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PREVENTING BREAST CANCER DEATHS BY EARLY DETECTION: AN INNOVATIVE MOBILE APP COMPANION FOR EVERY WOMEN

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Breast cancer is curable if detected early, as well proven by the UK National Breast Cancer Screening Programme. Developed countries of the world have clear breast cancer screening guidelines emphasizing self-breast awareness, clinical breast examination and mammogram algorithms. But developing countries in the world the situation is not very encouraging. Many cancer detection camps are happening, but they cannot reach larger population. Hence when developed countries significantly reduced their breast cancer mortality rate in countries like India the mortality rate due to breast cancer is around 50% (as per latest IARC report). Hence author thought of using smartphone technology for early detection of breast cancer through the BREXA mobile app. The app has the following features like: To score for risk of getting breast cancer; monthly reminders and video assistance for self-breast check; information about the different tests used in breast cancer diagnosis; once the woman crosses 40 years of age, the app automatically reminds and assist in booking for screening mammogram every year; the results of the tests will be available within the app; if the app detects high risk women, such women are given further guidance by expert panel of doctors; users can also book appointments with doctors and laboratories through the app and avail discounts on mammography; Even after diagnosis, guidance and information is available in the app, making it a comprehensive cancer solution. BREXA is now available in English, Malayalam, Arabic and Hindi. BREXA is completely free and can be downloaded from Google play or App store. It is designed as if a doctor companion is always with the woman giving guidance. With effective use of BREXA app, women over world can be saved from breast cancer deaths, which are caused due to late detection. The main aim of this mission is: no more family without a mother due to breast cancer and save mothers and save the world.

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