

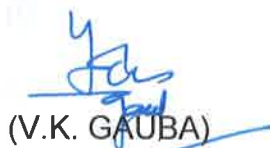
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The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the unclassified portion of the **Monthly Summary for the Cabinet** pertaining to the Department of Health Research (Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) for the month of June, 2018.



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Ministry of Health & family Welfare  
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MONTHLY SUMMARY FOR THE CABINET FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE,  
2018

An update on the principal activities and key initiatives undertaken by the Department of Health Research (DHR) during the month of June, 2018 is indicated below:

**Important policy decisions taken and major achievements during the month:**

- (a) Released 'The Nutrifly India Now' Mobile App, the first app of its kind that provides data on raw foods and recipes with their nutrient composition and aids in assessing nutritional status, required dietary allowance (RDA), daily food intake and energy expenditure for users in as many as 17 Indian languages.
- (b) Nipah outbreak in Kerala: Provided support to monoclonal antibody storage and administration in relation to Nipah Virus Research to Government Medical College, Kozhikode, Kerala.
- (c) Nipah cases in Karnataka: NIV-Bangalore coordinated with Karnataka State Rapid Task Force (STRF) team for the collection and transport of clinical samples from suspected cases of Nipah to NIV Pune for laboratory identification.
- (d) NABL recommendation for accreditation of bacteriology lab of NIRT, Chennai and BSL-4 facility to Avian Influenza and Human Influenza groups of NIV, Pune.
- (e) Published 40 research papers in good impact journals in the areas of tuberculosis, HIV, cervical cancer, rota viruses, bacterial meningitis, malaria, Nipah virus, Chikungunya, type-2, diabetes, lymphatic filariasis, smokeless tobacco, etc.
- (f) Undertaken 21 major research projects in the areas of HIV, AES in Gorakhpur, Nipah virus, under-nutrition & hidden hunger, and Urban air quality assessment using remote sensing and GIS, etc.
- (g) Conducted a total of 19 training programs and courses for clinical faculties, medical microbiologists, post graduate doctors, research scientists, medical undergraduates, research assistants, laboratory technologists, air force health staff and community health volunteers etc. in various areas of health research.
- (h) Celebrated 4<sup>th</sup> 'International Yoga Day' through a week-long Yoga program with the theme of Diabetes, stress and Yoga with demonstration of Asthanyoga and Mudras, Yoga for Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases, Stress and Yoga at Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Dibrugarh and Bhubaneswar, 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2018.

- (i) Under 'Swachh Bharat Action Plan' undertook various awareness activities on management of Bio-Medical Waste, E-Waste management, awareness activity at roadside eateries at Kolkata, Bhubaneswar and Belagavi on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.
- (j) Signed two separate MoUs with AIIMS, Bhubaneswar for collaboration on Medical & Public Health and SCSTRI (Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Research and Training Institute), Bhubaneswar for collaboration on tribal health research.