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Date:- 05.05.2025

To,
Dr. Suvarna Patil
Principal Investigator,
BKLWH

Subject: Final Approval of project # 270

The Institutional Ethics Committee reviewed your new application to conduct the research study entitled "**Characterization of the micronutrient Profile among Indian adolescent girls and development of Strategies to tackle deficiency**", discussed during the **95th meeting held on 20.04.2025 at 9.00 am in the Meeting Room in OPD building at B. K. L. Walawalkar Hospital (BKLWH). Most members joined the meeting online.**

The following members of the BKLWH-IEC joined the meeting:

Sr.no	Name	Affiliation	Gender	Expertise
1	Dr. Mahendra Gulati	A201, Gold Coast Ivory Estate, Baner Road, Near Green Park Hotel Banner, Pune 8	Male	Chairman
2	Dr. Arvind Yadav	BKL Walawalkar Rural Medical College & Hospital, Sawarde	Male	Member Secretary
3	Mr. Suresh S. Pakale	Advocate, Eliphistone Building, 1 st Floor, 10, Veer Nariman Road, Near Horniman Circle, Fort, Mumbai- 400001.	Male	Legal Expert
4	Mr. Mandar Phadke	17, Vrundavan Society, Navi Peth, Near Mhatre Bridge, Chintamani Bungalow, Pune- 30.	Male	Lay person
5	Dr. Veena Londhe	Athashri B 314, PAN Card Club Road, Baner, Pune- 411 045	Female	Lay person
6	Miss. Dipali Parab	BKL Walawalkar Rural Medical College & Hospital, Sawarde	Female	Social Scientist
7	Dr. Anand Joshi	BKL Walawalkar Rural Medical College & Hospital, Sawarde	Male	Gastroenterology
8	Dr. Rita Mulherkar	B 813, Athashri, Pancard Club Road, Baner, Pune, 411045	Female	Scientist
9	Dr. Sunita Patil	BKL Walawalkar Rural Medical College & Hospital, Sawarde	Female	Clinical Pharmacologist
10	Dr. Shivaleela	BKL Walawalkar Rural Medical College & Hospital, Sawarde	Female	Clinical Pharmacologist

11	Dr. Suneeti Gore	1128 Shivajinagar, S.No. 504, 8, Kamala Regency, Dynaneshwar Paduka Chowk, Fergusson College road, Pune-411016	Female	Social Scientist
12	Dr. Abhya Desai	Assistant Professor of Surgery, BKL Walawalkar Rural Medical college & Hospital, Sawarde	Male	Clinician

The following documents were reviewed:

1. Project Submission Form
2. Amendment Reporting Form
3. ICF Consent form Parent and Child in English Version V3 dated 11.04.2025 and Marathi version 3.0 dated 11.04.2025 (Approved)
4. Investment documents Grant Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Decision: Approved. IEC approved the study till 01.05.2027 (2 Years). The Investigators are requested to submit Continuing Review report on or before 01.05.2026.

Following points must be noted:

1. **IEC has approved analysis of 200 subjects on this study.**
2. **IEC should be informed of the yearly progress of the study by the PI. Failure to submit the continuing review application/ annual status report may result in withdrawal of IEC approval.**
3. **IEC has approved the conduct of the study at BKLWH.**
4. Principal Investigator and study team should be GCP trained.
5. PI and other investigators should notify initiation of the study.
6. The decision was arrived at through consensus/ unanimous or majority opinion amongst the voting members of IEC. Member(s) of the committee who is/ are listed as investigator(s) on a research proposal opted out from all deliberations on the proposal and did not participate in decision making. Neither PI nor any of proposed study team members participated during the decision making of the IEC. IEC members with any conflict of interest opted out from all deliberations on the proposal and did not participate in decision-making.
7. Any change, modification or deviation in protocol must be informed to IEC. Any protocol modification or amendment must receive IEC approval.
8. This Ethics Committee is organized and operates according to Good Clinical Practice and Schedule Y requirements.
9. Any deviation/ violation/ waiver in the protocol must be informed to the IEC.
10. Principal Investigator should conduct the study accordance to the IEC approval protocol.
11. The PI should submit a report to the IEC at the time of Study Completion or Premature Termination/ Suspension/ Discontinuation Report as is applicable.
12. Principal Investigator should comply with regulations and guidelines as applicable.

Thanking you,
Yours sincerely


Dr. Anand Joshi,
Acting Member Secretary,
IEC