

## Visit of Delegates at “Yashoda” Advanced Human Milk Bank on 14th June 2024 at 01.45PM.

Dr. Sandeep Sharma visited at “Yashoda” Advanced Human Milk Bank, at Dr. D.Y. Patil Medical College, Hospital and Research Centre, Pimpri, Pune on 14<sup>th</sup> of June 2024 at 1.45PM.

Mrs. Dr. Pallavi Tupkar gave them an orientation of “Yashoda” Advanced Human Milk Bank. They were briefed about the donor and recipient statistics and different documents that are used. They also went through the different patient informative brochures and material.

Mrs. Dr. Pallavi Tupkar explained to them the working of a Human Milk Bank and the various processes that are involved. She explained about Donor mother screening, importance of informed consent, hygiene protocols, milk collection and correct use of hospital-grade electric breast pumps. She also explained in detail about the milk storage guidelines, pasteurization process, milk analysis, laboratory screening and priority based safe dispensing of PDHM to needy babies.

They are extremely pleased to see the spacious and comfortable ‘Milk expression area for mothers’. They asked questions about number of mothers that benefit from the facility on a daily basis, whether any compensation is given to the donor mothers and volume of milk that the mothers are able to express with the hospital-grade electric pumps. Mrs. Dr. Pallavi Tupkar answered all these queries and emphasized on Milk donation being completely voluntary and consensual. Donor mothers are not compensated in any manner not forced in any way to donate their milk. They truly believe it to be a noble cause and willingly donate their precious milk. As a token of appreciation, they are given Certificates for their wonderful contribution.



