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PREFACE

The center is consolidating the initial achievements and diversifying into advanced research on genetic disorders and infectious diseases, using molecular tools. The success can be accessed from the fact that during the year center got three National ICMR task force projects on viral hepatitis, malaria and prevalence of infertility in India. Additionally a mega project on tuberculosis in collaboration with Tuberculosis Research Centre, Chennai is funded by WHO. Being predominantly engrossed in bio-medical research the centre is also not lagging behind in undertaking IEC, social and behavioral research on health. The center is marching forward with a new initiative and thrust in AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria. The center initially focused on prevalent studies, however, in recent years most of the projects are formulated in the frame work of action oriented research using modern well equipped laboratories. Every effort has been made to collaborate with Government health departments.

The scientists and the scientific staff of the center participated in different national and international conferences in India and abroad and also build up a wide network with the scientific community for future collaborative work. I expect a quantum jump in generating more extramural funds as well as quality publication in the years to come.

During this period several students have enrolled for undertaking their M.D./ M.Sc. dissertation work in different divisions of the center. Some residential quarters were also used as hostel and were allotted to Ph.D students. The infrastructural facilities of the center have strengthened with the completion of renovation of a well-equipped auditorium at the center. Some of the scientists have joined the center recently and I hope they will contribute considerably to enhance the research output of the centre.

The Voluntary Counseling and Testing Centre at RMRCT is actively participating in National AIDS control program. Similarly the NNMB unit of Madhya Pradesh is also functioning from the center. Beside scientific activities various notable events and recreational activities were organized at the center from time to time.

I place on record my sincere thanks and gratitude to Prof. A. P. Dash, Director, NIMR, Delhi who during his tenure as Director, RMRCT, Jabalpur has steered the centre to a new height by upgrading the existing laboratory facilities.

Needless to mention the name of Prof. N.K.Ganguly, Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research for his constant support to the center.

I also acknowledge and thank Chairman, Scientific Advisory Committee of the centre and all its members for their active interest and support.

I am confident the center has all potential of being considered as one of the “Centres of Excellence” in the country.

Last but not the least, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to all my colleagues, members and staff of RMRCT for their continuous support that could make all round development possible.

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