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My experiences in starting a transplant program in Tamil Nadu

Lecture by Dr. Amalorpavanathan Joseph



In this talk, Dr. Amalorpavanathan will share his experiences in starting the currently successful cadaver organ transplant program in Tamil Nadu. He will describe the challenges and facilitators in fulfilling the request of the then Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu to start a cadaver organ transplant program for the state.

Date: 25 April 2023

Time: 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm

Venue: Online via Cisco Webex

Link: <https://youtube.com/live/AtbedTRdfirQ>



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Program Schedule

Introduction to the Lecture series: Associate Dean, Dr.Manikandan S

5:30 PM – 5:32 PM

Introduction to the speaker

Dr.Easwer HV, Head, Dept of Neuro-surgery, SCTIMST

5.32 PM – 5.35 PM

Lecture by Dr.Amalorpavanathan Joseph

5:35 PM – 6.15 PM

Comments and QA session moderated by

Dr.Manikandan S, Associate Dean, SCTIMST

6:15 PM – 6:25 PM

Vote of thanks

Dr. Mala Ramanathan, AMCHSS, SCTIMST

6:25 PM – 6:30 PM

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Short Biography

Dr. Amalorpavanathan Joseph was born in the Chintadripet area of Chennai and completed his schooling at the Chitradripet High School and his Pre-University Certificate (PUC) from Loyala College, Chennai. This exposure opened a broad vista of academic, scientific and social world to him. He developed an interest in the social issues that affect life and livelihood. On completion of PUC, he joined Kilpauk Medical College, Chennai for his undergraduate medical degree. Following his under-graduate medical degree, Dr. Amalorpavanathan did his DipNB in general surgery and joined the Tamilnadu Govt Health Services. While in service, he did his MS at the Stanley Medical College, Chennai, yet another illustrious medical institution. Having completed his MS, he went on to work at Madras Medical College, Chennai in general surgery for a decade.

He then went on to do his MCh in Vascular Surgery at Madras Medical College. Following the completion of the program, he became a faculty in the same department. It was during that time that Dr. Amalorpavanathan was asked to organise the Cadaver Organ Transplant Program for the state. Dr. Amalorpavanathan helped the Tamil Nadu government achieve this, thanks to the backing of the Govt and Executive in 2008. With the support of the govt and goodwill of the patients and donor families, this has been considered a model program across the country and has been running successfully since then. Dr. Amalorpavanathan demitted office in 2016, and after that he has been in private practice across other health care institutions.

The Govt of Tamil Nadu required his services again as Member, State Planning Commission with the mandate to address health and nutrition issues related to the planning process and therefore, currently, Dr. Amalorpavanathan serves as Member, State Planning Commission, Govt of Tamil Nadu. He is a mentor to many surgeons and physicians who have walked in his footsteps across all the institutions he has served. He remains an inspiration to so many more across the country.