

P. D. Hinduja Hospital and King's College London commence first training programme for nurses

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A step forward in advancing nursing education and standards in India



P. D. Hinduja Hospital & Medical Research Centre has entered into a strategic services agreement with King's College London, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation to deliver training in clinical and non-clinical courses for doctors and nurses, research capacity building and executive education to health professionals in India and the UK.

The inaugural academic initiative of this collaboration was launched on May 16th, 2025, a tailored Clinical Nursing Leadership programme aimed at empowering senior nursing professionals in India. This represents a bold step forward in advancing nursing education and healthcare leadership through global tie-ups.

The 12-week course, titled "Clinical Nursing Leadership," is being conducted by the faculty of the Florence Nightingale Faculty of Nursing, Midwifery & Palliative Care at King's College London. Structured as a hybrid programme, it combines online and in-person instruction and follows a synchronous, activity-based teaching methodology designed to engage and elevate experienced nursing leaders.

A cohort of highly qualified nurses currently serving in senior leadership roles at P. D. Hinduja Hospital have enrolled in this inaugural batch. The curriculum is designed not only to enhance clinical acumen but also to cultivate the strategic thinking and leadership competencies required to manage modern healthcare environments.

The teaching faculty for this programme includes renowned educators and practitioners from King's College London with deep expertise in clinical nursing, adult care, mental health, and pedagogy. The collaborative design of the program underscores a shared commitment to international excellence in nursing education.

Dr Phalakshi Manjrekar, Director of Nursing, P. D. Hinduja Hospital & Medical Research Centre, said, "Nurses are essential drivers of healthcare quality and safety, and by investing in their leadership development, we are investing in the future resilience of our health systems. Our collaboration with King's College London brings a unique opportunity to blend international standards with local clinical realities, helping to bridge gaps in knowledge and practice."

Dr Julia Philippou, Vice Dean International in the Faculty of Nursing, Midwifery & Palliative Care at King's College London

said, "This initiative goes beyond leadership development - it equips senior nursing professionals with the advanced knowledge, skills, and global perspective needed to lead, influence, and elevate nursing practice."

Some of the activities planned include research and capacity building, using technological and digital advances to develop effective healthcare solutions, scholarships for students in India in biomedical and imaging sciences, etc.