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Abstract

Health & Family Welfare Department – Working Committee on Kerala Antimicrobial Resistance Strategic Action Plan (KARSAP) - Re-Constituted - Orders issued

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.1484/2024/H&FWD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 22-06-2024

- Read:- 1. G.O.(Rt) No.338/2022/H&FWD, dated 11/02/2022
 2. Minutes of KARSAP Working Committee meeting dated 20/02/2024
 3. Proposal from the Nodal Officer KARSAP dated 14/06/2024

ORDER

In order to streamline activities of Kerala Antimicrobial Resistance Strategic Action Plan (KARSAP) under various domains Government have constituted a working committee as per Government Order read as 1st paper above. The KARSAP working committee review meeting held on 20/02/2024 has decided to reconstitute the committee by adding identified nodal officers from different sectors. As per 3rd paper above nodal officer, KARSAP has submitted a proposal to re-constitute the existing working committee.

2. Government have examined the proposal in detail and are pleased to re-constitute the existing working committee as follows;

Sl.No	Focal Area	Details of Nodal Officers
1.	Nodal Officer for Infection Prevention and Control, Antimicrobial Stewardship and “Antibiotic literate Kerala Action Plan”[Convenor of Working Committee]	Dr. ARAVIND R Associate professor and Head of Infectious Diseases, GMC, Thiruvananthapuram
2.	Nodal Officer for Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance	1. Dr. JYOTHI R Additional Professor in

		Microbiology Thiruvananthapuram	GMC,
		2. Dr. SUNIJA	
		Director, Laboratory, DHS	Public Health
		3. Dr. ARYA R.V	
		Junior Consultant, Microbiology, GH Ernakulam [Focal Point for WHONET AMR Surveillance under DHS]	
3.	Nodal Officer for Co-ordinating AMR Activities Under DHS and For Extending "HUB AND SPOKE" Model Of AMR Surveillance to all Districts	Dr. SIVA PRASAD P.S	
		Junior consultant in Paediatrics Higher Grade, General Hospital Irinjalakuda. Nodal officer, AMR program - Hub and Spoke Model	
4.	Nodal Officer for Animal Husbandry	Dr. PREVIN PUNNOOSE	
		Additional Director, Division of Bacteriology and Virology, Avian Disease Diagnostic Laboratory, Thiruvalla	
5.	Nodal Officer for Environmental Surveillance	Dr. SHEELA A.M	
		Senior Environmental Engineer, Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board	
6.	Nodal Officer for Fisheries and Aquaculture	Dr. DEVIKA PILLAI	
		Director of Research, Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, Kochi	

7	Nodal Officer for Engaging with Civil Society and LSGs for creating Awareness on AMR and co-ordinating various campaign activities	Dr. JITHESH Executive Director, SHSRC Thiruvananthapuram
8	Nodal Officer for creating AMR Awareness among School Children	Dr. RIAZ I Associate Professor of Paediatrics, Government Medical College, Idukki
9	Nodal Officer for co-ordination of AMR Training Activities, IT Based Solutions and Media Engagement	Dr. SHILPA BABU THOMAS State Nodal officer for Training, NHM Kerala
10	Nodal Officer for co-ordinating IPC and ASP Activities in Private Sector	<p>1. Dr. P. GOPIKUMAR Prev. State Secretary, IMA Kerala Chapter</p> <p>2. Dr. A RAJALAKSHMI Consultant Infectious Diseases, KIMS Health, Thiruvananthapuram [Representative of Clinical Infectious Disease Society Kerala Chapter]</p> <p>3. Dr. RADHA T. R Professor and Head of Internal Medicine, GMC Kottayam. Representative of Association of Physicians of India [API], Kerala chapter</p>
11	Nodal Officer for ASP and	1. Dr. LAKSHMI G. G

	IPC Accreditation for Hospitals	State Quality Assurance Officer, National Health Mission, Kerala
		2. Dr. ANUP R WARRIER Chief of Infectious Diseases, Aster Medcity, Kochi
12	Nodal Officer for co-ordinating Intersectoral Research	Dr. SABU THOMAS Director Centre of Excellence in Microbiome, Government of Kerala
13	Nodal Officer for strengthening Lab Systems for AMR Surveillance	Dr. NIKHILESH MENON R Assistant Surgeon, FHC Edappally
14	Nodal Officer for Dental Antibiotic Stewardship	Dr. DEEBU J MATHEW Honorary Secretary, Indian Dental Association, Kerala State Branch
15	Nodal Officer for Antibiotic Utilization Metrics Calculation and Prescription Auditing	Dr. ANNAPURNA Y Professor and Head, Department of Pharmacology, GMC Thiruvananthapuram

Additional Director of Health Services, Medical & Public Health as well as Nodal Officer (KARSAP) shall attend all working committee meetings and the activities under DHS shall be supervised by ADHS(Medical). The working committee shall report to Nodal Officer of KARSAP [HOD, Microbiology GMC Thiruvananthapuram] and the core committee of KARSAP.

The Government Order read as 1st paper above is modified to this extent.

(By order of the Governor)
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