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1. Introduction

The Northeast Region of India (NER) grapples with an array of health challenges, from lingering infectious diseases, malnutrition, and precarious pregnancies to the emergent menace of surging cancer rates and other non-communicable ailments. This multifaceted threat demands a unified public health response aimed at delivering efficient, cost-effective interventions for health promotion, disease prevention, and accessible diagnostic and therapeutic care. Comprising eight states and bordered by Nepal, Bhutan, China, Myanmar, and Bangladesh, the NER is predominantly enclosed by international boundaries, constituting about 98% of its perimeter. Despite being often portrayed as underdeveloped in policy discourse, the NER is a mosaic of diverse cultures, landscapes, and values systems amidst ongoing modernization. Beyond the current COVID-19 crisis, the region contends with recurring outbreaks of diseases such as swine flu, Japanese encephalitis, scrub typhus, enteric fever, and brucellosis. Moreover, persistent challenges in disease prevention span various realms, including nutrition, environmental factors, maternal and child health, injury prevention, and mental wellness. Addressing public health issues in the NER necessitates tailored strategies that account for the region's ethnic, cultural, dietary, and lifestyle disparities internally and compared to other parts of India.

1.1. About Indian Institute of Public Health Shillong (IIPHS)

The Indian Institute of Public Health Shillong (IIPHS) was founded in 2014 through a collaboration between the Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) and the Government of Meghalaya, with the aim of establishing a regional hub for public health initiatives. Its inception sought to address the dearth of institutional and systemic capacity in public health within the northeastern region of India. In August 2020, a pivotal transition occurred as the institute attained independent status, operating under the aegis of the IIPH Shillong Society. This milestone was marked by the formal registration of the Indian Institute of Public Health Shillong Society under the Meghalaya Societies Registration Act XII of 1983 on 19 August 2020. The primary objectives of the Society encompass the promotion of health and well-being across all communities, with a particular focus on tribal populations and marginalized groups. Additionally, it aims to establish, enhance, and sustain educational and research institutions, including potential universities, to foster research and advance knowledge dissemination. Furthermore, the Society is committed to delivering education, enhancing capacities, and facilitating the implementation of cost-effective

healthcare delivery systems specifically tailored to the needs of the Northeastern region. Oversight of the Society's operations is vested in a Governing Body composed of key stakeholders, including the Principal Secretary of Health and Family Welfare of the Government of Meghalaya, the President of PHFI, the Director of IIPH-Shillong, alongside public health experts from Meghalaya and other regions of the Northeast.

Vision

A world that is healthy, equitable and empowered

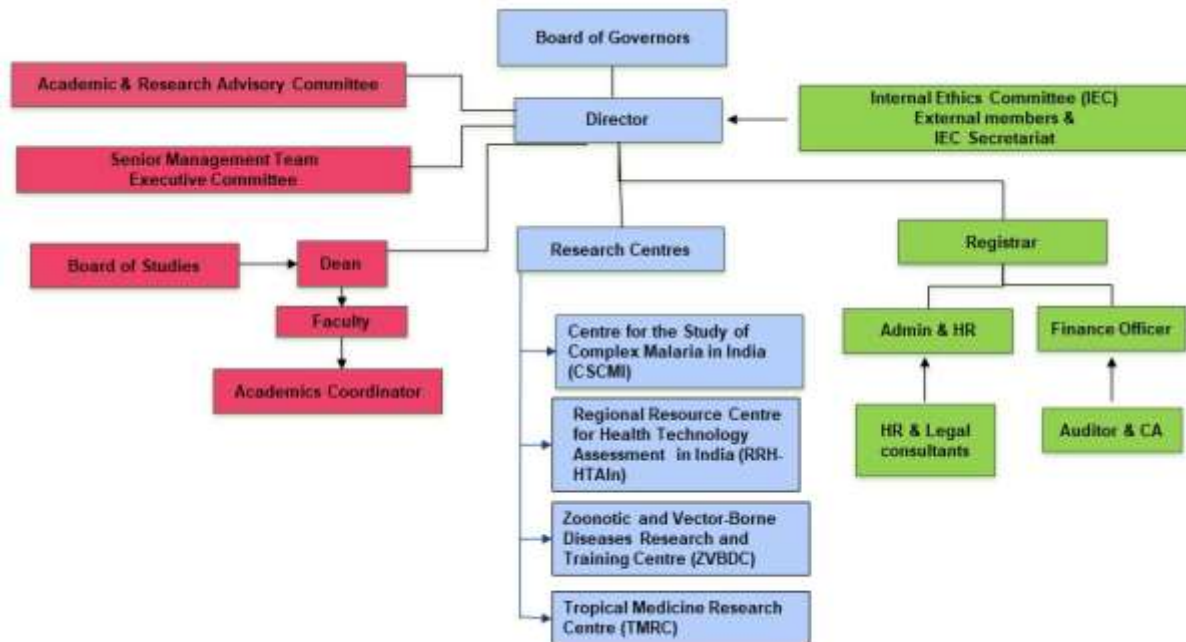
Mission

To advance equitable health and wellbeing by fostering a culture of excellence in education, research and praxis while challenging existing paradigms through policy and advocacy

Values

Integrity
Quality
Respect
Innovation

2. Organisational Structure



3. Members of the Board of Governors

Shri Sampath Kumar IAS, Chair (President) and Principal Secretary Health & Family Welfare

Prof Sandra Albert, Director, IIPHS (Member Secretary)

Dr Kharshiing – DHS MI

Prof Sanjay Zodpey, President, PHFI (ex-officio)

Prof Nalin Mehta, Director, NEIGRIHMS

Prof Kalpana Sarathy, Director, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Guwahati

Prof Rupali Baruah, HoD, Community Medicine, Tezpur Medical College

Dr Gordon Rangad, Medical Superintendent, Nazareth Hospital, Shillong

Dr Twinkle S. R. Marak, Deputy Secretary, Health and Family Welfare, Government of Meghalaya

Dr Melari Shisha Nongrum, Dean, IIPHS

4. Statutory Committees

(a) Research Advisory Committee

1. Dr. Rajiv Sarkar, PhD (Chair)
2. Dr. Bhupen Barman, MD (External Member)
3. Dr. Melari S Nongrum, PhD (Member)
4. Rennie O Lakadong

(b) Institutional Ethics Committee – members

1. Dr. Rennie Orson Lakadong-Chairperson
2. Dr. Eliza Dutta-Member – Member Secretary
3. Dr. Meban Aibor Kharkongor-Clinical Sciences Expert
4. Dr. Moami M Marak- Clinician and public health expert
5. Dr. Victoria Grikchi Tariang Momin - Scientific Expert
6. Dr. Hamkhein Helpme Mohrmen-Social Sciences Expert
7. Ms. Satrupa Bhattacharjee-Legal Expert
8. Ms. Mayfereen Ryntathiang-Lay Person

5. Faculty Members

Core faculty:

- i. Dr. Rajiv Sarkar PhD
- ii. Prof. Sandra Albert MD DrPH
- iii. Dr. Eliza K Dutta PhD
- iv. Dr. Tiameren Jamir PhD
- v. Dr Melari Shisha Nongrum PhD
- vi. Ms Bindya Sara Babu MPhil
- vii. Ms Uniquey Gratis Mawrie MPH
- viii. Dr Kirti Chauhan PhD
- ix. Dr Khushbu Thadani PhD

Adjunct faculty

- i. Prof. Richard Heller, Emeritus Professor, University of Manchester, UK.
- ii. Dr. Laura Downey, Senior Research Fellow, George Institute for Global Health, Imperial College London.
- iii. Prof. Mark L. Wilson, Epidemiologist.
- iv. Dr. Nanda Kishore, University of Hyderabad, Telangana.
- v. Prof. Rajan Madhok, MBBS, MSc, FRCS, FFPHA, UK.
- vi. Prof. Anura Viswanath Kurpad, St John's Medical College, Bengaluru.
- vii. Dr. Aritra Das MBBS, PhD (Epidemiology)
- viii. Dr. V. Selvaraju, Economist
- ix. Dr. Suveera Prasad, Consultant Psychiatrist, UK
- x. Dr. Shaibya Saldanha, Obstetrician & Gynecologist, Govt of Meghalaya and Enfold

7. Reports of Research Projects

(i) Changing the Landscape of Soil-Transmitted Helminths (STH) in India using a One Health Approach

Lead investigators: Sitara SR Ajjampur (Christian Medical College, Vellore) and Rajiv Sarkar (Indian Institute of Public Health, Shillong)

Collaborators: Indian Institute Public Health (IIPH) & Martin Luther Christian University (MLCU), Shillong; University of Washington (UW), Seattle; University of California (UCB), Berkeley; Smith College (SC), Northampton; Quinnipiac University (QU), Hamden and Ashoka University (AU), Sonapat

Funder: National Institutes of Health, USA



Fig: Household survey, soil sampling and collection of fresh animal faecal samples at Meghalaya study sites

(ii) An Epidemiological Risk Profile of Gallbladder Cancer In North, East And North-East India: A Multi-Centric Case-Control Study

Lead investigators: Dr Eliza Dutta

Supervisor: Dr Sandra Albert

Mentor: Dr Preet Dhillon

Collaborators if any: Dr Gaurav Das, BBCI Guwahati, Dr Avdhesh Rai, BBCI Guwahati, Dr Rakesh Kapoor PGIMER, Chandigarh, Dr Rajesh Dikshit, PGIMER, Chandigarh, Dr Arun Aggarwal, PGIMER Chandigarh, Dr Ritambara Nadda, PGIMER, Chandigarh, Dr Projnan Saikia, Jorhat Medical College, Jorhat

Funder: India Alliance DBT-Wellcome Trust, Early Career Fellowship in Public Health and Clinical Research

List of publications and presentations:

1. Poverty and Cancers: A Brief Review, Annals of Oncology Research and Therapy, October 2023 (DOI: 10.4103/aort.aort_17_23)
2. Patient and caregiver perspectives of select non-communicable diseases in India: a scoping review, PloS One, December, 2023; a part of Lancet Commission on Citizen Health work.
3. Abstract titled, 'Analysis of cancer claims data from Megha Health Insurance Scheme from Meghalaya, north-east India' has been accepted for oral presentation at the International Conference for Public Health (ICOPH 2024) to be held in August 2024.
4. Invited for a lecture on epidemiology of gallbladder cancer in the North East Region of India at the Cancer Epidemiology Unit at the Nuffield Department of Population Health at the University of Oxford on 19 July, 2023
5. Selected competitively to present a case study on "How many deaths could be prevented if optimum cancer-healthcare is set-up in Meghalaya, North-East India", at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK, July 2023



Fig : Project staff working in the lab at the assigned hospital.

(iii) Knowledge, Attitude and Practices Regarding HIV/AIDS, Injecting Drugs And Sexual Practices Among Truckers And Allied Population In East Jaiñtia Hills Of Meghalaya

PI: Dr. Melari Shisha Nongrum,

Co PI: Carinthia Balabet Nengnong

Funding Agency: National AIDS Control Organisation



Fig : Dissemination program to share the outcomes of the study “Knowledge, Attitude, and Practices regarding HIV/AIDS, Injecting Drugs, and Sexual Practices among Truckers and Allied Population in East Jaiñtia Hills District of Meghalaya” in collaboration with the Meghalaya AIDS Control Society on July 18, 2024

(iv) Effectiveness Of Self-Help Groups For Breast And Tobacco-Related Cancer Prevention In Meghalaya: A Quasi-Experimental Study

PI: Dr. Melari Shisha Nongrum

Co PI: Dr. Eliza K Dutta

Funding Amount: Indian Council of Medical Research



Fig: Workshop on “Effectiveness of Self-Help Groups in Cancer Prevention in Meghalaya” funded by ICMR-NCDIR project.

(v) Zoonotic and Vector Borne Diseases Research & Training Centre

PI: Dr. Melari S Nongrum

Co PI: Dr. Rajiv Sarkar, Prof. Sandra Albert

Funder: DBT/Wellcome Trust India Alliance

Fig : Health and Science Camp organized by ZVBDC at Mawlyngkhung village in Umsning Block, Ri Bhoi District on December 9th, 2022.





Fig: Zoonotic and Vector Borne Disease Research Center organized a training in Ichatami on 24/01/24 in which village leaders, ASHAs, Anganwadi workers, and community volunteers were briefed on various zoonotic diseases.

(vi) Cost Effective Analysis on Thiamine Supplementation Among Post-Partum Women to Prevent Infantile Beri-Beri

Status: Completed. The study has been presented and approved by Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). Study outcome report of the study has also been revised and submitted to DHR. A policy brief has also been prepared and submitted to DHR.

PI: Prof. Sandra Albert

Funder: DHR under RRH-HTA

Conclusion: Thiamine deficiency is a serious health issue in the North-Eastern region of India, particularly affecting pregnant and lactating women and their infants. This study has demonstrated that a supplementation program of multivitamin that contains at least 10 milligrams of thiamine is a cost-effective means to avert deaths due to thiamine deficiency in infants. The findings have important implications for informing policy that can help mitigate the burden of thiamine deficiency in pregnant and postpartum women and in reducing infantile morbidity and mortality due to beriberi across the Northeast of India.

(vii) Assessment of Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) in Manipur

PI: Prof Sandra Albert

Funder: DHR under RRH-HTA



Fig: PMJAY Costing Study Implementation Phase- Manipur Team with District Officials and HoDs of Churachanpur district hospital.

(viii) Meghalaya Public Health Strengthening Project

PI: Prof. Sandra Albert

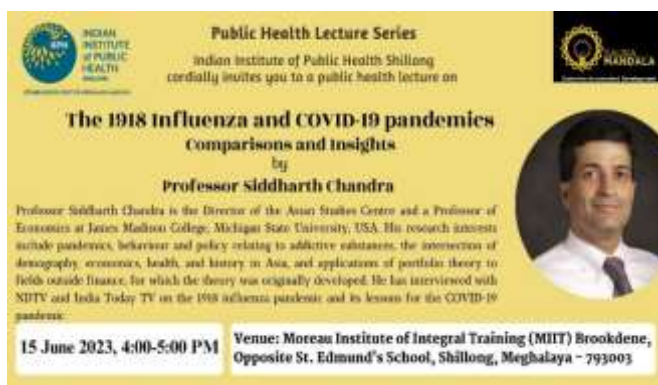
Funder: Sauramandala Foundation, Bangalore

Progress updates: Substantial progress has been made against objectives outlined. Key project deliverables that have been achieved include:

- support to the Government of Meghalaya, through deputation of two staff to NHM, Government of Meghalaya
- setting up of office at Holy cross campus, Dhanketi
- arranging and hosting a series of Public Health Lecture Series.



Public Health Lecture Flyer: Breast Cancer as a Global Health Challenge by Dr Toral Gathani on 18th April 2023



Public Health Lecture Flyer-3: 1918 influenza and COVID-19 pandemics, comparisons and insights on 15th June 2023

8. Research Achievements

Recognition and Awards

Name of Scientist (s)	Details of Award/ Fellowship	Date
Dr. Melari Shisha Nongrum	Fulbright Nehru Visiting Chair at Emory University, Atlanta, USA	January 16 to May 15, 2024

1. Dr. Deepak Rajan received the Best Poster Award for their presentation “*Trends of Leptospirosis in Kerala: 2011-2022 - A Secondary Data Analysis*”, 68th Annual National Conference of the Indian Public Health Association, 15-17 March, Manali, Himachal Pradesh.



Fig 12: Deepak Rajan (in dark blue) with the Best Poster Award at the 68th Annual National Conference of the Indian Public Health Association, 2024.

2. Ms. Carinthia Balabet Nengnong was awarded the Best Oral Presentation for the study “Community and Health Worker Perspectives on Malaria in Meghalaya, India: Covering the Last Mile of Elimination by 2030”, 68th Annual National Conference of the Indian Public Health Association, 15 –17 March, 2024, Manali, Himachal Pradesh.



Fig 13: Ms Carinthia Balabet Nengnong (in violet) with the Best Poster Award at the 68th Annual National Conference of the Indian Public Health Association, 2024.

Achievements

Dr. Rajiv Sarkar and co-authors, Uniqueky Gratis Mawrie, Sampath Kumar, Barshana Goswami and Dr. Sandra Albert of the **Indian Institute of Public Health, Shillong** have been honored with the "**JPHP Paper of the Year**" by the **Journal of Public Health Policy (JPHP)** for their research titled "**The need for a holistic approach toward pandemic control: lessons from a cross-sectional study on COVID-19 in Meghalaya, India**" in the **Journal of Public Health Policy (2022) 43:515–529** <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41271-022-00380-8>.

9. Publications

(i) Research And Review Articles

1. Kim S, **Sarkar R**, Kumar S, Lewis MG, Tozan Y, **Albert S**. Understanding COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy in Meghalaya, India: Multiple correspondence and agglomerative hierarchical cluster analyses. *PLOS Glob Public Health*. 2024. 4(2): e0002250. PMID: 38412201. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC10898751/>.
2. **Dutta E**, Poverty and cancers: A brief review. *Annals of Oncology Research and Therapy* (): 10.4103/aort.aort_17_23, February 02, 2024. | DOI: 10.4103/aort.aort_17_23 : [poverty_and_cancers_a_brief_review.1.pdf](https://doi.org/10.4103/aort.aort_17_23)
3. Nila S, **Dutta E**, Prakash SS, Korula S, Oommen AM. Patient and caregiver perspectives of select non-communicable diseases in India: A scoping review. *PLoS One*. 2024 Jan 5;19(1):e0296643. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0296643. PMID: 38180969; PMCID: PMC10769076: <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/38180969/>
4. Nonita Dudeja,a,i Tila Khan,b,i Deepak Thomas Varughese,c Sebin George Abraham,d MarilynMary Ninan,e Christie Leya Prasad,f **Rajiv Sarkar**,g,* and Gagandeep Kangh (2023). Technologies for strengthening immunization coverage in India: a systematic review : <https://iiphs.ac.in/wp-content/Downloads/Vaccine-Technologies-Systematic-Review-TLRHSEA.pdf>
5. Chugh Y, Jyani G, Trivedi M, **Albert S**, Kar SS, Patro B, Raman S, Rajsekar K, Baker RM, Donaldson C, Prinja S. Protocol for estimating the willingness-to-pay-based value for a quality-adjusted life year to aid health technology assessment in India: a cross-sectional study. *BMJ Open*. 2023 Feb 16;13(2):e065591. doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2022-065591. PMID: 36797026; PMCID: PMC9936284 : <https://iiphs.ac.in/wp-content/Downloads/Notice/e065591.full.pdf>

(ii) Popular Articles

- Teenage pregnancy – Can a child raise a child? – October 21, 2023
- Spitting in the open: A public health nuisance: a special article by Firdaus Samad, an MPH student – 28 September 2023
- Disastrous road conditions taking a toll on our spine health – an insightful writeup by our MPH student – 25 September 2023

10. Presentation In Workshops/Seminars/Symposia/Conferences

Poster Presentations

Participant	Poster Title	Event	Date	Venue
Uniqueky Mawrie	One health approach to elucidate the epidemiology of soil transmitted helminth infections in settings with close human-animal interaction: a cross-sectional study from Meghalaya, India	Winter Symposium & South Zone MicroCon 2024-One Health One World: Connecting the Dots	February 1-3, 2024	Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.
Worthing Yanglem	Preventive practices for vector-borne diseases in Meghalaya	Winter Symposium & South Zone MicroCon 2024-One Health One World: Connecting the Dots	February 1-3, 2024	Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.
Mercylin Lyngdoh	Density of animal ownership in three districts in Meghalaya	Winter Symposium & South Zone MicroCon 2024-One Health One World: Connecting the Dots	February 1-3, 2024	Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India.
Dr.Deepak Rajan	Animal handling and meat consumption practices among rural household in Meghalaya: a cross-sectional study	Winter Symposium & South Zone MicroCon 2024-One Health One World: Connecting the Dots	February 1-3, 2024	Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India
	"Trends of Leptospirosis in Kerala: 2011-2022 - A Secondary Data Analysis"	68thAnnual National Conference of Indian Public Health Association (IPHACON-2024)	March 15 -17, 2024.	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports, Manali, Himachal Pradesh
Riviarynthia Kharkongor	WASH practices among rural household in Meghalaya	Winter Symposium & South Zone MicroCon 2024-One Health One World: Connecting the Dots	February 1-3, 2024	Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India
Dr. Barilin Dkhar	Epidemiology of scrub typhus in Northeast India: A retrospective analysis of 408 cases in a tertiary care setting Shillong, Meghalaya	Winter Symposium & South Zone MicroCon 2024-One Health One World: Connecting the Dots	February 1-3, 2024	Christian Medical College, Vellore, Tamil Nadu, India
Carinthia	Community and Health Worker Perspectives on Malaria in Meghalaya, India: Covering the Last Mile of Elimination by 2030	68thAnnual National Conference of Indian Public Health Association (IPHACON-2024)	March 15 -17, 2024.	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports, Manali, Himachal Pradesh
Carmenia	Perception on Zoonoses Among Livestock Rearers in Rural North Eastern India	68thAnnual National Conference of Indian Public Health Association (IPHACON-2024)	March 15 -17, 2024.	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports, Manali, Himachal Pradesh

Oral Presentations

Participants	Poster Title	Event	Date	Venue
Dr. Riviarynthia Kharkongor	Prevalence and seroprevalence of scrub typhus in northeast India: A systematic review	68th Annual National Conference of Indian Public Health Association (IPHACON-2024)	March 15 -17, 2024	Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports, Manali, Himachal Pradesh
Uniqueky Mawrie	Human-animal interactions in rural settings of Meghalaya: insights into the potential for transmission of zoonotic diseases	First Regional Conference on Health in Northeast India- 2024: "Advancing Health Equity-Bridging the Gaps"	April 25-26, 2024	Martin Luther Christian University, Shillong, Meghalaya, India

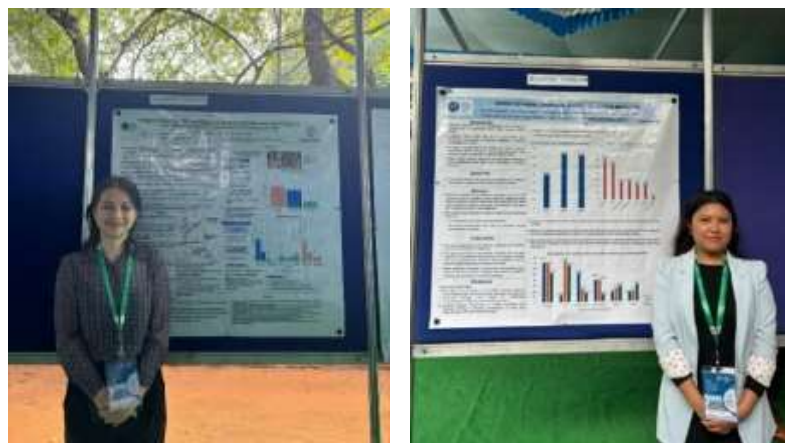


Fig: Research staff attended and presented their research work at the Winter Symposium & South Zone MicroCon 2024-One Health One World: Connecting the Dots at CMC Vellore on February 1-3, 2024.

11. Research Projects (Completed)

Sl. No	Title	Funding Agency
1.	Exploring the reasons behind refusal of vaccines in Meghalaya	Directorate of Health Services (MCH&FW), Government of Meghalaya
2.	Cost-effectiveness analysis of hypothermia-detecting devices	DHR under RRH-HTAIn
3	Economic evaluation of i-Stat (point of care testing device)	DHR under RRH-HTAIn
4.	Impact assessment of the SALT (Stimulate, Appreciate, Learn, and Transfer) approach of community engagement to increase immunization coverage through ownership - a mixed methods study in Assam, India	International Initiative for Impact
5.	A situational analysis and exploratory study of disease burden based on data from tertiary care hospitals in Shillong, Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya
6.	Schools as a setting for Comprehensive Health Promotion: Preventive, Promotive, Curative, Referral and outreach services	World Health Organisation
7.	Voices for health. Public Engagement Seminar on Cancers in the Northeast	Wellcome Trust
8.	Opportunities of poor urban women to engage with health policies in an indigenous context-Strengthening Evidence-based Policy. A Case Study of Shillong, Meghalaya, India. As part of the Empowerment of Women and Girls project	DFID
9.	Medical Pluralism among the indigenous peoples of Meghalaya, Northeast India – Implications for health policy	Wellcome Trust
10.	COVID-19 related studies -Knowledge, Attitude & Practices towards Hand Hygiene, Respiratory Etiquette & Community Quarantine	Government of Meghalaya
11.	COVID-19 related studies - Vaccine hesitancy among health care workers and general population in Meghalaya	Government of Meghalaya
12.	COVID-19 related studies -Seroprevalence of SARS-CoV-2 antibodies in Meghalaya: A facility-based cross-sectional survey	IDSP
13.	COVID-19 related studies -Effectiveness of step-up treatment using the combination of anti-histamines and steroids for treatment of COVID-19	Government of Meghalaya

12. Workshops and Seminars Conducted

1. Regional consultative workshop on health technology assessment for northeast states of India, 21st Feb 2024, State Convention Centre, Shillong.
2. Statistical approaches to the analysis of pandemics-Prof Siddharth Chandra 15th June, 2023, Moreau Institute of Integral Training, Shillong.
3. Capacity building training on hospital preparedness during public health emergencies program, 11th-16th September 2023.
4. How to critique scientific literature, Dr. Eliza Dutta, 3rd October 2023, Indian Institute of Public Health Shillong, Shillong-793001.
5. First Aid Workshop, Tiameren Jamir, 16th & 17th October, Indian Institute of Public Health Shillong, Shillong, Meghalaya-793001.
6. Workshop on reflective writing and public health practice: learning from the UK experience, Dr. Rajan Madhok, 27th & 28th November 2023, Indian Institute of Public Health Shillong, Shillong- 793001
7. Health developments in north-east India: some lessons from the NHS, Dr. Rajan Madhok, 28th November 2024, Indian Institute of Public Health Shillong, Shillong 793001
8. Introduction to Statistical Data Analysis using R By Ms. Sumali Bajaj, 7th & 8th December 2024, Pasteur Institute, Lawmali, Shillong



Fig: Public Health Lecture Series on Breast Cancer as a Global Health Challenge by Dr Toral Gathani on 18th April 2023.



Fig: Public Health Lecture on 1918 influenza and COVID-19 pandemics, comparisons and insights by Prof. Siddharth Chandra on 15th June 2023

14. Academic Programmes

In 2019, the Masters in Public Health (MPH) program was inaugurated, paving the way for the Bachelors of Science in Public Health (BPH) program in 2021 through a partnership with Martin Luther Christian University, Shillong. Notably, the Institute of Indian Public Health Sciences (IIPHS) has recently introduced a PhD program, which has already attracted three students. These educational initiatives aim to cultivate a skilled cohort of professionals equipped with foundational knowledge in public health, enabling them to address the diverse health challenges prevalent in India effectively.

The institute is offering Bachelor of Science in Public Health (BPH) and Masters in Public Health (MPH) programs in collaboration with Martin Luther Christian University, Shillong, tailored to meet the public health issues of the northeastern region of India.

- (i) Masters in Public Health (MPH) program: 135 students enrolled between 2019 and 2023, out of which 65 have already graduated.
- (ii) Bachelor of Science in Public Health (BPH) program: 23 students enrolled between 2021 and 2023.
- (iii) Master of Science in Health Economics and Technology Assessment (MSc HETA)
- (iv) PhD

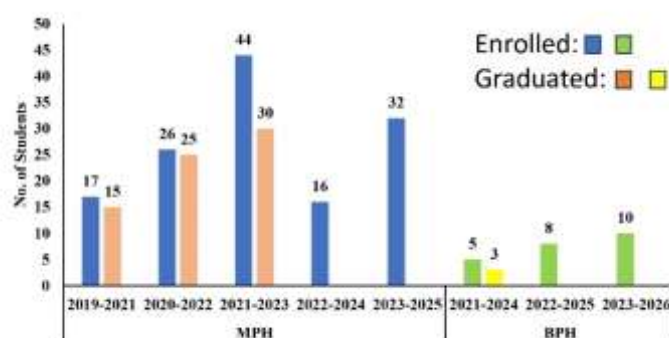


Fig: Students' participation in the G-20 Summit Activities

Campus Life: Students engage in a rich campus experience with numerous clubs, organizations, and events that enhance their educational journey.



Fig: Orientation of the Third Batch MPH students, 1st Oct 2021.



Fig: Workshop on First Aid Responder for the MPH 1st and BSc PH 5th semester students facilitated by Dr. Tiameren Jamir, 16th & 17th October, 2023.

Recruiters of our graduates include Government of Meghalaya, Regional Resource Centre for the NE, NEIGRIHMS, eGovernment Organization, Bangalore, Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi, IIPH Shillong, INCLEN Trust international, SOMAARTH, Mawngap Rim East Khasi Hills District, Shillong Meghalaya, Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh Assam, Child in Need Institute, Kolkata, International Union against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Bhopal, MP, PP Savani University, Surat, Gujarat, PGIMER Chandigarh, Jan Swasthya Sahyog (JSS), Chattisgarh, HCL Foundation, HarDOI (U.P.), PHFI, Gurugram, Haryana, Directorate Of Health Services, Shillong, DHMO, Tura, Vivekananda Kendra Health Action Research Initiative, Khatkhati, Bokajan Block, Karbi Anglong District, Assam, National Ayush Mission, Mawkrywat, Meghalaya, State Health Resource Center (SHRC), Raipur, DMHO, Shillong, Britannia Nutrition Foundation, Gwalior (Madhya Pradesh), Assam Cancer Care Foundation, IIPH, Gandhinagar, DMHO, Nongpoh, KEM HRC Community Health Research Unit, Manchar, Pune, National TB Elimination Program, Jowai.

Placement percentage of students for the year 2021-2023 is 92%.

Curriculum Highlights and Unique Aspects:

MPH and BPH Experiential Learning

- **Community Orientation:** A major component of the MPH degree, the community placement offers students supervised, real-world public health experiences in rural Meghalaya.
- **Health Facility Posting:** Students gain real-life work experiences in health facilities, helping them understand health systems and developing critical thinking in public health practice.
- **Apprenticeship in Health Policy and Programs:** This apprenticeship offers students practical experience in government organizations such as the National Health Mission and Health Department to understand processes of policy formulation and implementation

Student Support (Scholarships)

- **National Scholarship Portal (NSP):** Scholarships available for eligible students.
- **Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI):** Scholarships for MPH students – 10 students awarded for the academic year 2023-25.
- **Full/Partial scholarships for SC/ST candidates and students from economically challenged backgrounds – 1 student awarded for the academic year 2024-2026.**

Student Activities & Achievements

- **Health Education:** BSc Public Health students conducted a hygiene session at God's Dream Home.
- **Empowering Women:** MPH students explored women's rights and skill development at North East Network.
- **Supporting Vulnerable Populations:** MPH students observed interventions for street children at Reach Shillong Ministries.
- **Substance Abuse Awareness:** BSc PH students engaged with VHAM and female injecting drug users on substance abuse issues.
- **Teacher's Day Tribute:** BSc PH students celebrated their faculty on Teacher's Day.
- **Write Shop:** MPH students received writing feedback from Kong Patricia Mukhim, Editor of The Shillong Times.
- **Alumni Talk:** MPH students interacted with alumni about career opportunities in public health.
- **Special Sessions with Practitioners**
 - **Adolescent Health:** MPH students discussed adolescent health with Ms. Phida Dkhar.
 - **Child Protection:** Students learned about child protection laws from Ms. Ibarilil Lyngdoh Synrem.
 - **Mental Health:** MPH students studied the Mental Health Continuum with Dr. Dahunlyne Shylla and visited SanKer, a mental health hospital.
- **Community Schemes:** BSc PH students briefed on government schemes by the Meghalaya Early Childhood Development Mission.



Fig.: Convocation of MPH 3rd batch students



Fig: On the 26th of October 2023, students of 1st semester MPH, visited San-Ker, to experience and understand the type of services provided by them to treat the individuals with mental health issues.



Fig: On the 20th of October 2023, 1st semester students of MPH, visited the Reach Shillong Ministries Open Day Shelter and the 24 Hours Crisis Management Center.

16. Audited Financial Statements

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC HEALTH SHILLONG LAWMALI : PASTEUR HILLS : SHILLONG

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31.03.2024

	Schedule	Current Year	Previous Year
CORPUS/CAPITAL FUND AND LIABILITIES:			
CORPUS/CAPITAL FUND	1	39788318.75	42020646.75
RESERVE AND SURPLUS	2	-	-
EARMARKED/ENDOWMENT FUNDS	3	-	-
SECURED LOANS AND BORROWINGS	4	-	-
UNSECURED LOANS AND BORROWINGS	5	-	-
DEFERRED CREDIT LIABILITIES	6	-	-
CURRENT LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS	7	1086222.00	118399.00
TOTAL ₹		40874540.75	42139045.75
ASSETS			
FIXED ASSETS	8	5894519.00	3737189.00
INVESTMENTS - FROM EARMARKED/ENDOWMENT FUNDS	9	-	-
INVESTMENTS - Fixed Deposits with Scheduled Bank	10	-	-
CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS, ADVANCES ETC.	11	35180021.75	38401656.75
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURE (To the extent not written off or adjusted)		-	-
TOTAL ₹		40874540.75	42139045.75
SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES	24	-	-
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND NOTES ON ACCOUNTS	25	-	-


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CONSOLIDATED INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2024

INCOME	Schedule	Current Year	Previous Year
Income from Sales/Services	12	-	-
Grants/Subsidies	13	37738824.00	33051934.00
Fees/Subscriptions	14	7320284.00	13052370.00
Income from Investments (Income on Invest. From earmarked/endow. Funds Transferred to Funds)	15	-	-
Income from Royalty, Publication etc.	16	-	-
Interest Earned	17	1056417.00	528605.00
Other Income	18	13989.00	2.00
Increase/(decrease) in stock of Finished goods and works-in-progress	19	-	-
TOTAL (A) ₹		48129514.00	46632911.00
EXPENDITURE:			
Establishment Expenses	20	23028319.00	16734632.50
Other Administrative Expenses etc.	21	13857741.00	5035995.28
Expenditure on Grants, Subsidies etc.	22	10494747.00	1628703.00
Bank Charges	23	1731.00	1180.00
Depreciation	8	1184961.00	773555.00
TOTAL (B) ₹		48587499.00	24174065.78
Balance being excess of Income over Expenditure (A - B)		(2437985.00)	22458845.22
Transfer to Special Reserve (Specify each)		-	-
Transfer to / from General Reserve		-	-
BALANCE BEING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) CARRIED TO CORPUS/CAPITAL FUND		(2437985.00)	22458845.22
SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES	24	-	-
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND NOTES ON ACCOUNTS	25	-	-


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CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2024

Receipts	Current Year	Previous Year	Payments	Current Year	Previous Year
I. Opening Balances:			I. Expenses:		
a) Cash	-	-	a) Establishment Expenses	23028319.00	16732520.00
b) Bank Balances			b) Administrative Expenses	13824681.00	5035995.28
i) In Current Account	486374.86	2296546.85			
ii) In Savings Account	37595582.89	17319949.17	II. Expenditure on Grants, Subsidies Etc.		
II. Grant Received			a) Grants given to Institution/ Organisations	5012272.00	-
a) Department of Health Research, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI, New Delhi	-	5000000.00	b) Expenses on Seminars/Workshops/ Programmes/Projects/training, etc	129515.00	217062.00
b) DBT Welcome Trust, India Alliance, Hyderabad	19389098.00	24536994.00	c) Other Payments:		
c) Indian Council of Medical Research(ICMR), Bengaluru	-	807125.00	Payment made to ICAR	5352960.00	1411841.00
d) Christian Medical College, Vellore	2100000.00	500000.00	III. Investments and Deposits made:		
e) Indian Institute of Public Health, Gandhinagar	2970060.00	817740.00	a) Out of Earmarked/Endowment Funds	-	-
f) Commissioner of Food Safety, Government of Meghalaya	-	300000.00	b) Out of Own Funds (Other Investments)	-	-
g) Meghalaya Aids Control Society, Government of Meghalaya	298820.00	93100.00	IV. Expenditure on Fixed Assets and Capital Work-in-Progress:		
h) St John Research Institute, Bengaluru	124835.00	1121715.00	a) Purchase of Fixed Assets		
i) Public Health Foundation of India, New Delhi	401395.00	-	i. Room Heater	20000.00	-
j) Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, Chandigarh	222618.00	-	ii. Furniture & Fixtures	938848.00	5000.00
k) National Health Mission, Govt. of Meghalaya	360000.00	-	iii. Books	-	3294.00
m) Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi	7588145.00	-	iv. Computer & Peripherals	220699.00	276287.00
n) Sauramandala Foundation Srikanth Layout, Highground, Bangalore	5367500.00	-	v. Office Equipments	-	-
			vi. Software	21799.00	466448.00
			vii. Mobile Phones	-	-
			viii. Voice Recorder	23980.00	-
			ix. Tab	-	46497.00
			x. Laboratory Equipments	1377110.00	2871378.00
			xi. Heater	-	16000.00
			xii. Laptop	214955.00	-
			xiii. Audio Visuals	95779.00	-
			xiv. Inverter	137897.00	-
			xv. Microwave	19499.00	-
			xvi. Refrigerator	39830.00	-
			xvii. Water Dispenser	13558.00	-
			xviii. Printer	13990.00	-
			xix. Projector Screen	4707.00	-
III. Fees & Subscription			V. Refund of Surplus money/Loan	-	-
i) Membership fees	-	-	VI. Finances Charges (Bank Charges)	1731.00	1180.00
ii) Fees from students	3186390.00	13052370.00	VII. Other Payments (specify)		
iii) Fees against services rendered	4131894.00	-	i. TDS paid	837172.00	987890.00
Corpus Donations received	300000.00	-	ii. Loans & Advances	-	424899.00
IV. Income on Investment from			iii. Staff Advance	468673.00	4000.00
a) Earmarked/Endowment Funds	-	-	TDS on		
b) Own Funds (Other Investments)	-	-	a) Fees Received	318839.00	1305237.00
V. Interest Received:			b) Grant Received	306164.00	188130.00
a) On Bank Deposits			GST Paid	47140.00	-
In Savings Account	1058417.00	528805.00	VIII. Closing Balances:		
b) On Loans, Advances etc.	-	-	a) Cash	-	-
VI. Other Income (Specify):			b) Bank Balances		
Donations	13889.00	2.00	i) In Current Account	457078.86	486374.86
VII. Any Other Receipts			ii) In Savings Account	34161420.89	37595582.89
i) Internal Loan refunded	-	-	c) Petty cash	-	-
ii) TDS Recovered	868849.00	986190.00			
iii) Loan refunded by staff	584583.00	116129.00	TOTAL ₹	87088236.75	68075414.03
VIII. Loan from PHFI					
Income Tax refund					
a) A/Y 2021-22	-	130450.00			
b) A/Y 2022-23	-	404150.00			
Excess of refund from purchase of books	-	82348.00			


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