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ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|---------------|---|
| ADR | Adverse Drug Reaction |
| AE | Adverse Event |
| AEFI | Adverse Event Following Immunization |
| AIDS | Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome |
| AIIMS | All India Institute of Medical Sciences |
| AMC | Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring Centre |
| ART | Anti-retroviral Therapy |
| CDSCO | Central Drugs Standard Control Organization |
| CIOMS | Council for International Organization for Medical Sciences |
| CMC | Christian Medical College |
| CME | Continuous Medical Education |
| CTP | Core Training Panel |
| DCG(I) | Drugs Controller General (India) |
| DOTS | Directly Observed Treatment-Short course |
| FDC | Fixed Dose Combination |
| FIR | First Information Report |
| GVP | Good Pharmacovigilance Practice |
| HCP | Healthcare Professional |
| HIV | Human Immunodeficiency Virus |
| ICH | International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use |
| ICSR | Individual Case Safety Report |
| IC | Information Component |
| IMA | Indian Medical Association |
| IPC | Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission |
| ISOP | International Society of Pharmacovigilance |
| KAP | Knowledge, Attitude and Practice |
| LoI | Letter of Intent |

ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|----------------|---|
| MCI | Medical Council of India |
| MedDRA | Medical Dictionary for Regulatory Activities |
| MoHFW | Ministry of Health and Family Welfare |
| MoU | Memorandum of Understanding |
| NABH | National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers |
| NACO | National AIDS Control Organization |
| NCC | National Coordination Centre |
| NHP | National Health Programme |
| NRA | National Regulatory Authority |
| PGIMER | Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research |
| Pv | Pharmacovigilance |
| PvPI | Pharmacovigilance Programme of India |
| QA-QC | Quality Assurance/Quality Control |
| RNTCP | Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme |
| SAE | Serious Adverse Reaction |
| SRP | Signal Review Panel |
| UIP | Universal Immunization programme |
| WHO-ART | World Health Organisation-Adverse Reactions Terminology |
| WHO-DD | World Health Organisation-Drug Dictionary |
| WHO-UMC | World Health Organisation-Uppsala Monitoring Centre |



FROM THE DESK OF SECRETARY-CUM-SCIENTIFIC DIRECTOR

The release of the Annual Performance Report of the Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (PvPI) for the Index Period 2016-17 enthuses me inasmuch as the new milestones have been laid by establishing a sustainable network of Adverse drug-reaction Monitoring Centres (AMCs) pan-India. Equally encouraging has been the progress made by spontaneous ADR-reporting, scientific collation and quality analysis of these reports, all aimed at meticulous safeguard of public health by ensuring drug safety for mass consumption.



As many as eight new AMCs have been set up during the Index Period, extending PvPI's outreach to the remotest corners of the country, including the northeast. The 210-strong nationwide AMC base provides access to Pharmacovigilance (Pv) and allied activity for patient safety to public and healthcare. During the Index Period i.e. April 2016–March 2017, the NCC-PvPI received 67,328 Individual Case Safety Reports (ICSRs), contributing in an appreciable measure to the global drug-safety database of WHO's International Drug Monitoring Programme.

Another salient feature of the Index Period has been the progressive fruition of PvPI's 'Skill Development' programme which aims at hands-on training of all stakeholders, including the pharma sector, for imbibing the values of pharmacovigilance and carrying out by standardized scientific methods and tools Pv practices to ensure drug safety for the Indian populace.

Another noteworthy development for NCC-PvPI during the Index Period has been in the sphere of Medical Devices Adverse Events Monitoring under the purview of Materiovigilance Programme of India (MvPI). For effective management of MvPI, the PvPI with its expertise and oversight has been handed the additional responsibility of monitoring and mentoring MvPI.

A landmark achievement during the Index Period has been the declaration of the Pharmacovigilance system of India as **'functional with a maturity level of 4 out of 5'** by WHO-NRA Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT). Such an international recognition is a matter of pride for me – personally and professionally.

In a major breakthrough, IPC has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH). The MoU is aimed at promotion of monitoring and reporting of ADRs by NABH-accredited hospitals to the PvPI.

The Index Period saw efforts being redoubled for the elimination of Kala-azar with enhanced cooperation between PvPI, National Vector-Borne Disease Control Programme (NVBDCP) and WHO to end the menace of this deadly disease which is at present endemic to 54 districts in the country.

I express my gratitude to the PvPI for its research and evidence-based efforts to strengthen the bond of Pharmacovigilance among all healthcare stakeholders to the eventual benefit of the common man.

Dr G N Singh

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HIGHLIGHTS



Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (PvPI)

GENESIS

Adverse drug reactions (ADRs) are one of the leading causes of morbidity and mortality worldwide. The consequences of ADRs burden the healthcare system with cost of therapy and hospitalization. It is, therefore, imperative to evaluate the safety of medicines by specialized methods like Pharmacovigilance.

The World Health Organization (WHO) defines Pharmacovigilance as the science and activities related to detection, assessment, understanding and prevention of adverse effects or any other medicine-related problem. During the last decade, safety monitoring of medicines has gained global momentum by evolving various systems for monitoring adverse drug reactions.

The Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (PvPI) was initiated in July 2010 by the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) -- under the aegis of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) -- with All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, as the National Coordination Centre (NCC) for Pharmacovigilance. On April 15, 2011, the NCC was shifted from AIIMS to Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC). IPC is an autonomous institution of the MoHFW, Government of India (GOI), and functions as the National Coordination Centre (NCC) for PvPI. The year also saw enrolment of 22 Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring Centres (AMCs) across the country.

With phase-wise addition of AMCs the number of ADR Monitoring Centres increased from 22 in 2011 to 210 in March 2016. These 210 AMCs include 21 Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP) centres and 20 Anti-Retroviral Therapy (ART) centres for AIDS control. The 21 RNTCP centres include six Bedaquiline centres, too.

MISSION

To safeguard the health of Indian population by ensuring that the benefits of use of medicine outweigh the risks associated with its use.

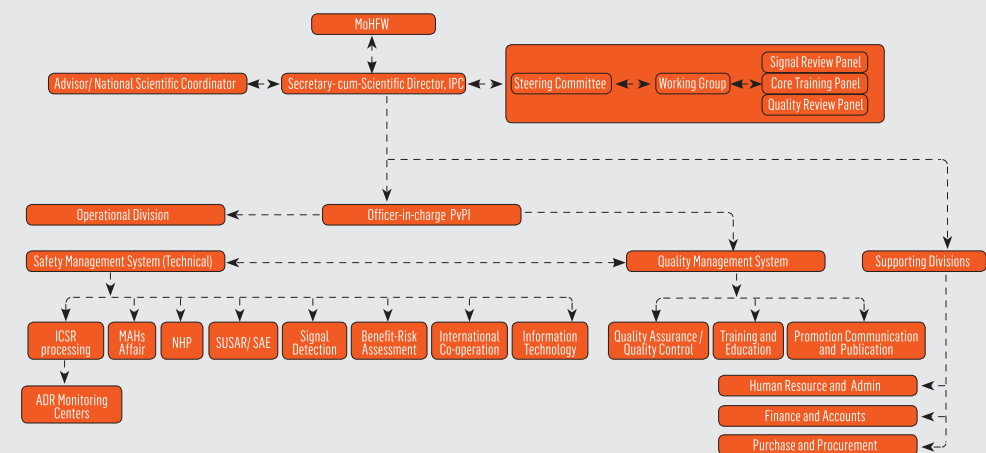
VISION

To improve patient safety and welfare of Indian population by monitoring safety of medicines, thereby reducing the risk associated with their use.

SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

- To create a nation-wide system for patient-safety reporting
- To identify and analyse new signals from the reported cases
- To analyse the benefit-risk ratio of marketed medicine
- To generate evidence-based information on safety of medicine
- To support regulatory agencies in the decision-making process on use of medicine
- To communicate to various stakeholders the safety information on use of medicine so as to prevent/minimise the risk
- To emerge as a National Centre of Excellence for Pharmacovigilance
- To collaborate with other national centres for exchange of information and data management
- To provide training and consultancy support to other National Pharmacovigilance Centres across the globe
- To promote rational use of medicine

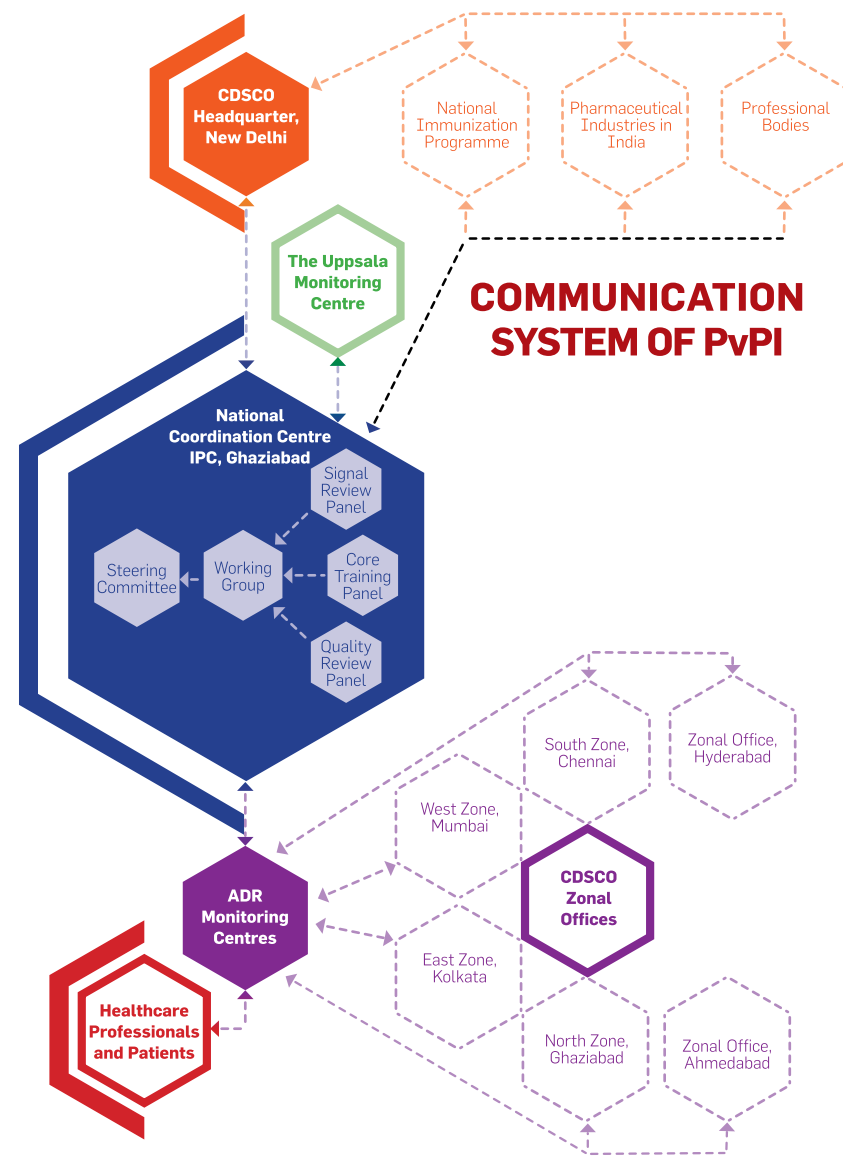
ORGANOGRAM OF NATIONAL COORDINATION CENTRE PHARMACOVIGILANCE PROGRAMME OF INDIA (NCC-PvPI)



PvPI OVERVIEW

PVPI COMMUNICATIONS

Effective communication channels are key to successful functioning of an organization. The use of information/communication technology at NCC-PvPI and across the 210 AMCs under its umbrella is a role model for government bodies in India and abroad. PvPI by various modes of communication channelizes data flow as depicted in the figure below:



COMMITTEES UNDER NCC-PVPI

Following committees at NCC-PvPI ensure smooth and effective functioning of the programme:

Steering Committee

This is the chief administrative and monitoring body of NCC-PvPI which guides and supervises the programme.

Working Group

All technical issues related to the establishment and implementation of the programme, including providing technical inputs, are handled by the Working Group, which reports to the CDSCO for regulatory interventions.

Quality Review Panel

Quality Review Panel is responsible for quality, causality assessment and completeness of ICSRs. The panel also makes recommendations to PvPI Working Group after data analysis and devises formats and guidance documents for follow-up action.

Signal Review Panel (SRP)

The Signal Review Panel (SRP) of PvPI comprises scientists and clinical experts affiliated to government and non-government academic institutions and hospitals. As and when required experts from the pharmaceutical industry are also invited for expert inputs, to collate and analyse information from ICSRs. This panel assesses the results of computerized assessment of ICSRs for identification of potential signals from ICSRs. It defines biostatistical methods for analysis and creates standardized post-analytical reports that help in understanding the information derived from ADRs. It also decides upon actionable indicators.

Core Training Panel (CTP)

The Core Training Panel (CTP) of PvPI organizes training programmes, designs training modules and conducts the training for healthcare professionals and other stakeholders. It also identifies trainers for zone-wise training centres. The CTP interacts with international agencies for participation and implementation of training programmes in Pharmacovigilance.

Channels of ADR-reporting to PvPI

Who can Report ADRs?

All healthcare professionals and others, including consumers, may report a suspected adverse drug reaction. Pharmaceutical companies may send to NCC-PvPI Individual Case Safety Reports (ICSRs) specific to their product.

PvPI OVERVIEW

Why to Report?

ADR reporting is vital to ensuring safety of patients taking medicines. The occurrence of adverse drug reactions (ADRs) needs to be reduced to a bare minimum as the risks associated with use of medicine constitute a significant economic burden on the patient, society and the nation at large. It is the primary responsibility of a vigilant healthcare professional (HCP) to report ADRs associated with use of medicines to safeguard the health of patients. India has a vast population with genetic and ethnic variability, hence a sizeable variation in disease prevalence, too. Also the use of multiple systems of medicine such as homeopathy, ayurveda, siddha and unani, etc, coupled with poor patient compliance are other contributory factors that mandate ADR-reporting due to use of these medicines. The data so generated helps make vital policy decisions regarding safe use of medicines among the Indian populace.



What to Report?

To foster the culture of reporting, PvPI encourages reporting of all types of suspected ADRs irrespective of whether they are known or unknown, serious or non-serious, frequent or rare and regardless of an established causal relationship. Although pharmacovigilance is primarily concerned with pharmaceutical drugs and vaccines, adverse reactions associated with use of traditional medicines such as herbal remedies, medical devices, contrast media and other pharmaceuticals are also monitored. Special areas of interest include the outcome associated with use of medicines during pregnancy, lactation, and in paediatric and geriatric population. Reporting is also recommended in cases where efficacy of medicines is suspect. It is also recommended to report suspected pharmaceutical inadequacies. Reporting of ADRs encountered with overdose, abuse, off-label use, misuse or occupational exposure is not currently included in the purview of PvPI.

How and Whom to Report?

All healthcare professionals, including clinicians, dentists, pharmacists, nurses, etc, can report suspected ADRs using the Suspected Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting Form. Pharmaceutical companies can use this form to send their Individual Case Safety Reports (ICSRs) specific for their product to the NCC-PvPI. The form is available on the official website of IPC (<http://www.ipc.gov.in/PvPI/ADRReportingForm.pdf>) or the CDSCO (<http://www.cdsco.nic.in>).

Reporters are required to fill the Suspected Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting Form to report any suspected ADR. They may submit the ADR form to the nearest AMC or directly to NCC-PvPI or mail the form at pvpi.ipcindia@gmail.com.

Helpline (1800-180-3024)

Patients/Consumers/Healthcare Professionals may report suspected ADRs associated with use of medicinal products to NCC-PvPI from 9.00 am to 5.30 pm on weekdays via tollfree helpline **1800-180-3024**. An SMS acknowledgement facility has been introduced to acknowledge the valuable contribution by the reporter to the Programme, and encourage them to continue reporting ADRs.

Medicines' Side-Effect Reporting Form (For Consumers)

The Medicines' Side-Effect Reporting Form (For Consumers) ensures the direct participation of patient/consumer in PvPI. The form is at present available in 10 local languages, including Hindi, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Assamese, Oriya, Tamil and Telugu. ADR-reporting by consumers is a mechanism for consumer empowerment in healthcare sector.



Establishment of Adverse Drug Reaction Monitoring Centres (AMCs) under PvPI

PvPI encourages all government and non-government teaching, private, district and corporate hospitals to participate in this nationwide safety programme. Medical institutions and hospitals play a major role in both teaching and providing specialized services to patients in India. Patient safety is one of their major concerns. AMCs play a crucial role in monitoring of ADRs. 'Letter of Intent' (LoI) is required from the Head of the Institution for establishment of an AMC under PvPI. After examining the suitability, the centre concerned may be inducted as an AMC under PvPI. Subsequently, NCC communicates the details of the AMC to WHO-Uppsala Monitoring Centre (UMC), Sweden, to obtain VigiFlow® login details for submission of the ADRs. The format of LoI is available on the IPC website (www.ipc.gov.in). Alternatively, an email in this regard can be sent to PvPI at pvpi@ipcindia.net or pvpi.ipcindia@gmail.com.



The centre requesting to be inducted as an AMC is required to fulfil the following criteria:

- It is essential for the centre to function with their own logistic and infrastructural facilities. The NCC-PvPI, IPC may provide the trained manpower, if the performance of AMC is found satisfactory.
- The proposal may be accepted based on the significant track record of the centre in Pharmacovigilance; on the quality, quantity and frequency of Adverse Drug Reaction (ADR) reports reported directly to NCC or nearby AMCs during the past one year from the date of the said proposal.
- Preference will be given to applications from States where no/few AMCs exist.
- Significant track record/expertise of the proposed coordinator/deputy coordinator in the area of Pharmacovigilance.
- The HOD/Dean/Principal of the proposed centre shall be responsible to establish/implement the PvPI activities at the centre.
- The HOD/Dean/Principal of the institute shall be responsible for identifying new coordinator & deputy coordinator and intimating the same to NCC-PvPI in case of any change of the existing coordinator/deputy coordinator (transfer /superannuation etc).

Upon recognition, NCC-PvPI provides the regular training, skill development & technical support to the personnel engaged in PvPI activities at the AMC.

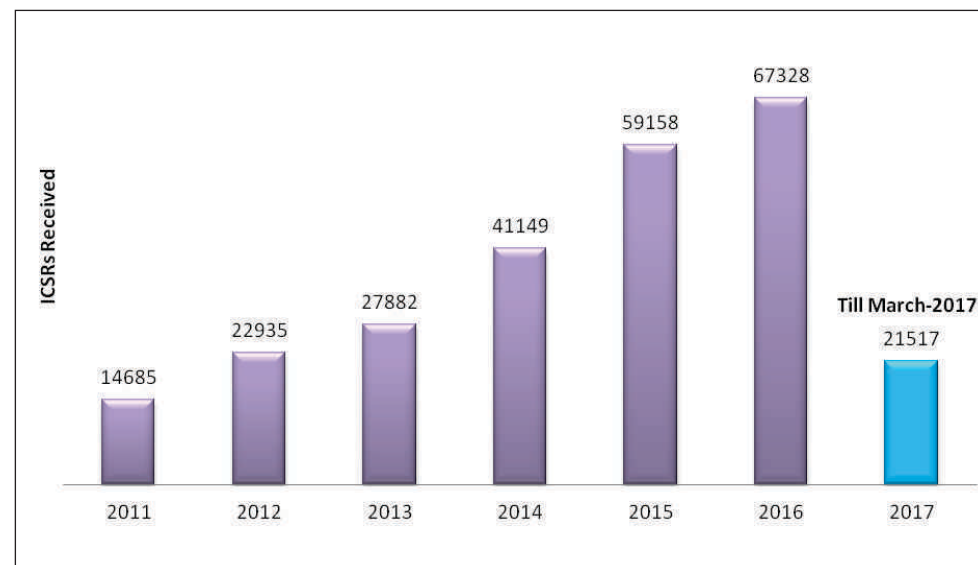
Six-Year Data of ADR Reporting

Spontaneous adverse drug reaction (ADR) reporting is the mainstay of Indian drug safety evaluation in the post-approval phase. A total 2,54,654 spontaneous reports were received at NCC-PvPI during the six-year period between January 2011 and March 2017 from various sources i.e. AMCs, non-AMCs, tollfree helpline, mobile application, etc.

ICSR DATA REPORTED IN LAST SIX YEARS

The year-wise status of reporting Individual Case Safety Reports (ICSRs) for the last six years is illustrated in Figure 1. A progressive increase in the number of reports is evident, with a near three-fold leap in the calendar year 2016 compared to the corresponding period in 2012.

Fig 1: Individual Case Safety Reports (ICSRs) reported in past six years



Month-wise distribution of ICSRs for 2016-17

During the Index Period i.e. April 2016-March 2017, NCC-PvPI received 67,328 reports. Figure 2 illustrates the month-wise distribution of the ICSRs received at NCC-PvPI. It is evident that ICSR-reporting was well sustained throughout the year.

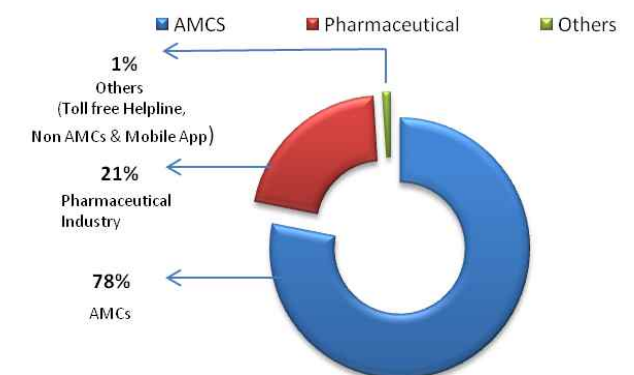
Fig 2: Month-wise distribution of ICSRs



SENDER-WISE DISTRIBUTION

Fig 3 illustrates the distribution of reports received during the index period. As many as 78% reports were received from the ADR monitoring centres (AMCs) functioning under PvPI, while the Pharma industry reported 21% and other sources 1% of the reports.

Fig 3: Sources of ICSRs received at NCC-PvPI (2016-17)



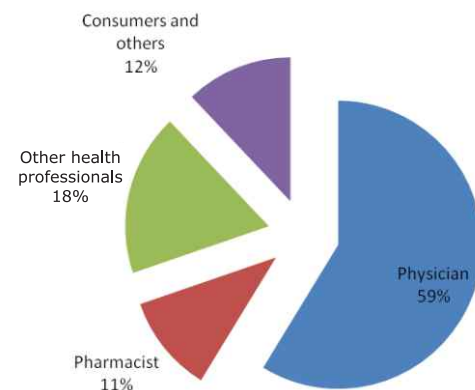


STATUS OF ADR REPORTING

REPORTER-WISE DISTRIBUTION OF ICSRs

The NCC-PvPI receives ICSRs from various stakeholders such as physicians, pharmacists, other HCPs, consumers (non-HCPs), etc. Spontaneous ADR reports from physicians (59%) continued to be the major source of reports received, followed by other healthcare professionals (18%), pharmacists (11%) and consumers and others (12%).

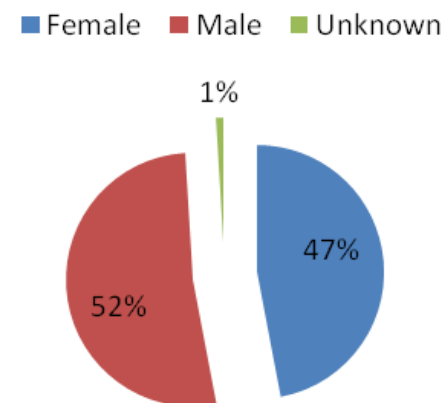
Fig 4: Reporter-wise Distribution of ICSRs received at NCC-PvPI (2016-17)



GENDER-WISE DISTRIBUTION OF ICSRs

Analysis of the ADR forms received during the index period showed that 52% ADRs occurred in male patients and 47% ADRs were reported in female patients. No information about the gender of the patient was provided in 1% of ADR reports.

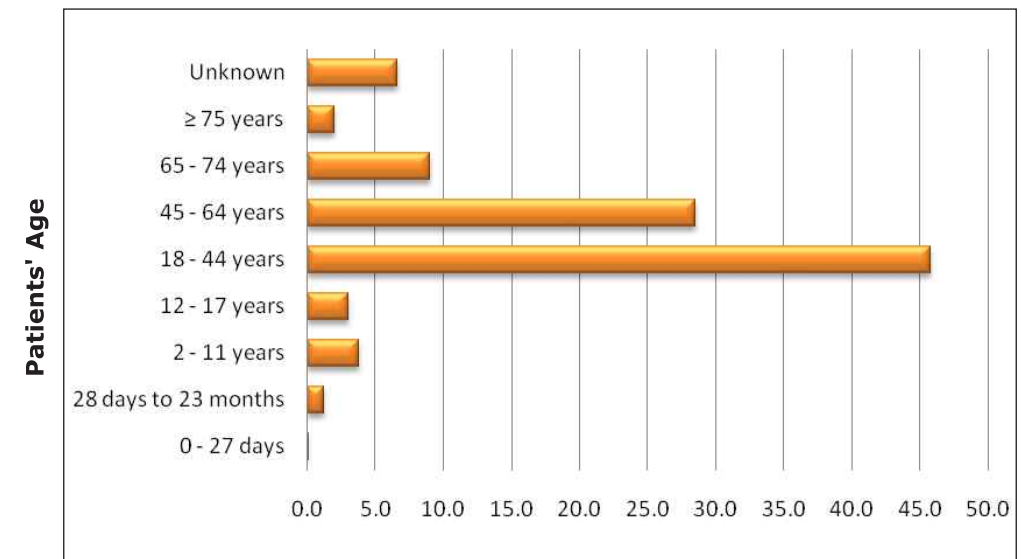
Fig 5: Gender-wise Distribution of ICSRs received at NCC-PvPI (2016-17)



AGE-WISE DISTRIBUTION OF ICSRs

Analysis of the ICSRs received at PvPI showed that the majority of ADRs reported occurred in patients aged 18-44 years.

Fig 6: Age-wise Distribution of ICSRs received at NCC-PvPI (2016-17)



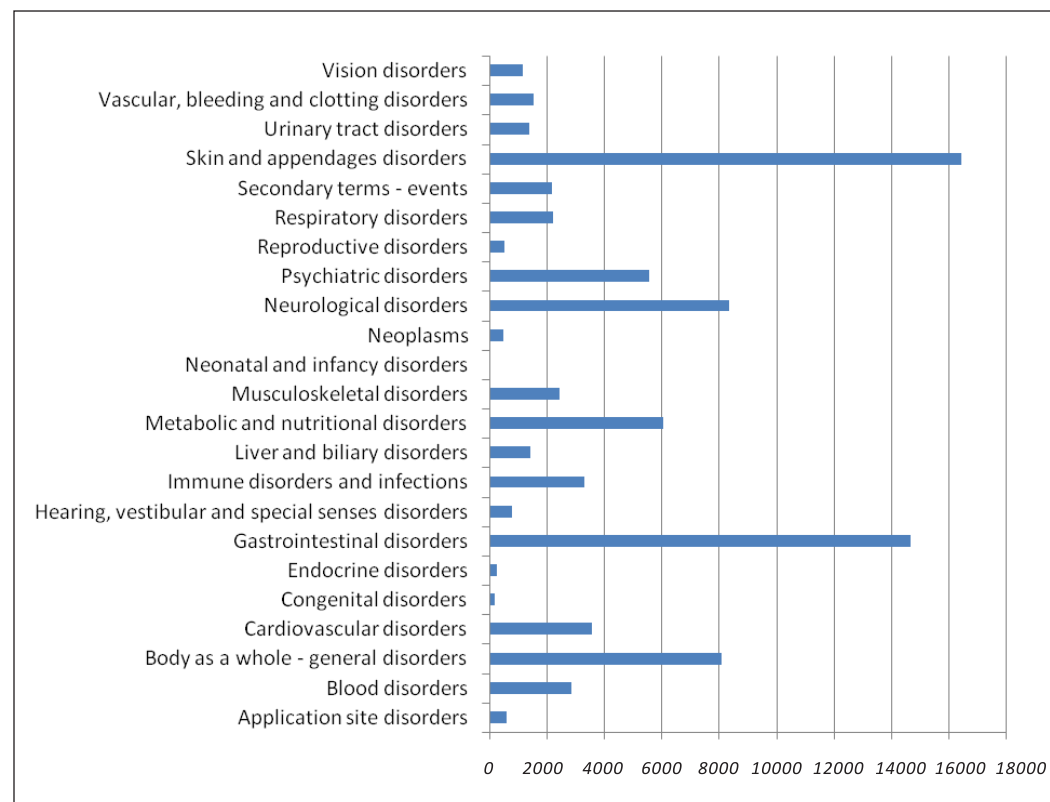


STATUS OF ADR REPORTING

SYSTEM ORGAN CLASS (SOC)-WISE DISTRIBUTION OF ADRS

The reported ADRs included a wide spectrum of clinical manifestations, which are summarized on the basis of WHO Adverse Reaction Terminology (WHO-ART) System Organ Class (SOC) i.e. the majority of the ADRs were reported in skin and appendages, gastrointestinal and neurological disorders as illustrated in the Fig 7.

Fig 7. System Organ Class (SOC) of ADRs reported during the Index Period (2016-17)



MODES OF ADR REPORTING

YARDSTICKS FOR ADR-REPORTING

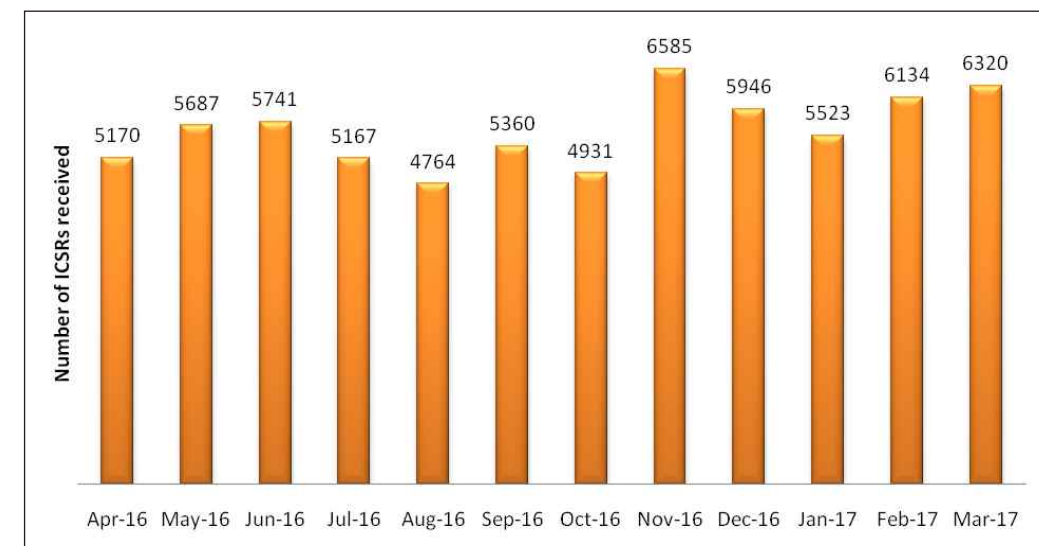
The reporting of ADRs under PvPI is classified on the basis of the mode of reporting as follows:

1. Reporting by AMCs through Vigiflow®
2. Reporting by the Pharma industry
3. Reporting through tollfree helpline
4. Reporting by non-AMCs

1. REPORTING BY AMCS THROUGH VIGIFLOW®

As many as 210 medical colleges and hospitals, State/Central/autonomous institutes, public health programmes and corporate hospitals enrolled under PvPI have been functioning as AMCs (up to March 2017). As mentioned earlier the major contribution of the ICSRs -- 78% of the total ADRs reported during the Index Period -- was by the AMCs enrolled under PvPI.

Fig 8. Month-wise distribution of ICSRs received from AMCs at NCC-PvPI (2016-17)



2. REPORTING BY THE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY

ADR reporting to NCC-PvPI by the Pharmaceutical industry has been a voluntary process as the Pharma industry is a major stakeholder in Pharmacovigilance. In order to deliberate upon challenges and issues facing Marketing Authorization Holders (MAHs), the PvPI has conducted several meetings which have resulted in an increase in reporting by MAHs.



MODES OF ADR REPORTING

Fig 9. Pharmaceutical Industries' ICSR Reporting Status to NCC-PvPI

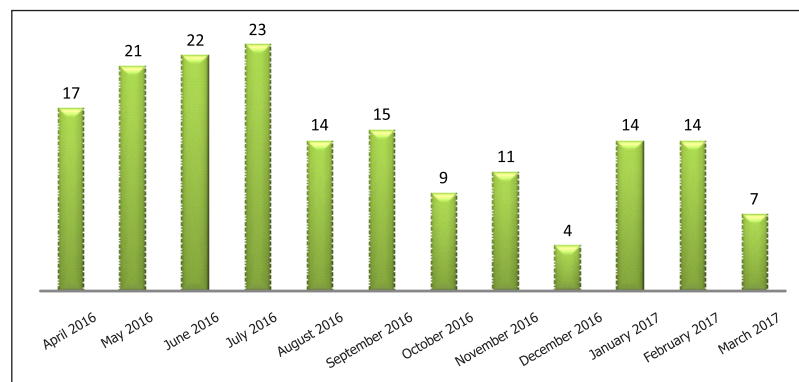


3. REPORTING THROUGH TOLLFREE HELPLINE

Following the initiation of tollfree helpline on October 11, 2013, a steady increase in reporting through this method has been observed. The increase follows efforts by Pharmacovigilance associates posted at AMCs. The helpline number has also been inserted into IPD and OPD prescription slips at hospitals like IGIMS, Patna and AIIMS, Patna. Calls are primarily responded to in English and Hindi on all working days between 09:00 am and 05.30 pm.

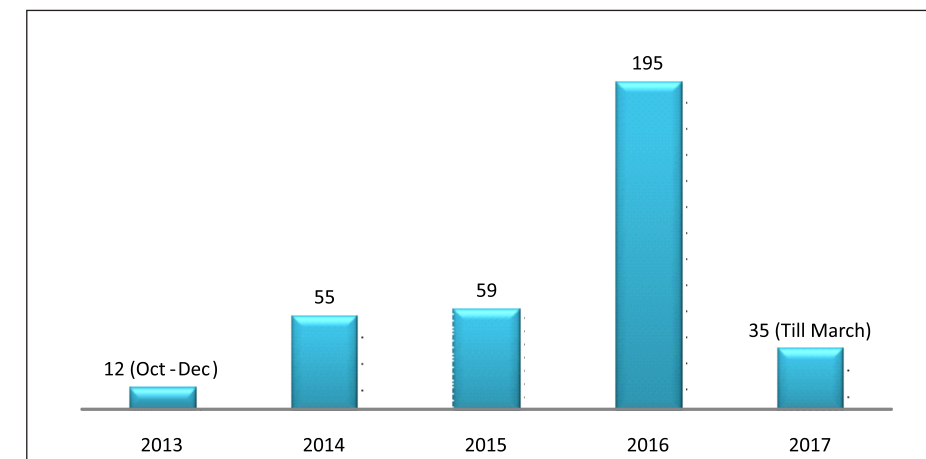
As many as 171 ADRs were reported through tollfree helpline during the Index Period, marking a significant increase over the previous index period (Figure 10).

Fig 10. ADRs reported on Tollfree Helpline (2016-17)



There has been an appreciable response in reporting by consumers ever since the installation of tollfree Helpline. Figure 11 depicts the steady increase in ADR reporting via tollfree helpline.

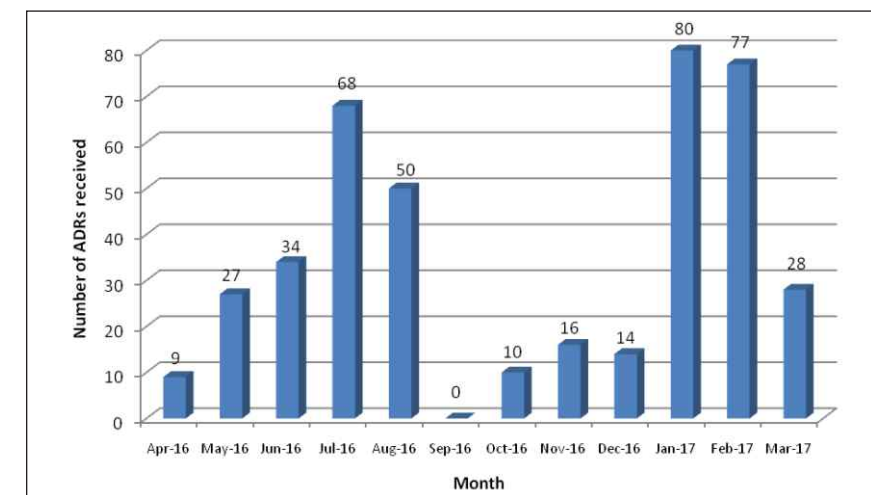
Fig 11. ADRs reported via tollfree Helpline



4. REPORTING BY THE NON-AMCs

Non-AMCs are medical colleges and hospitals, State/Central/autonomous institutes or corporate hospitals which are not enrolled under PvPI as AMCs. Reports are being received from the non-AMCs via post or email.

Fig. 12 ADRs Reported by Non-AMCs



MODES OF ADR REPORTING

5. INDIAN MOBILE APP FOR ADVERSE DRUG REACTION REPORTING AND PHARMACOVIGILANCE

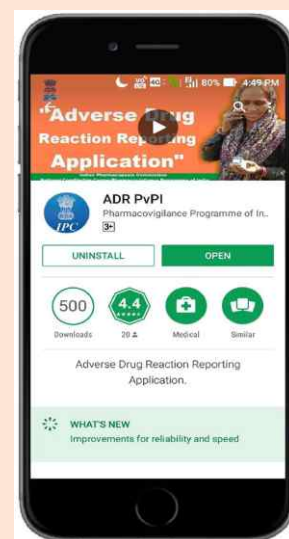
The access to healthcare is the primary right of the citizen. Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, National Coordination Centre-Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (IPC, NCC-PvPI) through its e-governance initiatives has started developing a mobile application *ADR PvPI* to empower the citizenry and healthcare professionals to report and engage in adverse drug reaction (event) reporting and Pharmacovigilance.

With the preponderance of smartphone technology and mobile applications (Apps), healthcare services could be extended to every part of country. The application '*ADR PvPI*' is an Android-based mobile application, which can be installed on any smart phone device with Android OS version 5.0 or above.

Main features:

- Supports source document and images' attachment
- Supports HCPs as well as consumer reporting
- XML generation
- Auto-fill option

Fig.13. ADR Reporting Mobile Application for Android Phones



AEFI SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM AT PvPI




Adverse Event Following Immunization (AEFI) is defined as a medical event that takes place following immunization, causes concern and is believed to be caused by immunization. AEFI surveillance monitors immunization safety, detects and responds to adverse events, corrects unsafe immunization practices, reduces the negative impact of the event on health and contributes to the quality of immunization activities.

COLLABORATION OF PvPI WITH AEFI PROGRAMME (UIP-ITSU)



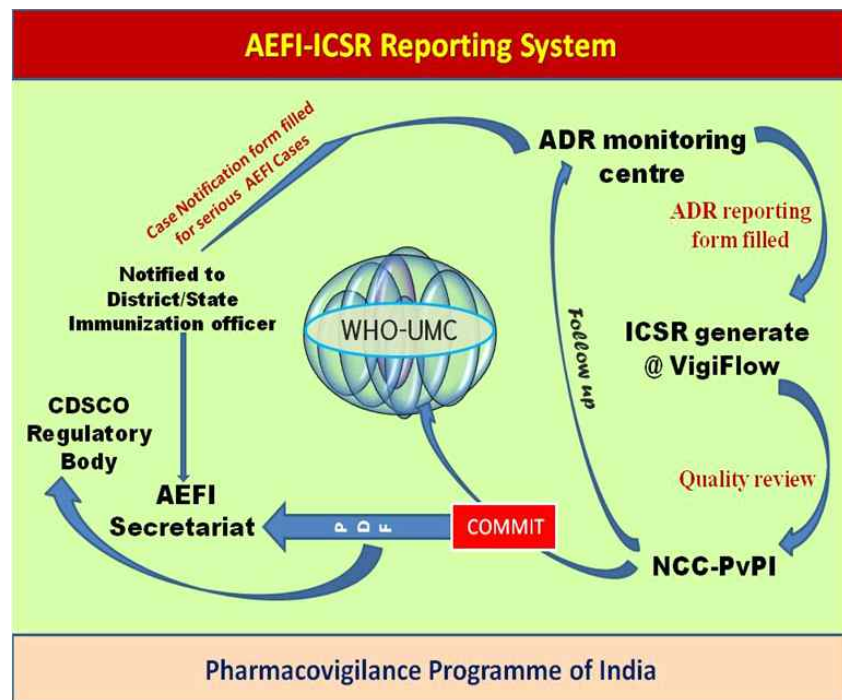
People's expectations of vaccine safety are high, and they are reluctant to countenance even a small risk of adverse events. Hence, vaccines safety requires AEFI Surveillance Systems for safe monitoring of vaccines used within a national immunization programme. Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, Ghaziabad as the National Coordinating Centre for Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (PvPI) has been in collaboration with AEFI Programme since February 28, 2013, monitoring the safety of vaccines. PvPI provides technical and operational support to AEFI division of MoHFW in vaccine safety monitoring.

Roles and responsibilities of partners in ensuring vaccine safety for effective communication have been designed as follows:

| Partners Roles and Responsibilities in Ensuring Vaccines Safety | | |
|--|--|---|
|  Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission National Coordination centre- Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (NCC-PvPI) |  Adverse Event Following Immunization (AEFI) Secretariat TECHNICAL SUPPORT UNIT Ministry of Health & Family Welfare |  Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) |
| 1. To monitor, report, collate and analyse adverse events due to medicine & vaccines. 2. AMCs shall be responsible to monitor & reporting of adverse events to NCC-PvPI and also share AEFI-ICSRs with DIO & SEPIO. 3. NCC-PvPI shall be responsible to share AEFI-ICSRs with AEFI Secretariat & CDSCO. 4. Communication of vaccines signals to AEFI secretariat. | 1. Responsible to coordinate with NCC-PvPI for the management of AEFI-ICSRs. 2. Responsible to coordinate with respective AMC and concerned Zonal Consultant for further follow up with SEPIO/DIO. 3. To perform causality assessment of AEFI cases. 4. To share reported AEFIs with CDSCO. | 1. To ensure safety, efficacy & quality standards of pharmaceuticals, medical devices & vaccines. 2. Regulatory actions are incite by CDSCO in case quality of implicated vaccines to be responsible for adverse events. 3. Enforcement and site inspection where the AEFI occurred. 4. Responsible for taking appropriate regulatory decisions. |

AEFI-ICSR Reporting System @ PvPI

PvPI shares the data of adverse event following vaccination reported to it by ADR Monitoring Centres (AMCs) across India, with (i) AEFI Secretariat (UIP, MoHFW) and (ii) Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO). Medical colleges and hospitals are the cornerstone for reporting ADRs to PvPI. As AMCs they are responsible for collecting the reports and performing the follow-up to obtain necessary supplementary detailed information for scientific evaluation of the cases. The contact details of the State Expanded Programme Immunization Officer (SEPIO)/District Immunization Officer (DIO) are shared with the respective AMCs for better coordination at state/district level.



Processing and Communication of AEFI-ICSRs:

PvPI has revised its Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for processing and communication of AEFI-ICSRs. The revised SOP includes the **"Serious AEFI Case Notification Form"** which shall be filled with "suspected ADR reporting form" for reporting of Serious AEFI which shall be notified to the DIO of the district where the vaccine was administered. This duly filled form is scanned and emailed simultaneously to SEPIO, NCC-PvPI and the AEFI Secretariat.

Serious AEFI Case Notification Form

| Serious AEFI Case Notification Form – ADR Monitoring Center* | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|---|---|---------|---|---------|
| ICSR No. _____ | Reporting Format No. _____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Name & address of ADR Monitoring center: _____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Patient Name | _____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Age: _____ | Sex: Male/Female | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| _____ | _____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Complete Address of the Case with landmarks (Street name, house number, village, block, Tehsil, PIN No., Telephone No. etc.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| P I N - _____ | P H O N E - _____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date of Vaccination: ____ / ____ / ____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address of health facility where vaccinated (include name of village/urban area, block, DISTRICT and STATE)#: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Name of vaccines with dose received (if known) | _____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| D | D | M | M | Y | Y | Y | Y | Time of Hospitalization | H | H | M | M | (AM/PM) | | |
| Name and address of hospital (if hospitalized): | CR No. /MRD No. _____ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Current status (encircle) | Death/Still Hospitalized/Recovered & Dishcharged with sequelae/ Recovered completely and discharged/ Left against Medical advice (LAMA)/ Not hospitalized | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| If died, date of death | <table border="1"> <tr> <td>D</td><td>D</td><td>M</td><td>M</td><td>Y</td><td>Y</td><td>Y</td><td>Y</td> <td>Time of death</td> <td>H</td><td>H</td><td>M</td><td>M</td> <td>(AM/PM)</td> </tr> </table> | D | D | M | M | Y | Y | Y | Y | Time of death | H | H | M | M | (AM/PM) |
| D | D | M | M | Y | Y | Y | Y | Time of death | H | H | M | M | (AM/PM) | | |
| Describe AEFI (Sign and symptoms) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

#The case is to be notified to the DIO of the district where the vaccine was administered.

*This form should be scanned and emailed simultaneously to DIO, SEPIO, PvPI and AEFI Secretariat.

Alertness through message

NCC-PvPI also communicates AEFI message alert to:

- Team of AEFI secretariat
- District Immunization officer (s)
- State Immunization officer (s)
- State Drug Controller (s)
- Regulators

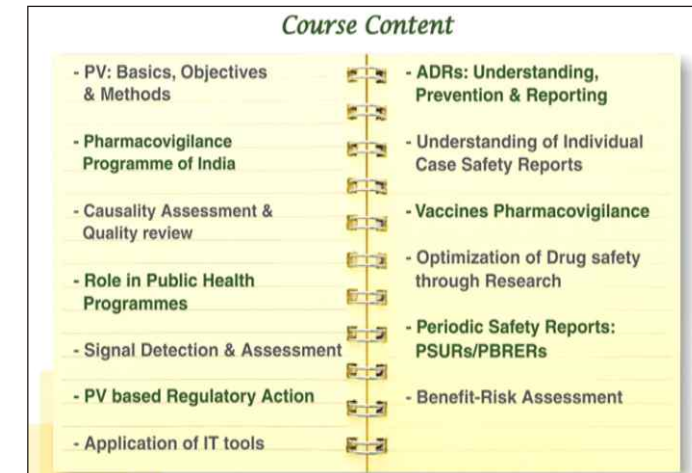
Easy to diagnose & reporting of AEFI



NOTIFICATION OF AEFI CASES THROUGH ADR HELPLINE CENTRE



Vaccine Pharmacovigilance topic is now included in PvPI Induction-cum-training programmes for newly-recruited Pharmacovigilance Associates and Skill Development Programme for stakeholders



Vaccine Awareness Through Periodic Newsletters

Periodic Newsletter of PvPI includes the chapter on AEFI updates

- PvPI Newsletter Vol 6, Issue 15, June 2016: Adverse Event Following Immunization updates
- PvPI Newsletter Vol 6, Issue 16, September 2016: PvPI and state AEFI secretariat cooperation in monitoring AEFI
- PvPI Newsletter Vol 6, Issue 17, December 2016: WHO experts concede vaccine pharmacovigilance fortifies safe vaccination in India



Coordination meeting of PvPI, CDSCO and AEFI-Secretariat:

NCC-PvPI holds regular coordination meetings with partners of AEFI surveillance to review all cases of AEFI. PvPI officials also attend **monthly coordination meeting** with CDSCO and AEFI-Secretariat to discuss technical matters. Members from NCC-PvPI and AMC coordinators regularly attend the AEFI National Coordination meeting, AEFI state-level meeting and regional-level workshop on 'AEFI reporting and investigation' and 'AEFI surveillance and causality assessment', respectively.

CDSCO, AEFI Secretariat partners in PvPI Technical Committee

- Experts from AEFI secretariat and CDSCO are members of PvPI-Signal Review Panel (SRP), the panel that works to identify new drug alert/signal/label change.
- PvPI official is a member of National AEFI Committee. AMC coordinator is also a member of the AEFI committee at the state level.
- All partners of AEFI surveillance participate in vaccine PSURs' review committee of CDSCO.

Status of Vaccine ICSRs: Reporting, Collation & Analysis

During this Index Period NCC-PvPI received 610 vaccine-related ICSRs. All the vaccine-related ICSRs were processed and analysed at NCC. Among the 610 vaccine-related ICSRs received, 133 cases were serious.

Fig.1: Serious and Non-serious vaccine-related AEFI cases

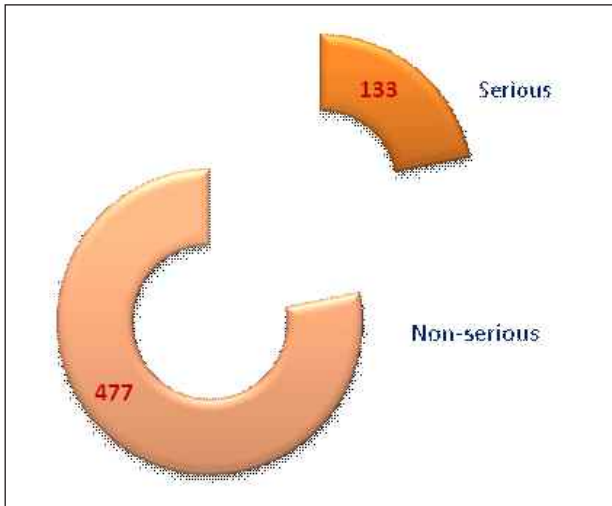


Fig. 2: Top 10 System Organ Class (SOC) of ADRs Reported with Vaccines during the Index Period

| Reaction | Count |
|--|-------|
| SOC: Application site disorders | 66 |
| SOC: Blood disorders | 12 |
| SOC: Body as a whole - general disorders | 223 |
| SOC: Cardiovascular disorders | 6 |
| SOC: Congenital disorders | 2 |
| SOC: Gastrointestinal disorders | 68 |
| SOC: Immune disorders and infections | 65 |
| SOC: Metabolic and nutritional disorders | 3 |
| SOC: Musculoskeletal disorders | 8 |
| SOC: Neonatal and infancy disorders | 5 |
| SOC: Neurological disorders | 71 |
| SOC: Psychiatric disorders | 7 |
| SOC: Reproductive disorders | 2 |
| SOC: Respiratory disorders | 59 |
| SOC: Secondary terms - events | 25 |
| SOC: Skin and appendages disorders | 123 |
| SOC: Urinary tract disorders | 1 |
| SOC: Vascular, bleeding and clotting disorders | 2 |
| SOC: Vision disorders | 1 |

Distribution of Adverse Events Due to Vaccines

| | |
|---|-----|
| Subst: Diphtheria vaccine; Hepatitis B vaccine; HIB vaccine; Pertussis vaccine; Tetanus vaccine | 115 |
| Subst: Diphtheria vaccine; HIB vaccine; Pertussis vaccine; Polio vaccine; Tetanus vaccine | 98 |
| Subst: Diphtheria vaccine; Pertussis vaccine; Polio vaccine; Tetanus vaccine | 1 |
| ATC: J07BB Influenza vaccines | 4 |
| ATC: J07BC Hepatitis vaccines | 22 |
| ATC: J07BD Measles vaccines | 60 |
| ATC: J07BF Poliomyelitis vaccines | 41 |
| ATC: J07BG Rabies vaccines | 150 |
| ATC: J07BH Rota virus diarrhea vaccines | 24 |
| ATC: J07BK Varicella zoster vaccines | 22 |
| ATC: J07BL Yellow fever vaccines | 1 |
| ATC: J07BM Papillomavirus vaccines | 2 |
| ATC: J07AF Diphtheria vaccines | 2 |
| ATC: J07AG Hemophilus influenzae B vaccines | 26 |
| ATC: J07AH Meningococcal vaccines | 1 |
| ATC: J07AJ Pertussis vaccines | 53 |
| ATC: J07AL Pneumococcal vaccines | 24 |
| ATC: J07AM Tetanus vaccines | 13 |
| ATC: J07AN Tuberculosis vaccines | 30 |
| ATC: J07AP Typhoid vaccines | 14 |

PSURs' review meetings for the following vaccines were conducted by CDSCO during the Index Period

The PSURs of vaccines submitted to CDSCO by the MAHs were reviewed during the Index Period in technical collaboration with PvPI and AEFI secretariat.

| PSUR Expert Committee Meeting | Company | Reported Vaccine |
|---|--|--|
| 7th Meeting (5-05-2016) | M/s Serum Institute of India | • IPV vaccine under the Brand name: POLIOVAC PFS |
| | M/s Sanofi Pasteur India Pvt. Ltd. | • Inactivated Poliomyelitis vaccine (Imovax Polio) |
| | M/s Shantha Biotechnics Pvt. Ltd. | • Inactivated Poliomyelitis vaccine I.P (Shan IPV) |
| 8th Meeting (21-06-2016) | M/s Bharat Biotec Ltd. | • JE vaccine |
| | M/s Biological E Ltd. | • JE vaccine |
| 9th Meeting (23-08-2016) | M/s Serum Institute of India Pvt. Ltd. | • Influenza Vaccine Live attenuated (Human) Seasonal Trivalent, Freeze Dried (Nasovac-S) |
| | M/s Sanofi Pasteur India Pvt. Ltd. | • Inactivated Influenza Vaccine ~ (split virion) Vaxigrip |
| | M/s Cadila Healthcare Limited | • VAXIFLU-S, Pandemic Influenza (H1N1) 2009 Monovalent Vaccine |
| | M/s G C Chemie Pharma Ltd | • Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (Split-Virion) IP, Influngen |
| 10th Meeting (02-11-2016) | M/s Bharat Biotech International | • Recombinant Hepatitis B Vaccines under two trade names i.e. Revac B+ and Revac B |
| | M/s GSK Asia Private Limited | • Varicella Vaccine, Live IP [VARILRIX®] and Hepatitis B Vaccine. • MMR Vaccine: • MMRV vaccine (Priorix-Tetra): |
| | M/s Serum Institute of India Limited | • Hepatitis B Vaccine (rDNA) • MMR Vaccine |
| | M/s Human Biological Institute | • Hepatitis B vaccine • I Elovac-B |
| | M/s Biological E Limited | • Recombinant Hepatitis B Vaccine (Adsorbed) |
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| 11th Meeting (12-01-17 & 13-01-2017) | M/s HLL Biotech Limited | • HIVAC-B (Hepatitis B Vaccine (rDNA) I.P.) |
| | M/s Wockhardt Limited | • Biovac-V®-Varicella vaccine (live attenuated-aka strain) I.P, Freeze-dried |
| | M/s Panacea Biotech Limited | • Hepatitis-B vaccine |
| | M/s Bharat Biotech International Limited | • Typbar TCVTM (Typhoid Vi Capsular Polysaccharide) Tetanus Toxoid Conjugate Vaccine Rotavac® (Live Attenuated, Oral, IP Vero cell-derived) |
| | M/s Bio-Med Pvt Ltd | • BioTyph™, Peda Typh™, BI-MENINGO, QUADRIMENINGO Vaccine |
| | M/s Sanofi Pasteur India Pvt Ltd | • Menactra® Meningococcal (Groups A, C, Y, and W-135) Polysaccharide Diphtheria Toxoid Conjugate Vaccine • Shanchol® Cholera Vaccine (Inactivated, Oral) Typhoid Polysaccharide Conjugate Vaccine |
| | M/s Serum Institute of India Limited | • Pentavalent Vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (whole cell), Hepatitis Band Haemophilus Influenzae type b conjugate vaccine (pentavalent, adsorbed, liquid) (DTP-HB-Hib) |
| | M/s GSK Asia Private Limited | • Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Conjugate Vaccine (adsorbed) Ph. Eur [Synflorix] • Human Papillomavirus Vaccine rDNA Ph Eur [Cervarix] • Live attenuated human (RIX4414 strain) rotavirus vaccine, IP [brand: Rotarix] • Pentavalent Vaccine (Quinvaxem) Rabies Vaccine (Rabipur) |
| | M/s MSD Pharmaceuticals Pvt Ltd | • Rotavirus vaccine (Rotateq) • Quadrivalent Human Papillomavirus Vaccine Recombinant (Gardasil) • Zostavax: Shingles (Herpes Zoster) vaccine (Live) BP Mis. MSD Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd presented AEFI |
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| 12th Meeting (18-01-17) | M/s Sun Pharmaceuticals Ltd. | • Rabies Vaccine, XPRAB™ |
| | M/s Human Biological Institute | • Rabies vaccine, Human I.P |
| | M/s Biological E Limited | • Liquid Pentavalent vaccine (ComBEfive) |
| | M/s Panacea Biotec Limited | • Pentavalent Vaccine (DTwP-Hep B-Hib-TT) |
| | M/s Bharat Biotech International Limited | • Bivalent Oral Polio type 1 & type 3 Vaccine (b-OPV) |
| | M/s Bio-Med Pvt. Ltd. | • Bivalent Oral Polio type 1 & type 3 Vaccine (b-OPV) • Trivalent Oral Polio type 1,2 & type 3 Vaccine (t-OPV) |
| | M/s Sanofi Pasteur India Pvt. Ltd. | • Live attenuated Yellow Fever Vaccine Stamaryl® • Tetanus Toxoid Adsorbed (ShanTT) |
| | M/s GSK Asia Private Limited | • dTap : Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (Acellular, Component) Vaccine (Adsorbed, Reduced Antigens Content) Ph. Eur, (Boostrix) |
| | M/s Human Biological Institute | • Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis Vaccine (Adsorbed) J.P. Abhay-TAG® • Tetanus Vaccine (Adsorbed) J.P. Abhay-TOX® |
| | M/s Biological E Limited | • Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (Whole cell) Vaccine (Adsorbed) TRIPVAC ® • Tetanus Toxoid Vaccine (Adsorbed) IP & BP |

Vaccine safety initiatives by PvPI during the Index Period

BCG vaccine associated Lymphadenopathy

In India, 7 ICSRs of BCG vaccine were found associated with Lymphadenopathy. This vaccine ADR-combination had positive IC₀₂₅ and globally it has 4,448 ICSRs.

| Vaccine | Adverse event | No. of reports | IC ₀₂₅ | Recommendation |
|---------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| BCG | Lymphadenopathy | 7 | +1.46 | Prescribing information change |



Recommendation and regulatory action:

During the 9th SRP meeting at CDSCO, West Zone, Mumbai, on November 28, 2016, the Signal Review Panel concluded that there was strong temporal relationship between the vaccine and the reaction (BCG vaccine-associated Lymphadenopathy), hence it be incorporated in packaging inserts of BCG vaccine marketed in India.

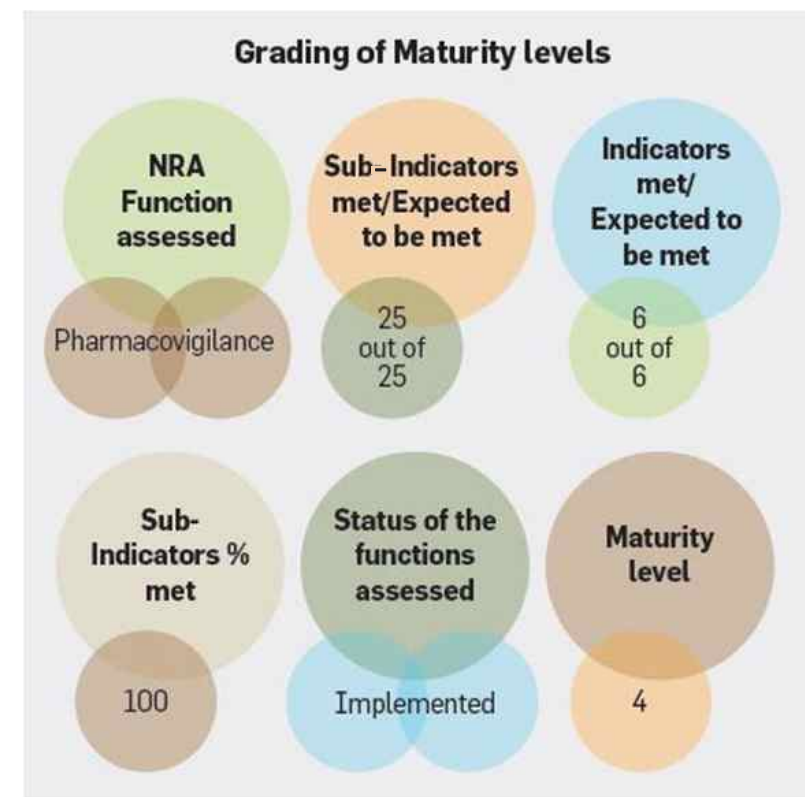
NRA meets WHO international standards for vaccine regulations

A World Health Organization (WHO)-led team of international experts from several countries has affirmed that the National Regulatory Authority (NRA) of India and its affiliated institutions meet the WHO-published indicators for the functional vaccine regulatory system.

The WHO-NRA exercise – from February 13-17, 2017 – was aimed at assessing and documenting the status of Indian vaccine regulatory system, re-benchmarking the status of the vaccine regulatory system against the WHO-NRA Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT), updating the Institutional Development Plan and measuring maturity of the system.

The NRA includes Pharmacovigilance as one of the indicators for NRA-benchmarking tool. A visit by a team of WHO experts to NCC-PvPI, Ghaziabad, on February 15, 2017, was followed by a two-day field visit by a separate team from February 14-15, 2017, to KEM, Mumbai, an ADR-monitoring centre (AMC) of Maharashtra, for reviewing the Pharmacovigilance system by using the WHO-NRA assessment tool. All sub-indicators of the Pharmacovigilance tool were fulfilled and found satisfactory. The progress was remarkable when compared with the last NRA assessment made in 2012. The assessment has been done in respect of nine different functionalities. A review meeting to this effect

was held on February 17, 2017 at MoHFW in Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi. The Pharmacovigilance system of India has been declared 'functional' with a maturity level of 4 out of 5, which is the highest level as per currently-evolved definitions.



Collaboration of PvPI with Public Health Programmes (PHP)

The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends that the national Pharmacovigilance system be integrated with public health programmes (PHPs) of the country. The PHPs are meant to treat a large number of people in an organized and structured manner. They also record the number of patients treated, drugs and dosage used, etc. The PvPI is committed to improving patient safety and safeguarding the health and welfare of Indian population by monitoring drug safety and ensuring the benefits of medicines available through PHPs outweigh the risks associated with their use. The NCC-PvPI, IPC, has collaborated with various public health programmes such as Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP) and National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) to monitor the safety of medicines used by them.

Objectives of the collaboration:

- To ensure effective implementation and integration of Pharmacovigilance with other public health programmes (PHP) in the country
- To enhance the knowledge, attitude and practice of Pharmacovigilance among healthcare professionals (HCPs) engaged in PHP

Expected outcome:

- Cohort event monitoring (CEM) (possible since the denominator values are available)
- Timely signal detection from the ICSRs received by the PvPI

Status of ICSRs: Reporting, Collation & Analysis

Integration of PHPs with PvPI has enhanced ADR Reporting/Communication system between the two entities. As many as 1,294 and 723 ICSRs were received from different RNTCP centres and antiretroviral therapy (ART) centres, respectively, during the index period April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017. These reports were derived from the spontaneous ADR reporting system under PvPI. The reported ADRs revealed a wide spectrum of clinical manifestations and were analysed based on WHO Adverse Reaction Terminology (WHO-ART) System Organ Class (SOC), i.e. the ADRs due to suspected medication effects on organs or an organ system.

Top 10 antitubercular drugs reported to cause ADRs

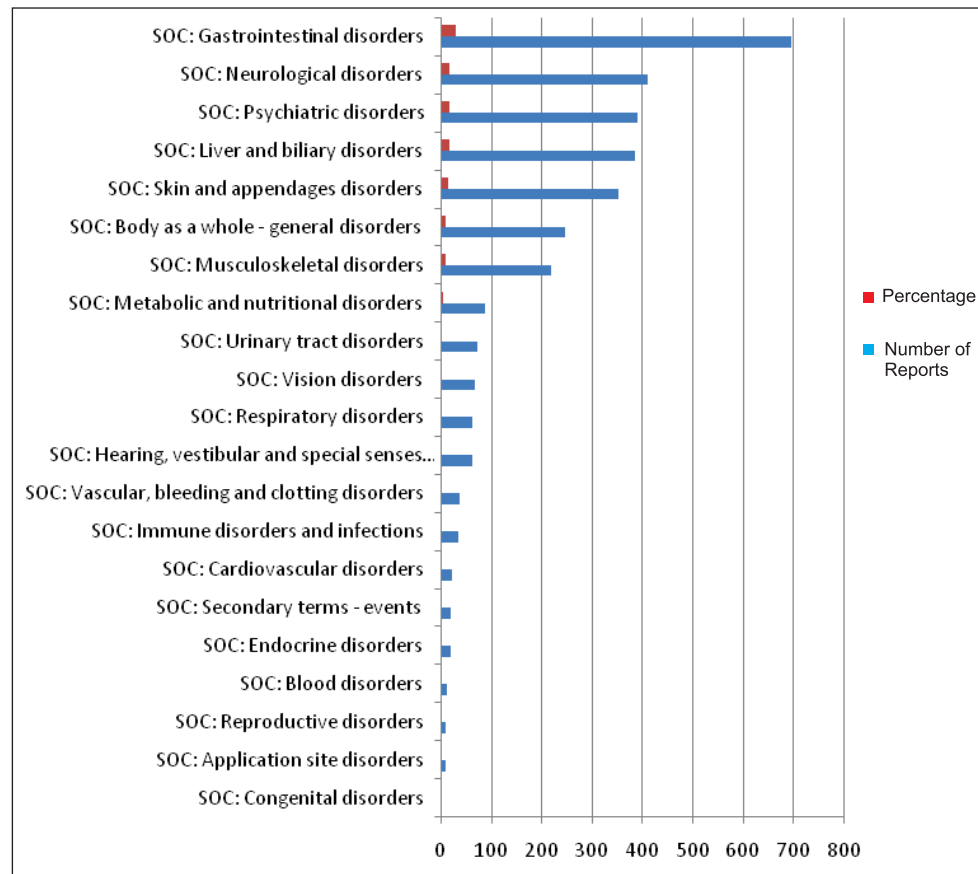
Following 10 antitubercular drugs (and/or combinations) were most commonly reported to cause ADRs during the index period:

| Medication | Percentage |
|--|------------|
| Subst: Bedaquiline | 1.1 |
| Subst: Cycloserine | 8.3 |
| Subst: Ethambutol | 35.1 |
| Subst: Ethionamide | 9.0 |
| Subst: Isoniazid | 42.3 |
| Subst: Pyrazinamide | 44.3 |
| Subst: Rifampicin | 44.1 |
| Subst: Streptomycin | 8.3 |
| TN: Rifampicin/Isoniazid/Pyrazinamide | 0.2 |
| TN: Rifampicin/Isoniazid/Pyrazinamide/Ethambutol Hydrochloride | 8.7 |

Distribution of ADR reports based on System Organ Class (SOC)

Gastrointestinal adverse effects were the most frequently reported ADR with antitubercular drugs during the Index Period.

| Reaction | Percentage | Reaction | Percentage |
|---|------------|--|------------|
| SOC: Congenital disorders | 0.0 | SOC: Vision disorders | 3.0 |
| SOC: Application site disorders | 0.4 | SOC: Urinary tract disorders | 3.2 |
| SOC: Reproductive disorders | 0.4 | SOC: Metabolic and nutritional disorders | 3.8 |
| SOC: Blood disorders | 0.6 | SOC: Musculoskeletal disorders | 9.6 |
| SOC: Endocrine disorders | 0.9 | SOC: Body as a whole - general disorders | 10.9 |
| SOC: Secondary terms -- events | 0.9 | SOC: Skin and appendages disorders | 15.6 |
| SOC: Cardiovascular disorders | 1.0 | SOC: Liver and biliary disorders | 17.0 |
| SOC: Immune disorders and infections | 1.5 | SOC: Psychiatric disorders | 17.2 |
| SOC: Vascular, bleeding and clotting disorders | 1.6 | SOC: Neurological disorders | 18.2 |
| SOC: Hearing, vestibular and special senses disorders | 2.7 | SOC: Gastrointestinal disorders | 30.8 |
| SOC: Respiratory disorders | 2.8 | | |



Top 5 antiretroviral drugs reported to cause ADRs

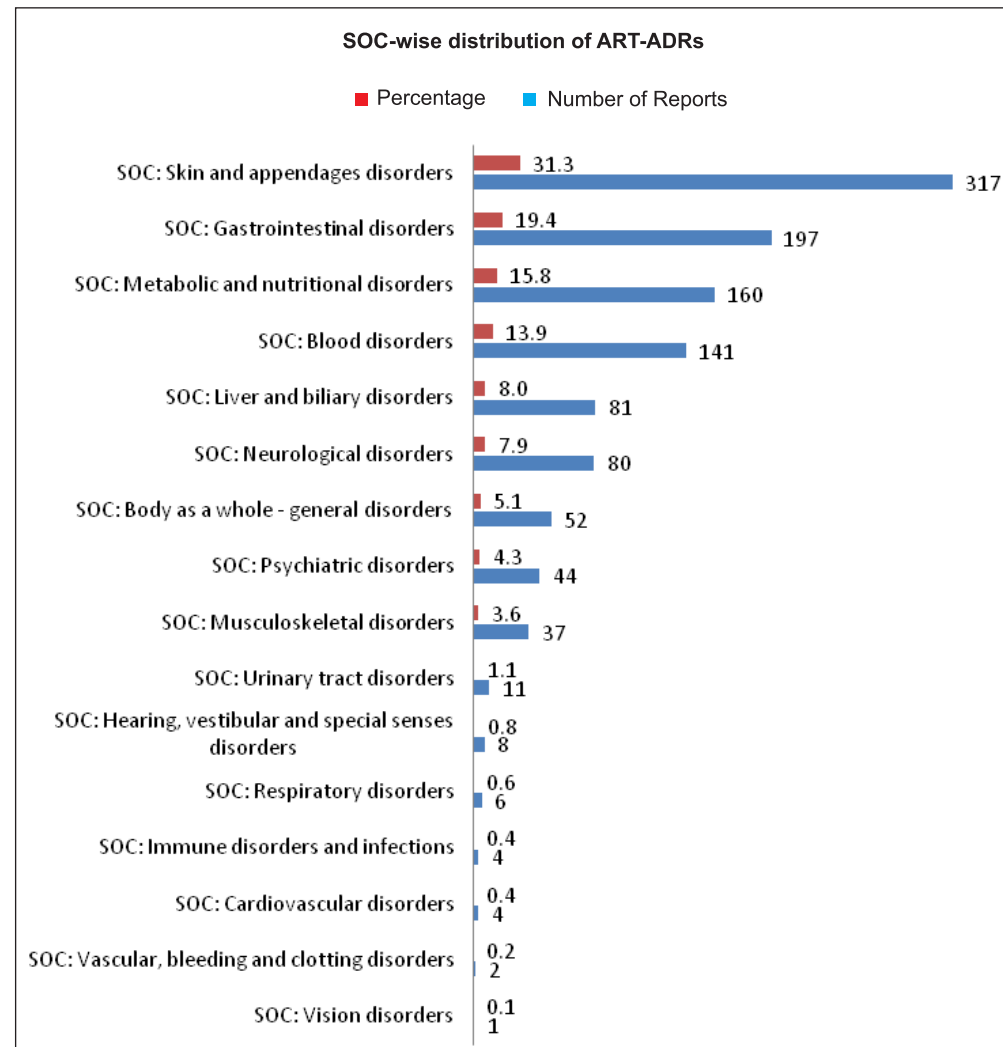
Following antiretroviral drugs were most frequently reported to cause ADRs, as reported during the Index period:

| Medication | Percentage |
|--|------------|
| Subst: Atazanavir; Ritonavir | 9.0 |
| TN: Lamivudine/nevirapine/zidovudine | 89.2 |
| TN: Lamivudine/Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate | 1.9 |
| TN: Lamivudine/zidovudine | 0.5 |
| TN: Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate/lamivudine/efavirenz | 0.1 |

Distribution of ADRs reported due to ART classified on basis of System Organ Class (SOC)

Following ADRs (as classified on basis of SOC) were commonly observed following ART during the Index Period.

| Reaction | Percentage | Reaction | Percentage |
|---|------------|--|------------|
| SOC: Vision disorders | 0.1 | SOC: Body as a whole - general disorders | 5.1 |
| SOC: Vascular, bleeding and clotting disorders | 0.2 | SOC: Neurological disorders | 7.9 |
| SOC: Cardiovascular disorders | 0.4 | SOC: Liver and biliary disorders | 8.0 |
| SOC: Immune disorders and infections | 0.4 | SOC: Blood disorders | 13.9 |
| SOC: Respiratory disorders | 0.6 | SOC: Metabolic and nutritional disorders | 15.8 |
| SOC: Hearing, vestibular and special senses disorders | 0.8 | SOC: Gastrointestinal disorders | 19.4 |
| SOC: Urinary tract disorders | 1.1 | SOC: Skin and appendages disorders | 31.3 |
| SOC: Musculoskeletal disorders | 3.6 | | |
| SOC: Psychiatric disorders | 4.3 | | |



Training and Skill Development at PHPs under PvPI

The NCC-PvPI in collaboration with the WHO country office (India) provides a national-level training programme for healthcare professionals/experts under various PHPs such as RNTCP, NVBDCP and NACO. This initiative is specially tailored to sensitize and update the experts on how effectively to identify and report ADRs to medicines used in these programmes. The training focuses on the basics and essentials of Pharmacovigilance, medical terminology coding, and standards and procedure for entering data into VigiFlow®.

Focused Pharmacovigilance of drugs used in vector-borne diseases under NVBDCP

Several national and regional-level workshops on Pharmacovigilance for vector-borne diseases were conducted during the Index Period to promote Focused Pharmacovigilance of drugs used in vector-borne diseases under NVBDCP. Following meetings, trainings and skill development programs were held during the Index Period.

| S. No | Date | Title | Organised by | Organised at | Participants/Target Audience |
|-------|--|--|---|-------------------------|--|
| 1. | 6 th – 9 th Sept 2016 | National Collaborative Workshop on Causality Assessment for Pharmacovigilance of Anti-Tubercular Medicines in India | WHO-RNTCP-IPC | Hotel Lalit, New Delhi | RNTCP/WHO/PvPI officials, healthcare professionals of states under the purview of CEM programme |
| 2. | 5 th Dec 2016 | Second Drug safety Monitoring Committee (DSMC) meeting for implementation of BDQ guidelines under RNTCP | Central TB Division (CTD) | New Delhi | CTD/RNTCP |
| 3. | 20 th Dec 2016 | Meeting on Quality of ICSRs for Sirturo (BEDAQUILINE) received from Janssen, Pharmaceutical companies of Johnson & Johnson | NCC-PvPI, IPC | IPC, Ghaziabad | Industry Participants/ NCC-PvPI Officials |
| 4. | 12 th Apr 2017 | Meeting to review the progress of ADR reporting at BDQ sites | NCC-PvPI, Ghaziabad | IPC, Ghaziabad | PvPI Officials/Pv Associates at BDQ sites, Site Coordinators |
| 5. | 18 th – 19 th Oct 2016 | National Strategic Plan for TB Control in India (2017-23) -- Consultative Workshop | WHO India/CTD | New Delhi | Experts from hospitals/ Physicians/PvPI officials/ CTD officials/WHO consultants and other staff |
| 6. | 2 nd – 4 th Feb 2017 | National Meeting on Accelerated Roadmap for Kala Azar Elimination -2017 and National Workshop on Pharmacovigilance for Vector-Borne Diseases | MoHFW/NHM/ NVBDCP/ ICMR/ PvPI-IPC/WHO India | Hotel Grand, New Delhi | Ministry officials, health experts, physicians, data operators |
| 7. | 21 st – 22 nd Feb 2017 | Regional Workshop on Pharmacovigilance for Vector-Borne Diseases | MoHFW/NHM/ NVBDCP/ ICMR/ PvPI-IPC/WHO India | Hotel AVN Grand, Ranchi | Ministry officials, health experts, physicians, data operators |

| S. No | Date | Title | Organised by | Organised at | Participants/Target Audience |
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| 8. | 7 th – 10 th March 2017 | Regional workshop on Pharmacovigilance for Vector-Borne Diseases | MoHFW/NHM/NVBDCP/ICMR/PvPI-IPC/WHO India | Hotel Patliputra Continental, Patna | Ministry officials, health experts, physicians, data operators |
| 9. | 21st – 23rd Feb 2017 | National ToT for Expansion of Bedaquiline and Shorter MDR-TB regimen with Updated Guidelines for PMDT in India | CTD/WHO India | Ahmedabad | Physicians, trainers from Daman, Diu, Dadra Nagar Haveli, Gujarat, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Haryana & Goa |
| 10. | 7 th – 9 th March 2017 | National ToT for Expansion of Bedaquiline & Shorter MDR-TB regimen with Updated Guidelines for PMDT in India | CTD/WHO India | Chennai | Physicians, trainers from Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Puducherry, Kerala, Telangana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Lakshdweep Odisha & Tamil Nadu |

Drug Safety Monitoring Committee

The Drug Safety Monitoring Committee (DSMC) for use of Bedaquiline in RNTCP through Conditional Access Programme (CAP) under programmatic management of drug-resistant tuberculosis in India was constituted by the DGHS. The second meeting of this committee was held on December 5, 2016, which discussed the safety and efficacy of the drug and future plans of DSMC.

Training & Skill Development

Essence and Relevance of PvPI's Training and Education Division

The training and education division of PvPI plays an important role in fulfilling the stakeholders' expectations by imparting the requisite hands-on training in pharmacovigilance. The training report for the index period – April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017 -- provides information on PvPI's Induction and Advance-Level Training for continued medical education (CME) organized by NCC-PvPI on its own as well as in collaboration with other partners. The training report also includes information on 'Skill Development' programmes conducted at IPC, Ghaziabad.

Training Programmes conducted by NCC-PvPI during the Index Period

As many as 13 training programmes were conducted by NCC-PvPI during the index period:





TRAINING & SKILL DEVELOPMENT

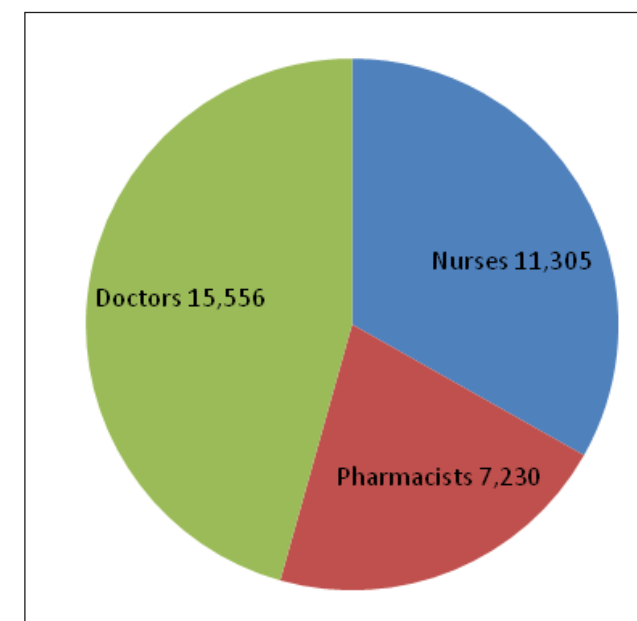
| S. No | Name of Programme | Objective | Date | Place | Target Audience |
|-------|---|---|--------------------|--|---|
| 1. | Advance Training Programme in Pharmacovigilance for West Zone | Training for upgradation of skills for healthcare professionals | January 20, 2016 | BJMC, Ahmedabad | Healthcare Professionals |
| 2. | CME on Pharmacovigilance and ADR Monitoring | An update on current status of PvPI, and ADR Reporting | March 31, 2016 | BJMC, Ahmedabad | Post-Graduate Students of Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad |
| 3. | CME and Awareness Programme on Pharmacovigilance | Training for upgradation of skills of ADR reporting for healthcare professionals | April 2, 2016 | Andhra Medical College and NIMS, Hyderabad | Healthcare Professionals |
| 4. | Training Programme for South Indian Healthcare Professionals | Creating awareness for patient safety and improving ADR reporting culture | April 5, 2016 | JSS, Mysore, & MS Ramaiah Medical College, Bangalore | Healthcare Professionals |
| 5. | 1 st National-level Meeting on Participation of Nursing Professionals in Pharmacovigilance | Training on basic knowledge of Pharmacovigilance and ADR reporting | May 6, 2016 | IPC, Ghaziabad | Nursing Professionals |
| 6. | Sensitization and Awareness on Pharmacovigilance | Creating awareness on patient safety and improving ADR reporting culture on Doctor's Day | July 1, 2016 | Silchar Medical College & Hospital, Silchar | Doctors |
| 7. | CME & Awareness Programme on Pharmacovigilance | An update on current Status on PvPI, contribution to ADR reporting by institute concerned | July 23, 2016 | AIIMS, Raipur, & AIIMS, Bhopal | Healthcare Professionals |
| 8. | Advance-Level Training for South Zone AMCs | Training for up gradation of skills of healthcare professionals | August 5-6, 2016 | JSS, Mysore | Healthcare Professionals |
| 9. | Induction-cum-Training Programme for newly-recruited Pharmacovigilance Associates | Training on basic knowledge of pharmacovigilance and hands-on training in VigiFlow | August 22-27, 2016 | IPC, Ghaziabad | Newly-Recruited Pharmacovigilance Associates |
| 10. | Advance-Level Training on Pharmacovigilance-cum-Coordination Meeting | Discussion and hands-on session on ADR reporting | October 8, 2016 | AIIMS, Bhopal | Healthcare Professionals |
| 11. | Pharmacovigilance Training Workshop | Training for upgradation of skills for healthcare professionals | November 28, 2016 | Seth GSMC & KEM, Mumbai | Healthcare Professionals |

Skill Development Programme

| S. No | Name of Programme | Objective | Date | Place | Target Audience |
|-------|--|--|---------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| 1. | Skill Development Programme on 'Basics and Regulatory Aspects of Pharmacovigilance: Striving for Excellence' | To enhance Pharmacovigilance skills of professionals for promotion of patient safety | January 16-25, 2017 | IPC, Ghaziabad | Healthcare Professionals |
| 2. | Skill Development Programme on 'Basics and Regulatory Aspects of Pharmacovigilance: Striving for Excellence' | To enhance Pharmacovigilance skills of professionals for promotion of patient safety | March 1-10, 2017 | IPC, Ghaziabad | Healthcare Professionals |

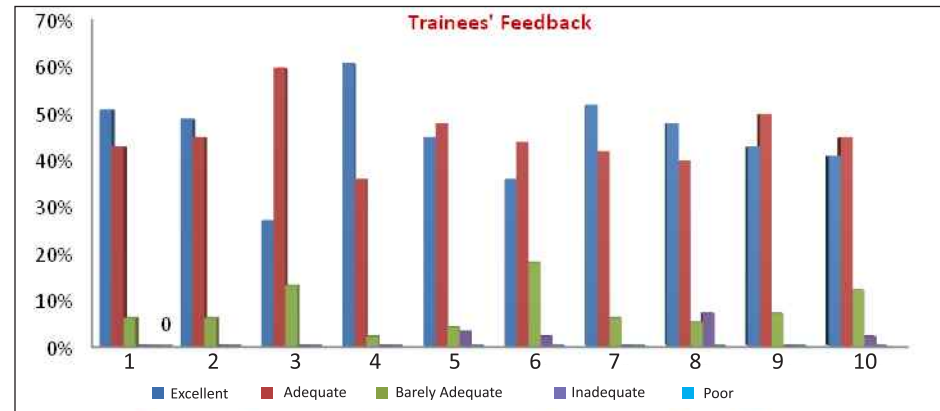
Stakeholders in Pharmacovigilance Trained during the Index Period

More than 34,000 stakeholders, including doctors, nurses and pharmacists, were trained, sensitized and made aware of basic concepts of Pharmacovigilance and reporting of ADRs at 1,070 training and awareness programmes conducted by NCC and AMCs during the index period.



TRAINING & SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Trainees' feedback to Skill Development training at NCC-PvPI



Key:

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1.Objective of the training at outset | 6.Utilization of time |
| 2.Objective met post-training | 7.Participation & interaction of participants |
| 3.Facilitator enthusiasm | 8.Study material |
| 4.Quality of presentation | 9.Training facilities |
| 5.Duration of training | 10.Level of confidence after training |

Skill Development Programme

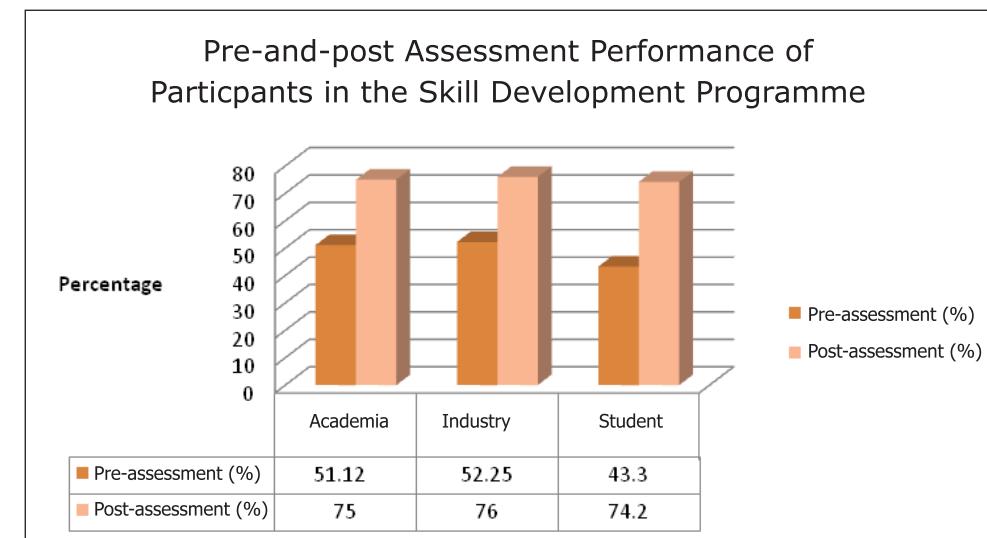


Trainees with delegates during the 10-day (March 1-10, 2017) Skill Development Programme on 'Basics & Regulatory Aspects of Pharmacovigilance: Striving for Excellence', at IPC, Ghaziabad

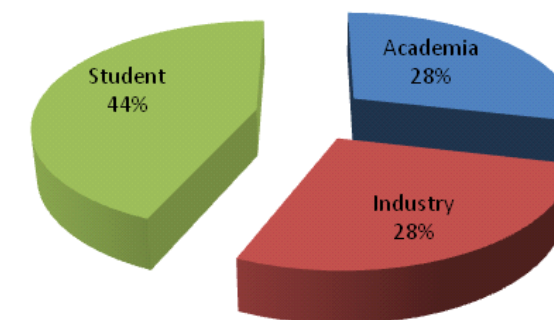
PRE-AND-POST ASSESSMENT

Pre-and-Post Assessment comparison of First Skill Development Programme of PvPI from 16th-25th January 2017

Pre-assessment of the participants was carried out at the beginning of the skill development programme to understand their basic knowledge and awareness about Pharmacovigilance. After the completion of the 10-day training programme, post-assessment was conducted to evaluate the impact and effectiveness of the training programme. The comparison of the Pre-and-Post assessment of the participants is depicted in figure below:



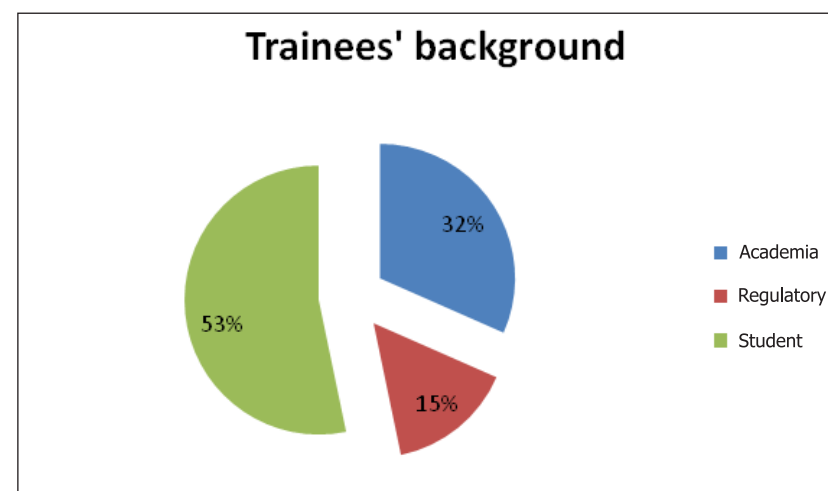
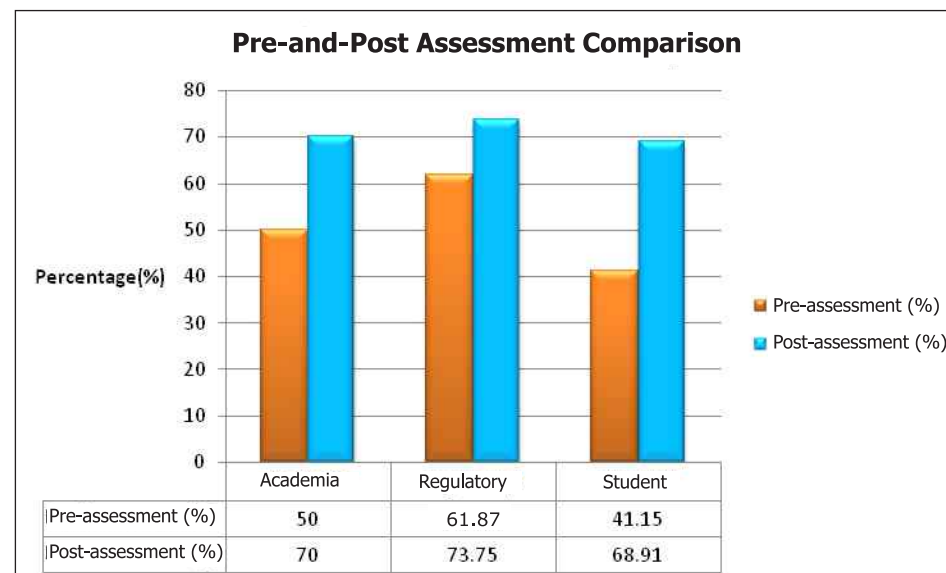
Trainees' background (%)



PRE-AND-POST ASSESSMENT

Pre-and-Post Assessment comparison of 2nd Skill Development Programme on Pharmacovigilance from March 1-10, 2017

A similar assessment was carried out during the second Skill Development Programme too. The comparison of the Pre-and-Post- assessment of the participants is illustrated in figure below



SIGNAL DETECTION

Signal Detection

WHO defines a Signal as “Reported information on a possible causal relationship between an adverse event and a drug, the relationship being unknown or incompletely documented previously

Signal detection and clinical assessment of Individual Case Safety Reports (ICSRs) are a vital domain of Pharmacovigilance. NCC-PvPI is engaged in identifying potential signals from India-specific ICSRs with technical assistance by experts in the signal review panel (SRP).

METHODS USED BY PVPI FOR SIGNAL DETECTION

Various methods are used for signal detection. The four parameters for identifying a new signal from Indian ICSRs include:

1. Information Component (IC)
2. Proportional Relative Risk/Proportional Reporting Ratio (PRR)
3. Chi-square (χ^2) statistics (with 1 degree of freedom)
4. Total number of reports on the specific Drug-ADR combination available in the Indian database (N_{comb})

The threshold values used in the PvPI for the aforementioned parameters to identify a potential signal are:

1. $IC_{0.25} > 0$
2. $PRR \geq 2$ with the lower bound of its 95% CI > 1
3. χ^2 statistics (with 1 degree of freedom) ≥ 4
4. $N_{comb} \geq 3$, to highlight potential signals

Fulfilment of at least two of these four parameters is required for considering a specific drug-ADR combination as a potential signal.

SIGNAL DETECTION

ACTIVITIES OF PVPI SIGNAL REVIEW PANEL (SRP)

Following signal review meetings were conducted during the Index Period.

| S. No | Activities | Drug-ADR Combination Reviewed | Outcome | CDSKO Initiatives |
|-------|---|---|--|--|
| 1. | 8 th SRP meeting held on July 8, 2016 at CDSCO, New Delhi | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Cefixime – Acute Generalised Exanthematous PustulosisItraconazole – Photosensitivity ReactionIbuprofen – SJS/TENAmoxicillin/Potassium Clavulanate – SJS/TENCiprofloxacin – SJS/TENSodium Valproate – Gum Hyperplasia | SRP suggested that the information be incorporated in the package insert | <ul style="list-style-type: none">In processIn processIn processIn processIn process |
| 2. | 9 th SRP meeting held on November 29, 2016 at CDSCO, West Zone, Mumbai | <ul style="list-style-type: none">BCG Vaccine – LymphadenopathyDocetaxel – CandidiasisFurosemide – Lichenoid dermatitisItraconazole – Acute Generalised Exanthematous PustulosisLithium Carbonate – DRESS SyndromePhenytoin – Acute Generalised Exanthematous Pustulosis | SRP suggested that the information be incorporated in the package insert | <ul style="list-style-type: none">In processIn processSubject Expert Committee agreed to update the PILIn processSubject Expert Committee agreed to update the PILSubject Expert Committee agreed to update the PIL |

DRUG ALERTS:

The NCC has issued drug alerts to advise the Healthcare Professionals, Patients/Consumers to closely monitor the possibility of the following adverse events while prescribing/consuming these drugs.

| S. No | Suspected drug(s) | Indication | Adverse reaction(s) |
|-------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. | Roflumilast | To reduce the risk of exacerbation of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease | Gynaecomastia |
| 2. | Clozapine | Management of schizophrenia | Neutropenia |
| 3. | Disulfiram | Alcohol abuse | Erythroderma |
| 4. | Piperacillin & tazobactam | Lower Respiratory Tract Infection, Urinary Tract Infection, Intra-abdominal infection | Blurred Vision |
| 5. | Mometasone furoate, topical | Steroid responsive dermatitis, Eczema, Atopic dermatitis | Hypertrichosis, Hirsutism, Skin depigmentation |
| 6. | Peginterferon Alpha-2a | Chronic Active hepatitis B and C | Vasculitis |
| 7. | Ranibizumab | Neo-vascular age-related Macular Degeneration (AMD), Visual impairment due to Diabetic Macular Edema (DME), Visual impairment due to Choroidal Neo-vascularization (CNV) secondary to Pathologic Myopia (PM) | Myocardial Infarction |
| 8. | Amphotericin B (conventional) | Life-threatening fungal infections | Bone marrow depression |

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| 9. | Doxorubicin | Soft tissue and Bone sarcoma, Acute leukemia, Malignant lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, Breast carcinoma | Photosensitivity reaction |
| 10. | Crizotinib | Locally advanced or Metastatic non-small cell lung Cancer (NSCLC) that is anaplastic, Lymphoma kinase (ALK) – positive | Pneumonitis Hepatic Encephalopathy |
| 11. | Hepatitis-B immunoglobulin (Human) | Active immunisation against hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection | Encephalopathy |
| 12. | Lacosamide | As an adjunctive treatment for partial seizures in patients more than 17 years of age | Red-Man syndrome |
| 13. | Dimethyl fumarate | Relapsing, remitting multiple-sclerosis encephalopathy | Osteonecrosis |
| 14. | Cefotaxime | Infections due to sensitive gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria | Anaphylactic shock |
| 15. | Sodium citrate/ diphenhydramine hydrochloride/ammonium chloride | Symptomatic treatment of cough | Myocardial infarction |
| 16. | Cabergoline | Hyperprolactinemia and inhibition of lactation | Stevens-Johnson Syndrome (SJS) |
| 17. | Amlodipine | Angina, hypertension, coronary artery disease | Alopecia |
| 18. | Nitrofurantoin | Urinary tract infections, Cystitis | Drug Reaction with Eosinophilia and Systemic Symptoms (DRESS) |
| 19. | Atenolol | Angina, Myocardial infarction, arrhythmias, hypertension, Prophylaxis of migraine | Lichenoid dermatitis |
| 20. | Cefixime | Otitis media, RTI, uncomplicated UTI, infections caused by <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> , <i>H.influenza</i> species | Anal ulcer |
| 21. | Olanzapine | Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders, mania/mixed episode, psychomotor agitation and violent behaviour | Drug Reaction with Eosinophilia and Systemic Symptoms (DRESS) |
| 22. | Montelukast | Prophylaxis of mild to moderate asthma | Tinnitus |
| 23. | Cefoperazone with sulbactam | Upper and Lower Respiratory Tract Infection (RTI) and Urinary Tract Infection (UTI), Septicemia | Acute generalised exanthematous pustulosis |
| 24. | Meropenem | Nosocomial infections like septicaemia | Hypokalaemia |
| 25. | Cefepime | For serious CRTI, uncomplicated and complicated UTI, uncomplicated skin & skin structure, infection acute exacerbation of Chronic Bronchitis & Intra-abdominal infection | Lichenoid dermatitis |
| 26. | Losartan | Congestive heart failure, Hypertension and Myocardial infarction | Burning micturition |

SIGNAL DETECTION

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| 27. | Amisulpride | For acute and chronic schizophria | Tinnitus |
| 28. | Carbamazepine | Partial seizures with or without secondary generalisation, Trigeminal neuralgia, Bipolar Disorder. | Bruxism |
| 29. | Clomipramine | Obsessive Compulsion Disorder (OCD) Panic disorder | Melasma |
| 30. | Glimepiride | Type 2 Diabetes mellitus | Lichenoid drug eruption |
| 31. | Metoprolol | Supraventricular arrhythmia, Angina Pectoris, Hypertension, Myocardial infarction, Prophylaxis of Migraine, Hyperthyroidism, Heart failure | Lichenoid drug eruption |
| 32. | Levamisole | Roundworm and hookworm infestations | Exfoliation of skin |
| 33. | Deferasirox | Chronic iron overload in patients with Non-Transfusion Dependent Thalassemia (NTDT) syndromes | Osteoporosis |
| 34. | Ambroxol | All forms of Tracheobronchitis, Emphysema with Bronchitis Pneumoconiosis | Lacrimation |
| 35. | Lurasidone | Treatment of patients with schizophrenia | Thrombocytopenia |
| 36. | Etoricoxib | Short-term use in acute painful condition | Hyperpigmentation of skin |

REGULATORY PHARMACOVIGILANCE

The process of Regulatory Pharmacovigilance ensures identifying and responding to risk-benefit issues arising out of marketed medicines, and is conducted by drug regulatory authorities and pharmaceutical companies. The objectives of regulatory pharmacovigilance are long-term monitoring of medicines, assessment of the risks and benefits of medicines, disseminating information among public to optimize safe and effective use of medicines and monitoring the impact of any action taken.

Effective Pharmacovigilance is dependent on the availability of information on possible hazards associated with medicines in clinical practice. It requires a system for collecting and monitoring suspected adverse drug reactions (ADRs).

PvPI takes all the necessary actions to ensure maximum safety of drugs marketed, manufactured and prescribed in India. AMCs under the umbrella of PvPI play a vigilant role in ensuring the same. PvPI received following ADRs associated with the quality of medicinal product during the index period:

| S. No | Name of the Drug | Brand name/ Manufacturer | Suspected Adverse Drug Reaction Reported due to quality issue | Reporting AMC Name | Action Taken by NCC-PvPI | Outcome |
|-------|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|---|--|
| 1. | Inj. Ceftriaxone 1 g i.v. | Amzone/Maxmed Life Science, Rudrapur, Uttarakhand | Analyphatic Reaction | DRPGMC, Kangra, Himachal Pradesh | Communicated to State Drug Controller For Himachal Pradesh & CDSCO North Zone office | Authorities at the hospital concerned took prompt action by alerting the staff and averted adverse event in rest of the patients |
| 2. | Inj. Tranexamic acid, 100 mg i.v. | T-Stat/ Mercury Laboratories Ltd., Vadodra | Chills and Rigor | GMC, Haldwani, Uttarakhand | Communicated to State Drug Controller for Uttarakhand & CDSCO North Zone office | Authorities at the hospital concerned took prompt action by alerting the staff and averted adverse event in rest of the patients |
| 3. | Inj. Ampicillin IP 500 mg | Weismanna Healthcare Pvt Ltd., Ongole, Andhra Pradesh | Analyphatic Reaction | SVMC, Tirupati, A.P | Communicated to state drug controller for Andhra Pradesh & DDC South Zone End her, The DI reported to suspend the license | Authorities at the hospital concerned took prompt action by alerting the staff and averted adverse event in rest of the patients |
| 4. | Inj. Iohexol 350 mg | Omnipaque/ GE healthcare, Shanghai,China Imported and marketed by Wipro GE healthcare Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi | Analyphatic Reaction | SVIMS, Tirupati, AP | Communicated to state drug controller for Andhra Pradesh & DDC South Zone End her, The DI reported to further do analysis and testing | Authorities at the hospital concerned took prompt action by alerting the staff and averted adverse event in rest of the patients |
| 5. | Inj. Propofol 2 mg | Kwality Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Amritsar, Punjab | Lack of efficacy and Bronchospasm | CMC, Coimbatore, Govt Kilpauk Medical College, Chennai, Swami Mansingh Medical College, Jaipur | Communicated to DCGI & DDC South Zone | Authorities at the hospital concerned took prompt action by alerting the staff and averted adverse event in rest of the patients |

MAHs' CONTRIBUTION

ROLE OF MAHs IN PvPI

As per the recent amendment to Schedule Y of the Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, 1945, Pharmacovigilance has been made a mandatory requirement for every manufacturer or marketing authorization holder (MAH). Following this mandate Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (PvPI) has initiated interactions with the pharmaceutical industry to execute the mandate.

These interactions are aimed at addressing the challenges and issues in reporting ADRs to the PvPI. Two interactive sessions were held by PvPI during the Index Period. The recommendations of these sessions are listed below:

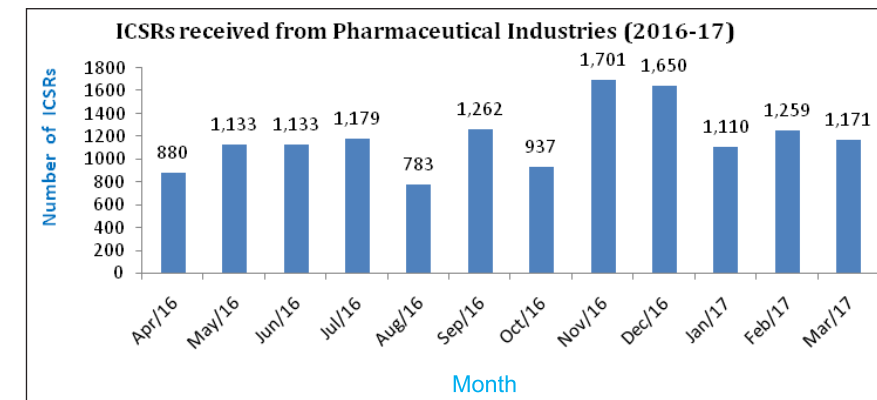
- Industries need to implement/develop a system for reporting Individual Case Safety Reports (ICSRs)/Periodic Safety Update Reports (PSUR) in XML ICH E2B format within 30 days
- The latest updated package insert leaflet (PIL) of the pharmaceutical product concerned be uploaded on the respective MAH website
- Development of the medication error module for PvPI with technical support from Lupin Pharmaceuticals Limited
- MAHs are advised to report all ADRs of their product to PvPI, including the unlisted AE/ADRs
- Training of medical representatives of MAHs to improve quality of ICSR
- PvPI Helpline 1800-180-3024 be printed on the last page of PIL of all products

Pharmacovigilance activities of MAHs during the Index Period

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| Total Number of MAHs Reporting to NCC-PvPI, IPC | 57 |
| Reporting Format | CIOMS, E2B/XML |
| Interactive Sessions with MAHs by NCC-PvPI, IPC | 2 |
| Dedicated division for processing ICSR submitted by MAHs | Appreciation and Acknowledgement of MAH for ADR reporting |
| Exclusive SOP for processing of ICSR | - |
| Review of PSURs jointly by CDSCO and PvPI | Office Memorandum issued by the DCG (I) |

ICSR reporting by the Pharmaceutical Industry

The voluntary reporting by MAHs has been on an increase following efforts and initiatives PvPI. As many as 14,248 ICSR were received from the MAHs by PvPI.



Reporting of Adverse Events due to Medical Devices is now PvPI's duty

In the aftermath of Adverse Events (AEs) due to use of medical devices, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), GoI, has laid down stringent mechanisms for identifying and reporting such events throughout India. To monitor any such AEs, the Materiovigilance Programme of India (MvPI) was launched by the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI), Dr G N Singh, at Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission, Ghaziabad, on July 6, 2015. During the launch, a Steering committee and a Working Group committee were constituted to meet the aims and objectives as also the functions of the programme. The committees recommended identification of Medical Devices Adverse Events Monitoring Centres (MDMCs), assignment of coordinators and recruitment of research associates for these centres. The MoHFW nominated Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute of Medical Sciences & Technology (SCTIMST), Thiruvananthapuram, as National Collaboration Centre (NCC) and National Health System Resource Centre (NHSRC) for providing technical support.

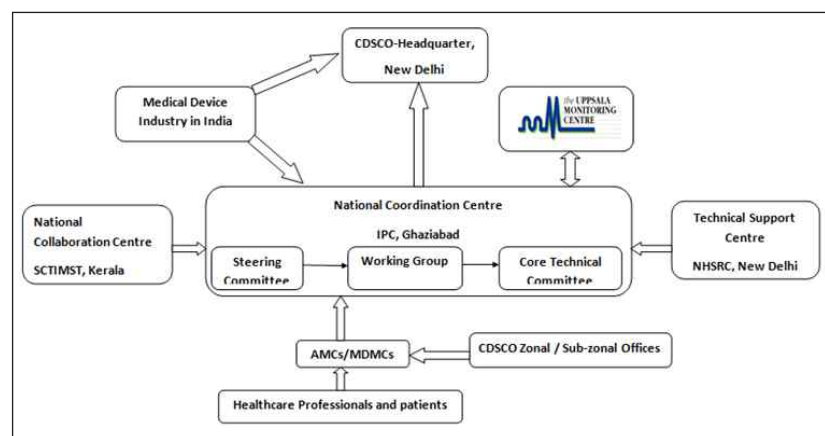
Following the recommendations by the two committees, 10 government medical colleges across the country, covering various zones, were identified as MDMCs by the NCC-PvPI and coordinators and newly-recruited research associates assigned to these centres. To train the coordinators and research associates in Materiovigilance, the NCC-PvPI held a two-day induction-cum-training programme from February 22, 2017.

To ensure effective AE reporting culture among MDMCs, clinicians, biomedical engineers, hospital technology manager, pharmacists, nurses, technicians, the MvPI has introduced various tools for AE reporting. It is pertinent to mention here that in due course the CDSCO will be able to access India-specific data on AEs related to medical devices, for making regulatory decisions.

During the steering committee's second meeting at IPC, Ghaziabad, on March 21, 2017, Dr G N Singh urged the NCC-PvPI, IPC, to shoulder all MvPI responsibilities with a view to ensuring its smooth functioning.

Dr Singh, has recently issued a circular to 210 Adverse Drug Reactions Monitoring Centres (AMCs) under PvPI, highlighting the following:

- Urgent need for reporting all adverse events due to use of medical devices
- Reporting of adverse events due to medical devices through the specifically-prescribed Medical Device Adverse Event (MDAE) reporting-form
- Need for close coordination by PvPI with cardiology, orthopaedics and dentistry departments of all AMCs to ensure urgent reporting
- PvPI to develop working relations with biomedical engineers, technical partners and healthcare professionals
- NCC-PvPI has received as many as 50 Medical Device Adverse Event (MDAE) reports, which included 39 reports due to invasive devices, five reports due to non-invasive devices and six reports related to quality of the medical device.



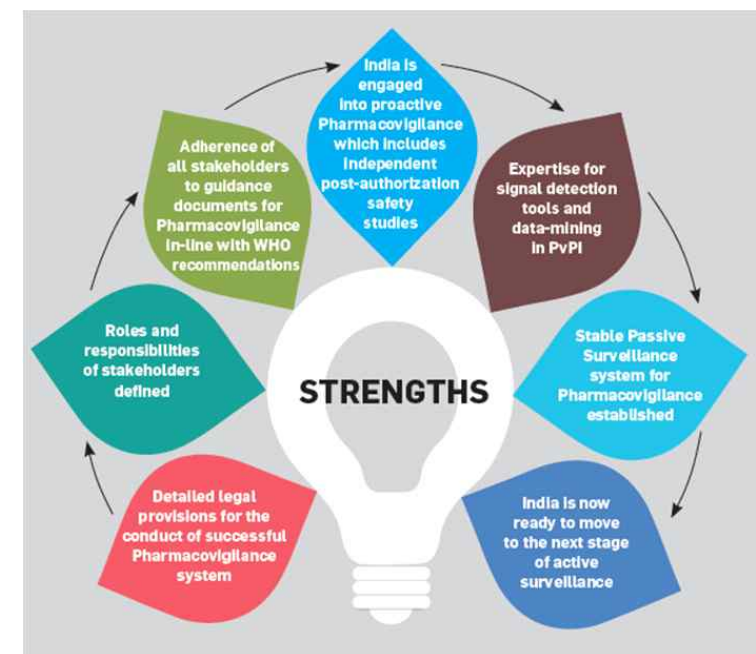
Key Events

NRA Meets WHO Standards on Vaccine Regulation

A World Health Organization (WHO)-led team of international experts has certified that the National Regulatory Authority (NRA) of India and its affiliated institutions meet the WHO-published indicators for the functional vaccine regulatory system.

WHO-NRA exercise carried out from February 13-17, 2017 was aimed at assessing and documenting the status of Indian vaccine regulatory system, re-benchmarking the status of the vaccine regulatory system against the WHO-NRA Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT), updating the Institutional Development Plan and measuring maturity of the system.

The assessment includes Pharmacovigilance as one of the indicators for NRA-benchmarking tool. All sub-indicators of the Pharmacovigilance tool were fulfilled and found satisfactory. The progress was remarkable when compared with the last NRA assessment made in 2012. The assessment has been done in respect of nine different functionalities. Finally, the Pharmacovigilance system of India has been declared 'functional' with a maturity level of 4 out of 5, which is the highest level as per currently-evolved definitions.



IMPORTANT EVENTS



Inaugural session of NRA Assessment 2017 at CDSCO (HQ), New Delhi



NRA reviewers during an inspection at NCC-PvPI, IPC, Ghaziabad

NURSES ARE THE CORNERSTONE OF PvPI EDIFICE

To stress the importance, and create awareness, of pharmacovigilance among nursing professionals, the NCC-PvPI organized its first national-level meeting on "Participation of Nursing Professionals in PvPI" at IPC, Ghaziabad, on May 6, 2016 as the nursing staff are one of the main stakeholders in the sphere of pharmacovigilance. Hence, the NCC-PvPI decided to play a proactive role in motivating nursing professionals to realise their role and responsibility in the detection, management, reporting and prevention of suspected ADRs and all essential activities for optimizing patient safety. During this meeting, **Dr G N Singh**, Secretary-cum-Scientific Director, IPC, said that nurses can act as a backbone for the pharmacovigilance programme and their active involvement in ADR reporting is also important from the regulatory point of view as safety information is incorporated into PIL from ADR reporting. Dr Chetna Desai, Prof B J Medical College (BJMC), Ahmedabad, in her keynote address deliberated on various topics like how to induct nurses in pharmacovigilance and the role of nurses in ADR reporting. It was recommended to form a panel of experts, including nurses to suggest ways in which ADR reporting can be implemented among nurses to include a nursing expert in the Steering Committee of PvPI. It was also recommended that Chief Nursing Staff should act as a member of PvPI panel in ADR Monitoring Centre.



Secretary-cum-Scientific Director, IPC, Dr G N Singh (centre), expounds on the role of nursing professionals in PvPI during the first national-level meeting on 'Participation of Nursing Professionals in PvPI', at IPC, Ghaziabad, on May 6, 2016

IMPORTANT EVENTS

PvPI PROGRESS: A REVIEW BY JOINT SECRETARY (REGULATIONS)

Mr K L Sharma, Joint Secretary (Regulations), and Dr G N Singh, Secretary-cum-Scientific Director, IPC, with officials of PvPI met at IPC, Ghaziabad, on May 2, 2016 to review the progress by PvPI and take situational updates of the programme. The JS (R) elaborated upon the efforts made by MoHFW to strengthen PvPI. The active engagement of pharmaceutical industries in pharmacovigilance was taken note of and the adherence to Guidance Document for MAHs will come into effect from January 2018. The JS (R) was overwhelmed by the progress and emphasized the need for value additions to PvPI with a view to improving its standing in the international arena.



JS (R), Mr K L Sharma (left), with DCG (I), Dr G N Singh (centre), and Deputy Drug Controller (India), Mr A K Pradhan, during the review meeting at IPC, Ghaziabad, on May 2, 2016

STATE DRUG REGULATION AUTHORITIES ADAPT TO PV PRACTICES

Dr Jagdish Prasad, Director General Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India, has directed the State/Union Territories' (UTs) health authorities to adapt to pharmacovigilance practices in coordination with respective AMCs. Issuing a circular to this effect, he urged the authorities and officers concerned to approach nearby ADR Monitoring Centres (AMCs) functioning under PvPI for any technical support or Pharmacovigilance-related information.

Circular Highlights

- To inculcate ADR reporting culture in all healthcare professionals
- To sensitize nursing professionals for ADR reporting through state health authorities
- All state/UTs' health authorities requested to approach nearby AMC for technical support related to Pharmacovigilance

OPTIMIZING DRUG SAFETY BY RESEARCH-BASED PHARMACOVIGILANCE

To optimize drug safety through research-based Pharmacovigilance under Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (PvPI), National Coordination Centre-Pharmacovigilance Programme of India (NCC-PvPI) in association with Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) convened its first meeting on "Optimizing the Safety of Medicines through research-based Pharmacovigilance-ICMR Institutions as Collaborating Centres" at ICMR headquarters in New Delhi on July 28, 2016.

| S. No. | Name of ICMR Institute | Domain of Research |
|--------|--|---|
| 1. | National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE), Chennai | Pharmacoepidemiology and data management platforms |
| 2. | National Institute for Research in Reproductive Health (NIRRH), Mumbai | Safety monitoring of drugs and devices for reproductive health |
| 3. | National Institute of Nutrition (NIN), Hyderabad | Nutraceuticals' safety monitoring |
| 4. | National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis (NIRT), Chennai | Research in tuberculosis |
| 5. | National Institute of Cholera & Enteric Diseases (NICED), Kolkata | Safety monitoring of vaccines and drugs used in communicable diseases |
| 6. | National AIDS Research Institute, (NARI), Pune | Monitoring the safety of Anti-HIV drugs |
| 7. | National Institute of Malaria Research (NIMR), New Delhi | Safety of anti-malarial drugs |



(From right) Secretary, DHR, & DG, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Dr Soumya Swaminathan with National Chair in Clinical Pharmacology, ICMR, Dr Nilima Kshirsagar, PSO, IPC, Dr V Kalaiselvan, and Professor and Head, Department of Pharmacology, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, Dr Y K Gupta

IMPORTANT EVENTS

ACTIVE SURVEILLANCE FOR BEDAQUILINE BEGINS AT PvPI

Bedaquiline (BDQ) is used for treatment of multi-drug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB). At present, it is only available at six Revised National Tuberculosis Control Programme (RNTCP) centres across India as part of conditional access programme (CAP) and these centres are ADR-monitoring centres (AMCs) under PvPI. A four-day training programme on "Pharmacovigilance of antitubercular Medicines in India" was organised by NCC-PvPI, IPC, in association with RNTCP and WHO country office (India) in New Delhi from September 6 to 9, 2016. It was inaugurated by Dr Jagdish Prasad, DG, DGHS, and Mr K L Sharma, Joint Secretary (Regulation). The workshop was specially designed for six identified tertiary-care centres which are authorized to prescribe BDQ for MDR-TB treatment. The workshop was conducted for strengthening the operational and technical aspects for effective implementation of Pharmacovigilance in cohort event monitoring (CEM) of BDQ. Participants were imparted hands-on training on causality assessment, filling of CEM form (treatment initiation form and review form) and suspected ADR form for BDQ. Participants of the workshop comprised coordinators for treatment sites (clinicians), TB treatment officers, state TB officers, local causality assessment committee (CAC) members, medical officers, PvPI and WHO experts, statisticians and personnel from non-government organizations (NGOs). The workshop focused on providing in-depth training on causality assessment to RNTCP personnel.



DG, DGHS, Dr Jagdish Prasad (4th left), JS (R), MoHFW, Mr K L Sharma (5th left) and DCG (I) & Secretary-cum-Scientific Director, IPC, Dr G N Singh (4th right) with dignitaries at the inaugural session of the four-day training programme on 'Pharmacovigilance of Anti-tubercular Medicines in India', in New Delhi on September 6, 2016

IPC SIGNS MoU WITH NABH FOR ADR-REPORTING

Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH) on January 10, 2017. The objective of this MoU is to promote monitoring and reporting of ADRs by NABH-accredited hospitals to Pharmacovigilance Programme of India. The memorandum-signing ceremony was organised by IPC at CDSCO headquarters, FDA Bhawan, New Delhi.



DCG (I) & Secretary-cum-Scientific Director, IPC, Dr G N Singh with Director, NABH, Dr B K Rana (displaying copies of MoU), at CDSCO, HQ, in New Delhi on January 10, 2017

IMPORTANT EVENTS

NVBDCP AND PVPI SIGN MoU ON KALA-AZAR DRUG SAFETY

To ensure the safety of drugs used in the National Vector-Borne Disease Control Programme (NVBDCP) a memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between the IPC and Directorate of NVBDCP, New Delhi, on August 3, 2016. The MoU was signed by Dr G N Singh, Secretary-cum-Scientific Director, IPC, & DCG(I), and Dr A C Dhariwal, Director, NVBDCP, in presence of Dr Jagdish Prasad, DGHS. The MoU intends to foster active cooperation and exchange of information between the authorities concerned on drug safety. In the early phase, the primary objective is to monitor ADR of drugs used in treatment of Kala-azar as part of the vector-borne disease control programme.



DG, DGHS, Dr Jagdish Prasad (4th right), Secretary-cum-Scientific Director, IPC, Ghaziabad, Dr G N Singh (5th right), and Director, NVBDCP, Dr A C Dhariwal (3rd right), with experts displaying copies of NVBDCP-PvPI MoU at a meeting in New Delhi on August 3, 2016

Modes of Communication in PvPI



COMMUNICATIONS

Communicating safety information to patients and healthcare professionals is an important function of Pharmacovigilance. It is essential for achieving the objectives in terms of promoting the rational, safe and effective use of medicines, preventing harm from adverse reactions and contributing to the protection of public health. Communication aims at improving patient care, understanding ADRs/AEs, promoting transparency and

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accountability. NCC-PvPI is responsible for publishing/communicating findings from its database to journals/media/online portals while other stakeholders are required to obtain prior approval from NCC to publish/communicate any data or information related to PvPI. Different modes of communications used in PvPI are:



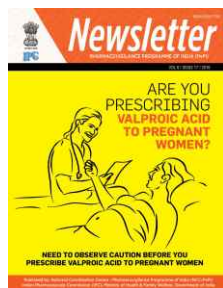
Press and Media

This includes press releases and media briefings which are primarily intended for journalists. All activities related to PvPI are communicated to the media for raising awareness among stakeholders and the common man. PvPI also releases news to newspapers in different languages e.g. *Drug Today*, *Medical Times*, *Dainik Jagran*, *Dainik Bhaskar*, *Amar Ujala*, etc. in different states.



Website

A website is a key tool to disseminate information among stakeholders, including patients and healthcare professionals. NCC-PvPI strives to ensure that all important safety information is regularly published on its website.



Newsletter

NCC-PvPI publishes its *Newsletter* quarterly to communicate the findings and regulatory status of medicines in India as well as globally to the stakeholders. This newsletter is meant to disseminate information with issues of patient safety. It provides information, statistics and advice on drug safety. The quarterly issues of the *Newsletter* can be accessed from the IPC website www.ipc.gov.in



Posters and Pamphlets

Posters and pamphlets are effective modes of communication. PvPI regularly publishes posters and pamphlets that illustrate the news and views of PvPI and related drug safety information to stakeholders in India and across the globe.



Position Paper

Position paper of PvPI published during the 38th Annual Meeting of the WHO-PIDM comprises concise current scenario, landmark achievements, ongoing activities and future plans of the NCC-PvPI.



Communication through social media

LinkedIn (NCC PvPI)

LinkedIn is a business-oriented social networking service that offers visibility and access to stakeholders. The NCC-PvPI is registered on LinkedIn (ID - NCC PvPI), for better visibility and access to stakeholders.



Facebook (Ncc-PvPI IPC)

Facebook is a social networking website that allows registered users to create profiles, upload photos, videos and send messages. The facebook account of NCC-PvPI is used to share updates with users of this social media.



Twitter (@IPCNCPPvPI)

Twitter is an online social networking service that enables users to send and read short messages called "tweets". Registered users can read and post tweets regarding PvPI on the account @IPCNCPPvPI.

PvPI Achievements Highlighted in WHO-UMC Publications

PvPI outcomes are regularly shared globally through UMC and WHO publications

1. Carbamazepine: Risk of Stevens Johnson's Syndrome

Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255494/1/WPN-2016-02-eng.pdf?ua=1>

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3. Antirabies vaccine: Risk of erythema multiforme

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Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255491/1/WPN-2016-05-eng.pdf?ua=1>

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Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255491/1/WPN-2016-05-eng.pdf?ua=1>

8. Cloxacillin: Risk of acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis

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9. Ibuprofen: Risk of Stevens Johnson Syndrome/toxic epidermal necrolysis

Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255491/1/WPN-2016-05-eng.pdf?ua=1>

10. Itraconazole: Risk of photosensitivity reaction

Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255491/1/WPN-2016-05-eng.pdf?ua=1>

11. Lamotrigine: Risk of Stevens Johnsons Syndrome/toxic epidermal necrolysis

Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255491/1/WPN-2016-05-eng.pdf?ua=1>

12. Mannitol: Risk of hypokalaemia

Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255491/1/WPN-2016-05-eng.pdf?ua=1>

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14. Rotavirus vaccine: Risk of intussusceptions

Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255491/1/WPN-2016-05-eng.pdf?ua=1>

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Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255487/1/WPN-2017-02-eng.pdf?ua=1>

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Reference: <http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/255487/1/WPN-2017-02-eng.pdf?ua=1>

17. Lithium carbonate: Risk of Drug Reaction with Eosinophilia and Systemic Symptoms (DRESS) syndrome

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Action Plan 2017-18

- Extension of PvPI by enrolling district hospitals to spread coverage at micro-level
- Nation-wide campaign to enhance the outreach for public health programmes
- Development of bridge application with Nikshay (RNTCP) to access ADRs of anti tubercular drugs
- Awareness activities to enhance public engagement towards reporting adverse drug reactions
- Networking with pharmaceutical industry and other professional bodies for effective implementation of PvPI
- Aspire by professional bonding with SEARO region countries for Pharmacovigilance training and guidance
- Implementation of Quality Management System (QMS) of PvPI to ensure quality services for stakeholders
- Organizing skill development trainings for budding professionals in the field of Pharmacovigilance
- Development of indigenous IT-tools for e-reporting of adverse drug reaction in India

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