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ANSARI NAGAR, NEW DELHI-110029  
(INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION CELL)**

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**Sub: Inviting Expression of Interests (EOI) from Faculty/Scientists of Institute with proposed core area of research- reg.**

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It is to inform that All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi and Director-General, Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAFMS), Ministry of Defence, Govt. of India, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the two organizations with objectives of collaboration in areas of mutual interest, joint research program, faculty exchange program and academic activities addressing multidisciplinary scientific & technological issues on 10 January 2024.

In this context, Expression of Interest (EOI) are invited from Faculty/Scientists of AIIMS, New Delhi, with proposed core area of research. These EOIs will be shared with AFMS board for further collaboration.

Interested Faculty/Scientists can send their applications through email on [aiims.afms@aiims.gov.in](mailto:aiims.afms@aiims.gov.in).

Applications received, will be discussed in joint meeting of the AIIMS and AFMS boards.



**(ANIL KUMAR)**

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

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1. Dean (Academics)/ Dean (Research), AIIMS, New Delhi
2. Chief of all the Centres of AIIMS, New Delhi
3. Head of the Department of AIIMS, New Delhi
4. Prof. Incharge, Computer Facility – **With request to kindly upload this Circular on the Institute's Website and also send Email to all the Chief of the Centres & Head of the Departments**

**Copy for Information to:-**

1. PPS to Director, AIIMS, New Delhi
2. PPS to Prof. Incharge, International Cooperation Cell, AIIMS, New Delhi
3. PS/PA to Assoc. Dean (Acad.)/Assoc. Dean (Research)/Registrar
4. PA to Chief Administrative Officer, AIIMS, New Delhi

18.4.2024 – Meeting with Dean Academic, Registrar and Nodal officer, AIIMS collaboration

Proposed area of discussion with AFMS

1. Organizing a CME in AIIMS
  - Full-day CME in Auditorium
  - Proposed date – 24 August with coverage of Aviation medicine, High altitude medicine, and Marine medicine, if required from AFMS; other dates can also be considered, but not in Sept as AIIMS is busy with various functions.
  - Speakers will be from AFMS and AIIMS.
  - Target audience – all faculty members, UG and PG residents, and nursing staff from AIIMS
  - Information will be sent to all medical colleges in Delhi
  - No registration fee, tea, and working lunch for speakers will be provided by AIIMS
  - Org Secretary from Pulmonary Medicine
  
2. Proposal for two weeks of optional internship training at various AFMS institutes for AIIMS interns
  - Details of the institute – to be asked from AFMS
  - Discuss the issue of providing accommodation/food for two weeks
  - A similar proposal for training of AFMS interns in AIIMS TC for two weeks
  
3. Proposal for 15 days/30 days optional training for AIIMS medicine/Pul medicine PG depending upon availability of residents
  - Details of the institute – to be asked from AFMS
  - Discuss the issue of providing accommodation/food for two/four weeks
  - A similar proposal for training of AFMS PG in AIIMS for two weeks
  
4. Proposal to introduce seminar in UG medicine curriculum
  - 2 hours seminar
  - 30 mins lectures from Experts from AIIMS Pul Med, AFMS experts from high altitude and aviation medicine
  
5. Sending a letter of expression of interest for combined research and collaboration and exchange program from all faculty members of AIIMS through Dean (Academic) office

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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**BETWEEN**

**DIRECTOR GENERAL ARMED FORCES MEDICAL SERVICES  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

**AND**

**ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, DELHI  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**REGARDING**

**COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH AND TRAINING IN MEDICAL  
SCIENCES**



This MoU is entered into this ( ) day of January 2024 between the Director General Armed Forces Medical Services (hereafter referred to as DGAFMS) under the Ministry of Defence, Government of India

and

The All India Institute of Medical Sciences, (hereafter referred to as AIIMS) Delhi, an autonomous medical institute of national importance under the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. (Hereafter referred to as MoH &FW)

This MoU ratifies a mutually agreed framework for collaborative research and academic activities between the two parties in fields of mutual and individual interests.

### **PREAMBLE**

(a) The DGAFMS, as head of the Armed Forces Medical Services (hereafter referred to as AFMS) is responsible for the co-ordination, planning, direction and development of research in all subjects of Service medicine and is the Chairman of the Armed Forces Medical Research Committee. DGAFMS being responsible for the administration of Armed Forces Medical College Pune and all postgraduate Service Medical Colleges, supervises undergraduate, post graduate and super specialty training at these institutes.

(b) AIIMS New Delhi, a premier medical institute of national importance undertakes cutting edge research activities in the field of medicine and allied sciences besides being the foremost centre for undergraduate, postgraduate and superspecialty medical training in the country.

(c) The broad scope of activities undertaken by the DGAFMS and AIIMS Delhi are aligned with and complimentary to each other. It is therefore perceived that engaging in collaborative research and academic training programmes would be mutually beneficial to both parties.

### **ARTICLE-I**

#### **OBJECTIVE**

DGAFMS and AIIMS Delhi desire to implement in areas of mutual interest, collaborative research and academic activities addressing multidisciplinary scientific and technological issues of relevance to the Armed Forces and the nation.

## ARTICLE-II

### AREAS OF COOPERATION

- (a) **Joint Research Projects.** The two parties will explore opportunities for undertaking joint research projects and will work in consonance for identifying the specific fields of research and newer technologies which would be beneficial and of interest of the Armed Forces and the nation. While it is perceived that a large quantum of medical research undertaken would be on subjects of national importance, specific research with direct implications for the Armed Forces, like Environmental Medicine, High Altitude Medicine and Aerospace Medicine would also be undertaken jointly.
- (b) **Joint Academic Activities.** DGAFMS and AIIMS Delhi may formulate joint academic activities in the form of short-term training/ observership/ fellowship courses, seminars, workshops and conferences based on mutual interest and availability of expertise at various institutions.
- (c) **Faculty Exchange Programme.** The two parties shall explore opportunities for interaction among faculty members of AIIMS Delhi and the undergraduate and post graduate training institutes/ hospitals of the Armed Forces Medical Services as well as Visiting Faculty arrangements with the permission of concerned authorities. Salaries and travel expenses of such Visiting Faculty shall be borne by the parent Party sponsoring such faculty.

## ARTICLE-III

### DESIGNATED AUTHORITY

The designated authorities for the implementation of this MoU shall be the MoH &FW and the MoD.

## ARTICLE-IV

### ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) OBLIGATION, DUTIES AND UNDERTAKING OF MoH &FW / AIIMS Delhi
- (i) Provide experts in specific fields of research as decided upon mutually
- (ii) Provide specialized diagnostic services including laboratory and imaging services free of cost which are not available at AFMS hospitals as part of mutually agreed research projects



(iii) Data in respect of serving Armed Forces personnel will not be independently collected and stored by AIIMS. Such data will be jointly collected and held by the Principal/ Co-worker of the AFMS

(iv) No research publication on topics with direct bearing on the Armed Forces shall be published without approval of DGAFMS.

(v) Shall facilitate/ accord permission for short term training/ observership/ fellowship programmes for specialists and super specialists of the AFMS free of cost.

(vi) Shall make arrangements for Visiting Faculty at AFMC Pune and other post-graduate teaching hospitals on request from DGAFMS.

(b) OBLIGATION, DUTIES AND UNDERTAKING OF MoD / DGAFMS

(i) Provide requisite administrative and infrastructural support in the periphery for undertaking mutually agreed to research projects. This would include providing medical and paramedical manpower for data/ sample collection, laboratory services for sample analysis wherever available and making arrangements for accommodation from the integral resources of the Armed Forces wherever suitable accommodation in civil is not available.

(ii) Arrange for transport of samples from peripheral locations to earmarked AFMS laboratories or to AIIMS as decided upon at the initialization of the project.

(iii) Ensure that the AFMS Principal/ Co-Worker is actively involved in data analysis.

(iv) Allow access to specialists/ super specialists from AIIMS Delhi at AFMS hospitals on request, after obtaining necessary administrative clearance.

(c) OBLIGATION, DUTIES AND UNDERTAKING COMMON TO MoD AND MoH &FW

(i) Financing. Both parties may consider providing research initiating grants from research grants integrally available with them. They may also approach various government agencies like Department of Health Research, MoH &FW, Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology or ICMR, MoH &FW etc for funding the project. The parties may expend funds based on the individual approved budgets of jointly approved collaborative research projects and related activities.

Head of the institute will ensure that the funds allotted are expended as per laid down procedures and proper books of account shall be maintained.

(ii) Legal status. This document is a statement of intent to foster genuine and mutually beneficial cooperation and is not legally binding on the parties. Any disputes shall be resolved through mutual discussion between both parties.

#### ARTICLE-V

#### VALIDITY

The MoU would be valid for an initial period of 05 (Five) years from the date of signing by both parties. The partnership period may be extended by mutual consent. In the event of one party wishing to terminate the understanding, the same will be communicated in writing with a minimum notice period of 06 (Six) months. However, specific commitments made prior to such intimation shall be honored by both parties.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, duly authorized hereto, have signed this MoU on this day 10 of Jan 2024.

*Daljit Singh*

LT GEN DALJIT SINGH, AVSM, VSM,  
PHS

DIRECTOR GENERAL ARMED FORCES  
MEDICAL SERVICES

In the presence of witnesses,

WITNESS 1

*[Signature]*

FOR & ON BEHALF OF DIRECTOR  
GENERAL ARMED FORCES  
MEDICAL SERVICES  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

*[Signature]*

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DIRECTOR, AIIMS DELHI

WITNESS 2

*[Signature]* 10/1/24  
FOR & ON BEHALF OF  
THE ALL INDIA INSTITUTE  
OF MEDICAL SCIENCES,  
DELHI, MoH & FW