List of International Collaborative Research Projects Approved by HMSC during meeting held on 10^{th} November, 2021 (through VC)

S. No.	Details of the Project			
1.	Effect of Pistachios on dietary glycemic load, cardiometabolic risk factors, and the gut microbiome among Asian Indian adults with pre-diabetes-A randomized controlled trial			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
		American Pistachio Growers, USA		
	Mrs. Sudha Vasudevan			
	Senior Scientist & Head	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Madras Diabetes Research Foundation, Chennai-600086, Tamil Nadu	Total budget Rs. 1,97,96,605 Duration 24 Months		
		Subject area	Nutrition	
	In view of the response received from the Ministry of Ayush, the study was "Approved" by Chairman, HMSC on 13 th October, 2021. The Committee endorsed the study.			
2.	A multisite evaluation of functional gen acute undifferentiated febrile infections	omic signatures for the	improved diagnosis of	
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborati	ng Agency	
	Dr. Priscilla Rupali	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), USA		
	Professor & Head	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore-632002, Tamil Nadu	Total budget	Rs. 1,22,33,000	
		Duration	30 Months	
		Subject area	Genomics	
	Approved . However, the appropriate GoI clearances should be obtained before visit by foreign team members to India.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
3.	Molecular testing for Shigella in India			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborati	ing Agency	
	Dr. Gagandeep Kang	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), USA		
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore-632004, Tamil Nadu	Total budget	Rs. 3,96,36,250	
		Duration	24 Months	
		Subject area	Infectious Diseases	
	Approved, subject to the submission of IEC clearances from two new study sites-PGIMER, Chandigarh and CHRDSAS, New Delhi to ICMR before initiation of the study.			
4.	Developing Centres of Excellence (C management in India	OE) for Visceral Le	ishmaniasis (VL) case	
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collabor	rating Agency	
	Dr. Krishna Pandey	Drugs for Neglecte (DNDi), Switzerlan	ed Diseases Initiative nd	
	Director & Scientist G	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	ICMR-Rajendra Memorial Research Institute of Medical Sciences	Total budget	Rs. 9,46,450	
	(ICMR-RMRIMS), Patna-800007, Biha	Duration	24 Months	
		Subject area	Visceral Leishmaniasis	
	Approved with suggestions.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
5.	Development of an EORTC module for renal cancer patients: phase I-II			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Dr. Manjunath Nookalakrishnamurthy	European Organisation for Research and Cancer treatment, Quality of Life Group (EORTC-QLG)		
	Associate Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Advanced Centre for Treatment, Research and Education in Cancer (ACTREC), Mumbai City-410210, Maharashtra	Total budget 100 Euro/patients Duration 24 Months		
	Manarashtra			
		Subject area	Oncology	
	Approved .			
6.	Surveying the Asian and African Resear Covid-19 Pandemic	ch Ethics Committee Re	esponse to the	
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboration	ng Agency	
	Mrs. Yashashri Chandrakant Shetty	FERCAP Secretariat, Thailand		
	Associate Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Seth G S Medical College and KEM Hospital, Mumbai-400012,	Total budget	Nil	
	Maharashtra	Duration	6 Moths	
		Subject area	COVID-19	
	Approved in principle. However, the renewed FCRA registration (beyond 31/12/21) for KEMHRC, Mumbai should be provided by the PI to ICMR before initiation of the study.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
7.	LIFE: Low-birthweight Infant Feeding Exploration 24-Month Evaluation			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Dr. Roopa M Bellad	Harvard TH Chan School, USA / Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), USA		
	Professor	Date of approvalNovember 10, 20Total budgetRs. 42,00,000		
	J.N.Medical College, Belgaum District-590010, Karnataka			
		Duration	18 Months	
		Subject area	Child Health	
	Based on the response received from MEA, the study was "Approved" by Chairman, HMSC on 13 th October, 2021. The committee endorsed the decision.			
8.	Evaluation of A Novel Hemozoin Base Parasitesand Molecular Characterization	d Diagnostic Assay for	Detection of Malaria	
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating	ng Agency	
		Hemex Health, USA		
	Dr. Kavitha Saravu			
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Kasturba Medical College, Manipal-576104, Karnataka	Total budget	Rs. 11,88,500	
		Duration	36 Months	
		Subject area	Malaria	
	Approved.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
9.	Elucidating the roleof mucosal homing cell adhesion molecules ineliciting B cell associated anti-HIV and anti-SARS-CoV-2 immune responses			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Miss Nandini Jayant Kasarpalkar	ICMR IAVI Joint Call for Investigator Initiated Research (IIR) 2021		
	Senior Research Fellow	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	ICMR-National Institute of Research in Reproductive Health (ICMR-NIRRH),	Total budget	RS. 23,99,360	
	Mumbai-400012, Maharashtra	Duration	12 Months	
		Subject area	COVID-19	
	Approved with suggestions.			
10.	Evaluation of portable UltraSound Devic Examination by trained healthcare worker		tive on Clinical Breast	
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboratin	g Agency	
	Shri D Krishnanadha Pai	International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), France		
	President	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Malabar Cancer Centre, Kannur-670002, Kerala	Total budget	Rs. 8,66,697	
		Duration	18 Months	
		Subject area	Oncology	
	Approved with conditions.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
11.	approach for automated detection of ca of Fractional Flow Reserve from Coro	sal for developing and testing Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning ach for automated detection of calciumand degree of stenosis, and computation ctional Flow Reserve from Coronary CTAngiography and Invasive Coronary graphy in patients with coronary artery disease		
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Dr. Parminder Singh	KARDIOLABS AI, USA and Frimley Park Hospital, UK		
	Additional Professor	Date of approval November 10, 2		
	Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER),	Total budget	Nil	
	Chandigarh-160012	Duration	24 Months	
		Subject area	Cardiovascular Diseases	
	Approved .			
12.	Clean-cut			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboratin	ng Agency	
		Lifebox Foundation, In	nc., USA	
	Dr. Reshma Ambulkar			
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Tata Memorial Centre, Mumbai City-410210, Maharashtra	Total budget	Nil	
		Duration	12 Months	
		Subject area	Surgery	
	Approved, as quality improvement program.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
13.	A validation study of a dietary assessment instrument capturing ultra-processed food consumption in multiple countries			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Prof. K Srinath Reddy	London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM), UK		
	President	Date of approval November 10, 2		
	Public Health Foundation of India, Gurgaon-122002, Haryana	Total budget	Rs. 52,39,740	
		Duration 24 Months		
		Subject area	Nutrition	
	PI provided the project specific FCRA clearance. In view of the document submitted, the study was "Approved" by Chairman, HMSC on 13th October, 2021. The Committee endorsed the decision.			
14.	The SAMA Project -Safeguarding ado feasibility study of a systems intervention			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboration	ng Agency	
		Medical Research Cou	ncil (MRC), UK	
	Dr. N Janardhana,			
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS),	Total budget	Rs. 1,51,24,659	
	Bangalore-560029, Karnataka	Duration	36 Months	
		Subject area	Mental Health	
	Approved.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
15.	Integrated Care for Parkinson's diseasein resource limited settings: a randomized clinical trial [ICare-PD]			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
		Michael J Fox Foundation, USA		
	Dr. Roopa Rajan			
	Associate Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi-110029	Total budget	Rs. 1,59,46,128	
		Duration	36 Months	
		Subject area	Neurology	
	Approved with conditions.			
16.	Estimation of carrier frequency of Cystimutations in the community by cord-blo		ane regulator (CFTR)	
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating	ng Agency	
	Dr. Sneha Deena Varkki	Murdoch Children's Research Institute, Australia		
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore-632002, Tamil Nadu	Total budget	Rs. 13,17,000	
		Duration	6 Months	
		Subject area	Genetics	
	Approved . However, a copy of MoU between CMC Vellore and foreign collaborator should be submitted by the PI to ICMR before initiation of the study.			

S. No.	Details of the Project		
17.	Asian Diabetes Outcomes Prevention Trial (ADOPT)		
	Principal Investigator Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Dr. Jitendra Pal Singh Sawhney	National Heart Centre Singapore, Singapore	
	Senior Consultant Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi-110060	Date of approvalNovember 10, 202Total budgetRs. 50,00,000Duration60 Months	
		Subject area	Diabetes
	Approved . However, the appropriate GoI clearances should be obtained before visit by foreign team members to India.		
18.	Global Health Research Group on Resp	oiratory Rehabilitation (Global_RECHARGE)
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborati	ng Agency
	Dr. Sandeep Salvi	National Institute for 1 (NIHR), UK	Health Research
	Professor Symbiosis International University, Pune-412115, Maharashtra	Date of approval Total budget	November 10, 2021 Rs. 2,55,49,589
	1 and 112110, manufacture	Duration	20 Months
		Subject area	Respiratory Health
	Approved with conditions.	•	

S. No.	Details of the Project				
19.	A preclinical model for enterotoxigenic E. coli-mediated diarrhea:elucidation of underlying mechanisms of zinc therapy and superinfection				
	Principal Investigator Funding/Collaborating Agency				
	Dr. Sandhya Visweswariah	National Institutes of Health (NIH), USA			
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021		
	Indian Institute of Sciences, Bangalore-560012, Karnataka	Total budget	Rs. 3,49,00,000		
		Duration	60 Months		
		Subject area	Diarrhoeal Diseases		
20.	Approved . However, the Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) clearance should be submitted to ICMR before initiation of the study. An International Multicenter, Randomized Double-Blind, Placebo- Controlled Trial of the Safety and Efficacy of Anti-Coronavirus Hyperimmune Intravenous Immunoglobulin for the Treatment of Adult Outpatients in early stages of COVID-19				
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboration			
	Dr. Aparna Mukherjee	National Institutes of Health (NIH), USA			
	Scientist E	Date of approval	November 10, 2021		
	Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), New Delhi-110029	Total budget	Rs. 34,62,000		
		Duration	12 Months		
		Subject area	COVID-19		
	Approved . Due to the urgency to start the work (in view of public health emergency), the Chairman, HMSC granted expedited approval for the study on 4 th October, 2021. The Committee endorsed the decision.				

S. No.	Details of the Project			
21.	Varenicline and mobile behavioral assistance for tobacco cessation in HIV care in India			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
		National Institutes of Health (NIH), USA		
	Dr. Poongulali Selvamuthu			
	Head	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Voluntary Health Services, Chennai-600113, Tamil Nadu	Total budget Rs. 29,45,440		
		Duration	6 Months	
		Subject area	HIV	
	Approved with conditions.			
22.	Capturing the genomic variation present	t in Cryptosporidium and	d cryptosporidiosis	
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboration	ng Agency	
		National Institutes of I	Health (NIH), USA	
	Dr. Sitara Swarna Rao Ajjampur			
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellor-632002e, Tamil Nadu	Total budget	Nil	
		Duration	48 Months	
		Subject area	Parasitic infections	
	Approved . However, a copy of MoU signed between Indian & foreign collaborators is to be submitted to ICMR before initiation of the study.			

S. No.	Details of the Project				
23.	Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction Polypill Implementation Strategy in India: A Pilot Randomized Trial				
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboration	ng Agency		
	Dr. Mohammad Abdul Salam	Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, USA			
	Senior Research Fellow	Date of approval	November 10, 2021		
	George Institute for Global Health, Hyderabad-500082, Telangana	Total budget	Rs. 15,07,667		
		Duration	12 Months		
		Subject area	Cardiovascular Diseases		
	Approved . PI has confirmed vide email of 3/11/21 that there is only one study site i.e.Lakshmi Hospital, Palakkad, Kerala, which has now received the IEC clearance & is submitted.				
24.	Determining the Global Outcomes of Thigh-income countries: Approspective, in Study (GNS-1)				
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboration	ng Agency		
	Dr. Ankur Bajaj	Oregon Health and Sc. USA	ience University,		
	Associate Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021		
	King George Medical University, Lucknow-226003, Uttar Pradesh	Total budget	Nil		
		Duration	36 Months		
		Subject area	Neurosurgery		
	Approved with conditions.	1			

S. No.	Details of the Project		
25.	Preventing cervical cancer through low-cost HPV testing approaches in low reso settings of India		
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating	ng Agency
		Prevent Cancer Foundation, USA	
	Dr. Rita Isaac		
	Profssor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021
	Christian Medical College and Hospital, Vellore-632002, Tamil Nadu	Total budget	Rs. 55,69,456
		Duration	12 Months
		Subject area	Health Systems Research
	Approved .		
26.	Simulation model for Pediatric Laparoscopy		
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency Royal College of Surgeons of England, UK	
	Dr. Shilpa Sharma		
	Additional Professor All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi-110029	Date of approval	November 10, 2021
		Total budget	Rs. 2,00,000
		Duration	10 Months
		Subject area	Pediatric Surgery
	Approved .		

S. No.	Details of the Project		
27.	Indo-UK RECOVERY Trial		
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborati	ng Agency
	Dr. Aparna Mukherjee	The Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland acting through the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO)	
	Scientist E Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), New Delhi-110029	Date of approval	November 10, 2021
		Total budget	Rs. 6,04,20,876
		Duration	24 Months
		Subject area	Infectious Diseases
	Approved . Due to the urgency to start the work (in view of public health emergency), the Chairman, HMSC granted expedited approval for the study on 22 nd October, 2021. The Committee endorsed the decision.		
28.	The Improved Characterisation of Eclampsia (ICE) Study		
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency	
	Dr. Mary Mathew	The University of Melbourne, Australia	
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021
	Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Udupi District-576102, Karnataka	Total budget	Nil
		Duration	24 Months
		Subject area	Maternal Health
	Approved.		

S. No.	Details of the Project			
29.	Aspirin Supplementation for Pregnancy Indicated Risk Reduction in Nullipara (ASPIRIN): Neurodevelopmental Follow-up Trial			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Dr. Shivaprasad S Goudar	Thrasher Research Fund, USA		
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	J.N.Medical College, Belagavi-590010, Karnataka	Total budget	Rs. 38,16,027	
		Duration	24 Months	
		Subject area	Child Health	
	Approved . However, a copy of signed Sub Award Agreement be submitted to ICMR before initiation of the study.			
30.	Aspirin Supplementation for Pregnancy Indicated Risk Reduction in Nulliparas (ASPIRIN): Neurodevelopmental Follow-up Trial			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Dr. Archana Behram Patel	Thrasher Research Fund, USA		
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Lata Medical Research Foundation, Nagpur-440022, Maharashtra	Total budget	Rs. 30,62,350	
		Duration	24 Months	
		Subject area	Child Health	
	Approved . However, a copy of signed Sub Award Agreement be submitted to ICMR before initiation of the study.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
31.	Retroperitoneal SArcoma Registry (RESAR): prospective collection of primary retroperitoneal sarcoma patient's data, radiological and pathological material for the TransAtlantic Australasian Retroperitoneal Sarcoma Working Group			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Dr. Mahesh Goel	TransAtlantic Australasian Retroperitoneal Sarcoma Working Group (TARPSWG)		
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai-400012, Maharashtra	Total budget	Nil	
		Duration	36 Months	
		Subject area	Oncology	
	Approved .			
32.	A Public Private Partnership (PPP) Model for Integrating Services for Prevention, Screening and Management of Retinopathy of Prematurity			
	Principal Investigator Funding/Collaborating Agency			
	Dr. Gudlavalleti Venkata Satyanarayana Murthy	United States Agency for International Development (USAID), USA		
	Director	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Indian Institute of Public Health, Hyderabad-500033, Telangana	Total budget	Rs. 2,42,39,052	
		Duration	24 Months	
		Subject area	Public Health	
	PI provided the project specific FCRA clearance. In view of the document submitted, the study was "Approved" by Chairman, HMSC on 13 th October, 2021. The Committee endorsed the decision.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
33.	A Single-arm Feasibility Trial of Community-based Pulmonary Rehabilitation for Adults with COPD in slum areas of Jodhpur, Rajasthan			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
		University of Leicester, UK		
	Dr. Arun Kumar Sharma			
	Director ICMR-National Institute for	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Implementation Research on Non-communicable Diseases (ICMR-NIIRNCD), Jodhpur-342005,	Total budget	Rs. 44,63,001	
	Rajasthan	Duration	10 Months	
		Subject area	Respiratory Health	
	Approved with conditions.			
34.	Evaluation of effectof anti-inflammatory, antinociceptive and immunomodulatory effect of turmizn inrodent model: A proof of conceptstudy			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency Vets Plus Inc.302 Cedar Falls Road Menomonie Wisconsin, USA		
	Dr. Bikash Medhi			
	Professor	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh-160012	Total budget	Rs. 16,28,000	
		Duration	24 Months	
		Subject area	Pharmacology	
	Approved in view of revised recommendations received from the concerned Scientific Division i.e due to importance of study and potential benefit to the Indian population in future.			

S. No.	Details of the Project			
35.	Promoting uptake of Low sodium iodized salt by Rural and urban households the PLURAL study			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborat	ing Agency	
	Dr. Nikhil Srinivasapura Venkateshmurthy	Vital Strategies, USA Lives)	A (Resolve to Save	
	Project Manager Public Health Foundation of India, Gurgaon-122002, Haryana	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
		Total budget	Rs. 1,73,09,146	
		Duration	18 Months	
		Subject area	Cardiovascular Diseases	
	Approved.			
36.	Creating a dataset of short videos, images and measurements of Indian newborns to used in designing and developing a smartphone-based anthropometry tool for newborns			
	Principal Investigator	ator Funding/Collaborating A		
	Dr. Praveen Kumar	Wadhwani Institute Intelligence Foundat		
	Professor & Head	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER),Chandigarh-160012	Total budget	Rs. 60,85,800	
		Duration	12 Months	
		Subject area	Infant Mortality	
	Approved .	•		

S. No.	Details of the Project			
37.	Global Mental Health Databank			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaboration	ng Agency	
		Wellcome Trust, UK		
	Dr. Soumitra Pathare			
	Director Indian Law Society, Pune-411004, Maharashtra	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
		Total budget	Rs. 1,90,00,000	
		Duration	18 Months	
		Subject area	Mental Health	
	After satisfactory response/clarification Division of ICMR and deadline of fore Approved the proposal on 1 st Novembe	gn funding agency, the	Chairman, HMSC	
38.	Health systems analysis and evaluations of the barriers to availability, utilization and readiness of family planning and contraceptive services in COVID-19 affected areas in Maharashtra, India			
	Principal Investigator	Funding/Collaborating Agency		
	Dr. Beena Nitin Joshi	World Health Organization (WHO)		
	Scientist F	Date of approval	November 10, 2021	
	ICMR-National Institute of Research in Reproductive Health (ICMR-NIRRH), Mumbai City-400012, Maharashtra	Total budget	Rs. 2,589,058	
		Duration	10 Months	
		Subject area	COVID-19	
	The proposal has been granted expedited approval by Chairman HMSC on 1 st November, 2021 due to the urgency to start the work (in view of public health emergency). The Committee endorsed the decision.			