

**List of International Collaborative Research Projects Approved by HMSC
during meeting held on 30th June, 2026**

S. No.	Details of the Project	
1.	CPHC- Swasthgram	
	Principal Investigator Prof Ramesh Nanjundaiah Mavathur Professor Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samsthana, Bangalore-560004, Karnataka	Funding/Collaborating Agency Gates Foundation, USA Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 2,76,34,024 Duration 36 Months Subject area Public Health
	Approved subject to submission of DHR registration of IEC of Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samsthana.	
2.	SMaRT-PCR for Asymptomatic Tuberculosis Detection in CXR-Negative Individuals- A Community-Based Bioaerosol Screening Sub-Study	
	Principal Investigator Dr Ambreen Shaikh Post-Doctoral Fellow The Foundation for Medical Research, Mumbai-400018, Maharashtra	Funding/Collaborating Agency Gates Foundation, USA Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 12,07,36,441 Duration 36 Months Subject area Tuberculosis
	Approved	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
3.	Comparative Study of IPA Implementing vis-a-vis Non-Implementing Facilities in Meghalaya	
	Principal Investigator Dr Nishikant Singh Research Scientist Forum for Health Systems Design and Transformation, Mumbai-400001, Maharashtra	Funding/Collaborating Agency Gates Foundation, USA Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 34,75,000 Duration 6 Months Subject area Health Systems Research
	Approved.	
4.	Integration of multi-omics analysis approach for elucidating the cause of unexplained and rare mitochondrial diseases in Indian population (F2)	
	Principal Investigator Dr Prince Jacob Post Doctoral Fellow Public Health Research Institute of India, New Delhi-110030	Funding/Collaborating Agency Global Health Emerging Scholars Program, Fogarty International Center National Institute for Health, USA Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 13,24,273 Duration 12 Months Subject area Rare Diseases
	Approved.	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
5.	MENOR Care for Saving Lives at Birth: An integrated approach for continuum of maternal and newborn care in a tribal district of Gujarat, India	
	Principal Investigator Dr Medha Wadhwa Assistant Professor Indian Institute of Public Health, Gandhinagar-382042, Gujarat	Funding/Collaborating Agency Laerdal Foundation, Norway Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 36,53,572 Duration 24 Months Subject area Public Health
	Approved	
6.	SURAKSHA – Statewise Understanding for Regulation and Action on Trans-fat Safety and Health Assessment	
	Principal Investigator Prof Pankaj Bhardwaj Director ICMR-National Institute for Implementation Research on Non-Communicable Diseases, Jodhpur-342005, Rajasthan	Funding/Collaborating Agency Resolve to Save Lives, Inc. (RTSL), USA Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 7,327,995 Duration 12 Months Subject area Public Health
	Approved.	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
7.	Enduring the Storm - A Qualitative Examination of Primary Healthcare Providers' Journeys through Disasters	
	Principal Investigator Ms Sushree Nibedita Panda Scientist-II George Institute for Global Health, New Delhi-110025	Funding/Collaborating Agency Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, UK Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 6,08,510 Duration 12 Months Subject area Climate Change and Health
	Approved	
8.	When to start assisted reproductive technology treatment in couples with unexplained infertility: a dynamic support tool for enhanced decision-making	
	Principal Investigator Prof Dr Mohan Shashikant Kamath Professor Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore-632004, Tamil Nadu	Funding/Collaborating Agency Scottish Government Health and Social Care Directorates, UK Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 38,01,875 Duration 30 Months Subject area Reproductive Health
	Approved. However, the Indian PI should own and have access to Indian data.	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
9.	Personalised Breast Cancer Program- India (PBCP-I)	
	Principal Investigator Dr Sanjoy Chatterjee Consultant Tata Medical Center (TMC), Kolkata-700160, West Bengal	Funding/Collaborating Agency Stichting Blockchain for Impact Foundation, The Netherlands Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 74,70,000 Duration 60 Months Subject area Oncology
	Approved the project with the condition that no genetic data will be shared with foreign funding/collaborative agency.	
10.	Sarcopenia and Sarcopenic Obesity in Adults with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus in Resource-Limited Settings in India: Epidemiology, Biomarker Profiles, Bone Health, and Development of a Novel Risk Prediction Tool	
	Principal Investigator Dr Akhila Bhandarkar Assistant Professor K S Hegde Medical Academy, Mangaluru-575018, Karnataka	Funding/Collaborating Agency University of Liège, Belgium Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 9,40,000 Duration 18 Months Subject area Endocrinology
	Approved	

S. No.	Details of the Project	
11.	ADVANCE: Implementation Determinants of an AI-Driven Clinical Decision Support System for Hypertension Management in Primary Healthcare Facilities in selected LMICs: India and Nigeria	
	Principal Investigator Dr Deepa Srinivasan Lecturer St. John's Research Institute, Bangalore-560034, Karnataka	Funding/Collaborating Agency World Heart Federation, Switzerland Date of approval June 30, 2026 Total budget Rs. 8,95,197 Duration 12 Months Subject area Cardiovascular Diseases
	Approved subject to submission of the signed Data Sharing Agreement/MoU.	