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DHR-ICMR Hosts Health Research Excellence Summit 2024 in New Delhi

DHR-ICMR Celebrates Research Excellence with New Initiatives and Awards at 2024 Summit



ICMR Recognizes Contributions to Healthcare Innovation and Launches Policies for Research Excellence (PIB)

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The Department of Health Research (DHR) and the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) hosted the DHR-ICMR Health Research Excellence Summit 2024 at Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, New Delhi. This landmark event commemorated ICMR's 113th Foundation Day, celebrating over a century of transformative contributions to India's biomedical research and public health landscape.

The Summit brought together distinguished leaders in healthcare and research, including Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare **Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda** (via video message); Minister of State for Health & Family Welfare **Smt. Anupriya**



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ICMR has left an indelible mark on India's healthcare landscape, transforming lives through research and innovation.

Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda

Shri Nadda congratulated the honorees and reaffirmed the importance of recognizing research excellence annually on ICMR's Foundation Day. "Let this recognition be a reminder that every effort matters and that there are always new opportunities to shine," he said. He expressed optimism that collaborative efforts would propel India toward a healthier and stronger future.

Smt. Anupriya Patel, Minister of State for Health & Family Welfare, inaugurated the Summit, highlighting ICMR's pivotal role in advancing biomedical research and innovation in India. "ICMR has long been a pioneer in advancing scientific research and innovation," she said, adding that the institution's work is pivotal to achieving **Viksit Bharat 2047**, a vision of a prosperous, self-reliant India.

Smt. Patel emphasized that ICMR's **extramural and intramural programs** are driving transformative progress in healthcare, fostering innovation, and addressing pressing health challenges. She noted that India's scientific landscape is undergoing a significant transformation and commended researchers for their contributions. "Today is a day to remember the countless lives transformed by the contributions of ICMR," she said, acknowledging the dedication and commitment of the DHR-ICMR team.

Dr. V.K. Paul, Member (Health), NITI Aayog, praised ICMR's achievements and emphasized the importance of research and innovation in positioning India as a global leader in health research. "The advancements we are witnessing today in innovation and research will not only address the pressing health challenges of our time but will also position India as a global leader in health research," he said. He encouraged continued efforts toward the goal of **Viksit Bharat**, as envisioned by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Dr. Rajiv Bahl, Secretary DHR and Director General ICMR, reflected on the Summit's significance, stating, "The DHR-ICMR Health Research Excellence Summit underscores our unwavering commitment to fostering an environment where impactful research flourishes." He attributed ICMR's success to the collective efforts of researchers, institutions, and support teams dedicated to advancing scientific knowledge and improving public health.

Advancements in innovation and research will position India as a global leader in health research.

Dr. V.K. Paul

The Summit also served as a platform to launch key initiatives aimed at strengthening healthcare innovation in India. Among these was the **Research Infrastructure Sharing Ecosystem (I-RISE) Policy**, which promotes collaboration by expanding access to ICMR's extensive laboratory and research network. Another highlight was the



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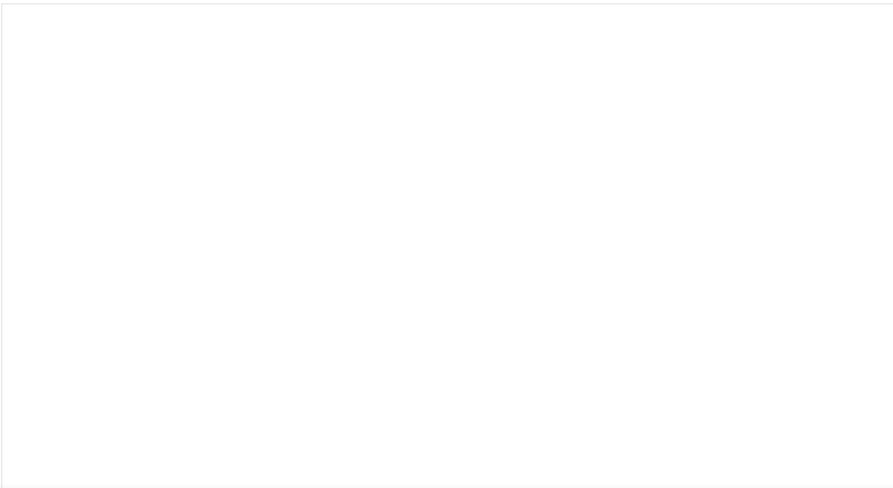
India Poised for Global Leadership in Health Research as ICMR Marks 113 Years of Transformative Progress (PIB)

The event celebrated outstanding contributions to medical research by recognizing exceptional researchers, teams, and institutions. Awards were presented in various categories, including Best Research Paper, Best Innovation, Best Team Research, Best Ph.D. Student, and institutional honors for excellence in multidisciplinary research, rural health, diagnostics, and health technology assessments. These accolades underscored the pivotal role of research excellence in shaping India's healthcare future.

In conclusion, the DHR-ICMR Health Research Excellence Summit 2024 reaffirmed ICMR's legacy as a beacon of biomedical research in India. The institution's enduring commitment to innovation and collaboration continues to drive transformative progress, addressing critical health challenges and building a healthier, more prosperous nation.

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