IND are organised by the International Council of Nurses (ICN). The IND theme for 2022 is, Nurses: A Voice to Lead - Invest in Nursing and Respect Rights to Secure Global Health. Highlighting the significance of 2022 theme, the ICN Chief Executive Howard Catton told Nursing Times: "The pandemic has shown us only too clearly that we need a real investment in the profession of nursing in order to secure global health. In the two pandemic years 2020 & 2021, the entire world witnessed the dedication and the prowess of nurses, the Corona warriors, some of whom lost their own lives in saving life of others. A big solute to the brave souls!

In India, the Presidents confers Florence Nightingale National Awards to the select nurses for the outstanding contribution made in discharge of their duties.

World Schizophrenia Day: 24 May

World Schizophrenia Day on 24 May is observed to pay tribute to Dr Philippe Pinel, an eminent psychiatrist and Chief Physician of France, who in 18th century unchained and let 200 men to be free like other human beings. Some of these were confined due to mental illness for 30 to 40 years, like wild beasts.

Schizophrenia is marked by diminished ability to work, socialise; loss of attention, concentration and memory; neglect of health care & personal hygiene; psychosis (comprising hallucinations and delusions) and disorderly thinking. It affects about 24 million people (1 in 300 people i.e. 0.32%) worldwide and such people are 2 to 3 times more likely to die early than the general population, often due to cardiovascular, metabolic, and infectious diseases.

No Tobacco Day: 31 May

The World Health Organization (WHO) and partners everywhere observe World No Tobacco Day (WNTD) every year on 31 May to highlight the health risks associated with tobacco use and advocating for effective policies to reduce tobacco consumption. Tobacco use is the second largest preventable cause of death (after hypertension) accounting for 10 percent adult mortality worldwide. The theme selected for 2022 is, Tobacco's Threat to our Environment.

Each over 5 million people will die from a tobacco-related heart attack, stroke, cancer, lung ailment or other disease. That does not include the more than 6 million people – more than a quarter of them children – who will die from exposure to second-hand smoke. The annual death toll from the global epidemic of tobacco use is estimated to rise to 8 million by 2030. Over 80 percent of these preventable deaths will be among people living in low- and middle-income countries.

The 2022 global campaign aims to raise public awareness about the environmental impact of the entire tobacco cycle, from its cultivation, production and distribution to the toxic waste it generates. The campaign will also endeavour to expose the tobacco industry's effort to camouflage its reputation and to make its products more appealing by marketing them as environmental-friendly.

It is so unfortunate that across the globe around 3.5 million hectares of land are used to grow tobacco each year. Growing tobacco also contributes to the deforestation of two lakh hectares a year and soil degradation. Further, tobacco production depletes the planet of water, fossil fuel and metal resources. The brunt of tobacco use lies on smoking; 4.5 trillion cigarette butts are not disposed of properly every year across the globe, generating 1.69 billion pounds of toxic waste and releasing thousands of chemicals into the air, water and soil.

WHO recommends that countries fully ban tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship, including advertising CSR programmes, in accordance with the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC).

OBITUARY

Capt Tandra Chakroborty

The Military Nursing Officer and a TNAI Life Member, Capt Tandra Chakroborty left for heavenly abode at a tender age of 32 years on 28 March 2022 at Command Hospital, Eastern Command, Kolkata. She was born on 10 March 1992 and commissioned in the Military Nursing Service (MNS) on 8 February 2017. An alumni of College of Nursing Midnapore (WB), she began her career at Tata Medical Centre, Kolkata and later joined Military Nursing Service. She had served two Military Hospitals in her five years of dedicated service. A young and brilliant nursing officer known for her clinical acumen and thorough professionalism, she was pursuing her post graduation in Psychology (N) from College of Nursing, Command Hospital, Kolkata.



She is survived by her parents, sister and brother. Her unexpected demise is an irretrievable loss to Military Nursing Service. Even the best of word cannot pay enough tribute or truly capture the sense of loss that we feel today. Maj Gen Smita Devrani, Additional Director General MNS and all officers of MNS are profoundly aggrieved at the untimely demise of Capt Tandra Chakroborty. May God Almighty grant peace to the noble soul and strength to the family to sail through this difficult time. She will be deeply missed and her memories will be cherished forever.

ठान लें तो छूट सकती है तंबाकू की लत तंबाकू के सेवन से कैंसर तथा हृदय संबंधित अनेक बीमारियों का सच किसी से छिपा नहीं है, इन से

तंबाकू के सेवन से कैंसर तथा हृदय संबंधित अनेक बीमारियों का सच किसी से छिपा नहीं है, इन से दुनिया में लाखों जानें चली जाती हैं। तंबाकू का सर्वाधिक सेवन धूम्रपान के रूप में किया जाता है। इसलिए धूम्रपान से होने वाले नुकसानों के प्रति सचेत रहना आवश्यक है। तंबाकू के शरीर पर पड़ने वाले कुप्रभावों के प्रति जागरूकता बढ़ाने के लिए प्रतिवर्ष 31 मई का दिन तंबाकू निषेध दिवस के तौर पर मनाया जाता है।

तंबाकूजन्य बीमारियां: धूम्रपान या मुंह में तंबाकू चबाने से आप घातक बीमारियों की चपेट में जल्दी आ जाते हैं। वास्तव में तंबाकू का नियमित सेवन शरीर को इसका आदी बना देता है। तंबाकू में निकोटिन होता है, जो शरीर के रक्त में प्रवाहित होता है और शरीर को इसकी लत लग जाती है। मुंह के माध्यम से प्रवेश करके तंबाकू के फेफड़ों, हृदय, आमाशय और रक्त नलिकाओं में पहुंच कर भारी नुकसान पहुंचाता है।

तंबाकू के सेवन से हृदय रोगों की संभावना बढ़ जाती है, फेफड़े क्षतिग्रस्त हो जाते हैं। परिणामस्वरूप फेफड़ों की रोग प्रतिरोधी क्षमता घट जाती है तथा कैंसर होने की संभावना बढ़ जाती है। लिवर कैंसर तथा मुंह के कैंसर के मामलों में मुख्य कारण तंबाकू का दीर्घकालीन सेवन बताया गया है। कोलन कैंसर और ब्रेस्ट कैंसर के लिए भी तंबाकू को दोषी माना जाता है। दिलचस्प यह है कि धूम्रपान करने वाले उन बेचारों को भी (सेकंडरी एक्सपोजर) बीमार करते हैं जो स्वयं धूम्रपान नहीं करते।

प्रजनन क्षमता पर कुप्रभाव: तंबाकू के सेवन का पुरुषों व महिलाओं दोनों में नपुंसकता (इनफर्टिलिटी) से सीधा संबंध पाया गया है। तंबाकू पुरुशों के शुक्राणुओं की गति और संख्या को कम कर देती है, जिससे वे नपुंसकता का शिकार हो जाते हैं और पिता बनने में असमर्थ हो जाते हैं। लैंगिक अक्षमता (इरेक्टाइल डिसफंक्शन) के शिकार वे पुरुष अधिक होते हैं तथा निम्न प्रजनन क्षमता की क्षमता उन महिलाओं में ज्यादा देखी जाती है जो तंबाकू का अधिक सेवन करते रहे हैं। ऐसी कुछ महिलाएं तो निःसंतानता रह जाती हैं।

ऐसा नहीं कि तंबाकू और धूम्रपान के आदी इसे छोड़ना नहीं चाहते किंतु इस लत से निजात पाने के लिए तीव्र इच्छाशक्ति चाहिए। जरूरत है, मन पक्का करने की।

स्वास्थ्य तंत्र की धुरी हैं नर्स

अस्पतालों तथा अन्य स्वास्थ्य केंद्रों आदि में दिन–रात मरीजों की टहल में कोई व्यस्त रहता है तो वह नर्स है। बीमारी या अन्य आपदाओं से जूझ रहे मरीजों की तकलीफ की साक्षी हैं देश की 14.31 लाख नर्सें। पेशेवरों में ऐसा अन्य वर्ग न होगा जो बीमारों से निरंतर संपर्क में रहती हैं। आपदाओं में राहत प्रदान करने वालों में भी दारोमदार नर्स पर रहता है। कोविड–19 के दो वर्षों में विश्वव्यापी प्रकोप में अन्य स्वास्थ्यकर्मियों के साथ कदम से कदम मिला कर, चौबीसों

कोविड—19 के दो वर्षों में विश्वव्यापी प्रकाप में अन्य स्वास्थ्यकामयों के साथ कदम से कदम मिलों कर, चांबासी घंटे व्यस्त नर्सें ही थी। उनके दायित्वों में संक्रमण की जांच, रोगियों की देखभाल तथा कोरोना रोगियों तथा परिजनों को उचित परामर्श देना सम्मिलित रहा। इस दौरान उन्हें सांस लेने की फुर्सत न रहती थी। रोगियों की टहल में अनेक नर्सें अपनी जान तक गंवा बैठीं। मानवजाति उनकी उनकी ऋणी है। उनके समर्पण और निष्ठा का भारत सहित समूचे विश्व ने लोहा माना तथा उन्हें कोनोना योद्धा कहा जाने लगा।

नर्सिंग की स्वतंत्र, प्रोफेशलन अस्मिता की आधारशिला रखने में फ्लारेंस नाइटिंगेल का नाम सर्वोपरि रहेगा। सेवा प्रदायगी के क्षेत्र में ऐतिहासिक भूमिका निभाने वाली फ्लारेंस नाइटिंगेल को श्रद्धांजलि स्वरूप उनकी जन्मगांठ 12 मई का दिन समूची नर्स बिरादरी तथा अन्य स्वास्थ्यकर्मियों द्वारा अंतर्राष्ट्रीय नर्स दिवस बतौर मनाया जाता है। इस दिन के मुख्य समारोह अंतर्राष्ट्रीय नर्स परिषद के तत्वाधान में संपन्न होते हैं। यह परिषद विभिन्न देशों के 130 संस्थाओं की 1.30 करोड़ सदस्यों का फेडरेशन है। इन आयोजनों में विश्व के विभिन्न अंचलों में नर्सिंग दृष्टि से एसडीजी लक्ष्यों की प्राप्ति, मौजूदा हालातों का आकलन और मौजूदा तौरतरीकों की समीक्षा करते हैं। नर्सिंग स्कूल, कॉलेज व अन्य संस्थाएं संगोष्टियां, परिचर्चाएं आदि संचालित करती हैं। हमारे देश में, राष्ट्रपति भवन में, उत्कृष्ट सेवाओं के सम्मान में चुनींदा नर्सकर्मियों को राष्ट्रीय पलारेंस नाइटिंगेल पुरस्कार प्रदान किया जाता है।

कोरोना की भयावह आपदा में सामाजिक दूरी की अनुपालना में पिछले दो वर्षों में कोई आयोजन करना संभव न रहा तथा कार्यक्रमों को डिजिटल तरीके से संचालित किया गया है। देश के सभी राज्यों व संघशासित क्षेत्रों में नर्सिंग छात्रों सहित लगभग पांच लाख सदस्यों की 112 वर्ष पुरानी ट्रेन्ड नर्सिस एसोसिएशन ऑफ इंडिया (टीएनएआई) शिक्षा, प्रशिक्षण और परामर्शी कार्यक्रमों के जरिए नर्सों को कौशलों से सुसज्जित करती है। यह संगठन सैकड़ों डाक्टरों–नर्सों को जरूरी कौशलों में प्रशिक्षित कर चुका है।

देश में नर्सों की भारी किल्लत है। कार्यभार के अत्यधिक दबाव से उनके द्वारा दी जाती देखभाल और सेवाओं की गुणवत्ता प्रभावित होती है। संप्रति मिडवाइफ सहित पंजीकृत नर्सों की संख्या अठ्ठारह लाख है जबकि आवश्यकता कम से कम 25 लाख की है। यही स्थिति डाक्टर—नर्स अनुपात की है जो अपने यहां 1—6 है जिसे इंडियन नर्सिंग कौंसिल के अनुसार 1—4 होना चाहिए। प्रति हजार जनसंख्या पर डब्लूएचओ मानदंडों के अनुसार 2.5 नर्स चाहिएं जब कि भारत में प्रति हजार जनसंख्या पर डब्लूएचओ मानदंडों के अनुसार 2.5 नर्स चाहिएं जब कि भारत में प्रति हजार जनसंख्या पर डब्लूएचओ मानदंडों के अनुसार 2.5 नर्स चाहिएं जब कि भारत में प्रति हजार जनसंख्या पर 1.7 नर्से हैं। नर्सकर्मियों की कमी का रुग्णता और मृत्युता से सीधा संबंध मानते हुए नर्स नेता लुई कैप्स और किस्टेंन गिलीब्रेंड सेवाओं की स्तरीय देखभाल सेवाएं सुनिश्चित करने के लिए उचित संख्या में नर्सों की उपलब्धता की पुरजोर मांग करते रहे हैं। देश में नर्सों की कमी का प्रमुख कारण नर्सों का अपेक्षाकृत कम वेतन और जर्जर कार्यदशाएं हैं, विशेषकर निजी क्षेत्र में। विकसित देशों में उम्रदारों की तेजी से बढ़ती संख्या और कैंसर, एड्स जैसी बीमारियों में इजाफे से कुशल नर्सों की मांग में निरंतर वृद्धि हो रही है जिसकी आपूर्ति भारत सहित अन्य विकासशील देश करते है। फलस्वरूप अवसर मिलते ही भारतीय नर्से नहीं चुकतीं और यहां नर्सों का अभाव हो जाता है।

अनेक कारणों से नर्सिंग को महिलाई क्षेत्र माना जाता रहा है। अभी भी पुरुष नर्स बमुश्किल 10–12 फीसद हैं, इसके बावजूद कि कैमिलस डे लेल्लिस, एडवार्ड लायोन, जो होगन सरीखे अनेक दिग्गज पुरुष नर्सों ने असाधारण योगदान से नर्सिंग परंपरा को समृद्ध किया। केमिलस ने पहली बार नाजुक हालात के रोगी को राहत देने के लिए एंबुलेंस परिपाटी का श्रीगणेश किया; रेड कॉस का चिन्ह ईजाद करने का श्रेय उन्हीं को दिया जाता है। नर्से अधिक निष्ठा से कार्य करते हुए बेहतर सेवाएं प्रदान करें, इस आशय से द्विस्तरीय कार्यनीति अपनानी होगी। पहला उनके अधिकारों का दायरा बढ़े, दूसरा आज की जरूरतों के अनुसार उनके कौशलों में वृद्धि सुनिश्चित की जाए। नर्सिंग स्नातक के साढ़े चार वर्षीय कार्यकाल में उन्हें मेडिसिन, सर्जरी आदि का अच्छा खासा ज्ञान हो जाता है किंतु गंभीर रोगी को भी आईसीयू में दसियों साल के अनुभव के बावजूद स्वविवेक से सामान्य दर्दनिवारक दवा या इंजेक्शन देने की स्वतंत्रता नहीं होती, यह प्रथा उनका मनोबल गिराती है। अमेरिका में दो–तिहाई एनेस्थेसिया नर्से देती हैं, तो अपने देश में ऐसा क्यों नहीं हो सकता? आधुनिक नर्सिंग की प्रणेता फ्लोरेंस नाइटिंगेल की राय में इस पेशे में उसी कठिनता और एकल तन्मयता से स्वयं को साधना पड़ता है जितना कलाकार को, चूंकि यहां उसे जीवंत शरीर से रूबरू होना पड़ता है जो प्रभु का मंदिर है। हम सभी का कर्तव्य इतना तो बनता है इन देखभालकर्ताओं को यथोचित सम्मान दिया जाए।

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