"Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar"Campaign — Mangaluru

What & When

- The campaign "Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar" (Healthy Woman, Empowered Family) is being held from 17 September to 2 October 2025.
- In Mangaluru, Dakshina Kannada district, the Government Lady Goschen Hospital formally launched the campaign.

© Objectives / Focus Areas

- Cancer screening for women: breast cancer and cervical cancer.
- Non-communicable disease screening: blood pressure and diabetes tests.
- Identification and management of high-risk pregnancies, ensuring specialized prenatal and postnatal care.
- Nutritional support for pregnant women and those in need, with monitoring during and after pregnancy.
- Awareness drives on mental health, organ donation, and preventive healthcare.

!! Implementation & Stakeholders

- Lead institution: Government Lady Goschen Hospital, Mangaluru.
- Partner hospital: Wenlock District Hospital.
- Departments involved: Department of Women and Child Development and District Health Administration.
- Key oversight: District Health Education Officer Jyothi K Ulepadi, focusing on maternal and child health system integration.

Activities & Services Offered

- On-site screenings for breast and cervical cancers.
- Routine tests for hypertension and diabetes.
- Prenatal monitoring for high-risk pregnancies with special care before and after delivery.
- Nutrition assessments and distribution of supplements where required.
- Follow-up care systems to ensure continuity of maternal and child healthcare.

Broader Campaign Context

- The campaign is part of a nationwide drive led by the Ministries of Health & Family Welfare and Women & Child Development.
- Linked with Poshan Maah (Nutrition Month), aiming to improve women's and children's nutrition, reduce anaemia, and promote balanced diets.
- Emphasis on preventive, promotive, and curative healthcare for women and children, with focus on long-term family health empowerment.

△ Key Challenges

- Encouraging participation from women in rural and underserved regions.
- Availability of diagnostic tools and skilled personnel for screenings.
- Ensuring effective follow-up care after detection.
- Coordinated functioning between hospitals, district administration, and community health workers.
- Sustaining community awareness and engagement beyond the campaign period.