

# INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH

Department of Health Research - Ministry of Health & Family Welfare  
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## Professor Balram Bhargava takes charge as Director General ICMR



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Professor Balram Bhargava has taken charge of Director General of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)-cum-Secretary Department of Health Research (DHR) on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

Professor of Cardiology at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi (AIIMS); he is a leader in the field of biomedical innovations public health and Medical research.

Graduated in medicine (MBBS) he went on to secure MD and DM with specialization in Cardiology. He is a fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences (FAMS), fellow of National Academy of Sciences India (FNASc)/Academy of Sciences (FASc), Fellow of Academy of the American Heart Association (FAHA), Fellow of the American College of Cardiology (FACC) and Fellow Royal college of Physicians, UK.

The Government of India honoured him with Padma Shri, for his contributions to the field of medicine. Dr. Bhargava founded the Stanford India Bio-design Centre, now School of International Bio- design. This school has trained several young innovators in frugal medical technology innovation and has contributions to “start up India” and “Skill India” programmes.

Professor Bhargava has also developed indigenous low cost coronary stents and has founded the Society for Less Investigative Medicine (SLIM).

**About ICMR:** The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), New Delhi, is the apex body in India for the formulation, coordination and promotion of health research, is one of the oldest medical research bodies in the world.

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