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OFFICE ORDER

Subject:- Establish CTHSR Unit under ECD Division at ICMR, Hqrs., New Delhi - reg.

In the era of emerging and re-emerging infections and dual burden of non-communicable diseases, there is an urgent need to undertake clinical trials and adopt health systems research approach for addressal of complex disease situations. Presently COVID-19 pandemic has reiterated the importance of conducting quality assured trials for answering new questions and testing old assumptions. Further health systems research contributes to inform policy decisions impacting public health at large, therefore it is decided to establish a unit for 'Clinical Trial and Health Systems Research Unit (CTHSRU)'. Support staff from the existing cadre as well as Consultants will be assigned for smooth functioning of this newly established Unit of public health importance.

2. Accordingly, an Unit is established named 'Clinical Trial and Health Systems Research Unit (CTHSRU)' under the Division of ECD at ICMR, Hqrs., New Delhi.

3. The mandate of 'Clinical Trial and Health Systems Research Unit (CTHSRU)'/ECD will be as under:-

- i) To design, co-ordinate, analyze and publish clinical trials and other well-designed studies in certain thrust areas, as per the need of the hour, by involving multiple centers across the country (as the need be).
- ii) To evaluate efficiencies and effectiveness of health care delivery models in communities and health sectors.
- iii) To support decision making and policy discourses for strengthening of health systems thereby improving health through 'life course'.
- iv) To provide guidance and supportive supervision to other teams in ICMR Headquarter in conducting good quality clinical trials.
- v) To engage in capacity building of junior scientists and staff in areas of clinical research and health system research.
- vi) The main thematic areas of work included but not restricted to the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health; Nutrition; Communicable and Non-communicable diseases; Health Systems Domains-health policy & governance, health services, health financing/economics; Human Resources; Medical Technology and Information Systems.

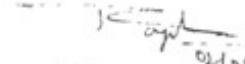
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4. The 'Clinical Trial and Health Systems Research Unit (CTHSRU)' under ECD will be headed by Dr. Aparna Mukherjee, Scientist-E. The following Scientists will assist Dr. Aparna Mukherjee, Scientist-E:-

1. Dr. Tanu Anand, Scientist-D
2. Dr. Anup Agarwal, Consultant
3. Dr. Gunjan Kumar, Scientist-C
4. Dr. Tarandeep Singh, Scientist-C
5. Dr. Madhavi Eireke, Scientist-D (She will be co-opted as and when needed)

5. The 'Clinical Trial and Health Systems Research Unit (CTHSRU)' under ECD will be guided by Head (ECD).

This issues with the approval of the Director General, ICMR.


02/09/2020
JAGDISH RAJESH
Assistant Director General (Admn.)

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