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Government of India
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Department of Health Research

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RESEARCH

**Request for Expression of Interest to be a participating nodal center
for the DHR-ICMR Integrated MD-PhD program**

Brief background:

The Department of Health Research (DHR) was created as a separate Department within the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare with the aim to bring modern health technologies to the people through research and innovations related to diagnosis, treatment methods and vaccines for prevention; to translate them into products and processes. Its Human Resource Development Scheme approved in the 12th five year plan is also intended to create a pool of talented health research personnel in the country by upgrading skills of faculty of Medical Colleges/Institutes, mid - career Scientists, medical students, etc., by specialized training in priority areas of health research in leading national and international institutions.

The Medical PhD programme of DHR- Human Resource Development Scheme has been designed with a broad aim to motivate young medical graduates with brilliant academic records for pursuing medical postgraduate and doctorate degrees and to further encourage them to opt for a career in research cadre, thereby creating a pool of clinician scientists in the country who can undertake impactful biomedical research.

Eoi CRITERIA

With this background, DHR is now inviting Expression of Interest from Institutes of National Importance (INIs) in India, having their own MD-PhD or post MD-PhD degree program and who are willing to come on board this Medical PhD program.

Interested INIs may submit the Eoi as per the format enclosed addressed to the Deputy Secretary, DHR. The deadline for receipt of Eoi is 16th June 2025.

The Eoi copy (PDF format only) duly signed and complete may also be sent via email to dhr.icmr.mdphd@gmail.com. For any queries also write to us on this email.

FORMAT FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

(To be submitted on Institute's Letter Head)

To,
**The Deputy Secretary (HRD Scheme),
 Department of Health Research
 New Delhi**

Subject: Submission of Expression of Interest (Eoi) to be enrolled as Nodal center for the DHR-integrated MD-PhD program

Ref: Eoi No.

Sir,

I/We, do hereby express the interest to be a nodal center for MD-PhD (integrated) program or Post MD- PhD program (tick any one please). The details of the institute contact official are given below:

Name of the Director/Vice-Chancellor	
Complete postal address of the institute	
Name, designation of the nodal person (to whom all communications shall be made)	
Telephone No. (with STD code)	
Mobile No. of the nodal person	
Email ID of the nodal person	

The following information as required is given hereby:

1	Name of Institution	
2	Proposed total seats/year for MD-PhD: Proposed total seats for Post MD-PhD:	
3	Subject area(s) with no. of seats against each subject in which the degree will be given? <i>Clinical, pre-clinical subjects to be preferred in both categories</i>	
4	What do you prefer for financial support? (a) Stipend for fellows with Rs 1 lac research contingency or (b) Rs 10 lacs research grant without stipend and research contingency? And why	
5	Proposed duration of the combined degree program?	
6	Timeline for exam and selection interview may be given	
7	Composition of MD-PhD institutional selection committee may be submitted	
8	Any suggestion, may be given	

I/We hereby declare that the Eoi is made in good faith and the information contained is true and correct to the best of my/our

knowledge and belief and we agree to abide by the the program guidelines and term & conditions once enrolled.