

**List of International Collaborative Research Projects Approved by HMSC
during meeting held on 27th December, 2024**

S. No.	Details of the Project	
1.	The Burden of Penicillin and other Antibiotic Allergy Labels and Antimicrobial Resistance in Low and Middle-Income Countries (PALAR study)	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Devasahayam Jesudas Christopher</p> <p>Professor Christian Medical College, Vellore-632004, Tamil Nadu</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>Challenges Research Fund via Institute of Global Innovation, University of Birmingham, UK</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 10,00,000</p> <p>Duration 24 Months</p> <p>Subject area Antimicrobial Resistance</p>
	Approved.	
2.	Evaluating the impact of the metabolites secreted by gut microbiome that modulates the disease progression in HIV-1 infection	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Vijay Nema</p> <p>Scientist F ICMR-National Institute of Translational Virology and AIDS Research (ICMR-NITVAR), Pune-411026, Maharashtra</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>DST IJCSP Call For Proposals-2024</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 37,54,000</p> <p>Duration 24 Months</p> <p>Subject area HIV</p>
	Approved subject to submission of DST-IJCSP award letter to ICMR.	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
3.	Multi-omics Strategies to Improve Clinical Outcomes in Uveitis LOTUS – Leveraging Ocular Tissues in Uveitis Study	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Prof Dr S R Rathinam</p> <p>Professor Aravind Eye Hospitals & Post Graduate Institute of Ophthalmology, Madurai-625020, Tamil Nadu</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>F.I. Proctor Foundation (UCSF), USA</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget NA</p> <p>Duration 60 Months</p> <p>Subject area Ophthalmology</p>
	Approved subject to submission of CTRI registration number by the PI to ICMR. It has been clarified that no genomic/genetic analysis will be conducted.	
4.	Barriers to and facilitators of acceptance and uptake of vaccines to prevent Hepatitis and STIs among sexual and gender minorities in South India: A qualitative rapid assessment	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Kiranmayee Muralidhar</p> <p>Research Officer The Public Health Research Institute Of India, Mysuru-570020, Karnataka</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>LGBTQ+ Institute Faculty Research Grant Program, University of Arizona, USA</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 9,95,788</p> <p>Duration 24 Months</p> <p>Subject area Public Health</p>
	Approved only for PHRII, Mysore. The DHR registered IEC clearance of Centre for Sexuality and Health Research and Policy, Chennai should be submitted to ICMR.	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
5.	Labelling oneself – Understanding the meaning of self-identifications and identity development processes among sexual minority male youth in India: Implications for designing interventions to support	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Raghavi Karnam</p> <p>Research Officer The Public Health Research Institute Of India, Mysuru-570020, Karnataka</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>LGBTQ+ Institute Faculty Research Grant Program, University of Arizona, USA</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 9,95,419</p> <p>Duration 12 Months</p> <p>Subject area Public Health</p>
	Approved only for PHRII, Mysore. The DHR registered IEC clearance of Centre for Sexuality and Health Research and Policy, Chennai should be submitted to ICMR.	
6.	Implementing Early Mental & Physical Health Detection & Support: Promoting a Whole-School Approach to Health & Well-being (ISOBAR) Project	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Thara Rangaswamy</p> <p>Head Schizophrenia Research Foundation, Chennai-600102, Tamil Nadu</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>Medical Research Council (MRC), UK</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 6,59,74,154</p> <p>Duration 48 Months</p> <p>Subject area Mental Health</p>
	Approved only for Schizophrenia Research Foundation, Chennai.	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
7.	Addressing HIV Among the Highest Risk Sexual and Gender Minorities in India	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Venkatesan Chakrapani</p> <p>Adjunct Faculty National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bengaluru-560012, Karnataka</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIH), USA</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 8,74,53,138</p> <p>Duration 60 Months</p> <p>Subject area Social & Behavioural Research</p>
	Approved subject to submission of CTIRI registration number to ICMR. Funds received from National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH, USA can only be used by National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore and cannot be given to any other Indian entity.	
8.	Empowering through Choice: A Randomized Clinical Trial of Virtual Healthcare Delivery on HIV Outcomes	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Mr Aylur Kailasom Srikrishnan</p> <p>Head YRG Centre for AIDS Research and Education, Kilpauk Garden Colony-600010, Chennai</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>National Institutes of Health (NIH), USA</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 11,26,08,144</p> <p>Duration 60 Months</p> <p>Subject area HIV/AIDS/ STD</p>
	Approved, subject to submission of CTIRI registration no.	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
9.	Illumina: Diagnostic Innovation using Value-based implementation models to Increase Access (DIVIA)	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Mayur Parihar</p> <p>Consultant Tata Medical Center (TMC), Kolkata-700160, West Bengal</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>St. Jude Global Alliance, USA</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 27,334,460</p> <p>Duration 60 Months</p> <p>Subject area Haematology</p>
	Approved	
10.	Diagnostic Applications in Resource limited settings using Global Advances in Nanopore Technologies (DARGAN)	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Mayur Parihar</p> <p>Consultant Tata Medical Center (TMC), Kolkata-700160, West Bengal</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>St. Jude Global Alliance, USA</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 1,14,70,132</p> <p>Duration 60 Months</p> <p>Subject area Haematology</p>
	Approved subject to submission of a duly signed Data Sharing Agreement. Study data should also be made available in public domain before sharing with foreign funding agency.	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
11.	Health Challenges among Informal Sector Women Workers in India: A Systematic Review and Qualitative Analysis	
	<p>Principal Investigator</p> <p>Dr Ankit Mayurkumar Sheth</p> <p>Scientist E ICMR-National Institute of Occupational Health (ICMR-NIOH), Ahmedabad-380016, Gujarat,</p>	<p>Funding/Collaborating Agency</p> <p>Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO), UK</p> <p>Date of approval December 27, 2024</p> <p>Total budget Rs. 12,90,240</p> <p>Duration 6 Months</p> <p>Subject area Occupational Health</p>
	Approved.	