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Plenary Session			Dr S C Gupte Dr H B Saxena Dr Kusum Thakur
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Session 1		Evidence Based Decision Making	Dr Maya Parihar Malhotra Dr Milind Dighe Dr Bankim Das
11:40	12:00	Blood safety: National and International Scene	Dr R R Sharma
12:00	12:20	Platelets in Practice: Evidence, Protocols, and Pitfalls	Dr R P Singh
12:20	12:40	Infusing Clarity: The Current Evidence on Granulocyte Transfusions	Prof Priti Desai
12:40	13:00	Debate: Less is More? Or More is Better? The Transfusion Threshold Debate	Dr Akshay Batra
			Dr Hari Krishan Dhawan

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13:00	14:00	Lunch break	
Session 2		Blood Component Therapy: The Blood Buffet: Separating the good stuff	Dr Jayashree Sharma Dr Vishwas Amin Dr Hitish Narang
14:00	14:20	Chill or Not to Chill? Innovations in Platelet Storage	Dr Priti Elhence
14:20	14:40	Blood in, Blood Out: The Inventory Balancing Act	Dr Lakhvinder Singh
14:40	15:00	Beyond Basics: Next-Gen Blood Components in Practice	Dr R N Makroo
15:00	15:30	Panel Discussion : New Bags, New Benefits? The Future of Blood Containers	Moderator - Dr Anisha Navkudkar Panelist - Dr Himanshu Sharma Dr Deepti Sachan Dr Ashish Jain Dr Ruhi Mehra
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Session 3		Donor Management: Keeping the Lifeblood flowing	Dr Ved Prakash Gupta Dr Narinder Naidu Dr Seema Gupta
16:00	16:15	Comfort, Care & Convenience: The New Era of Blood Donation	Dr Suchet Sachdev
16:15	16:30	From Scarcity to Security: The Path to Sustainable Donation	Dr Ripal Shah
16:30	16:45	From One-Time to Lifetime: Changing How We Keep Donors Coming Back	Dr MahendraSingh Chauhan
16:45	17:00	Safe to Give, Safe to Return: The Pillars of Donor Vigilance	Prof Prasun Bhattacharya
17:00	17:10	Discussion	
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Session 4		Cellular and Transplant therapies: The Engraftment ensemble	Dr Sadhana Magwana Dr Chandra Viswanathan Dr Nidhi Dhariwal
11:40	12:00	Cells, Consent and Compliance: Navigating the Regulatory Maze	Dr Atharva Karulkar
12:00	12:20	Beyond Matching Blood: Transfusion Medicine in ABO Incompatible Transplants	Dr Gaurav Chaubal
12:20	12:40	Stem Cells 2.0: Pushing the Boundaries of Regenerative Medicine	Prof Shashank Ojha
12:40	13:00	Target Acquired: CAR-T in the Fight Against Cancer	Dr Asawari Bapat
13:00	14:00	Lunch break	

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Session 5		Histocompatibility and Transplant Immunology: Match made in HLAven	Dr Anand Deshpande Dr Rajesh B Sawant
14:00	14:25	The Algorithmic Art of HLA Matching	Dr Aseem Tiwari
14:25	14:50	Haploidentical Transplant	Dr Sameer Tulpule
14:50	15:15	Cracking the Code: Epitope-Based Compatibility in Focus	Dr Siddharth Mittal
15:15	15:30	Discussion	
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Session 6		AABB- AATM Seminar on Quality Management and Accreditation	Dr Gajendra Gupta Dr Sunita Tulsiani Dr Lincy Jacob
16:00	16:15	Pathway to Accreditation of BTS: Opportunities and Challenges in Resource Limited Settings	Dr C Shivaram
16:15	16:30	AABB Quality Certificate in Cellular Therapy	Dr Asawari Bapat
16:30	16:45	Measuring Excellence: Key Quality Indicators in Transfusion	Dr Nidhi Bhatnagar
16:45	17:00	Quality in Action: Monitoring and Managing Transfusion Risks	Dr Amita Nair
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10:30	11:00	Plasma Medicines: Step wise access to Safe Plasma Protein Initiative	Dr Martin Smid
11:00	11:40	Tea Break & Informal Discussions/ Poster Walk	
Session 7 A		Country Chapter Presentations	Dr Ananda Gunasekera
11:40	11:50	Dr Shamee Shastry	India
11:50	12:00	Mr Pema Dorji	Bhutan
12:00	12:10	Dr Asawari Bapat	UAE
12:10	12:20	Dr Mahtab Maghsudlu	Iran
12:20	12:30	Dr Hadeel R Ibrahim	Iraq
12:30	12:40	Dr Ualiyev Sabit	Kazakhstan
12:40	12:50	Dr Abdul Milza Muhsin	Maldives
12:50	13:00	Dr Manita Rajkarnikar	Nepal

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Session 8		AI, Innovation and Informatics in Transfusion Medicine: Where ideas meet Technology	Dr Abhijit Bopardikar Mr Eoin Mc Grath Dr Shivanand Kumatgi
14:00	14:20	Coding Compatibility: AI-Powered Serological Analysis	Dr Aikaj Jindal
14:20	14:40	From Forecast to Fulfillment: Building Smart Blood Centres with Data	Dr Rahul Katharia
14:40	15:00	AI as a Clinical Partner: Enhancing Transfusion Outcomes Through Data	Dr Rounak Dubey
15:00	15:20	Getting started with data: The foundation for AI readiness	Mr Denesh Mutha
15:20	15:30	Discussion	

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Session 9		Recent Advances in Transfusion Medicine	Prof Prashant Agarwal Dr Mingmar Sherpa Dr Siddhi Karale
16:00	16:20	T Cells as Targeted Therapies: Harnessing Donor and Engineered Immunity	Dr Rizwan Javed
16:20	16:40	Bioprinting for Advanced wound care: Role of Transfusion Services	Dr DiptiRanjan Rout
16:40	17:00	From Blood to Cure: Translational Application of CIK cells as a Platform	Dr Kaushik D Deb
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