

TANKER FOUNDATION

UPDATE FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL & MAY 2026



helping the underprivileged
with kidney ailments

3 more dialysis machines added to Ambattur Dialysis Centre



TANKER Foundation received a donation of three haemodialysis machines for two of its 16 dialysis units from Dishaa Foundation, the CSR wing of CMA CGM Global Business Services (India) Pvt. Ltd.:

- The Rekha Memorial Renny Abraham Ambattur Rotary TANKER Dialysis Unit – 1 machine
- The Sathyalok Shanti Lulla MWRT 10 RCCC & TANKER Dialysis Unit – 2 machines

The machine at Ambattur was inaugurated by Mr. Franck Lingua, Centre Head, CMA CGM Global Business Services (India) Pvt. Ltd., along with his team April 2, 2026.

Mr. Franck Lingua appreciated TANKER's work and expressed his interest in continuing the partnership.

Dr. Georgi Abraham, Founder Trustee and President of TANKER Foundation, welcomed Mr. Lingua and the team from CMC CGM Global Business Services and stated that kidney failure was the third leading cause of death after cancer and heart disease.

Globally, one in 10 people suffers from kidney disease, and many cannot afford the high cost of treatment and ongoing care. Along with providing free and subsidised dialysis, TANKER is expanding its awareness and screening programme because kidney disease is increasing due to uncontrolled diabetes and hypertension. Early detection screening is urgently needed, he said.

Mrs. Latha A. Kumaraswami, Co-Founder and Managing Trustee of TANKER Foundation, conveyed TANKER's heartfelt gratitude to Dishaa Foundation and CMA CGM Global Business Services (India) Pvt. Ltd. for their generosity and continued support of TANKER and its patients.

She highlighted that the contribution will significantly support dialysis treatment for more underprivileged patients. TANKER Foundation Trustee, Mrs. Lakshmi Rao, TANKER Foundation Advisory Member, Dr. Milly Mathew, HoD, Department of Nephrology, MMM, were present on the occasion.

New Dialysis Centre Inaugurated at Ansari Nagar UPHC, Madurai



A new dialysis unit equipped with ten hemodialysis machines was inaugurated at Ansari Nagar Urban Primary Health Centre (UPHC), Madurai, marking a significant step towards improving access to life-saving kidney care for underprivileged patients in the region.

Five dialysis machines each were generously donated by HCL Foundation and HDFC. The Madurai City Municipal Corporation, in association with Government Rajaji Hospital, Madurai, has provided the necessary infrastructure for the unit, while TANKER Foundation will manage and operate the dialysis services.

The machines were formally commissioned on 14 May 2026 by Mrs. Chitra Vijayan, IAS, Commissioner, Madurai City Municipal Corporation.

Among those present on the occasion were Dr. Abhishek, Assistant City Health Officer, Madurai; Dr. Sreegothai Chockkalingam, Chief Medical Officer / City APM, Madurai Corporation; Dr. Balmurugan, Nephrologist, Government Rajaji Hospital; Dr. Georgi Abraham, Founder Trustee and Chairman, TANKER Foundation; and Mrs. Latha A. Kumaraswami, Managing Trustee, TANKER Foundation.

The new facility is expected to benefit hundreds of economically disadvantaged patients from Madurai and surrounding areas by providing affordable and accessible dialysis treatment closer to their homes.

As part of the inaugural activities, Dr. Georgi Abraham conducted an assessment session for eligible Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) patients and emphasized the importance of early diagnosis, timely initiation of dialysis, and continuous treatment support in improving patient outcomes and quality of life.



Aptus-Supported Immunology Laboratory Inaugurated at The Madras Medical Mission



A state-of-the-art Immunology Laboratory was inaugurated at The Madras Medical Mission (MMM), Chennai, on 15 May 2026, through the generous support of Aptus Value Housing Finance India Limited and facilitated by TANKER Foundation. The initiative aims to strengthen diagnostic services and enhance access to advanced healthcare for economically disadvantaged patients.

The laboratory was inaugurated by Mr. M. Anandan, Founder and Executive Chairman of Aptus Value Housing Finance India Limited, and Mrs. Padma Anandan.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Georgi Abraham, Founder Trustee and President of TANKER Foundation, described the laboratory as a “dream come true” and highlighted its importance in supporting patient care through timely and accurate diagnosis. He noted that the establishment of this specialised facility represents a significant milestone in improving access to quality healthcare services for patients requiring advanced immunological investigations.

The new laboratory is expected to play a vital role in enhancing diagnostic capabilities and facilitating better clinical outcomes for patients. Dr. Abraham acknowledged the collective efforts of Aptus Value Housing Finance India Limited, The Madras Medical Mission, and TANKER Foundation in making the project a reality.

Mr. M. Anandan shared that Aptus had funded the complete laboratory infrastructure and equipment as part of the organisation’s commitment to healthcare and social responsibility. He also highlighted Aptus’ continued support for several healthcare and educational initiatives, including the establishment of laboratories and postoperative wards.

Mrs. Latha A. Kumaraswami, Co-Founder and Managing Trustee of TANKER Foundation, reflected on the Foundation’s 33-year journey of service and its ongoing commitment to improving access to quality healthcare for underserved communities.

The inauguration was attended by Mr. Joseph Abraham, Honorary Vice President, MMM; Dr. K. Jacob, Honorary Secretary, MMM; Dr. Susan Thomas, Honorary Treasurer, MMM; Dr. Christopher Roy, Director–Administration, MMM; Dr. Edwin Fernando of Government Stanley Medical College Hospital, Chennai; and Dr. Dolly Daniel of Christian Medical College, Vellore, along with other distinguished guests and healthcare professionals.

The establishment of the Immunology Laboratory marks another important step in strengthening healthcare infrastructure and ensuring that patients have access to timely, accurate, and advanced diagnostic services.

Dr. Georgi Abraham Receives Blessings from His Holiness the Dalai Lama



In a memorable and deeply inspiring moment, Dr. Georgi Abraham, Founder Trustee and President of TANKER Foundation, had the privilege of meeting His Holiness the Dalai Lama at McLeod Ganj, Himachal Pradesh, on 23 May 2026 and received his blessings for the Foundation's mission and service.

During the meeting, Dr. Georgi Abraham shared with His Holiness the work undertaken by TANKER Foundation over the past three decades in providing affordable and free dialysis services, promoting awareness about kidney diseases, conducting screening camps for early detection and prevention, and supporting research in the field of nephrology.

The discussion also highlighted the growing burden of chronic kidney disease among economically disadvantaged communities, particularly in and around McLeod Ganj and other parts of Himachal Pradesh. Dr. Georgi Abraham expressed TANKER Foundation's willingness to support the establishment of a dialysis centre in the region to help provide free and subsidised dialysis care to deserving patients.

His Holiness the Dalai Lama conveyed his blessings to TANKER Foundation, its staff, volunteers, donors, and the thousands of patients and families who benefit from its services. He appreciated the Foundation's commitment to serving those affected by kidney disease and wished continued success in its humanitarian efforts.

Reflecting on the meeting, Dr. Georgi Abraham described it as a truly humbling and unforgettable experience. The blessings and words of encouragement received from His Holiness serve as a source of inspiration for TANKER Foundation to continue its mission of making quality dialysis care accessible to all, creating awareness about kidney disease prevention, and supporting vulnerable patients and their families with compassion and dignity.

Welcome to Our New Trustees & Advisory Members



We are delighted to welcome the following distinguished individuals as Trustees and Advisory Members of TANKER Foundation. Their experience, expertise, and commitment to social service will strengthen our mission of supporting underprivileged kidney patients and promoting research and kidney health awareness.

New Trustees

1. Dr. Priya Haridas. A, MD.,DM (Nephro)
2. Dr. J. Amalorpavanathan, Senior Vascular Surgeon
3. Dr. Jayanth Vijayakumar, Vascular and Endovascular Surgeon
4. Dr. Gayatri Veeramani Jayaraman, American Board-certified physician and nephrologist

New Advisory Members

1. Dr. Milly Mathew
2. Dr. Kalaivani
3. Dr. Sneha
4. Dr. Nagarajan
5. Dr. Udhav
6. Mr. Vinay George
7. Mr. Vishnu Kumaraswami
8. Mr. Gowtham Raman

"Star of the Month" Awardees from each centre for the month of April 2026.

Sl.No	STAR	Name	Designation	Month	Unit
1	Star of the Month	Mr. Mukesh	Shift In Charge	Apr-26	Ambattur Unit
2	Star of the Month	Mr. Ilayaraja	Dialysis Technologist	Apr-26	Padi Unit
3	Star of the Month	Mrs. Menaka	Shift In Charge	Apr-26	Thiruverkadu Unit
4	Star of the Month	Mr. Surya Kumar	Shift In Charge	Apr-26	Retterti Unit
5	Star of the Month	Mr. Dharmalingam	Shift in Charge	Apr-26	Valasaravakkam Unit
6	Star of the Month	Mr. Dhivagar	Dialysis Technician	Apr-26	Sathyalok Unit
7	Star of the Month	Mr. E. Karthik	Sr. Dialysis Technician	Apr-26	Valluvarkottam Unit
8	Star of the Month	Mrs. Poornima	Shift In Charge	Apr-26	Perungudi Unit
9	Star of the Month	Mr. Tharun Balaji	Sr. Dialysis Technologist	Apr-26	Injambakkam Unit
10	Star of the Month	Ms. Sneka V	Dialysis Technologist	Apr-26	Madurai Unit
11	Star of the Month	Mr. Dhivagar	Shift In Charge	Apr-26	Tirupur Unit
12	Star of the Month	Mr. Shanmugam	Shift In Charge	Apr-26	Vellore unit
13	Star of the Month	Mr. Varathan	Unit In Charge	Apr-26	Coimbatore Unit



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1	Star of the Month	Ms. Meena Duraisamy	Dialysis Nurse	May - 2026	Padi
2	Star of the Month	Ms. Sandhiya. R	Sr. Dialysis Technician	May - 2026	Ambattur
3	Star of the Month	Ms. Archana. G	Dialysis Technologist	May - 2026	Tirupur
4	Star of the Month	Mr. Ayyanar. E	Shift In Charge	May - 2026	Chinna Porur
5	Star of the Month	Mr. Mukesh. J	Dialysis Technologist	May - 2026	Perungudi
6	Star of the Month	Ms. Somiya. J	Dialysis Technologist	May - 2026	Valluvarkottam
7	Star of the Month	Ms. Vanitha. S	Dialysis Technician	May - 2026	Vellore
8	Star of the Month	Ms. Thangamari	Sr. Dialysis Technician	May - 2026	Injambakkam
9	Star of the Month	Ms. Meharajnishia. A	Executive - Admin (Insurance)	May - 2026	Madurai
10	Star of the Month	Ms. Subashini. S	Dialysis Technician	May - 2026	Tiruvottiyur
11	Star of the Month	Ms. Vigneswari. K	Sr. Dialysis Technician	May - 2026	Retterti
12	Star of the Month	Ms. Anitha Lakshmanan	Dialysis Technician	May - 2026	Thiruverkadu
13	Star of the Month	Ms. Thangamari	Dialysis Technician	May - 2026	Injambakkam



Awareness and Prevention

Awareness and Screening Programs by TAPP Team

The TANKER Awareness and Prevention Program (TAPP) team continues to actively conduct awareness and screening programs aimed at early detection and prevention of kidney disease.

The initiative is headed by Mrs. Rajalakshmi Ravi, who also serves as an Advisory Member of TANKER Foundation. Under her guidance, the TAPP team has been consistently reaching out to communities to promote kidney health awareness.

The dedicated TAPP team

- Mrs. Rama Priya
- Mrs. Deepa
- Mr. Hemeshwaran
- Mrs. Bhuvana

Their committed efforts play a vital role in spreading awareness and facilitating early screening, thereby helping in the timely management and prevention of kidney-related ailments.

Perumbakkam, Chennai. on 4th April 2026

Venue: New Hope and New Life Children Home

Number of participants: 100 students



Chrompet, Chennai . 20th May 2026 (Awareness)

Place: Varadharajan Street, Nehru Nagar,

Venue: Udhavum Ullangal Skill Development Centre,
Chrompet

Number of participants: 54 trainees and teachers

Chrompet, Chennai 20th May 2026 (Screening)

Place: Varadharajan Street, Nehru Nagar, Chromepet

Venue: Udhavum Ullangal Skill Development Centre, Chromepet

Number of participants: 52 trainees and teachers

Tests done: BMI, blood pressure, blood sugar, urine

Doctor: Dr. Kabilan





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TANKER UPDATE – Making a Difference Together

We have completed 33 years of service for the underprivileged with kidney ailments.

No. of Dialysis Units – 16

No. of Dialysis Stations – 280

No. of Patients in all our Units – 956

No. of Patients benefitted – 3353

No. of Dialysis (Per Month) – 9929

Free Dialysis (Per Month) – 9382

Total Dialysis as on May 2026 – 8,94,497

One Time Financial Support
Rs. 5.60 Crores to 5650 patients

Awareness Programmes

1610 Programmes reached out to 2.34 lakhs people

Screening Camps

720 Camps reached out to 54,245 individuals

Together, we continue to bring hope, healing and accessible kidney care to those in need
Grateful thanks for being part of our journey.

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