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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Health & Family Welfare**  
**(PH Division)**

**Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi**  
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**OFFICE ORDER**

**Subject: Constitution of Inter-sectoral Coordination Committee, Technical Advisory Group and Core Working Group on AMR to oversee and coordinate policy decisions relating to AMR**

The Government of India, recognizing Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) to be a major public health threat had, vide order no. 05/05-16(NCDC/Micro)/PH dated 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016, approved the constitution of three committees – ICC-AMR, TAG-AMR and CWG-AMR, to effectively and comprehensively address all issues relating to AMR and for developing NAP-AMR for AMR Containment, and to assess, review and form guidelines and monitor the progress of activities under the programme.

NAP-AMR implementation with a One-Health approach requires involvement of key stakeholder departments/ministries, hence two of the committees i.e. TAG-AMR and CWG-AMR have been reconstituted as approved by Secretary (H).

The composition and Terms of Reference of the three committees for AMR containment is as below:

**1. Inter-Sectoral Coordination Committee on AMR (ICC-AMR):**

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| 1. Secretary (Health & Family Welfare), MoHFW                            | Chairperson |
| 2. Secretary, Department of Health Research and DG, ICMR                 | Member      |
| 3. Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries       | Member      |
| 4. Secretary, Department of Biotechnology                                | Member      |
| 5. Secretary, CSIR                                                       | Member      |
| 6. Director General of Health Services, MoHFW                            | Member      |
| 7. Additional Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare           | Member      |
| 8. Joint Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries | Member      |
| 9. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Food Processing Industries               | Member      |
| 10. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Environment & Forest & Climate Change   | Member      |

11. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Drinking water & Sanitation	Member
12. Joint secretary, Department of Pharmaceuticals	Member
13. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting	Member
14. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Finance	Member
15. Joint Secretary (PH), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	Member-Secretary

**Terms of Reference of ICC-AMR:**

1. Lead and facilitate the coordination of the national (with sub-national and international) response to the threat of AMR;
2. Oversee progress of National efforts to combat AMR and ensure implementation of National action Plan on AMR containment (NAP-AMR)
3. Ensure information sharing to reinforce AMR-related activities amongst all sectors;
4. Ensure coordination of the health system and other sectors to achieve the AMR-related public health goals;
5. Review and revise terms of reference of the technical advisory group on AMR;
6. Facilitate and synergise existing and new initiatives to achieve the goal of combating AMR in India;
7. Facilitate collaboration with internal and external agencies and organizations for AMR-related activities
8. Endorse National action plan for Antimicrobial resistance (NAP-AMR), and ensure adequate logistic and resource mobilisation to cover any funding gap.

The Inter-Sectoral Committee on AMR shall meet from time to time, at least once every quarter initially.

**2. Technical Advisory Group on AMR (TAG-AMR):**

1. Director General of Health Services, MoHFW	Joint Chair
2. Secretary, Department of Health Research and DG, ICMR	Joint Chair
3. Drug Controller General of India (DCGI)	Member
4. Commissioner, Department of Animal Husbandry	Member
5. Commissioner, Department of Fisheries	Member
6. AMR focal point, CSIR	Member
7. AMR focal point, Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)	Member

8. AMR focal point, Ministry of Environment & Forest & Climate Change	Member
9. AMR focal point, Central Pollution Control Board	Member
10. AMR focal point, ICAR	Member
11. AMR focal point, ICMR	Member
12. AMR focal point, Department of Biotechnology	Member
13. AMR focal point, Department of AYUSH	Member
14. DDG, Medical education	Member
15. Director, CHEB	Member
16. President, National Medical Commission	Member
17. President, Pharmacy Council of India	Member
18. President, Indian nursing Council	Member
19. WHO Representative to India	Member
20. FAO Representative to India	Member
21. UNEP Representative to India	Member
22. Director CDC-India	Member
23. Director, National Centre for Disease Control	Member-Secretary
24. AMR focal point, Microbiology, NCDC	Member
25. AMR focal point, Epidemiology, NCDC	Member

#### **Terms of reference**

1. Provide technical inputs and expert advice for initiatives to combat AMR in India
2. Provide technical advice and reports to the Inter-sectoral Committee on Antimicrobial Resistance (ICC-AMR);
3. Review the activities and outputs of the Core working group committee
4. Monitor and guide the implementation of NAP-AMR in the country including:
  - a. AMR surveillance in the country
  - b. Monitoring the rational use of antibiotics
  - c. IPC implementation and surveillance of HAIs
  - d. Antimicrobial stewardship practices, to optimise antimicrobial use
  - e. Increasing awareness and understanding of AMR
  - f. Research and innovations