

# ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF SPEECH AND HEARING

## **Genesis, Growth, Formation of Departments / Sections/Facilities**

### **1960's**

- Establishment of the Institute in the name All India Institute of Logopaedics on 9<sup>th</sup> August.
- Appointment of Lt. Gen.B.M.Rao as the 1<sup>st</sup> Director of the Institute on 1965
- Institute started functioning at Ramamandir, JLB Road, Mysore
- Registration of the Institute as a Society under the ‘Societies Regulations Act XXI of 1860 (Punjab Amendment) Act 1957 on 10.10.1966.
- Appointment of Dr.J.J.Dharmaraj as the 2<sup>nd</sup> Director of the Institute in 1966.
- Laying of the foundation stone for own building by the Hon’ble President of India, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, in the 32 acres of land donated at the Mysore University Campus.
- Getting of autonomous status under the Ministry of Health and Family Planning and Urban Development, Government of India, under the name All India Institute of Speech and Hearing.
- The name of the Institute was changed from: “The Institute of Logopaedics” to “All India Institute of Speech and Hearing”. The Institute started functioning in Rama Mandira.
- Introduction of Master’s Degree Programme in Speech Pathology and Audiology.
- Introduction of Internship of one year after completion of M.Sc.
- Shifting of the Institute to the Centenary Hall, University of Mysore.
- Introduction of B.Sc. (Speech and Hearing) Programme
- Opening of the Ear Mold Lab.

### **1970's**

- Director-in charge – Dr.N.Rathna – 20-2-71 to 27-8-74
- Starting of Infant Screening Programme at the Cheluvamba Hospital, Govt. Medical College, Mysore.
- Shifting of the Institute to the Present building in Manasa Gangothi, Mysore.
- Receiving of funds from the Govt. of Denmark under Danida Scheme for purchasing equipment and Hearing Aids
- Starting of the Journal of All India Institute of Speech and Hearing
- Establishment of Wendell Johnson Memorial Library.
- Discontinuation of Internship and introduction of two year M.Sc. Programme
- Introduction of dissertation work as a part of M.Sc. Programme.
- Appointment of Dr.P.R. Kulkarni as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Director of the Institute in 1975
- Introduction of Poor Patients Welfare fund with the approval of the Govt. of India.
- Inauguration of the ENT Minor Operation Theater by His Excellency Sri Uma Shankar Dixit, Governor of Karnataka.
- Starting of the Departmental Canteen.
- Discontinuation of the Pre-M.Sc. Programme.
- Introduction of Semester System for M.Sc. and B.Sc.programmes.
- Introduction of Doctoral Programme in Speech and Hearing and UGC, CSIR Fellowships.
- Dr.Shailaja Nikam was awarded the National Associateship of the UGC.
- Inauguration of the Speech Therapy and Audiology Block by Shri Jagadambi Prasad Yadav, the Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare.
- Appointment of Dr. N. Rathna as the 4<sup>th</sup> Director of the Institute in 1980
- Recognition of the Institute as a research centre for doctoral research by the University of Mysore.

## **1980s**

- Introduction of Non-Semester scheme for B.Sc. and M.Sc. programmes.
- First Ph.D. in EEC to Dr. M. Jayaram from IISc, Bangalore

- Introduction of the service of the fitting of aids/appliances for the hearing-impaired under scheme of Assistance for the Disabled funded by Ministry of Welfare, Govt. of India.
- Introduction of House Building Advance Grant for the Institute staff.
- Ph.D. Degree Awardee – Dr. A.R.Vijayalakshmi under the guidance of staff of the AIISH
- Enhancement of the undergraduate and postgraduate programme stipend.
- Training in making custom earmolds for candidate from Nepal
- Appointment of Dr. M. Nithyaseelan as the 5<sup>th</sup> Director of the Institute 1985
- Establishment of the Department of Speech Sciences.
- Upgradation of the Electronics Section as an independent Department
- In-House Training on Custom Earmold making was started.
- Inauguration of Dharmasala, a free of cost accommodation for the poor patients coming from faraway places by Hon'ble Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India.
- Appointment of Dr. N. Ratna as the 6<sup>th</sup> Director of the Institute on 16.12.87 to 09.12.89
- Starting of Forensic Speaker Verification Service for the Government agencies and judicial establishments.
- No. of seats increased for admission of B.Sc., 20-23 M.Sc., 13-23 in 1988-89

## **1990s**

- Appointment of Dr. Shailaja Nikam as the 7<sup>th</sup> Director of the Institute in 1990
- Celebration of the Silver Jubilee Year of the Institute and inauguration of the event by the Governor of Karnataka, his Excellency Shri Bhanu Pratap Singh.
- Conducting of professional and service orientation courses to mark the Silver Jubilee Year
- Development of AIISH Communicator Assistive Devices for Spastics.
- Introduction of the extension program in communication disorders in collaboration with Family Planning Association of India.
- Introduction of monthly merit scholarship for the B.Sc. and M.Sc. students
- Construction of Speech Block and 'C' Type quarters
- Introduction of Short-term training programmes.

- Installation of PABX.
- Introduction of State-of-the-Art technique for Calibration of Audiometers and Immittance Meters
- Notification of the name of the Institute under Rule 10(4) of Official Language Rules 1976 of the Govt. of India for the Implementation of Official language
- Shifting of the Department of Speech Pathology and Speech Sciences to the new Speech building.
- Establishment of the Computer Centre, Networking and E-Mail facility
- Recognition of the Institute as a research centre in the field of Speech and Hearing by the University Grants Commission under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act of 1956.
- Implementation of the Preschool Programmes for enhancing social, speech, language, hearing and academic skills for groups of hearing-impaired, mentally retarded children.
- Opening of a Clinic for Cleft Palate Children
- Up gradation of the Electronics Lab with Microprocessor based systems.
- Receipt of state-of-art equipment worth US\$75,337-35, under project entitled Prevention of Deafness from WHO.
- Preparation of Audio Visual Publication Education material on communication disorders
- Exhibition of crafts and arts made by the differently abled persons trained at the at the Institute
- Receipt of financial assistance of \$ 2, 85,000 of WHO
- Initiation of faculty improvement programs
- Introduction of the Best Student Clinician and Best Mother of the year award
- First – 9 days Dasara Camp was conducted during Dasara holidays. 528 cases were screened.
- Completion of the DST sponsored research project on Transformation of the Speech of the Hearing impaired
- Production and release of a public education documentary film on Opening the doors of silence, along with other 14 short films.
- Preparation and distributing of 5,000 wall calendars on Institute activities

# 2000s

- Appointed Dr.M. Jayaram as the 7<sup>th</sup> Director on 2000
- Creating of AIISH Research Fund
- Implementation of zonal reservation patterns in student intake and reservation of seats for North-East regions.
- Introductory of Junior Research Fellowships Scheme.
- Opening of new Dept. Canteen by Major H.P.S Ahluwalia, Chariman, Rtd. Command of India.
- Inauguration of AIISH Gymkhana by Conducting of Institutional Sports Tournament for Central Government Employees.
- Launching of Diploma Programme in Hearing Aid and Ear Mould Technology
- Renaming of the Dept. of Speech Sciences to Speech-Language Sciences
- Launching of the Professional Voice Care Centre
- Launching of the Pre-school training program by S.K. Naik, Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt of India.
- Inauguration of the Therapy Clinic by Shri. Shatrughna Sinha, Hon'ble Minister for Health and Family Welfare
- Introduction of the Integrated Semester Scheme for B.Sc. (Sp. & Hg.)
- Launching of Alternative and Augmentative Communication unit
- Launching of Listening Training Unit
- Opening of Hearing Aid Repair Lab
- Launching of Institute Website
- Bifurcation of the existing M.Sc. (Speech and Hearing) into two separate specialized program in Audiology (M.Sc. Audiology) and Speech-Language Pathology (M.Sc., Speech-Language Pathology)
- Launching of B.S.Ed. Programme
- Introduction of the Public Grievances Redressal System
- Launching of the Department of Material Development as the 7<sup>th</sup> Department of the Institute
- Hosting of the 30<sup>th</sup> National Conference of ISHA.
- Constitution of Ethics Committee.
- Implementation of the Career Progression Scheme for the Faculty
- Implementation of rotation system for the Heads of the Departments

- Commissioning of microwave network connection from the Software Technology Park of India.
- Framing of the Citizens Charter on Consumer Rights and Privileges
- Accreditation to the Department of Electronics as the National Apprentice Training Centre by the Board of Apprentice Training Ministry of HRD, Government of India.
- Starting of the new serial publication ‘Student Research at AIISH, based on the PG dissertation
- Introduction of National Level Entrance Examination for admission to B.Sc. (Speech and Hearing)
- Launching of Cochlear Implantation Programme
- Inauguration of Pre-school Centre building by Shri. D. S. Siddaramaiah, Hon’ble Deputy Chief Minister of Karnataka
- Launching of the new website, [www.aiishmysore.com](http://www.aiishmysore.com)
- Launching of Gymkhana news letter ‘Cuchoo Cuchoo
- Receiving of a grant of Rs.50 lakhs from the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for distribution of Hearing aids under ADIP scheme
- Implementation of computerized evaluation of B.Sc. and M.Sc Entrance Examinations.
- Up gradation of the Therapy Clinic to the status of a Department
- Introduction of clinical Internships for B.Sc (Speech and Hearing) Program
- Establishment of the Department of Special Education
- Enhancement of monthly fellowships for Junior Research Fellows.
- Launching of the Prototype FM Hearing Aid System by Dr. Ambumani Ramadas, Hon’ble Union Minister of Healthy and Family Welfare, Govt. of India
- Unveiling of Pure Tone Screening by Mr. Cheluvaryaswamy, Minister for Healthy and family welfare, Govt of Karnataka
- Hosting of the National Meet of Rehabilitation Experts organised by the Rehabilitation Council of India
- Opening of the New Academics Block by His Highness Sri T.N. Chaturvedi, Governor of Karnataka
- Opening of the New Administration Block By Dr. Ambumani Ramadas, Hon’ble Minister Healthy and Family Welfare, Govt. of India

- Inauguration of the seminar hall of the Academic block by the Manoj Kumar, Chief Commissioner of Disabilities, Government of India
- Introduction of the Certificate Courses for Caregivers of Children with Development Disabilities
- Nomination of the Institute as the Nodal Centre of the Karnataka for the implementation of the National Program of Prevention and Control of Deafness
- Initiating of the Autism Spectrum Disorder Unit
- Implementation of the AIISH Hearing Aid Dispensing Scheme for the distribution of hearing aids at subsidized rate
- Appointment of Dr. Vijayalakshmi Basavaraju as the 8<sup>th</sup> Director of the Institute in 2006.
- Introduction of the DHLS Program in videoconferencing mode
- Introduction of M.S.Ed. Programme
- Opening of the Department of POCD
- Introduction of Post Doctoral Programme
- Launching of the monthly public lecture programme
- Launching of the Diploma programme in Training Young Hearing Impaired Children
- Implementation of 27% reservation to OBC candidates in the academic programmes conducted by the institute.
- Launching of (a) PG Diploma in Forensic Speech Sciences (b) PG Diploma in Clinical Linguistics for Speech-Language Pathologists, (c) Diploma in Teaching the Young Hearing Impaired.
- Extension of DHLS programme to six more centres.
- Launching of the new Department of Rehabilitation Education through Distance Mode (CREDM).
- The institute became the member of International Society of Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC).
- Organization of 2<sup>nd</sup> National Women's Science Congress.
- Launching of two Outreach Service Centres at Hullahalli, Nanjangud, Mysore and Akkihebbalu, Mandya.
- Opening of 11<sup>th</sup> DHLS centre at the Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College, Bhagalpur, Bihar.

- Admission of External candidates for doctoral programme.
- Organization of the 1<sup>st</sup> AIISH Alumni meet.
- Launching of AIISH Library portal.
- Awarding of Visveswaraya Vijnana Puraskara award to Dr. Vijayalakshmi Basavaraj, Direct.
- Inauguration of Audiology Practical Lab
- Introduction of Post Graduate Diploma in Neuro-Audiology
- Inauguration of Fluency Unit
- Opening of 'LiBoToy'
- Launching of Vertigo Clinic
- Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony of new audiometric block
- Launching of Re-designed Website
- Inauguration of Gents Hostel
- Opening Ceremony of International Guest House

## **2010's**

- Appointment of Dr. S.R.Savithri as the 9<sup>th</sup> Director of the Institute in 2012
- Launching of Unit for Structural Orofacial Anomalies
- Opening of Learning Disability Clinic
- Inauguration of Motor Speech Disorders Clinic
- Opening of Caregivers Literacy Training Unit
- Launching of Network Link
- Opening of Clinic for Adult and Elderly Persons with Language Disorders
- Opening of Neurophysiology Laboratory
- Opening of Psychoacoustics Lab
- Installation of Recording Booth for Professional Audio Recording
- Opening of Implantable Hearing Devices Unit
- Opening of Voice Clinic
- Launching of Web-based Helpline for Persons with Parkinson's Disease
- Initiation of National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content
- Launching of Plagiarism Detection System
- Establishment of Placement Cell



- Launching of Online Application System
- Initiation of Staff Grievance Cell
- Launching of Technology Development Board including Intellectual Property Rights
- Introduction of Product Development Cell
- Receiving the status of Center of Excellence by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India
- Initiation of Green Campus Initiative Cell
- Implementation of Faculty Enrichment Programme
- Introduction of Best AIISHian Award
- Implementation of Departmental Peer Evaluation
- Implementation of Biometric Attendance System
- Launching of Centre for Neuropsychological Research and Rehabilitation
- Launching of Electrophysiological Laboratory
- Launching of Human Genetics Unit
- Launching of Epidemiology Unit
- Launching of New Born Screening (NBS) Programme
- Installation of Digital EPBAX System
- Receiving of accreditation from NAAC with 'A' Grade
- Obtaining of ISO 9001:2008 Certification
- Conducting of International Symposium on Frontiers of Research on Speech and Music
- Launching of Language Laboratory
- Launching of Remote Access Information Service
- Launching of Online Newspaper Information Service 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2015
- Opening of the Staff Quarters on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2014
- Launching of Swallowing Disorders Laboratory 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2014
- Upgradation of DHLS to BASLP
- Research collaboration with Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati, on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2014
- Launching of Assistive Device for Museum Visitors with Hearing Impairment
- Inauguration of Knowledge Park on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014
- Inauguration of Audiometric block on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014

- Organizing of Annual Symposium of Acoustical Society of India on 12<sup>th</sup> November,2014
- Opening of Day Care Centre on9<sup>th</sup> August,2014
- Foundation Stone Laying of Centre of Excellence and Museum on17<sup>th</sup> October,2014
- Implementation of E-tendering on 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> December,2014
- Inauguration of Golden Jubilee Celebration 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2015
- International Symposium on Neuro-Cognitive Communication Disorders on 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2015
- IEEE Special Interest Group Meet on 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2015
- 81<sup>st</sup> NCED Annual National Conference on 15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> February, 2016
- Inauguration of Next Generation Sequencing Lab on 15<sup>th</sup> May,2015
- Opening of Electrical Brain Imaging Facility on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2016
- Launching of i-Cry-Software for Infant Cry Analysis 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2016
- Opening of Outreach Service Centre on 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2015
- Launching of Online System for Hearing Screening on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2016
- Launching of Clinical Data Management Software on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2016
- Inauguration of Facility for Advanced Auditory Research 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2016
- Inauguration of Sumeru on 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2016
- Opening of Adio-Visual Laboratory on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2016
- Assistive Technology Hackathon on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2016
- International Workshop on EEGLAB on 16<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> January, 2017
- Technology Development Meet on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2017
- ISO 9001-2015 Certification awarded on July, 2017
- Opening of 5<sup>th</sup> Outreach Service Centre at Sarguru, Karnataka on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2017
- Power Purchase Agreement with M/s Sun Renewables, Gurugram on 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2017
- Inauguration of Renovated Ear Mould Lab on 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2017
- Inauguration of Illumina Miseq Equipment on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2018
- Opening of Eye-tracking Lab on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2018
- Inauguration of Equipment for Vestibular System Evaluation on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2018
- Opening of renovated Central Computer Centre on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2018

- Opening of Two Newborn Screening Centres on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2018
- Appointment of Dr. M. Pushpavathi, as the 10<sup>th</sup> Director of the Institute in 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2018
- Opening of 6<sup>th</sup> Outreach Service Centre at Kalburgi on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2019
- Opening of Newborn Screening Centres at Delhi, Mumbai and Simla on 9<sup>th</sup> August 2019
- 8<sup>th</sup> All India Official Language Conference, on 30<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019