

## **KAI India conducts nail-hygiene awareness drive with KV**

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To make students aware about the nail hygiene and prevention against deadly diseases, KAI Manufacturing India Pvt Ltd recently initiated an awareness drive at one of the Kendriya Vidyalaya in Delhi.

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According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the virus can be spread from person-to-person by standing in close contact to one another, coughing and sneezing and to combat that, one should maintain a strict hand and nail hygiene.

Rajesh U Pandya, Managing Director, KAI India said, "India has a culture of eating food with hands, which makes it more important to trim our nails regularly and keep them clean. Keeping nails short, trimming them regularly and washing hands for atleast 20 seconds, will make the chance of diseases slimmer & will prevent from any kind of viruses."

"India's response to disease outbreaks has been quite strong. During the Ebola scare of 2014, we managed to develop quality testing centers and establish appropriate protocols. When the Nipah virus hit Kerala in 2018, the state government was successfully able to contain the transmission. However, the coronavirus outbreak is not localized like Nipah. It is a multiplicative risk, and we need a more flexible public health plan to tackle it, especially because the symptoms resemble that of the regular flu and can remain asymptomatic in a lot of cases. Prevention lies in our own hands. We need to maintain stringent hand nail hygiene to keep ourselves healthy & strong", he added.

Through KAI India's program, awareness about nail hygiene and the importance of short and clean nails will be created through various activities.