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S. No.	Details of the Project	
1.	Strengthening capacity in india to preventavoidable epidemics, early detection of disease threats, and rapid and effective response year 4-5	
	Principal Investigator Dr Varsha Atul Potdar Scientist E ICMR-National Institute of Virology, Pune-411001, Maharashtra	**Funding/Collaborating Agency** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, (CDC), USA **Date of approval** August 27, 2026 **Total budget** Rs. 2,13,08,676 **Duration** 24 Months **Subject area** Virology
	Approved	
2.	Mobile messaging to encourage postpartum care contacts and content: a randomized controlled trial in Sonipat, Haryana	
	Principal Investigator Dr Vipin Gupta Assistant Professor University of Delhi, New Delhi-110007	**Funding/Collaborating Agency** Fulbright-Nehru Student Research Fellowship (USIEF) and Harvard University (internal graduate research grants). **Date of approval** August 27, 2026 **Total budget** Rs. 9,46,500 **Duration** 18 Months **Subject area** Health Systems Research
	Approved subject to the submission of the following: i) CTRI registration no. ii) DHR registration no. of IEC of University of Delhi. iii) Data sharing Agreement. iv) Letter of Fulbright Nehru- Harvard Student Research Fellowship. It is suggested that, since the student is based in India, the data may be stored and fully analyzed in India.	

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3.	Dengue and Zika Immunology and Genomics Multi-Country Network (DeZi Network)	
	Principal Investigator Dr Bireshwar Sinha Deputy Director Society for Applied Studies, New Delhi-110016	**Funding/Collaborating Agency** Imperial College London, UK **Date of approval** August 27, 2026 **Total budget** Rs. 2,00,11,266 **Duration** 60 Months **Subject area** Dengue
	Approved	
4.	Adaptation and pilot testing of a couples-based intervention to prevent perinatal depression in rural India	
	Principal Investigator Dr Rutuja Patil Research Scientist KEM Hospital Research Centre, Pune-411011, Maharashtra	**Funding/Collaborating Agency** National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NIH), USA **Date of approval** August 27, 2026 **Total budget** Rs. 1,18,71,270 **Duration** 36 Months **Subject area** Public Health
	Approved	

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S. No.	Details of the Project	
5.	POPSICLE: Postoperative pain study in children – a longitudinal evaluation	
	Principal Investigator Dr Dr Dootika Liddle Professor Christian Medical College (CMC), Ludhiana-141008, Punjab	**Funding/Collaborating Agency** Perth Children's Hospital, Australia **Date of approval** August 27, 2026 **Total budget** NA **Duration** 36 Months **Subject area** Post Operative Pain in Children
	Approved	
6.	Deep learning for Radiotherapy Autosegmentation Workflow: Prospective Multicenter Evaluation Study Protocol (DRAW ME)	
	Principal Investigator Dr Santam Chakraborty Senior Consultant Tata Medical Center, Kolkata-700160, West Bengal	**Funding/Collaborating Agency** University of Pennsylvania, USA **Date of approval** August 27, 2026 **Total budget** Rs. 2,52,92,300 (from National Cancer Grid) **Duration** 24 Months **Subject area** Oncology
	Approved only for Tata Medical Center, Kolkata, subject to the submission of IEC clearances from remaining participating institutes before initiation of the study at those sites.	