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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Consolidation/Merger of ICMR Institutes/Centres –

In pursuance of recommendations made by the Performance Evaluation Committee about the consolidation/merger of ICMR Institutes/Centres for the purpose of downsizing, reducing expenditure, resource sharing, avoiding overlaps in the activities and functions and proving broader public health research. The issue was considered by the Executive Council of the ICMR in its meeting held on 30.05.2017.

Executive Council, ICMR approved the proposed merger of ICMR Institutes/Centres and the same has also been ratified by the Governing Council in its meeting held on 12.10.2017.

In view of the above, following merger of ICMR Institutes/Centres are ordered with immediate effect :

1. *National Institute of Pathology (NIOP), New Delhi with National Institute of Cancer Preventive & Research, (NICPR), Noida.*
2. *Enterovirus Research Centre (EVRC) Mumbai to be merged with National Institute of Virology (NIV), Pune & will become a field station of NIV. Field station may be shifted to new building in Kharghar and may also start working on rubella, measles etc. in addition to work on polio.*
3. *Centre for Research in Medical Entomology (CRME), Madurai to be merged with Vector Control Research Centre, Puducherry and will function as VCRC Field station. New name of the merged institute may be drafted with focus to give it a national status.*
4. *Genetic Research Centre (GRC) Mumbai to be merged with National Institute for Research in Reproductive Health (NIRRH), Mumbai & will function as a laboratory of NIRRH.*
5. *Food and Drug Toxicology Research Centre (FDTRC), Hyderabad will be merged with National Institute of Nutrition (NIN), Hyderabad & will become a laboratory of NIN..*
6. *National Centre for Laboratory Animal Sciences (NCLAS), Hyderabad to be merged with National Animal Resource Facility for Biomedical Research (NARF), Hyderabad. Since, it will take 4-5 years for NARF to be fully functional till then NCLAS will be known as NARF. Once NARF building is*

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ready in the new campus, staff will be shifted . NIN can retain the existing building and convert it to an animal house. Staff to be shifted to NARF & remaining at NCLAS to be decided in consultation between Director NIN & staff concerned.

- 7. Microbial Containment Complex (MCC), Pune will be merged with National Institute of Virology, Pune with all its assets & staff. It will become a laboratory of NIV, PUNE.*
- 8. ICMR Virus Unit, Kolkata will be merged with NICED Kolkata with all its assets and staff. It will become a laboratory of NICED, Kolkata.*

The merged Institutes/Centres shall remain functional as Field Stations or second campus of the primary Institute. The post of Director of that Institute shall be operated in the field station/second campus as Scientist-G till further orders or they will be shifted elsewhere as per ICMR's requirements. The seniority, transfer of Scientists and other staff shall be decided in due course as per Govt. of India rules.

However, a committee was constituted for merger and repositioning of ICMR Institutes/Centres vide OM No.6/2/2017-Admn.-II dated 11.8.2017. The first meeting of the Committee for merger of ICMR Institutes was held on 27.9.2017 at National Institute of Pathology, New Delhi and it was decided that merger of National Institute of Pathology (NIOP) with National Institute of Cancer Preventive & Research (NICPR) has major administrative and technical issues in addition to differences in work and mandate. The Committee recommends that National Institute of Pathology (NIOP) and National Institute of Cancer Preventive & Research (NICPR) merger requires more discussion and the matter may be kept on hold as of now.

These orders will come into effect from 1st November, 2017.



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Administrative Officer
for Director General

To

The Directors/Directors-in-Charge of permanent Institutes/Centres of the Council.

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