

World Pediatric Surgery Day 2026

In observance of World Pediatric Surgery Day 2026, the Department of Pediatric Surgery at AIIMS Bibinagar organized a series of impactful events centered on the theme of early awareness of pediatric surgical conditions. Since our department's inception in December 2022, we have grown significantly to provide 24/7 emergency services and advanced care for children aged 0–18, including specialized neonatal surgery and advanced laparoscopic procedures for conditions such as CDH, malrotation, and PUJ obstruction. This year's celebration focused on bridging the gap between clinical excellence and community knowledge, ensuring that parents and caregivers can recognize early warning signs to seek prompt care. Our outreach efforts reached deep into the community, beginning with awareness programs for Anganwadi nurses and parents regarding common issues like inguinal hernias, hydroceles, undescended testes, and umbilical conditions. We also addressed more complex topics, including pediatric solid malignancies and the importance of antenatal care for fetal congenital anomalies. This mission extended to Harika High School, where, with the enthusiastic cooperation of Principal Mr. Srinivas Reddy and his teaching staff, we conducted an educational session for teachers and parents to foster a supportive environment for children's health within the school system. The clinical and academic spirit of the day was further highlighted by a poster competition for nursing students, which showcased their dedication to understanding and advocating for pediatric surgical health. In the outpatient department, the atmosphere was one of celebration as the Director of AIIMS Bibinagar felicitated our "Little Warriors"—children who have bravely undergone surgeries for conditions ranging from EHBA and ARM to neural tube defects and solid tumors—with medals and certificates. Through these awards and engaging roleplays designed to demonstrate the benefits of early recognition, the department continues its dedicated strive toward providing state-of-the-art care and building a more informed community for the well-being of all children.

