

## **Dr. D. Y. Patil Medical College launches cochlear implant programme for children**

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### **A significant milestone under the support of the Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram scheme**



In a groundbreaking move towards inclusivity and healthcare excellence, Dr. D. Y. Patil Medical College, Hospital & Research Centre has announced a significant milestone. Under the support of the Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) scheme, the institution recently launched a cochlear implant programme for deaf-mute children.

Cochlear implant surgery is a medical procedure that can significantly enhance the quality of life for children with hearing disabilities.

The first cochlear implant surgery took place on November 5, 2023, under the mentorship of Prof. Dr Hetal Marfatia, HOD, Dept of ENT, KEM Mumbai. Dr Vinod Shinde, a distinguished Professor in the Department of Otorhinolaryngology at Dr. D. Y. Patil Medical College, Hospital & Research Centre and Dr Mubarak Khan, an Adjunct Professor at the same department, provided invaluable assistance.

Dr. D. Y. Patil Medical College, Hospital and Research Centre, Pune is one of Maharashtra's leading multi-specialty hospitals with various Centres of Excellence. The hospital is spread over 8,27,702 sq. ft. and is well-equipped with state-of-the-art healthcare infrastructure and life-saving latest medical technology. With 2000+ beds dedicated to different Specialties and