8 TH National Bioethics Conference Program		
Pre-conference satellite meetings: between November 15, and December 15, 2020		
DAY THREE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2020 1430-1910 Hours THEME: RESEARCH ETHICS IN THE COVID PANDEMIC		
Time	Program details	
	Day 3 8th NBC Session 6 Plenary 3 RESEARCH ETHICS IN THE COVID PANDEMICS	
1430-1600 hrs (90 mins)	Co-Chair 1: <u>Dr Bhushan Patwardhan</u> , Vice-Chairperson, University Grants Commission, New Delhi Co-Chair 2: <u>Dr Amita Pitre</u> , Member, Managing Committee, FMES; Founding Trustee, Vidhayak Trust; Lead Specialist, Gender Justice, Oxfam India	
1515-1610 [60 mins]	Presentation of proceedings of the Day 3 by member of Rapporteurs committee	
	Introduction to speakers	
	Special Talk: <u>Dr S P Kalantri</u> , Director Professor of Medicine at Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Wardha, and Medical Superintendent of Kasturba Hospital, Wardha, [Politics of science in a pandemic: Impact on evidence-based medicine]	
	Keynote address 1: Prof Laisram Ladu Singh, Vice Chancellor, Bodoland University, Kokrajhar, Assam [Ethics of epidemiological modelling research]	
	Keynote address 2: Dr Cat Chatfield, Quality Improvement Editor, BMJ and Member, Steering Committee for the International Forum in Quality and Safety in Healthcare [Scientific integrity and publication ethics in pandemics]	
	Discussion and Closing remarks by Co-Chairs	
	SWITCH TO THE DAY 3 8 TH NBC SESSION 7	
1615-1745 [90 mins]	Day 3 8th NBC Session 7 CRISIS OF ETHICS REVIEW AND RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEES IN THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC	
1615-1745 (90 mins)	In the face of COVID-19, many stakeholders have been gathering data and conducting research to inform more robust responses to the pandemic. This has uncovered new challenges and conversations around ethical research methods researcher responsibilities as well as addressing respondent distress	
	In this panel, we will bring together perspectives across social science and clinical research, to share the vantage point of researchers who are actively collecting and using data around COVID-19 as well as the perspectives of IRB/Ethics Committee members who are attempting to adapt and guide researchers around ethical research practices.	
	Moderators: Suneeta Krishnan, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Priya Nanda, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	
	Speakers:	
	<u>Dr Mala Ramanathan</u> , Professor, Achutha Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology (SCTIMST)	
	Dr Prabha Chandra, Professor, National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences, Bangalore (NIMHANS)	
	Dr Sanjida Arora, Member Secretary-IEC, Centre for Enquiry into Health and Allied Themes (CEHAT)	
	Dr Karima Khalil, Maternal and Child Health Consultant, Oxford Policy Management Limited	
	Presented by the COVID-19 Research Network (<u>CORE Net</u>)	
	SWITCH TO THE DAY 3 8 TH NBC SESSION 8	
1745-1915: (90 mins)	Day 3 8th NBC Session 8 REGULATORY APPROVALS IN PANDEMIC: CLINICAL TRIAL APPROVALS & THE EMERGENCY AND MARKETING APPROVALS OF DRUGS AND VACCINES?	

1745-1915 (90 mins)	Chair 1: Dr Amar Jesani, Editor-in-chief, IJME Chair 2: Adv Veena Johari, Working Editor, IJME
	Dr Nandini Kumar, Former Deputy Director General Senior Grade, Indian Council of Medical Research [ICMR's COVID-19 Guidelines and fast-tracked approvals for drugs and other interventions]
	Dr Arun Bhatt, Consultant - Clinical Research & Drug Development [Scientific and Ethical Issues in COVID-19 clinical trials]
	Siddhartha Das, Postdoctoral Researcher, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium [Mishaps in drug regulatory processes: Insights into drugs approved by DCGI for COVID-19 treatment]
	Discussion and closing remarks by Chairs
	END OF THE DAY 3