

## **Andhra Pradesh government and Roche Pharma join hands to strengthen cancer care**

15 November 2022 | News

### **Balaji Institute of Oncology to come up as state-of-the-art cancer centre**

The Andhra Pradesh (AP) government and Roche Pharma jointly organised a largescale workshop on breast cancer continuum of care in Tirupati on Saturday, 12 November 2022 to facilitate capacity building, spread awareness and strengthen the cancer care ecosystem in the state. Nearly 200 healthcare professionals attended the workshop to deliberate upon creating awareness about personalized and targeted treatment options in management of breast cancer.

Roche Pharma will join AP government to provide support to strengthen cancer care ecosystem in the state with advanced treatment solutions, enhanced capacity building and training programs for doctors. The workshop aims to bridge the current gaps in cancer treatment and management in the city.

Further, to boost accessibility and availability of advanced treatment methods for cancer patients, the AP government is set to develop Tirupati as a major hub for Cancer treatment.

A major step in this regard will be the setting up of Balaji Institute of Oncology (BIO), a state-of-the-art cancer centre that will provide high-end solutions in the field of genomics, personalised care and targeted therapies.

Additionally, keeping in view the importance of palliative care in cancer management, Sri Venkateswara Institute of Medical Sciences (SVIMS) is also going to start a foundation course in palliative care in partnership with Pallium India next month, and establish a palliative care center with 30 beds in the beginning.