Brief Profile

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Research Interest/Thrust Areas

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Number of projects handled as:

Principal Investigator - 10

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As Guide - 6

As Co-guide - 2

List of significant publications (Please give the details of the publications in APA format)

Publications since 2015

- 1. Suman Lata, Sanjeev Kumar Gupta, Gaurav Kumar, Suresh Yadav, Suman Sundar Mohanty, Pooja Prasad, Bharat Singh, Sangeeta Singh, Poonam Saroha, Dinesh Kumar, Prem Singh, Kumar Vikram, Deepali Savargaonkar, **Himmat Singh**, Moving population is a challenge for malaria elimination in India: A cross-sectional study to assess malaria parasite infections in walking pilgrims in western Rajasthan, India, IJID Regions. 2024, (12):100418, ISSN 2772-7076, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijregi.2024.100418.
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Achievements/Awards/Additional Information

- Established the role of Ae. aegypti in local transmission of ZIKV outbreak of Jaipur in Sep. 2018. 1st report from India (pub: Acta Tropica) for the first time from the Indian subcontinent during the. This helped formulate a species-specific vector control strategy during the outbreak and other outbreaks in Kerala, MP, and UP recently.
- Developed mosquito-proof lid for western Rajasthan which was cost-effective, durable acceptable, and stopped 100% breeding of An. stephensi. The community started using (pub. in Malaria Journal)
- Developed reusable cost-effective cellulose pad-based ovitrap for trapping Aedes egg-laying using cellulose pads which were found to be selected 90% more by Aedes aegypti for egg laying was found 40% more effective for surveillance.
- Established COVID-19. The central depot at NIMR we have distributed over 11 crores of kits throughout the
 country, RT-PCR testing facility at NIMR which is catering to the COVID testing of the Parliament, PMO, and
 Ministries on regular basis.
- Established Xenodiagnosis reference lab for VBDs outbreaks for North India. Demonstrated sustainable control of malaria vectors by deploying Gambusia fish in the Canal irrigated areas of Snachore (Jalore District) in Rajasthan for malaria reduction (2016-2018).
- Two major projects on migration malaria & Damp; studies of An. culicifacies are initiated for supporting NCVBDC. A study on "Insecticidal paint development" is initiated due to its advantages over IRS. Initiate collaborative studies for the elimination of malaria. GLP up-gradation of WHOCC Insecticide testing facility of NIMR.
- Developed Health Adaptation Plan, for Climate Change initiative of NCDC
- Vector biology and control implementable research to support the National VBD control program. Designing and implementing new tools in Vector control strategy and xeno-monitoring.
- National Emergency Response Duties as Expert Entomologist: For planning containment of ZIKV/Dengue outbreaks at Rajasthan, Bihar, Kerala, MP & Maharashtra in different outbreaks (1st report of ZIKV transmitted through Aedes aegypti in India helped in planning strategy) 2018 to 2021.