

Hearing loss detection device set to cost less

Ahmedabad: The cheapest Auditory Brainstem Response (ABR) device available in the market for detecting hearing impairment in infants costs around US \$10,000. But a new device will soon be available at a fifth of that price. The new product has been designed to make it easy to use and it does not require special ambience like soundproof rooms.

This was revealed by founder of Sohum Innovation Labs, Neeti Kailash, at the TEDx-IITGandhinagar held on Sunday.

“The destiny of nearly 1 lakh children born with hearing impairment in the country every year can be made better by simply identifying the problem as early as possible. My company will soon roll out the device to detect hearing loss among infants. The newborn in India are not tested for hearing impairment,” Kailash said. TNN