



**Annual Report 2023-24**

1. About the institution (250 words).

DYPU School of Public Health (DYPSPH) is one of the constituent units of DY Patil Deemed to be University (DYPU) and functions from its state-of-the-art campus at Navi Mumbai. The school was established in the year 2021 with a vision to protect and promote population health through quality education, impactful research, meaningful community engagement and contribution to public health policy. Currently, DYPSPH offers the following programs: Master of Public Health (MPH); Executive Master of Public Health (E-MPH) for working professionals; Doctor of Philosophy (PhD); Integrated MPH-PhD. DYPSPH will be offering three new programs Master of Public Policy (MPP), Bachelor of Public Health (BPH) and BSc Environment and Sustainability from the academic year 2024-25

2. Academic:

A) Programs and Courses (details):

S.No.	Name of the Programme	UG/PG	Duration of the Program
1.	Master of Public Health	PG	Two years – 4 semesters

B) Intake and Admissions for the year 2023-24:

S.No.	Name of the Programme	Intake	Admission
1.	Master of Public Health	50	13

C) Examinations and Results (Number appeared, Number Passed, Pass Percentage) of both main and supplementary exams put together.

S.No.	Name of the Programme	No. of Students Appeared	No. of Students Passed	Pass Percentage
1.	Master of Public Health (2020-22)	13	13	100
2.	Master of Public Health (2021-23)	23	22	95.7

D) Student monitoring: Attendance details are intimated on a monthly basis (mandatory 75% attendance to be eligible for end semester exams). Students are encouraged to consult faculty with



prior appointments to clarify doubts / concerns. Continuous assessment helps identify under performers, who are provided additional guidance and mentoring.

i) Mentor-Mentee

Name of full-time teachers as recognized mentors	Name of students assigned to each mentor
Dr. Sirazul A Sahariah	Ragini, Monali, Karishma, Neelu, Madiha
Dr Daksha Parmar	Priyanka, Shreya, Shrutika, Mudita, Tamanna
Dr Shaveta Menon	Gargi, Rasika, Aina, Komal, Mihika
Dr Nandu KT	Aishwarya, Akshata, Pawan, Priti, Pragya
Dr Rahul Bawankule	Glory, Jhanvi, Zeel, Sailee
Dr Deeptesh Kadam	Chetna, Sana, Gauravi, Akanksha, Gaurav

ii) Parent Teacher's Meeting - NA

E) Board of Studies (Constitution, No. of Meetings held and Major decisions).

Was reconstituted on 16.5.2023. The constitution was as follows:

Name	Designation
Dr Suma Nair Professor & Dean	Chairperson, BOS
Ms. Soumya Ponnann Assistant Professor, (Biostatistics)	Internal Members
Ms. Gopika Seetharam, Lecturer (Epidemiology & Social Sciences)	
Ms. Nidhi Panicker, Lecturer (Epidemiology & Social Sciences)	
Dr Harshal Pandve Professor and Head, Department of Community Medicine, PCMC's PGI and YCM Hospital, Pune	Academic Experts / External Members
Dr Somen Saha Professor, Indian Institute of Public Health, Gandhinagar, Gujarat	
Dr Ranjitha S Shetty, Additional Professor, Department of Community Medicine, KMC, Manipal, MAHE	
Prof. Keerti Bhusan Pradhan, Consultant, International Health Programmes & former professor & head, public health & healthcare management, Chitkara University, Chandigarh	Industry Expert
Representatives of Second & Third semester, MPH	Student Members
Dr Muthukannan , Deputy COE, DYPU	University Nominee



Number of meetings held: 2

Major decisions taken:

- Approval for initiation of new programmes under the school
  - Master of Public Policy (MPP)
  - BSc Environment and Sustainability (BSc ES)
  - BPH Honours (4 years) programme and integrated MPH
  - Approval for Executive MPH programme structure
- Approval for certificate courses
- Approval for initiating 5 academic divisions within the School (Divisions of Population health, Epidemiology, Policy & Governance, Health systems & social sciences, Public health social work)
- Panel of Examiners for Question paper setting, Project work and Practical Examination
- Scope of internship for students, who start their internship in July 2023

The fifth meeting for the Board of Studies (BOS) has been scheduled for May 17, 2024 and following is the proposed agenda:

- 4.1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 4th meeting of BOS held on December 2023 and Action taken report.
- 4.2. The syllabus of BPH, MPP and BSc ES to be detailed
- 4.3. NEP curriculum framework to be finalized for the incoming batches
- 4.4. Identifying a field cohort feasibility for community activities, research and field training of students
- 4.5. Explore the possibility of conducting a PhD course work by the school for all newly registered candidates
- 4.6. Suggestions by BOS members
- 4.7. Any other issues

F) Statistics of Workshops/Seminars/conferences/Guest Lectures:

S.No.	Name of the Program	Number conducted	Nature of Program Regional/State/National /International	Number Attended
1	Workshops	3	Regional	80
2	Seminars /Webinars	2	Regional	50
3	Conference	1	National	150
4	Film Festival	1	National	200
5	Guest Lectures	2	Regional	50
6	Stakeholder meeting	1	Regional	12

**NOTE: Detailed list (soft copy) of above programs to be enclosed with title and date**

G) VIPs visit to your institution (a brief write up)

1. Dr. Deepak Saxena, Director of Indian Institute of Public Health, Gandhinagar. He was the chief guest for the orientation day event on 4.10.2023.
2. Dr Dr Shreekrishna Isloor Veterinary Microbiologist Coordinator India Rabies Survey & Technical advisor NAPRE. He delivered the oration at the CARCON 23 on 8.12.23
3. Dr Omesh Bharti Padmashree Awardee, State Epidemiologist, Himachal Pradesh was the guest of honour for the CARCON 23 inaugural event on 8.12.23
4. Dr Anurag Agarwal, Professor Paediatrics Maulana Azad Medical College, New Delhi & Gen



Secretary Consortium Against Rabies at the inaugural event of CARCON

5. Dr Monil Singhai, Joint director National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), New Delhi was an invited speaker at CARCON 23
6. Dr Murugan Appupillai, Director, Mission Rabies, Worldwide Veterinary Service India invited speaker for CARCON
7. Dr Kalimpasha Pathan, general manager of the Veterinary Department and Deonar Abattoir, BMC,
8. Mr Harish Sadani, President MAVA (Men against violence), collaborator for the film festival Samabhav.
9. Mr Ritesh Sharma, Director of the documentary film “women of my Billion (WOMB)” that was screened as a part of the film festival
10. Ms Rashmi Lamba, India Council Lead of the Geena Davis Institute on Gender in Media (GDI).
11. Ms Poornima Nair, Director Apnalaya
12. Yusuf Kabir, Consultant UNICEF

H) Externally Funded Research projects: -

- On- going for the period ending 31-03-2024.
- Newly sanctioned after 01-04-2022 (but before 31-03-2024)

S.No.	Name of the Project	Period	Funded by	Status (completed or ongoing)
1	Feasibility and usability evaluation of AnkaSmart! IoT solution to improve sexual and reproductive health conditions of young populations living in Navi Mumbai	Extended for 12 months	Grand Challenges Canada	Ongoing
2	Smart app-based rapid multiplex screening of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) in at risk populations at the point-of-care: A demonstration study in India	24 months	India-Canada Centre for Innovative Multidisciplinary Partnerships to Accelerate Community Transformation and Sustainability (IC Impacts)	Ongoing

I) Research leading to PhD degree (Include the list of students who enrolled in 2023-24 as well as ongoing enrolled list till 2023)

S.No.	Name of the Student	Name of the Guide	Date of registration	Title of Research Topic
2.	Rishika Saxena	Dr. Suma Nair	January 2023	Development and validation of a comprehensive sex education module for adolescent children and their care providers in Mumbai and Navi Mumbai regions of Maharashtra.



J) Publications for college as a whole. (Not to be counted/stated against each Author, if there is more than one author)

- (i) Total number of publications – 12
- (ii) With Impact factor
- (iii) In indexed journals - 12
- (iv) In other journals (non-indexed) - 0
- (v) Posters
- (vi) Conference proceedings

3. Community Services, Extension and Consultancy Services (a brief write up)

- Community Services: Creating awareness in the community through street plays , talks etc on various public health problems.
- Collaborated with Mission Rabies India chapter to carry out Rabies surveillance in Mumbai & Navi Mumbai region
- Has partnered with Rotary, IMA and other agencies to carry out women’s health initiatives in various parts of Mumbai & Navi Mumbai in collaboration with the Schools of Ayurveda and Medicine.
- Socially relevant and community-oriented research activities.
- Consultancy Service: Biostatistics consultancy service for school of nursing

4. (i) Best Practices; (ii) Innovations; (iii) Start ups; (iv) Patents.

- (i) **Best Practices:** Student driven activities like the Public Health History Club, Health Promotion Club, Newsletter and Media Club, Sports Club.

Scholar in residence initiative wherein international and national students spend 4-6 months in the school resulting in exchange of ideas, combined projects and publications.

- (ii) **Innovations:** Student project put together by Gargi Patil and Aina Kurup “Low-cost Life-saving Safety Probe for Manual Scavengers” was shortlisted for the CIIA 3 competition and project exhibition at the Nehru Centre (Planetarium Complex) Worli from 31st Jan to 2nd February 2024.

5. Human Resource

- (i) Faculty List (department-wise) with qualification & experience.

Sl No	Name of the Faculty	Qualification	Experience
1	Dr. Suma Nair	MBBS, MD	30 years
2	Dr. Sirazul Sahariah	MBBS, MD	23 years
3	Dr Daksha Parmar	MA, MPH, PhD	8 years 10 months
4	Dr Shaveta Menon	BDS, MPH, MPhil, PhD	7 years 9 months
5	Dr Nandu KT	MSW, MPH, PhD	5 years
6	Dr Rahul Bawankule	BAMS, MSc, PhD	4 years
7	Dr Deeptesh Kadam	BPharm, MSc, MPhil, PhD	2 years

- (ii) Non-Teaching Staff List – Administrative and Non-administrative.

Sl. No	Name	Qualification	Experience
1	Mr. Pranil Kale	BTech, MTech	4 years



6. Infrastructure:

- Structural facilities including sophisticated equipment with cost (added during 2023-24)

7. Library Information for 2023-24: Common library at Centre of Excellence.

- Staff: 2
- Number of Books, Titles and Volumes: Available: 92; Proposed:241
- Number of Journals: Available: 6; proposed: 24
- Number of E-Journals
- Internet facilities: High speed Wi-Fi available
- Reprographic facilities

8. Sports and Cultural Activities – a brief description.

As a part of the annual day of the school that was observed in March 2023 and the Rabies conference in December 2023, students performed cultural activities, Additionally, a farewell event for the outgoing batch and a freshers' event for the incoming batch was also organized.

9. Staff Development Programs.

- One Health Workforce Capacity Building workshop on 07.12.2023
- Fulbright Fellowships: Familiarisation Programme on 23-02-2024

10. Alumni related Activities – Has initiated the almaconnect

11. Activities of Institution Innovation Council -

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12. Achievements – Awards, Prizes, Ranks, Recognition, etc. (both for staff and students).

Student Awards:

1. Shrankhala Mishra (2021-23) – Won the best student gold medal for MPH
2. Samriddhi Shekhar (2021 -23) – Had the opportunity to intern at Niti Aayog for a period of 6 months

Faculty Recognition

- Dr Suma Nair was an invited to chair the plenary session at the national conference of IAPSM at KMC, Mangalore on 8 Feb 2024.
- Dr Suma Nair was an invited speaker at the round table conference "Advancing Public Health Education in India: Connecting Global North & South", scheduled on 09th October 2023 at IIPH Gandhinagar.

13. Accreditation - NA

14. Collaboration with Centers of Excellence in India and abroad (about MOU).

- McGill University, Canada
- Indian Institute of Public Health, Gandhinagar
- Centre for public health research, West Bengal

15. Grievance Cell (Grievance Redressal Mechanism) – Has constituted a cell headed by one faculty with staff and student members.

16. Feedback Mechanism at the School – Administered through TCS-Ion.

Surveys conducted for students:

1. Course evaluation



2. Instructor feedback
3. Internship feedback

A survey of internship supervisors has been developed to receive their feedback on the interns appointed at their respective organisations.

17. Various School Committees.

S.No.	Name of the Committee	Committee Coordinator
1	Research & Development Cell (RDC)	Dr Daksha Parmar
2	Grievance Redressal Committee (GRC)	Dr. Sirazul Sahariah
3	Curriculum, Examination & BOS Committee	Dr Nandu KT
4	Committee for Outreach and Community Activities (COCA)	Dr Deeptesh Kadam
5	Career and Placement Cell (CAP)	Dr Shaveta Menon
7	School Promotion Activity Cell (SPAC)	Dr Rahul Bawankule

18. Training and Placement Cell – Called the Career & Placement Cell (CAP) has been instrumental in forging collaborations with various agencies (NGOs, Institutions, Government bodies etc) and provide internship opportunities for the students. About 30 students have benefitted so far and some have converted to placements. Some of the organisations are: SNEHA, Niti Aayog, ICMR, PATH, etc.

19. Any Other Matter (Not covered under above)

(Documents to be supplemented with good photographs (in JPEG format only) with proper numbering, corresponding to serial numbers of the report).