# Divecha Centre for Climate Change, IISc.

# **World Oral Health Day**

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025 Time: 4.00 PM – 5.00 PM (IST)

# Auditorium DCCC IISc. - 3.30 PM to 4.00 PM High Tea

Timings	Agenda	Faculty
4:00 PM- 4:05 PM	Welcome Speech	Prof. S.K Satheesh / Prof. J Srinivasan
4.05 PM – 4.10 PM	Introduction of the subject and the speaker	Prof. Dr. H Paramesh
4:10 PM- 4:50 PM	"Environmental Issues in Oral Health"	Dr. Sushi Kadanakuppe Associate Professor, Department of Public Health Dentistry V.S.Dental College and Hospital, Bengaluru
4:50 PM –5:00 PM	Q & A / Remarks by Moderator Vote of thanks Group picture of participants	Prof. J Srinivasan

Prof. Dr. H Paramesh Organiser
Visiting Physician Scientist DCCC IISc.
Chairman Dr. H Paramesh Education Trust
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# **DCCC Seminar**

Title: "Environmental Issues in Oral Health"

Speaker: Dr. Sushi Kadanakuppe

Associate Professor,
Department of Public Health Dentistry,
V.S.Dental College and Hospital, Bengaluru

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025 (Thursday)

**Time:** 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Venue: DCCC Auditorium, 2nd Floor, D314.

Coffee/Tea: 3.30 PM to 4:00 PM

Speaker Bio:

Dr. Sushi Kadanakuppe, MDS PHD Department of Public Dentistry VS Dental College Bangalore.

- Completed BDS in 2003 from JSS Dental College and Hospital, Mysore, and MDS (Public Health Dentistry) in 2008 from The Oxford Dental College and Research Institute, Bengaluru.
- Holds a Ph.D in Public Health Dentistry from RGUHS (2017) and a Post Graduate Certificate in Climate Change from the School of Interdisciplinary and Trans disciplinary Studies, IGNOU (2023).
- She works as Associate Professor in the Department of Public Health Dentistry at Vokkaligara Sangha Dental College and Hospital (VSDCH), Bengaluru since 2008.
- She is presently member coordinator for Global Climate and Health Alliance, a network organization of World Health Organization, representing VSDCH. She is also the founder and faculty lead for Planetary Health Student Club, which is working towards the intersection of climate change and oral health. She is a contributing author in S.S. Hiremath's Textbook of Public Health Dentistry, 3rd edition 2016.
- Dr. Sushi is a well-known writer in Kannada who has written columns on social and cultural issues, development and health policies, women empowerment, and equity movements in major Kannada newspapers.
- Received Karnataka Sahitya Academy Grantee Award by Government of Karnataka under the category of 'Criticism/Rationalistic writing'.
- Published many articles in National International Peer reviewed journals
- She is the facilitators for the Annual 2 days training programme for Health Professionals by DCCC IISc.

#### **Abstract:-**

This talk explores the intricate relationship between environmental factors and oral health, emphasising how air and water quality, climate change, and exposure to pollutants can substantially influence oral diseases, including dental and periodontal conditions. It examines the impact of socioeconomic and geographic disparities on shaping oral health outcomes and access to care. The presentation also discusses the environmental footprint of dental practices, advocating for sustainable approaches in clinical settings. By integrating public health perspectives and evidence-based research, this session aims to raise awareness and promote actionable strategies for mitigating environmental risks and fostering eco-conscious, sustainable oral healthcare.

// ALL ARE WELCOME //