

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR INDIAN COUNCIL FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the funds have been sanctioned for the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) under the Tenth Five year Plan ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the points selected by the ICMR to conduct research work thereon along with the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c): Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has been allocated Rs.970 crores during the Tenth Plan period for implementation of on going & new research schemes/ projects. The thrust areas of ICMR's research work are in harmony with the priority areas identified in the National Health & Population Policy, cutting edge areas in health research, Central Sector schemes transferred to ICMR & neglected areas in medical research not addressed by other agencies. Major areas identified by ICMR for conducting Research are..

1. Complementing National Health Policy by formulating a Health Research Policy.
2. Project Development and Evaluation.
3. Conducting fundamental and strategic research.
4. Harness and use new and emerging technologies to find solutions to health issues.
5. Operationalisation of research outcomes.
6. Data bases/Registries.
- 7 Conducting studies related to environmental stability.
8. Tackling looming epidemic of life-style diseases.
9. Improving reproductive health and nutrition.
10. Addressing health issues of under privileged sections of society.