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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Constitution of a Monitoring Committee for reviewing the activities and progress of CSIR-Min. of AYUSH Joint Initiative on Clinical Trials of 4 AYUSH Interventions for COVID-19.

Reference is made to the CSIR-Min. of AYUSH collaboration and recent developments related to the COVID-19 pandemic. CSIR and Min. of AYUSH have agreed to jointly work on four AYUSH interventions for COVID-19 that include AYUSH-64, *Withania somnifera* (Ashwagandha), *Tinospora cordifolia* + *piper longum* (Guduchi + pippali), and *Glycyrrhiza glabra* (Yashtimadhu). CSIR constituent laboratory, CSIR-Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (CSIR-IIIM), Jammu and Central Council for Research in Ayurveda Sciences (CCRAS), Min. of AYUSH, New Delhi have been identified as the nodal organizations to lead this effort. In this regard a MoU between the CSIR-IIIM and CCRAS was signed on 20 May 2020.

DG, CSIR & Secretary, DSIR and Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH have been pleased to constitute a Monitoring Committee to monitor the project as mentioned in the subject, for achieving the defined objectives in the time and costs projected.

1. The Composition of the Monitoring Committee is as under :-

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| (i) | Dr. V M Katoch, Former DG, ICMR | - Chairman |
| (ii) | Prof. Abhimanyu Kumar, Vice Chancellor, Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan Ayurved University, Jodhpur | - Member |
| (iii) | Dr. G N Singh, Former DG, DCGI | - Member |
| (iv) | Dr. Nilima Kshirsagar National Chair Clinical Pharmacology, ICMR, New Delhi and Prof. Head Clinical Pharmacology G.S. Medical College KEM Hospital, Mumbai | -Member |
| (v) | Prof. B.S. Prasad, Principal, Shri BMK Ayurved Mahavidyalay and KLE Ayurveda Hospital & Medical Research Centre, Belagavi | - Member |
| (vi) | Director, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu | - Member |
| (vii) | Director General, CCRAS, New Delhi | - Member |
| (viii) | Dr. Viswajanani J Sattigeri, Head, CSIR-TKDL Unit | - Non-member convenor |

2. The Terms of Reference (ToR) of the Monitoring Committee are as follows:

- (i) To review and examine the progress of the project in conformance with the milestones, targets and objectives set, as contained in the project proposal;
- (ii) Based on the foregoing, to assess and recommend for:
 - i. modification including dropping in the components of the project, or foreclosing within the overall approved objectives, budget and timeframe;
 - ii. including additional institutional/clinical trial/industrial partners, in the overall interest of the project;


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- iii. suitable inter-institutional mechanisms between the Parties for resolution of issues, if any and smooth execution of the identified project activities;
 - iv. revising the funding support to any / or all implementing Parties;
 - v. revising/extending the project duration, if necessary.
- (iii) To advise on matters related to publications and IPR by the implementing Parties; and
- (iv) Any other matter as referred to by DG, CSIR & Secretary, DSIR and Secretary, Min. of AYUSH.

Chairman of the Monitoring Committee can suggest modifications to the aforesaid composition as per the need co-opt members for specific task and also suggest for external experts on invitation basis.

The Monitoring Committee shall meet as per the requirement of the project, but at least once a month. The meetings of the Monitoring Committee shall be facilitated and convened by the CSIR & Min. of AYUSH jointly.

The expenses of TA/DA and Honorarium of Rs 5000/- per meeting of the non-CSIR and non-CCRAS members will be as per CSIR rules and will be borne jointly by CSIR-IIIM and CCRAS.


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Under Secretary
CSIR-TKDL Unit

To

The Monitoring Committee Members & Chair

Copy to:-

1. O/o DG, CSIR & Secretary, DSIR, New Delhi.
2. O/o Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH, New Delhi.
3. Head, Innovation Management Directorate, CSIR, New Delhi.
4. Head, Central Planning Directorate, CSIR, New Delhi.
5. Dr. D.M. Mondhe, Sr. Principal Scientist, CSIR-IIIM, Jammu.
6. Dr. N. Srikanth, Deputy DG, CCRAS, New Delhi.
7. O/o FA, CSIR, New Delhi.
8. O/o JS (Admin), CSIR, New Delhi.
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