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1. Overview

1.1. Objectives of the Council

The Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS), an autonomous body under the Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India is an apex body in India for undertaking, coordinating, formulating, developing and promoting research on scientific lines in Siddha. The activities are being carried out through 5 peripheral Institutes / Units located in Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Union Territory of Puducherry. The research activities of the Council include Preclinical Research, Clinical Research, Drug Research and Literary Research in Siddha.

The objectives for which the Central Council for Research in Siddha has been established are:

- 1. The formulation of aims and patterns of research on scientific lines in Siddha.
- 2. To undertake any research or other programmes in Siddha.
- 3. The prosecution of and assistance in research, propagation of knowledge and experimental measures generally in connection with the causation, mode of spread and prevention of diseases.
- 4. To initiate, aid, develop and coordinate scientific research on various aspects.
- 5. Especially fundamental and applied aspects of Siddha and to promote and assist research institutions for the study of diseases their causes, prevention and remedy.
- 6. To finance enquiries and researches for the furtherance of objectives of the Central Council.
- 7. To exchange information with other institutions, associations and societies interested in the objects similar to those of the Central Council especially in observation and study of diseases in India.
- 8. To prepare, print, publish and exhibit papers, posters, pamphlets, periodicals and books for furtherance of the objectives of the Central Council.
- 9. To issue appeals and make applications for money and funds in furtherance of the objectives of the Central Council and to accept for the aforesaid purpose of gifts, donations and subscriptions of cash and securities and of any property whether movable or immovable.

- 10. To borrow or raise funds with or without security or on security mortgage charge, hypothecation or pledge of all or any of the immovable or movable properties belonging to the Central Council or in any other manner whatsoever.
- 11. To invest and deal with the funds and monies of the Central Council or entrusted to the Central Council not immediately required in such a manner as may from time to time be determined by the General Body of the Central Council.
- 12. To permit the funds of the Central Council to be held by the Government of India.
- 13. To acquire and hold, whether temporarily or permanently any movable or immovable property necessary or convenient for the furtherance of the objects of the Central Council.
- 14. To sell, lease, mortgage and exchange and otherwise transfer any of the properties movable or immovable of the Central Council provided prior approval of the Central Government is obtained for the transfer of immovable property.
- 15. To purchase, construct, maintain and alter any buildings or works necessary or convenient for the purpose of the Central Council.
- 16. To undertake and accept the management of any endowment or trust fund for donation, undertaking or acceptance whereof may seem desirable.
- 17. To offer prizes and grant of scholarships, including travelling scholarships in furtherance of the objects of the Central Council.
- 18. To create administrative, technical and ministerial and other posts under the Society and to make appointments thereto in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Society.
- 19. To establish a provident fund and/or pension fund for the benefit of the Council's employees and / or their family members.
- 20. To do all such lawful things either alone or in conjunction with others as the Central Council may consider necessary or as being incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.
- 21. To undertake R & D Consultancy projects and transfer of patents on drugs and processes to industries.
- 22. To undertake R & D projects sponsored by industries in public / private sector.
- 23. To undertake international and inter-agency collaboration.

- 24. Utilization of results of research conducted and payment of share of royalties / consultancy fees to those who have contributed towards pursuit of such research.
- 25. To enter into arrangements with scientific agencies of other countries for exchange of scientists, study tours, training in specialized areas, conducting joint projects etc.
- 26. To provide technical assistance to Govt. / Private Agencies in matters consistent with the activities of the Council.
- 27. To assist Medicinal Plants Board, Government of India in achieving its objectives.
- 28. To constitute small Management Committees consisting of eminent scientists / Physicians of local areas to monitor the R & D activities and suggest remedial measures for the improvement of activities of all Central as well as Research Institutes of the Council.

1.2. Scheme-wise targets and achievements

Clinical Research:

Validation of Neerkkovai Mathirai in the management of Neerkkovai Noi (Sinusitis) has been initiated. Efficacy of assessment of external application of Siddha medicine – Moosambara patru on Moottu Veekkam (swelling of knee joint) – short term clinical assessment has been completed. The Principal Investigators of the above mentioned project have obtained due approval from their respective IEC. 2 Survey projects duly approved by IEC of SCRI have been completed and data analysis is under progress. Multicentric clinical trial of OA1 chooranam in osteoarthritis and multicentric clinical trial of a classical Siddha formulation Rasagandhi Mezhugu in Karuppai Sathai Kattigal (Fibroid Uterus) were taken up as Intra Mural Research Projects and presented before Scientific Advisory Board. A collaborative IMR project to test the effectiveness of Kadukkai Mathirai in treating anaemia among the school going children has been approved by SAB and in this project scientists from SCRI are collaborating.

Drug Research:

Pharmacognostical studies on six single drugs have been completed. Standardization of 32 single drugs and 8 compound formulations has been completed. Efficacy studies for two drugs and 4 activities have been completed.

Literary Research:

Publication works on 5 books have been completed. 2 CD-ROMs of Siddha pharmacopoeia and Siddha formulary have been completed. E-book of CCRS has been published. Preparation of e-library and collection of portraits of legends in Siddha for development of Museum are in process. Monographs on preclinical studies on Diabetes and Fibroid uterus are under compilation.

Medicinal Plant Research:

79 specimens were collected and stored in the museum of Medicinal Plants Garden. 4 Survey tours have been completed. 87 species have been added / introduced to the Garden. 5 folklore claims have been documented. 7 new species have been cultivated and 5 new species have been demonstrated as trial cultivation in SMPG, Mettur.

Siddha Pharmacopoeia:

The Siddha Pharmacopoeia Committee with the mandate of establishing quality parameters for Siddha drugs and their formulations is working under the auspices of Ministry of AYUSH. It is currently functioning at CCRS, Chennai. "The Siddha Pharmacopoeia of India, Part I, Vol. III" has been modified as per the new format and is ready for printing. Preparation of the Siddha Pharmacopoeia of India, Part I, Vol. IV has also been initiated during the reporting period. The Siddha Formulary of India, Part I, 1st revised Edition (Tamil) has been approved by the SPC.

2. Management

2.1. Constitution of several bodies

CCRS was bifurcated from CCRAS on 1st September 2010 and the General Body, Executive Committee and Scientific Advisory Board of the newly established Council were constituted. The details are as follows:

Table-1: General Body

S.No	Designation /Name	Position
1	Union Minister of State i/c Ministry of AYUSH	President
2	Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH	Vice-President
3	Secretary / D.G Health Research	Member
4	Director General, CSIR	Member
5	Additional Secretary & FA, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare	Member
6	Joint Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH	Member
7	Director, National Institute of Siddha, Chennai	Member
8	Advisor (Siddha)/ Jt. Advisor(Siddha)/ Dy. Advisor (Siddha)	Member
9	Director, PLIM, Ghaziabad	Member
10	Prof. Dr. P. Jayaprakash Narayanan, Siddha Expert	Member
11	Prof. Dr. A. Kumaravel, Siddha Expert	Member
12	Dr. Vasantha Muthuswamy, Expert in Modern Medicine	Member
13	Director General, Central Council for Research in Siddha	Member Secretary

Table-2: Executive Committee

S.No	Name	Designation	Position
1	Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India, New Delhi	Ex-officio member	Chairperson
2	Additional Secretary & FA Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India	Ex-officio member	Member
3	Joint Secretary, I/C Siddha, Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India, New Delhi	Ex-officio member	Member
4	Prof. Dr. P. Jayaprakash Narayanan	Expert in Siddha Medicine (Nominated member from the General Body)	Non-official Member
5	Advisor / Jt. Advisor/ Dy. Advisor (Siddha)	Ex-officio member	Member

6	Dr. Vasantha Muthuswamy	Expert in Modern Medicine (Nominated member from the General Body)	Non-official Member
7	Director General, Central Council for Research in Siddha	Ex-officio member	Member Secretary

Table 3: Scientific Advisory Board

S.No	Name	Designation	Position
1	Prof. Dr. A. Kumaravel	Nominated Member of GB, CCRS, Chennai	Chairperson
2	Prof. Dr. S. Mohan, Director i/c	Director, National Institute of Siddha, Chennai	Member
3	Dr. Vasantha Muthuswamy	Nominated Member of GB, CCRS, Coimbatore	Member
4	Dr. Sanjay Mehendale	Director, National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE), Chennai	Member
5	Dr. N.Murugesan	Director, Central Drug Testing Laboratory, Chennai	Member
6	Dr. P. Gunasekaran	Director, King Institute, Chennai	Member
7	Prof. Dr. V. Gopal	Principal, Mother Theresa PG and Research Institute of Health Sciences, Govt. of Puducherry	Member
8	Dr. C. Balachandran	Professor and Head, Dept. of Pathology, Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Science University, Chennai	Non-official Member
9	Prof. Dr. R.S. Ramaswamy	Director General, CCRS, Chennai	Member Secretary

Muppu Sub-committee under SAB:

- 1. Prof. Dr.A.Kumaravel, Chairman, SAB, CCRS, Chennai
- 2. Dr. G.Victor Rajamanickam, Director, CDM, PRIST University,
- 3. Dr. N. Chandrasekar, Professor& Head, Centre for Geo-Technology, ManonmaniamSundaranar University, Tirunelveli.
- 4. Dr. C. Eliza, Medical Officer (Siddha), Kanyakumari.
- 5. Dr.G.Manimaran, HOD, School of Tectonics, Dept. of Geology, V.O.C. College, Tuticorin.
- 6. Dr. R. Sudha, Asst. Medical Officer (Siddha), Denkanikottai, Krishnagiri.

- 7. Dr. B. Michael Jeyaraj, Siddha Physician, Papanasam, Tirunelveli District.
- 8. Mr. A. Asokan, M.A. M.Sc. (Yoga)
- 9. Prof. Dr. R. S. Ramaswamy, Member Secretary, DG, CCRS, Chennai.

The action plan finalized in the meeting:

- 1. Standardization of Karun kuruvai arisi kaadi.
- 2. Standardization of vaalai amuri.
- 3. Field trip to Sithamalli on April 4th 2015.
- 4. Field trip to Kovanoor for pooneeru collection.
- 5. Publication of hand written manuscript of Kandhar Naadi Vaakkiyam.
- 6. Preparation of Thurusu chunnam according to Kandhar Naadi Vaakkiyam method.
- 7. Preparation of sivakaranthai muppu, kaattu vetrilai uppu and siru sinni uppu. To collect the above 3 samples from Vaithyar Asokan.
- 8. Publication of Ph.D thesis of Dr.C. Elisa and Dr.R. Sudha by CCRS.
- 9. Meeting with traditional practioners who have knowledge about muppu and preparation by getting details from traditional practitioners' association.
- 10. To contact Vaidhyar Vasudevan (Kanyakumari), Annai Mathesu (Villupuram), Stephan chandrasekar (Thiruthuraipoondi) (for Kattu preparation)
- 11. Analytical studies for vediuppu (Brahma uppu), kalluppu (Vishnu uppu) and pooneeru Sivauppu).
- 12. Standardization projects to be included under EMR scheme with a Research Officer (Siddha) of SCRI as Principal Investigator and committee members as Coinvestigators.
- 13. Projects which may be submitted to Scientific Advisory Board for scrutiny and approval Andakkal chunnam, Pooneeru chunnam and Kalluppu chunnam.

Details about the subcommittees under SAB

As per the recommendation of Prof. Dr. A. Kumaravel, Chairman of SAB, CCRS 3 subcommittees were constituted under Scientific Advisory Board namely, Kattu, Kalangu Committee, Muppu Committee, Varmam and Bone setting committee. 3 meetings were conducted under the chairmanship of Dr. A. Kumaravel, Chairman, SAB and valuable discussion was made to explore the ways and means of proving scientifically the traditional Siddha medicine and medical procedures.

Varmam and Bone setting Sub-committee under SAB:

- 1. Prof. A. Kumaravel, Chairman, SAB, CCRS, Chennai
- 2. Dr.K.Gopakumar, Research Officer, I/c, Scientist II, SCRI, Arumbakkam, Chennai.
- 3. Prof.Dr.N.Shunmugom, Associate Professor, Dept. of Tamil, SRMV College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore.
- 4. Dr.T. Kannan Rajaram, Siddha Physician, Nagercoil.
- 5. Dr.R. Ramesh Babu, Siddha Physician, Kallakurichi
- 6. Dr.S.Natarajan, Medical Officer (Varmam), SCRI, Chennai
- 7. Shri.K.P.Arjunan, Traditional Siddha Practitioner, Vellore.
- 8. Thiru. Arjunan Asan, Traditional Siddha Practitioner, Nagercoil.
- 9. Mr. Karuna, Traditional Siddha Practioner, Chennai.
- 10. Prof. Dr. R. S. Ramaswamy, Member Secretary, DG, CCRS, Chennai.

Action plan

- 1. Anatomical location of 108 vamam points
- 2. Collection of simple medicines for varmam and bone setting
- 3. Individual monograph for Colles' fracture and shoulder dislocation
- 4. Organise Siddha varmam medical camps
- 5. Focussed intensive training camps and workshops
- 6. Varmam points in selective diseases
 - a. Cervical Spondylosis
 - b. Lumbar Spondylosis
 - c. Osteo-arthritis.
 - d. Hemiplegia
 - e. Facial palsy
 - f. Sinusitis

- g. Migraine
- h. Diabetes mellitus
- i. Constipation
- j. Hypertention
- * Visit to hospital of Moolachel Dr. Rajendran
- * Visit to Kallakuruchi to Dr. R. Ramesh Babu's hospital
- * Visit to Vellore to meet Vaidyar K.P.Arjunan
- * To publish a book on description of terms related to Varmam
- * The next meeting of Varmam sub committee should have video coverage.
- * To document the traditional practioners' experience.

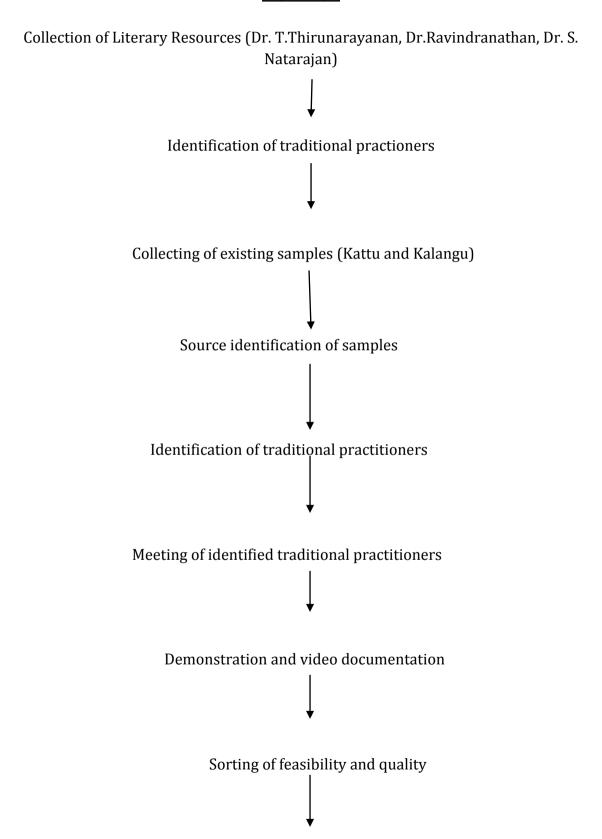
Kattu and Kalangu sub-committee under SAB

- 1. Prof. Dr.A.Kumaravel, Chairman, Scientific Advisory Board, CCRS, Chennai
- 2. Prof. Dr. I. Sornamaraiammal, Former JD, Dept. of Indian Medicine and Homeopathy, Chennai.
- 3. Dr. Ravichandran, HOD, Dept. of Gunapadam, Government Siddha Medical College, Palayamkottai.
- 4. Dr. T. Thirunarayanan, Secretary, CTMR, Chennai.
- 5. Dr. S. Natarajan, Medical Officer (Varmam), SCRI, Chennai
- 6. Shri. K. P. Arjunan, Traditional Siddha Practitioner, Vellore
- 7. Shri. Ravindranathan, Traditional Siddha Physician, Mathuranthagam
- 8. Prof. Dr. R. S. Ramaswamy, Member Secretary, DG, CCRS, Chennai.

Activities

- ➤ Literary documentation and collection of resources
- Demonstration of Kattu Kalangu
- Scientific validation of kattu (XRD/XRF/ICP OES/ICPCCMS)
- Inclusion of standardization in Pharmacopoeia

Work Plan



Purchase of instruments, Identification and location of analysis

2.2. Representation of Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe in the Council services and Welfare measures for SC/ST

The Council has been following the orders and guidelines issued from time to time by the Government of India in respect of representation of SC/ST in the services of the Council. The recruitments/promotions are done according to the reservation roaster maintained for SC/ST. The number of SC/ST employees in CCRS belonging to various categories has been indicated below:

Table-4: Number of employees in each category

Group	Number of	SC	% of SC	ST	% of ST	Total No.	% of
	Employees	Employees	Employees	Employees	Employees	of SC/ST	SC/ST
						Employees	Employees
A	22	1	4.55	0	0	1	4.55
В	11	3	27.27	0	0	3	27.27
С	47	21	44.68	0	0	21	44.68
D	28	3	10.71	1	3.57	4	14.28
Total	108	28	87.21	1	3.57	29	90.78

Besides this, some of the research Institutes / Units are providing medical relief through OPD / IPD services and health benefits have been extended to a large number of SC/ST population. The budget of the Council stipulates specific allocations for welfare of SC/ST under its plans.

2.3. Organizational set-up

The implementation of recommendations of Nityanand Committee was reviewed by Joint Secretary (AYUSH) in a meeting held on 16-11-2009 under his Chairmanship for development of the erstwhile CCRAS and notified on 15th December 2009, which include the presently functioning CCRS Institutes/Units also. After re-organization the Institutes/Units have been classified into 4 categories, of which the CCRS Institutes/Units fall under 'C' and 'D' categories mentioned as under:

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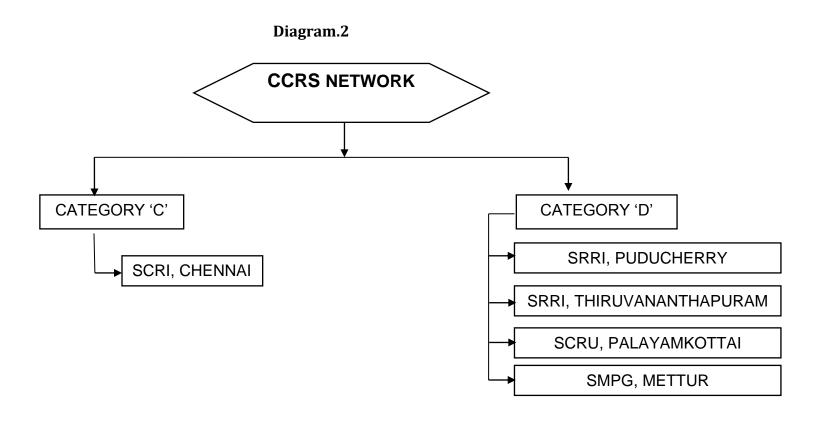
Table-5: Acronyms of Peripheral Institutes / Units

S. No.	Institutes / Units	Abbreviations			
Catego	Category 'C'				
1.	Siddha Central Research Institute, Chennai.	SCRIC			
Catego	Category 'D'				
2.	Siddha Regional Research Institute, Puducherry.	SRRIP			
3.	Siddha Regional Research Institute, Thiruvananthapuram.	SRRIT			
4.	Siddha Clinical Research Unit, Palayamkottai.	SCRUP			
5.	Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden, Mettur.	SMPGM			

Table-6: State-wise distribution of Peripheral Institutes / Units

S. No.	Name of the State	Name of the Institutes / Units	
1.	Tamil Nadu	1. Siddha Central Research Institute, Chennai.	
		2. Siddha Clinical Research Unit, Palayamkottai.	
		3. Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden, Mettur.	
2.	Kerala	1. Siddha Regional Research Institute, Thiruvananthapuram.	
3.	Puducherry (U.T.)	1. Siddha Regional Research Institute, Puducherry.	

Diagram. 1 ORGANIZATIONAL SET UP OF CENTRAL COUNCIL FOR RESEARCH IN SIDDHA **GENERAL BODY PRESIDENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE BOARD (SIDDHA) **TECHNICAL SECTION** ADMINISTRATION SECTION **DIRECTOR GENERAL** ASST. DIRECTOR **DIRECTOR** ASST. DIRECTOR (HQRS.) **ADMINISTRATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE** (PERIPHERAL INSTITUTES) (INSTITUTE) OFFICER (BUDGET & OFFICER (ADMN. & ESTT.) ACCOUNTS) PROGRAMME EXECUTION, COORDINATION ACCOUNTANT **OFFICE COURT CASES & ADMINISTRATION** SPC **EMR RCH** AND IMPLEMENTION RTI, SC & ST CELL **SUPERINTENDENT GRIEVANCES** RESEARCH OFFICERS **VIGILANCE** ACCOUNTS/ (MEDICAL / NON MEDICAL) INTERNAL AUDIT **ESTABLISHMENT BUDGET & CASH** RECRUITMENT BILLS & **RECORDS**



2.4. SIRO recognition

Central Council for Research in Siddha is recognised as scientific and research organization by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India from 21.08.2014. The recognition is subject to terms and conditions mentioned below:

- 1. The recognition will entitle the SIRO to receive such administrative support from the DSIR, Ministry of Science & Technology as may be required on issues to promote or encourage Scientific research activities
- 2. SIROs recognised by DSIR are also deemed to be registered. A separate certificate of registration is issued along with the recognition letter. The recognition would be valid for the period specified in the recognition letter and application for renewal of recognition shall be submitted in the prescribed proforma at least 3 months before the expiry of the valid recognition. Failure to submit application in time may lead to automatic lapsing of the registration and recognition.
- 3. The recognition of DSIR does not amount to approval u/s 35(1)(ii)(iii) of Income Tax Act 1961.
- 4. The registration will entitle the SIROs to avail custom/excise duty exemption on purchase of equipments/instruments, spares thereof, consumables etc. used for research and development subject to relevant Government policies in force from time to time. Such exemptions will have to be separately applied for in the prescribed formats. The SIROs should also abide by the terms and conditions of the customs and central excise notifications issued/amended from time to time.
- 5. Separate books of accounts shall be maintained by the SIRO for research & development activities and the R&D expenditure, both capital and recurring should be reflected in the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the organisation in separate schedules.
- 6. Disposal/sale of equipments and products/prototypes/intermediates, if any, emanating from the R&D/pilot plant, should be intimated to DSIR immediately. The realisation if any, from above or any services rendered etc. shall be shown in the R&D accounts of the organisation as income of the SIRO in the audited accounts as

well as annual report and should be used or reinvested for research activities only. In case of disposal/sale of R&D equipments from customs/excise authorities will also be required in view of the applicable notifications under which the equipment was imported/purchased in India.

- 7. Accelerated depreciation allowance as per Rule 5(2) of Income Tax Rules 1962 will be available on investments on plant and machinery in any industrial unit which has made these investments for the purpose of commercialisation of technology/knowhow acquired from a SIRO recognised by DSIR.
- 8. Brief summary of the achievements of the organisation shall be submitted to the DSIR every year. This should include details related to papers published, patents obtained processes developed, new products introduced and awards and prizes received.Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the Organisation etc. list of equipments, instruments, parts and consumables imported/purchased using the duty exemption should also be submitted to DSIR along with the annual report.
- 9. Any violation of the terms and conditions mentioned above and/or provisions of taxation in force will make the organization liable to de-recognition.
- 10. The organisation will also conform to such other conditions for recognition stipulated in the Guidelines or as may be specifically provided in the recognition letter.

2.5. Budget

Table-7: Budget Provision at a glance

Scheme	B.E. 2014-15	Funds released in 2014-15 (in lacs)	Actual expenditure 2014-15 (in lacs)
Plan	1500.00	200.00	1134.84
Non-Plan	1191.00	1167.90	1266.22
Total	2691.00	1367.90	2401.06

Table-8: Head-wise Actual Expenditure

S.No	Particulars	Total Expenditure for 2014-15 (in lacs)			
		Non-Plan	Plan	Total	
1.	Pay & Allowances	816.79		816.79	
2.	Pension	89.48	0.00	89.48	
3.	Payment of Gratuity -DCRG	134.46	0.00	134.46	
4.	Payment of commutation	80.34	0.00	80.34	
5.	NPS (Employer)	21.76	0.00	21.76	
6.	Leave travel Concession (LTC)	4.51	0.00	4.51	
7.	Travelling allowances	15.29	4.39	19.68	
8.	Office expenses- Contingencies	76.94	104.29	181.23	
9.	Other Administrative exp.	2.72	40.16	42.88	
10.	Research Activities	0.00	3.27	3.27	
11.	Seminar, Workshop & AROGYA	0.000	3.65	3.65	
12.	Advertisement and Publicity	0.00	0.00	0.00	
13.	Machinery & Equipments	0.00	8.49	8.49	
14.	Capital works (Major Works)	0.00	970.59	970.59	
15.	Minor works	23.93	0.00	23.93	
	Total	1266.22	1134.84	2401.06	

Table-9: Centre-wise Actual Expenditure

Particulars	Total Expenditure for 2014-15 (in lakhs)				
	Non - Plan Total				
De - Centralized Units	De - Centralized Units				
SCRI, Chennai	473.43	420.02	893.45		
SRRI, Puducherry	105.64	21.97	127.61		

SRRI,Thiruvananthapuram	55.19	542.66	597.85
SMPG, Mettur Dam	22.70	13.99	36.69
SCRI, Palayamkottai	15.32	-	15.32
Centralized Unit			
CCRS, Headquarters	593.94	136.20	730.14
Grand Total	1266.22	1134.84	2401.06

3. Technical Report

3.1. Centre-wise activities

The following table depicts the involvement of peripheral Institutes/Units of the Council in the research activities in broad areas viz. Clinical Research, Drug Research, Literary Research, etc.

Table-10: Centre-wise allocation of Research Projects / Activities

S.No.	Name of Institute		Project / Activities
1.	Siddha Central Research	1. Cl	inical Research
	Institute, Chennai.	2. Di	rug Standardization
		3. Li	terary Research & Documentation
		Pr	rogramme
		4. M	iscellaneous Activities
		a.	National Pharmaco-vigilance Programme
			for Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani (ASU)
			Drugs
		b.	Health care services through Out -
			Patient Department (OPD) and In-Patient
			Departments (IPDs)
		C.	Specialty Clinics for Geriatric Health Care
		d.	Specialty Clinics for Flu-like Illness
		e.	Specialty Clinics for Varmam,
			Thokkanam and Bone setting
		f.	Pharmacy

2.	Siddha Regional Research	1. Clinical Research
	Institute, Puducherry.	2. Miscellaneous Activities
		a. National Pharmaco - vigilance
		Programme for Ayurveda, Siddha and
		Unani (ASU) Drugs
		b. Health care services through Out-Patient
		Department (OPD) and In-Patient
		Departments (IPDs)
		c. Specialty Clinics for Geriatric Health Care
		d. Specialty Clinics for Flu-like Illness
		e. Specialty Clinics for Varmam and
		Thokkanam
3.	Siddha Regional Research	1. Clinical Research
	Institute, Thiruvananthapuram.	2. Drug Standardization
		3. Miscellaneous Activities
		a. National Pharmaco - vigilance
		Programme for Ayurveda, Siddha and
		Unani (ASU) Drugs
		b. Health care services through Out-
		Patient Department (OPD)
		c. Specialty Clinics for Geriatric Health
		Care
4.	Siddha Clinical Research Unit,	1. Clinical Research
	Palayamkottai.	2. Miscellaneous Activities
		a. National Pharmaco-vigilance
		Programme for Ayurveda, Siddha and
		Unani (ASU) Drugs
		b. Health care services through Out-
		Patient Department.
		c. Specialty Clinics for Geriatric Health
		Care
5.	Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden,	1. Medico-Ethno Botanical Survey
	Mettur.	2. Cultivation of Medicinal Plants
		3. Maintenance and Development of
		medicinal plants garden.

3.2. Medicinal Plants Research

3.2.1. Medico-ethno-botanical Survey

Survey and Collection

The Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden (SMPG), Mettur is engaged in the maintenance and development of Herbal Garden and cultivation of Medicinal Plants. In the reporting period 4 survey and collection tours were undertaken with recording of 256 plants covering 169 species representing 155 genera and 96 families. In addition to the collection of medicinal plants, 21 live plants/seedlings were collected, to be added in the Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden, Metturdam. Medicinal plants were supplied to SRRI, Trivandrum for standardization and clinical trial purposes.

A Polygreenhouse covering an area of 800Sq.ft houses 323 live potted plants covering 304 species which include 31 RET sp. An Arboretum is being maintained with 443 plants covering 172 species in 3.5 acres supported with drip irrigation. A Nursery with 100 medicinal plants with a sales section in a very nominal rate is maintained.

Trial cultivation of *Andrographis paniculata* Nees (Nilavempu), *Alpinia calcarata* Roscoe (Arathai), *Piper longum* L. (Thippili), *Ocimum tenuifolium* L. (Tulsi), *Ocimum basilicum* L. var. *purpurascens* Benth. (Karun Thulasi), *Vetiveria zizanioides* (L.) Nash. (Vettiver) and *Aloe vera* L. (Kumari) were carried out and the harvest were supplied to Siddha Central Research Institute, Chennai.

05 Folklore claims were recorded and documented. **140** photographs which include plants and the development and maintenance works were documented.**79** plant specimens were collected and stored in the Museum.

Table-11: Survey of medicinal plants and areas covered

S.No	Name of the	New	programme	Remarks
	programme	Annual Target	Target achieved	
1.	Survey & Collection	Six survey and collection tours	Four Survey and collection tours were undertaken in and around Mettur dam to meet the target and to maintain drug supply for standardization purposes, Pharmacy, SCRI and to collect seedlings/seed to be added/introduced in the Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden at Mettur dam. (Detailed report is herewith enclosed.)	Medico-ethno-botanical tour programme for the year 2014-15 submitted to the Hqs, was not carried out for want of Council's sanction and approval of funds. Medico ethno botanical study of Palamalai under IMR project is awaiting approval and sanction. Only Local survey and collection tours were undertaken to execute drug supply for drug standardization and Clinical trial.
2.	Maintenance and Development of Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden	Management and development of medicinalplants garden is being carried out	Management and development of medicinal plants garden is being carried out continuously. (Detailed report is enclosed herewith)	Provision of fencing and manpower including Research Assistant – Botany, SRF – Hort./Res.AsstHot. and enhancement of labourers are necessary for the maintenance and development of Siddha medicinal plants garden.
3.	Cultivation	Seven medicinal plants	Cultivation of Seven medicinal plants was carried out along with five trial cultivation of medicinal plants to meet the requirement of pharmacy and clinical trials. (Detailed report is	Provision of fencing and enhancement of labour including R.A. /SRF (Hort.) are necessary to undertake large scale cultivation.

			enclosed herewith)	
4.	Project: National Medicinal Plants Board	Construction of Pond with fountain and Establishment ofModelHerbal Garden Phase-II	Construction of petaloid pond with fountain with Agasthiyar statue in the central median pedestal was carried out. The petaloid pond is grown with Nelumbo nucifera, Nymphaea lotus and other aquatic plants. An aesthetic bridge was constructed across the channel connecting the Petaloid pond with Model garden II. Establishment of Model Garden Phase - II is in progress with 131 medicinal plants in concrete rings. Sprinkler system of irrigation was installed during the current year. A detailed report is enclosed herewith.	Awaiting II and III instalments of sanctioned funds to carry out further work.

Table-12: Raw Drugs collected for supply

S.No	Type of materials Supplied	Quantity supplied
1.	Fresh	1.179 Tons
2.	Raw Drug	-
3.	Dried	152.8 kgs

For plant saplings

The following plant saplings/ stem cuttings/ seeds were collected during the survey and collection tours, to be introduced / added in the Siddha Medicinal Plants garden at Mettur dam.

Table-13: Plant saplings / stem cuttings / seeds collected

S.No	Types	Collected
1.	Seedlings	51
2.	Cuttings	10
3.	Fruits	4

For Museum

79 Specimens were collected during the survey and collection tours and preserved for Museum.

Folklore claims

During the reporting period 05 folklore claims have been recorded and documented.

i. Botanical name: Santalum albumL.

Tamil name : Chandanam

Part used : Fruit

Name of the disease : Urinary calculi

Mode of administration: Ripe fruits are consumed. It makes patient to urinate frequently which made the calculi to spill out.

(Information from Sh.Neelavarnam, Vedikaranpudur)

ii. Bot. Name: Solanum pubescens Willd. (White flowered)

Local name: Vellai sundai

Part used: Root

Name of the disease: Antidote for cobra venom:

Mode of administration: Powdered root is introduced into the nostril to wake up a person who swoons due to cobra bite. The person will then be treated further with antidotal therapy. Used as a first aid medicine for the cobra bite.

iii. Bot. Name: Cucumis trigonus Roxb.

Local name: Sirukummatti

Part used: Fruit

Name of the disease: Scorpion sting

Mode of administration: Fruit bulb is applied over the bitten area. It is

said to give relief from the pain and the effect of poison.

iv. Bot. Name: Withania somnifera Dunal.

Local name: Amukkara

Part used: Leaves

Name of the disease: Eczema

Name of the disease: Leaf paste is applied over the eczematous skin.

v. Botanical Name: Melochia corchorifolia L.

Tamil Name:Vannan poondu

Part used:Whole plant

Disease: Jaundice

Dose: 10gms of the paste is given with goat's milk

Mode of administration: Whole plant is ground into a paste and is

administered internally with goat's milk.

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Diagram 3: Layout of the Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden, Mettur.

3.2.2. Cultivation, Maintenance & Development of Medicinal Plants

SIDDHA MEDICINAL PLANTS GARDEN:

1. Date of starting the project :1993

2. Details of land under cultivation :Siddha Central Research Institute
a) Ownership of the land, whether Arumbakkam, Chennai 600 106, under control of CCRS/State or under CCRS, Chennai.
Central Govt. On lease from PWD, Mettur dam-1.

b) Total area of the land allotted for Cultivation project : **18.14 acres**

3. Layout of the Garden/Farm, giving details of the plants cultivated in different Beds under experimental/ mass cultivation (Sketch plan to be provided)

: Lay out enclosed. Sketch plan enclosed.

Block A1.73acres202 arborescent plants covering101 peciesBlock B1.20 acres201 arborescent plants covering45 speciesBlock C1150 Sq.Mt.Model garden-Phase I - 236 species.

304 Sq.Mt.Model garden-Phase II (A) 49 species

532 Sq.MtPetaloid pond alongwith Agasthiyar statue with fountain.

 $Block\ D~~500\ Sq.Mt$ Polygreen house with 369 live potted plants covering 308 species.

Block E 497.5 Sq.Mt. 80 arborescent plants covering 30

Species

Block F Model garden-Phase II (B) 41 species 583 Sq.Mt.

Camp office 87 live potted plants with 87 species.

CULTIVATION

Major cultivation:

Cultivation of *Piper longumL* (Thippili).

Cultivation of Andrographis paniculata Nees.

Block F & (Nilavembu)

Block G

Cultivation of *Ocimum tenuiflorum* (Thulasi)

Cultivation of Ocimum basilicum L var.purpurascens Benth.(Karunthulasi) Cultivation of *Aloe vera* L. (Kumari)

Cultivation of Vettiveria zizanoides (L.) Nash.

(Vettiver)

Cultivation of Withania somnifera Dunal

(Amukkara)

Trial cultivation:

1. Trial cultivation *Adhatoda zeylanica* Medic (Adhatodai)

- 2. Trial cultivation *Wrightia tinctoria* R.Br. (Vetpalai)
- 3. Trial cultivation Vitex negundo L.
- 4. Trial cultivation *Cynodon dactylon* Pers (Arugan)
- 5. Trial cultivation of *Nelumbo nucifera* Gaertn. (Thamarai)

4.Brief description of the land under cultivation giving its geographical, ecological and edaphic status, type of soil, erosion etc.

Block A and B covering an area of 1.73 and 1.20 acres respectively are having black clayey soil. The block A and B terrain falls 3-5 feet low from the rest of the blocks for which reason these blocks often gets waterlogged and the plants become more susceptible for root rotting. Erosion of top soil is a common occurance during rain. The water from upper reaches covering block C, D and E has to drain only through the blocks A and B. A three feet width permanent canal running at the left side of block B and one concrete canal for each block adjacent to the garden road supports drainage of rain water in Block A and B. Block C and D are having black clayey soil mixed with gravel. Exposed rockey exposures are also found common in this area. Block E, F and G show mixed sand black clayey soil. Block H is a raised

bed of 3 feet high from block E, F and G, having red gravel soil with rocky crests intermittently.

A three feet width canal arising from the Mettur east west bank channel runs through the garden and joins in the drainage canal. Of the 5 open existing wells two wells have been desilted and fitted with electric motor pumpsets. At present the well adjacent to the polygreen house provides required irrigation for the garden.

(i) Management and development of Arboretum:

An arboretum with 458 plants covering 176 species is being maintained covering an area of 3.5 acres. Drip irrigation is provided. Manuring and weeding is being done periodically. Basins clearing of trees were carried out. Stacking was provided to the required plants in the arboretum. Pruning of trees were also carried out wherever it was necessary. Clearing of plastic wastes drained from the adjacent drainage canal in Block A and B was carried out. Fencing with barbed wire was carried out in front of block 'B' to prevent trespassers. Fencing with Prosopis was carried out in the A and B blocks to protect the plants from cattles.

List of plants grown in BLOCKS A, B&E:

Block A	1.73acres	202 plants covering 101 species
Block B	1.20 acres	201 plants covering 45 species
Block E	497.5 Sq.Mt.	55 plants covering 30 species

Total 176species.

Table-14: Development activities

S. No.	Blocks	Activities / Developments	Plants and Species
1.	Block A (1.73 Acres)	Arboretum	202 plants covering 101 species
2.	Block B (1.20 Acres)	Arboretum	201 plants covering 45 species
3.	Block C (1150 Sq.mtrs.)	Model garden I	236 species
		Model garden II	49 species
4.	Block D (500 Sq.mtrs.)		369 live potted plants covering
			308 species
5.	Block E (497.5 Sq.mtrs.)	Arboretum	80 plants covering 30 species
6.	Block F (583 Sq.mtrs.)	Model garden II	87 live potted plants with 87
			species

Table-15: Cultivation activities

S. No.	Blocks	Botanical Name	Tamil Name
1.	Block F	Cultivation of <i>Piper longum</i> L.	Thippili
		Cultivation of <i>Alpinia calcarata</i> Rosc.	Araththai
		Cultivation of Andrographis paniculata Nees.	Nilavembu
2.	Block G	Cultivation of Ocimum tenuiflorum L.	Thulasi
		Cultivation of <i>Ocimum basilicum</i> L. <i>var.purpurascens</i> Benth.	Karunthulasi
		Cultivation of <i>Aloe vera</i> L.	Kumari
		Cultivation of <i>Vetiveria zizanioides</i> (L.) Nash.	Vettiver

3.2.3. Management and development of Model Herbal Garden:

Management and development of Model Herbal Garden-Phase I

A model herbal garden with 1150 sq. mt. is being maintained with 236 individual species. Each species is grown in 2x2 ft. pit margined with bricks and labelled with local and botanical names in a kadappa stone laid inside. The pathway is fitted with tiles. Removal of annual and replace them with another species is a continuous process. Adding of new species and replacement of young seedlings with the older ones in Model garden-I is carried out wherever necessary. Manuring and weeding is being done periodically. Sprinkler system of irrigation is provided. Pruning was carried out wherever required. In the periphery of the garden 42 climbers are also grown over the steel arches.

3.2.4. Management and Development of Polygreen House:

A polygreen house is being maintained in an area of about 800 sq, ft. The Polygreen house with 323 live potted plants covering 304 species are displayed in the concrete gallery. Plants grown at a height of 4 ft and above are transferred to arboretum or to the model garden. Sprinkler system of irrigation is provided. Weeding, staking, manuring and repotting works are also carried out periodically.

Nursery

In the programme of implanting nursery of medicinal plants, 106 medicinal plants were available during the reporting period. During the year under report (2014-15) an amount of Rs. 50,200-00 (Rupees Fifty thousand and two hundred) only has been generated by the sale of nursery plants.

Seed collection

Seeds of the plants grown in the garden are collected and stored for future use. Collected seeds are utilized for the purpose of raising seedlings in the nursery and also for cultivation purpose. In addition, it will also serve the purpose of creating seed bank in future.

List of plants introduced / added

During the reporting period,87 plant seedlings/cuttings were collected and added to the garden.

List of specimens collected for Museum

During the year, 79 plant materials including seeds/fruits/roots/stembark/resin/etc. were collected and stored in the museum as specimens for future reference and other purposes.

Total number of medicinal plants photographed

Coloured Photo print : 140 (stored in the system)

Project:

ESTABLISHMENT OF MODEL HERBAL GARDEN - (PHASE II) AND CONSTRUCTION OF A POND WITH A FOUNTAIN TO GROW AQUATIC PLANTS:

A project entitled "Establishment of Model Herbal Garden (Phase II) and construction of a pond with a fountain to grow aquatic plants" was submitted by Dr.M.Padma sorna subramanian, Research officer –Botany, Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden,Mettur dam to the National Medicinal Plants Board, Department of AYUSH, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India. The project was approved by the Project Screening Committee (PSC) of NMPB. Department of AYUSH, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi.vide Project No.HG/TN-01/2013 with Lr.No. 017/187/CSS/HG/TN-01/2012-13-NMPB/1560 dt. 23rd October 2012 for R s.16.06 lakhs. An amount of Rs.6,40,000/- (Rupees six lakhs and Forty Thousand) only in respect of 1st installment was received.

As per the project proposal, the Executive Engineer, Tamilnadu State Agricultural Engineering Dept., Salem was requested to undertake the civil work of construction of petaloid pond with fountain. After several rounds of discussion with the Principal investigator and inspection made in the Siddha Medicinal Plants Garden, the Asst. Executive Engineer, Tamilnadu State Agricultural Engineering, Kunjandiyoor, Mettur circle, Salem executed the civil work towards the construction of Petaloid Pond with fountain as per the approved estimate of Rs.4 lakhs.

As per the project proposal, the work of construction of Agasthiyar statue in the center pedestal was carried out by engaging the sthapathis after following codal formalities. Clearing of bushes and pruning of trees around the pond were also carried out for the clear view of the statue.

The Agasthiyar statue of 5ft height in a sitting posture on the lotus peedam was constructed in the center median pedestal of the pond as proposed in the proposal submitted to the NMPB, New Delhi. As proposed the statue of Agastiar is holding a Kamandalam in his left hand and a Rudraksha Mala in the right hand. The statue is designed in such a way that the water springs out from the Kamandalam and fills the pond and the Fountain spray is adjusted in such a way that the water sprinkles on the feet of the Agastiya statue and fills the pond and the overflowing water drains into the petaloid tubs.

As proposed the petaloid pond is grown with floating aquatics like Thamarai (White, Pink) (Nelumbo nucifera Gaaertn), Alli (White, Red) (Nymphaea pubescens Willd), Chevvambal (Nymphaea nouchali Burm.f.), Neythal (Nymphoides hydrophylla (Lour) Ktze.), Akaya thamarai (Pistia stratiotes Linn.), etc. The space in between the petaloid tubs was reclamated with manure mixed red soil and was planted with wet plants like Neer Mel neruppu (Ammania baccifera L.) Karisalai (Eclipta prostrata L.) Sivakaranthai (Sphaeranthus amaranthoides L.) Isoetes coromandelina L. (fern) Basilicum polystachyon (L.) Moench, Vallarai (Centella asiatica Urban.), Nirbrahmi (Bacopa monnieri Penn.), Poduthalai (Phyla nodiflora Greene), Neer arai (Marsilea minuta L.) and Palvali poondu (Spilanthes calva DC.) etc.

As proposed the "Establishment of Model Garden Phase – II" a 0.5 cents of land was extended with another 0.5 cents and 111 pits were dug out and each pit was fixed with cement rings having 3 feet breadth. Each pit is bordered with cement rings, and the soil in the rings was reclamated with red soil and manure and is planted with new plants. In between the space and the pathway is paved with river stones to provide lively appearance and to collect young seedlings. Altogether 132 plants including the existing trees are being grown around the petaloid pond with

fountain and the statue of Saint Agasthiyar. The existing trees along the canal were provided with basal clearing. Totally 132 plants were added in the proposed Model garden Phase –II. The list of plants is herewith enumerated. Sprinkler type of irrigation is installed for the model garden Phase-II

The Model garden Phase II is connected with the petaloid pond with natural stoned landscape bridge with steel made bamboo handles. The side of the bridge is laid with river stones to have a lively look. Along the channel wet plants like Ammania baccifera L. (Neermel neruppu), Hygrophila auriculata (schum.) Heine (Neermulli), Ensete superbum (Rorb.) cheesman (Kalvazhai), Chrysopogon zizanioides (L.) Roberty (Vettiver), Pandanus odorifer (Forssk.) Kuntze (Thazhai) etc. are planted.

3.2.5.Pharmacognosy

Table-16: Identification/Microscopical study of Siddha Formulations/Single drug

S No	Name of the Drug	Annual Target	
3.110	S.No Name of the Drug	Allotted	Achieved
1	Compound Formulations	Nil	Nil
2	Single drugs	6	6

Pharmacognostical studies

The following plants have been studied for their Pharmacognostical details:

1. Piramathandu – *Argemone mexicana* L. (Leaf)

2. Malai vembu ilai - Melia azedarach L. (leaf)

3. Kodiveli ilai - *Plumbago zeylanica* L. (Leaf)

4. Nalvelai vaer - *Cleome gynandra* L. (Root)

5. Nilappanai kizhangu - Curculigo orchioides Gaertn. (Tuberous root)

6. Sundai vatral - *Solanum torvum* Sw. (Dried fruit)

Herbarium and Museum

During the year, 120 Herbarium specimens and 150 raw drugs are being maintained.

List of equipments purchased during the reporting year

- NIL

3.3. Drug Standardization Research

3.3.1. Drug Standardization at SCRI, Chennai and SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram.

- > Standardization of clinical trial drugs
- ➤ Identity, purity, strength and TLC of Siddha Pharmacopoeial single drugs and compound formulations
- Studies on adulterants / substitutes through TLC
- ➤ Identification of drugs of metal / mineral origin

Standardization of Single Drugs under SPC

Physico-chemical parameters of below listed nine single drugs were completed and the results are tabulated. The TLC photo documentation and HPTLC finger print of these drugs are in progress.

S.No	Tamil Name	Botanical Name
1.	Kukainir	Maranta arundinacea L.
2.	Mutthirukkan chevi	<i>Merimia emarginata</i> Burm. F
3.	Adathodai	Adhatoda vasica Nees
4.	Kuruvichi poondu	Ehretia microphylla Lamk.
5.	Serupadai	Coldenia procumbens L.
6.	Thamarai	Nelumbo nucifera Gaertn.
7.	Dharbai	Desmostachya bipinnata (L.) Stapf.
8.	Pungan ver	Derris indica L.
9.	Isvaramuli	Aristolochia indica L.

Physico-chemical parameters of single drugs such as Loss on drying at 105° C, Total Ash, Acid-insoluble ash, Water soluble extractive, Alcohol soluble extractive values for the following plants and compound formulations have been studied and listed below:

Table-17: Physico-chemical parameters studied

Tamil Name	Botanical Name	No. of Single drugs formulations	Name of the Institute
Kukainir	Maranta arundinacea L.	I	SCRI, Chennai
Mutthirukkan chevi	Merimia emarginata Burm. F	I	SCRI, Chennai
Adathodai	Adhatoda vasica Nees	I	SCRI, Chennai
Kuruvichi poondu	Ehretia microphylla Lamk.	I	SCRI, Chennai
Serupadai	Coldenia procumbens L.	Ι	SCRI, Chennai
Thamarai	Nelumbo nucifera Gaertn.	Ι	SCRI, Chennai
Dharbai	Desmostachya bipinnata (L.) Stapf.	I	SCRI, Chennai
Pungan ver	Derris indica L.	I	SCRI, Chennai
Isvaramuli	Aristolochia indicaL.	Ι	SCRI, Chennai
Kachikkattai	Acacia catechu (L.f.) Willd.	II, III	SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram
Ciruvakai	Albizia procera Benth.	II	SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram
Kalarci	Caesalpinia bonduc (L) Roxb.	III	SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram
Kalarci	Caesalpinia bonduc (L) Roxb.	II, III	SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram
Erukku	Calotropis gigantea (L.) Ait.f.	IV	SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram

Aavarai	Cassia auriculata L.,	III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Nilayavarai	Cassia italica (Mill) Lam.ex	III	SRRI,
	Ander		Thiruvananthapuram
Koththaan	Cassytha filiformis L.	I	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Ilavampisin	Ceiba pentandra (L.) Gaertn.	II, III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Cirunakappu	Cinnamomum wightii Meissn.	I, II, III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Elumitchai	Citrus aurantifolia (Christm.)	II, III	SRRI,
	Swingle		Thiruvananthapuram
Sirupulladi	Desmodium trifolium (L.) DC	III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Nilakkadambu	Elytaria acaulis (L.f) Lindan	II, III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Sirukumiz	Gmelina asiatica L.	II, III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Cemparuthippu	Gossypium herbaceum L.	III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Siruvizha	Limonia crenulata Roxb	II	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Nuna	Morinda pubescens J.E.Sm,	III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Manjanatti	Morinda tinctoria Roxb.	I, II, III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Anai tippili	Piper retrofractum Vahl.	I, II, III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Pachilai	Pogostemon heyneanus Benth	I, II, III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram

Cirukancori	Tragia involucrata L.	I, II, III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram
Peypudal	Trichosanthes cucumerina L.,	III	SRRI,
			Thiruvananthapuram

TLC photo documentation and the profile of single drugs

TLC studies of the above single drugs were carried out and the results are given below. 1 gm of the coarsely powdered drug was extracted in 10 ml suitable solvent and concentrated to 1 ml. This solution was used for TLC. The extract was applied on aluminium plate precoated with silica gel 60 F_{254} (0.2 mm thickness). The plate was developed in appropriate solvent systems. The developed TLC plate was air dried, viewed in UV 254, UV 366 and photograph was taken. Then it was dipped in vanillin-sulphuric acid reagent, heated in an oven at 105° C until the development of coloured spots and photograph was taken.

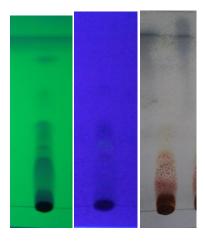


Fig (1a): TLC profile of Ethyl alcohol extract of Acacia catechu (L.f.) Willd. (Kachikkattai) Resin-Sample II
Viewed in UV short; Viewed in UV long; After derivatisation using vanillin-sulphuric acid viewed in visible light; Solvent system – Toluene:
Ethyl acetate (1:1)

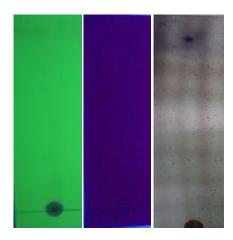


Fig (3a): TLC profile of Ethyl alcohol extract of Albizia procera Benth. (Ciruvakai), Root - Sample II

Viewed in UV short; Viewed in UV long; After derivatisation using vanillin-sulphuric acid viewed in visible light Solvent system - Toluene:

Ethyl acetate (1:1)

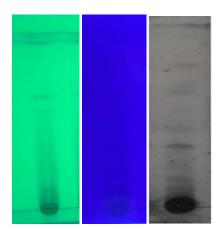


Fig (5a): TLC profile of Ethyl Alcohol extract of Caesalpinia bonduc (L) Roxb. (Kalarci), Root - Sample II

Viewed in UV short; Viewed in UV long; After derivatisation using vanillin-sulphuric acid viewed in visible light Solvent system - Toluene: Ethyl acetate (6:1)

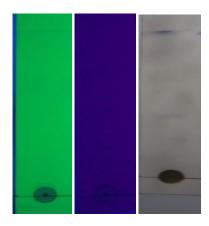


Fig (7a): TLC profile of Ethyl alcohol extract of Calotropis gigantea (L.) Ait.f. (Erruku), Flower - Sample IV
Viewed in UV short; Viewed in UV long; After derivatisation using vanillin-sulphuric acid viewed in visible light Solvent system - Toluene:
Ethyl acetate (6:1)

Standardisation of Compound Formulations

Standardisation of 1 compound formulation related to the clinical study (Validation of Neerkovai Mathirai in the management of Neerkovai Noi - Sinusitis) was carried outduring the reporting period (April 2014 – March 2015). Determination of (i) physico-chemical parameters, (ii) elemental analysis, (iii) analysis of heavy metals, (iv) microbialcontamination, (v) test for specific pathogens, (vi)pesticide residue, (vii) aflatoxins and (viii) TLC photo documentation were being carried out.

Name of the compound formulations	No. of compound Formulations	Name of the Institute
Palakarai parpam	I, II	SCRI, Chennai
Nandi Mezhugu	I, II	SCRI, Chennai
Arathai kudineer chooranam	I	SCRI, Chennai
Kanthaga Rasayanam	I	SCRI, Chennai
Purna chandrodayam	I	SCRI, Chennai
Vajravalli chooranam	I	SCRI, Chennai
Chandrakanthi Chooranam	I	SCRI, Chennai
Neerkovai Mathirai	I	SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram

The following studies / analyses are being carried out through outsourcing from CEPC Laboratory and Technical Division, Cashew Bhavan, Mundakkal, Kollam.

- i. Elemental analysis Sn, Ag, Fe, Ca, K, Na, Mg, Au, Mn, Zn & Al
- ii. Test for Heavy/ Toxic metals: Mercury, Cadmium, Lead and Arsenic
- iii. Microbial contamination
- iv. Test for specific pathogens
- v. Pesticide residue and
- vi. Aflatoxins G1, G2, B1, B2

TLC photo documentation and the profile of compound Formulations

TLC studies of Neerkkovai mathirai was carried out and the results are given below. 1 gm of the coarsely powdered drug was extracted in 10 ml of suitable solvent and concentrated to 1 ml. This solution was used for TLC. The extract was applied on aluminium plate precoated with silica gel 60 F_{254} (0.2 mm thickness). The plate was developed in appropriate solvent systems. The developed TLC plate was air dried, viewed in UV 254, UV 366 and photograph was taken. Then it was dipped in vanillin-sulphuric acid reagent, heated in an oven at 105° C until the development of coloured spots and photograph was taken. The R_f values of the spots were listed in the table.

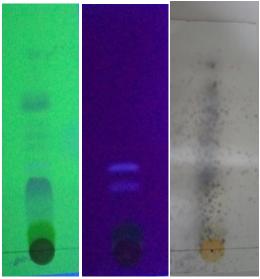


Fig (41a): TLC profile of Petroleum ether extract ofNeerkovai mathirai Viewed in UV short;Viewed in UV long; After derivatisation using vanillin-sulphuric acid viewed in visible light Solvent system – Toluene: Ethyl acetate (6:1)

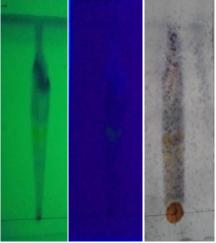


Fig (41b): TLC profile of Pe extract ofNeerkovai mathirai Viewed in UV short;Viewed in UV long; After derivatisation using vanillin-sulphuric acid viewed in visible light Solvent system – Toluene: Ethyl acetate (6:1)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Phytochemical Trainingon payment basis - 3 Nos (2014-15)

- 1. Facilities and guidance for phytochemical training was given to Smt. Asha R, Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Kerala and Thiruvananthapuram (10 days).
- 2. Facilities and guidance for phytochemical training was given to Miss. Sreelakshmi. V, Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram (10 days).
- 3. Facilities and guidance for phytochemical training was given to Mr. Kapilraj. P. K., M. Pharm student, Sree Krishna College of Pharmacy and Research Centre, Parassala, Thiruvananthapuram (2 days).

On payment basis,7.615 kg of Extraction of medicinal plant materials were supplied, in which the following extract methods have been carried out in the reporting period such as Petroleum ether extract, Alcohol extract, Methanol extract, Alcohol extract, Hexane extract, Acetone extract, Ethyl acetate extract, Water extract

Table-18:On payment basis Physico chemical standardization have been carried out for students for the following plant materials:

S.No	Name of the plant
1.	Morinda umbellata (Stem)
2.	Morinda umbellata (Leaves)
3.	Morinda umbellata (Root)
4.	Morinda umbellata (Callus)
5.	Gynochthodes umbeliata (fruit)
6.	Barleria baxifolia
7.	Morinda reticulata (Leaves)
8.	Morinda reticulata (Stem)
9.	Syzygium zeylanicum (fruit)
10.	Morinda reticulata (Fruit)

3.4. Pharmacology & Toxicology

3.4.1. Pre-clinical Studies

The studies were conducted on the predetermined experimental models in the laboratory attached to the SCRI, Chennai. These studies were based on experimental models in different species of animals. This provides vital information for pursuing clinical studies. During the reporting period studies for single drugs, coded drugs and compound formulations were carried out which are tabulated below:

Table-19:Drugs allocated and studied during the current year

S.No.	Drug allotted	Target fixed	Studies carried out	Remarks
1.	APNC	NC Toxicity Sub-acute toxicity in rats		Yet to start
			Chronic toxicity in rats	Yet to start
2.	Effect of <i>Carmona</i> retusa in mice.	Activity	Analgesic, Anti-inflammatory and wound healing	Completed
3.	Anti hyperlipidemic activity of Benincasa hispida	Activity	Anti hyperlipedemic activity	Completed

3.5. Clinical Studies

The research programme of the CCRS mainly focuses on Clinical Research including safety and efficacy studies of Siddha drugs and validation of the fundamental principles. CCRS is a global leader for research in Siddha system of Medicine.

The clinical research programme of the Council mainly aims at the validation of therapeutic efficacy of Siddha medicines and therapies, used for more than 10 decades. The council also concentrates on innovation of newer drugs for non-communicable diseases especially Diabetes Mellitus, Psoriasis, Vitiligo, Hypertension, Dyslipidemia, Urolithiasis, Fibroid Uterus, Osteoarthritis, Rheumatoid arthritis and in Benign Prostatic hypertrophy.

During the reporting period the following clinical studies were initiated at the Peripheral Institutes / Units of the Council.

CLINICAL EVALUATION OF CODED DRUG OA-1 CHOORANAM AND VATHA KESARI THYLAM IN THE MANAGEMENT OF AZHALKEELVAYU (OSTEOARTHRITIS)

Title of the

Azhalkeelvayu (Osteoarthritis)

problem

Title of the : CLINICAL EVALUATION OF CODED DRUG

Study

CHOORANAM AND VATHA KESARI THYLAM IN THE

0A-1

MANAGEMENT OF AZHALKEELVAYU (OSTEOARTHRITIS)

Investigators : Dr. Ponnaiahsamy

:

Dr. P.Elankani

Year and month : SEPTEMBER 2011

of starting the

study

Year and month: -----

of closure of the

study

Principal Drug : OA1-Chooranam & Vathakesari Thylam

(s) therapies

taken for

clinical

evaluation/trial

and supporting

therapy (s)

Duration of : 60 Days treatment : 60 Days

readificit . 00 Days

Diagnosis and : Based on Siddha fundamentals and modern parameters

response of and VAS

Therapy

Results of the : ----

cases : ----

completed : ----

Whether the : ----

study is

continuing?

Specific : Clinical and biochemical investigations were done as per

observation if the protocol. The patients were regularly assessed as per

any Siddha and Bio-chemical parameters. The drug was

administered for 42 days. The trial drug OA1-Chooranam

was prescribed at the dose of 2 gm twice a day after food in

the morning and night. Proper strategy and designing of

clinical trials may produce a better scope for potential drug

development.

Design of study : Open labeled clinical trial, at OPD & IPD Level.

No of group : One group

Number of

Cases : 30 Subjects

Plan of study : The Subjects are being screened and selected according to

the Siddha and modern parameters. The trial patients are

also instructed to attend the outpatient as well as in-patient

department every week for observations and to collect the

medicine. Their X-Ray and blood parameters are estimated

and recorded, before and after treatment.

Criteria for : 1. Age between 45 years and 60 years.

inclusion 2. Sex-Either sex

3. Patients with Primary Osteoarthritis - knee joints

(Single or both knees).

4. X-ray findings

5. Pain

6. Joint swelling

7. Joint tenderness

8. Crepitus

Criteria for :	1. Age less than 45 years or more than 60 years.
exclusion	2. Patients with Diabetes/Hepatic failure/Renal failure.
Chicagram	3. Patients using local Anti-inflammatory medicine other
	than the research drugs.
	4. History of bony or soft tissue injury to knee joint
	5. Patients having Rheumatoid arthritis, Gout and Psoriatic arthritis.
	6. Patients who are on long term treatment with steroids or
	whohad surgical interventions.
Criteria for :	Stiffness
assessment	
	1. How severe immediately after waking up in the morning?
	2. How severe after sitting or lying down or resting later in the
	day?
	Curolling
	Swelling
	Crepitus
	Restricted movement
	Effectiveness assessments:
	Visual analogue score:
	0 – no pain,
	1 – mild pain,
	2 – moderate pain,
	3 – severe pain,
	4 – acute pain

S.No	Pain (How much the patient had/have)						
3.110		Before treatment	After treatment				
1.	When walking on a flat surface?	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain/No pain				
2.	When going up or down the stairs?	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain/No pain				
3.	While sitting or lying down?	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain/No pain				
4.	While standing?	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain/No pain				
5.	At night while in bed? (i.e pain that disturbs sleep)	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain	Mild / Moderate / Severe/Acute pain/No pain				

Criteria for

success of

treatment : Treatment outcome as assessed by VAS and x-ray

Principal drug and the supporting therapy including diet prescribed:

Principal Drug : OA1-Chooranam & Vathakesari thylam

Diet Regimen : Prescribed diet schedule.

Dose schedule : OA1-Chooranam 2 gm twice a day with water after food

Duration of treatment : 60 days according to Siddha. Source/supply of drugs: Pharmacy of SCRI, Chennai.

Preclinical	Clearance for Trial Drug OA1 by IAEC						
Study	IAEC Approval No: 104/Pharma/SCRI/2011, dated 08.07.2011						
	IEC Approval No: CCRS/SCRI-1/2011-12/01						
	Preclinical study completed						
Clinical Study	The project proposal changed to Multicentric study and included in IMR						
	projects. This has been approved by the SAB. The trial is to be initiated						
	in the year 2015-16						

CLINICAL TRIAL ON HERBAL DRUG IN VENPADAI (VITILIGO)

BY OPEN LABELED METHOD

Title of the : VENPULLI (VITILIGO)

problem

Title of the Study : CLINICAL TRIAL ON HERBAL DRUG IN

VENPADAI (VITILIGO) BY OPEN LABELED METHOD

Investigators : Dr. Yasodha

Dr. J.Jeyakannan

Year and month

of starting the

study : SEPTEMBER 2011

Year and month

of closure of the

study : ----

Principal Drug (s)

therapies taken

for clinical

evaluation/trial

and supporting

therapy (s) : Poovarasam Pattai Kudineer

Duration of Ninety days

treatment :

Diagnosis and

response of

Based on Siddha fundamentals and modern therapy

parameters

Results of the

cases completed : Nil

Whether the

study is

continuing? : Still continuing

Literature of the :

study

Venpulli (Vitiligo) has been described under 18 types of Kutta Noi in almost all the Siddha literatures. But

Yugi Muni, the great Siddhar, has described it as a

separate entity in his Vaidhya Chinthamani 500. He

has elaborated 3 types of Venpadai (Vitiligo) based on

the humors involved, etiology, symptoms, parameters

for assessing the good and bad prognosis and

treatment. As per Yugi Muni, for the white patches in

the lips, palm and genital, the prognosis is bad. Vitiligo

is a common disorder in which symmetrical white or

pale macules appear on the, otherwise normal skin. It

affects all races but is more conspicuous in dark

skinned races. It is a source of social embarrassment

in dark skinned people. The hair in the affected area is

usually but not always white. The depigmented

macular eruptions are without any sensory loss and

are neither contagious nor hereditary.

Design of study Open trial

No. of group One group

Number of cases 30

Criteria for : Age between 16 and 60 yrs

inclusion Sex – either sex

Duration of disease not more than 10 years

Discoloured patches on any part of the body.

Extension of lesion in the skin surface less than 60% of

the total body area.

Criteria for : Caused by burns, trauma

exclusion Congenital

Affecting palms, soles and genital organ

Lesion extended more than 60% of the body

Diabetes Mellitus

Hypothyroidism

Criteria for : Clinical assessment (Photos) will be done before the

assessment drug administration and at the end of the 1st, 2nd and

3rd month of the treatment and follow up for 3 months.

Take standardised photos of body areas affected by Vitiligo

Prepare patient:

Ensure no makeup; jewellery off, gown on.

Camera settings:

Flash on

Red eye on

Remote on - usage

Automatic mode

No zoom, macro mode ON

Camera angle:

Camera should always be at right angles to the skin area being photographed. Ensure camera is horizontal, and NOT angled at the body but pointing straight ahead.

Distance:

Should always be 30cm unless otherwise recorded as different on grid (chest, abdomen, legs and feet)

Labeling: Right and left should be clearly labeled on patient

Centimetre scale:

Each image should have a cm scale

Background:

Blue background always

Body regions:

Front, back and side views of the area of the body with the patch of vitiligo must be taken for every patch, even if some views do not include the patch.

Patient photo details

All photographs must be recorded in the document and patient photo details as given below:

Patient Code:

PictureNumber Distance take		Description of body region	
30 cm		Face front	
		Lower leg (Knee to Ankle),	
	55cm	Front	

VASI

Vitiligo Area Scoring Index

These are the parameters to assess the Vitiligo patches

Principal drug and the supporting therapy including diet prescribed:

Principal drug : Poovarasam Pattai Kudineer Diet regimen : Prescribed diet schedule.

Dose schedule : 60ml of Kudineer B.i.d before food

Duration of treatment : Ninety days (i.e.) two mandalams (according to

Siddha)

Source of supply of drugs : Pharmacy of SCRI, Chennai.

S.No	Phase	Work status							
1.	Preclinical	Clearance for trial drug Poovarasam Pattai kudineer by IAEC							
	Study	IAEC Approval No: 105/Pharma/SCRI/2011, dated							
		08.07.2011							
		Acute, Sub-acute and Chronic Toxicity studies completed by							
		the Dept. of Pharmacology in the year 2013.							
2.	Clinical Study	The study not yet registered in CTRI and the Clinical							
		recruitment not initiated till date.							

MULTICENTRIC OPEN LABELED CLINICAL TRIAL ON PEENISAM (SINUSITIS)

Title of the : Peenisam (Sinusitis)

problem

Title of the : AN OPEN LABELED CLINICAL TRIAL ON PEENISAM

Study (SINUSITIS)

Investigators : Dr. M. Kannan

Dr. S. Natarajan

Year and month

of starting the

study : September 2011

Year and month

of closure of the

study : ----

Principal Drug : APNC

(s) therapies

taken for clinical

evaluation/trial

and supporting

therapy (s)

Duration of

treatment : 42 Days

Diagnosis and

response of

therapy : Based on Siddha fundamentals and modern parameters

Results of the

cases completed : Nil

Whether the

study is

continuing? : Still continuing

Specific Clinical and biochemical investigations were done as per

observation if the protocol. The patients were regularly assessed as per

any : Siddha and Bio-chemical parameters. The drug was

administered for 42 days. The trial drug APNC was

prescribed at the dose of 1 Capsule twice a day before food

in the morning and night. Proper strategy and designing of

clinical trials may produce a better scope for potential drug

development.

Design of study : Open labeled clinical trial, at OPD Level.

No of groups : One group

Number of Cases : 30

Plan of study : The subjects are being screened and selected according to

the Siddha and modern parameters. The patients have also

been instructed to attend the outpatient department every

week for observations and to collect the medicine. Their X-

Ray and blood parameters are estimated and recorded,

before and after treatment.

Criteria for : Age between 18 and 60 years

inclusion Rhinorrhea

Redness & lacrimation of the eyes

Nasal congestion

Nasal Speech

Itching & blockage of ears

Difficulty in breathing

Head ache

Dull ache in mid face or deep into eyes

Sneezing

Chronic hyperplastic Sinusitis (Nasal polyp)

Deviated Nasal Septum (DNS)

X Ray PNS - Sinusitis - Positive

Criteria for : Bacteremia / Glaucoma / Trachoma

exclusion Meningitis / Aneurysms of arteries of brain

Acute pyrexia/SOL

Habitual snuffer

Epistaxis / Saddle nose / Syphilitic chancre

DM/Thyroid/HT/Trigeminal Neuralgia/Dental caries

Hansen's disease

Bronchial asthma

Criteria for : The full details of history and physical examination of the

assessment patients will be recorded as per the proformae (Forms I &

IA). Clinical and physiological assessment will be done

before drug administration and after every week. The

laboratory investigations will be recorded before drug

administration (Form-III) and at the end of treatment

(Form-III)

Criteria for : Treatment outcome as assessed by the patient and the success of investigator on the 'Integrated Medicine Outcomes Scale'

treatment (IMOS), a five point verbal rating scale with the categories

'complete recovery', 'major improvement', 'slight to

moderate improvement', 'no change' and 'deterioration.

Principal drug and the supporting therapy including diet prescribed:

Principal Drug : APNC

Diet Regimen : Prescribed diet schedule.

Dose schedule : APNC 1 Capsules, Twice a day with water.

Before food

Duration of treatment : Forty-two days (i.e.) One Mandalam (According

to Siddha)

Source of supply of drugs : Pharmacy of SCRI, Chennai.

Preclinical	Clearance for trial drug APNC by IAEC & IEC						
Study	IAEC Approval No: 106/Pharma/SCRI/2011, dated 08.07.2011						
	IEC Approval No: CCRS/SCRI-1/2011-12/04						
	Acute and sub-acute toxicity studies completed. Chronic toxicity study						
	will be carried out in the year 2015-16.						
Clinical	Preclinical study is in progress and after the completion of preclinical						
Study	study the clinical trial will be initiated. (Acute toxicity study completed)						
	The project is included in the IMR project. As per the SAB						
	recommendation, the clinical trial will be initiated after the completion						
	of preclinical study.						

3.6. Other Projects:

During the reporting period, apart from the above said multicentric clinical trials the following single centric studies have been carried out.

Other than the above said trials the following clinical trials are carried forward to the next year, as pre-clinical trials related to them have been completed/are nearing completion.

The details are mentioned below:

Table-20: Other projects carried out at CCRS

S.No	Title	Single/ Multicentric	Institutes involved	Remarks		
1.	Open labeled clinical trial on Peenisam (Sinusitis)	Single centre	SCRI, Chennai	Preclinical study is in		
	Teenisani (Sinusitis)			progress		
2.	Multicentric studies on	Multicentric	SCRI, Chennai;	Preclinical		
	Dyslipidemia		SRRI, Puducherry;	study is in		
			SRRI, Trivandrum	progress		
3.	Survey questionnaire for	Single centre	SCRI, Chennai	Data Analysis		
	assessment of Siddha			is in progress		
	treatment in OPD of SCRI					
4.	Observational studies on the	Single centre	SCRI, Chennai	Data Analysis		
	role of Siddha medicine as			is in progress		
	an add on therapy in					
	Diabetes Mellitus					

3.7. Health Care Services

3.7.1. Health Care Services through Out-Patient Department (OPD) and In-Patient Department (IPD)

The Clinical Research Programme under this Council focuses mainly on clinical evaluation of selected therapies. The activities in the following areas have been carried out during the reporting period:

All the cases registered in IPD and OPD were screened for ADRs under the Pharmaco-vigilance programme. The hospitals functioning under the Council provided medical aid to 85086 patients at OPD level. Out of them 44472 are male cases and 40614 were female cases. Besides this a total number of 167 patients were admitted in the Inpatient Department of the Institutes of (SCRI, Chennai and SRRI, Puducherry). The geriatric OPD was also conducted in 4 (SCRI, Chennai; SRRI, Puducherry; SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram and SCRU, Palayamkottai) Clinical Research Centres. A total number of 11530 patients have benefited from the geriatric specialty OPD. A special Flu-like illness OPD was also conducted in the 2 (SCRI, Chennai and SRRI, Puducherry) peripheral Institutes of the Council and 127 patients of different Flu-like illnesses were provided treatment. Apart from the above Varmam and Thokkanam therapies have also been provided to 4771 patients.

The census of OPD and IPD patients are as follows:

Table-21: Census of OPD and IPD Patients

Sl.	Instt. / Unit		No. of patients in OPD				No. of patients in IPD			1				BOR
No	222001, 02220	Ne	ew	Old		Total	Admitted		Discharged		(%)			
		M	F	M	F		M	F	M	F				
1	SCRI,	7089	5980	17456	13792	44317	90	35	80	34	28.76			
	Chennai													
2	SRRI, Puducherry	3004	2932	12222	12768	30926	5	37	5	37	9.72			

3	SRRI, Thiruvanantha puram	368	517	1186	1921	3992					
4	SCRU, Palayamkottai	1455	1125	1692	1579	5851					
	Total	11916	10554	32556	30060	85086	95	72	85	71	

BOR- - Bed Occupancy Ratio

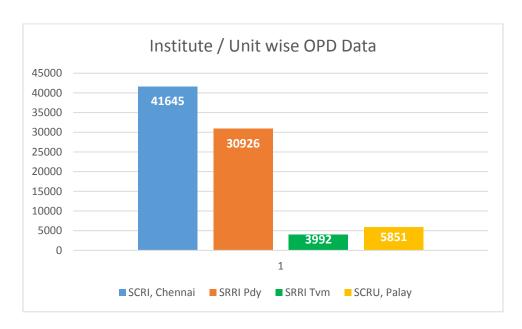


Table-22: CCRS Hospitals Male/Female patient ratio

Institute	Male	Female
SCRI, Chennai	24545	19772
SCRU,Palayamkottai	3147	2704
SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram	1554	2438
SRRI, Puducherry	15226	15700
TOTAL	44472	40614
Grand Total	85086	

S.No	Male	Female
1.	44472	40614

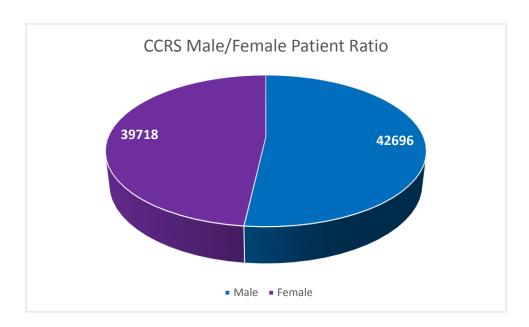


Diagram No.4. Schematic presentation of Male & Female population of General OPD

3.7.2. Pharmaco-vigilance Programme

Worldwide movement for the improvement of patients' safety is gaining momentum. Hence the subject of drug safety has gained more significance in the present day scenario. Presently with increased use of Siddha drugs the issue of adulteration and use of counterfeit drugs have also increased. Hence a mechanism is required to address these issues. Pharmaco-vigilance aims at documenting the harmful effects of any drug causing adverse reactions. The number of adverse reactions / ill-effects of Siddha drugs reported in the National Pharmaco-vigilance in India are negligible. To collate and document the data related to ADRs this programme was initiated.

Aims & Objective

This programme aims at providing the data of adverse drug reactions of the drugs of herbal mineral, metallic, animal and other origin used in Siddha system of medicine.

Date of Implementation: April 2009

Participating Institutes/Units

- 1. SCRI, Chennai
- 2. SRRI, Puducherry
- 3. SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram
- 4. SCRU, Palayamkottai

Participating Institutes / Units have screened all the OPD and IPD patients for ADRs, if any. All the 4 Institutes / Units have not found any ADRs.

3.7.3. Specialty Geriatric Clinic

Geriatric OPD was started in the peripheral Clinical Siddha Institutes/units of CCRS viz., SCRI, Chennai; SRRI, Puducherry; SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram and SCRU, Palayamkottai in 2008. During the reporting period, 11530 patients were benefited by the Geriatric Special OPD Clinics.

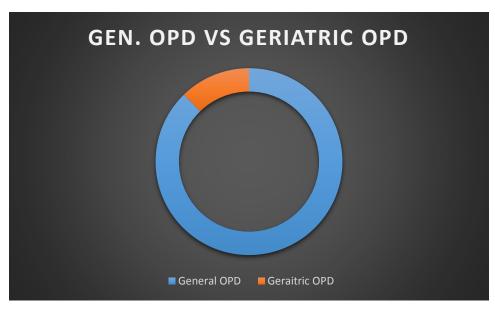


Diagram No 5. Schematic presentation of General OPD and Geriatric Specialty OPD census

3.7.4. Flu-like Illness Specialty OPD

As per the direction of Dept. of AYUSH in August 2009 the Council started specialty OPD clinic for Flu-like illness in October, 2009 in the peripheral Institutes / Units of CCRS viz. SCRI, Chennai and SRRI, Puducherry for prevention and management of the patients with flu-like symptoms and also for rendering counseling for such patients. During the reporting period 127 patients with such conditions attended the OPD.

Table-23: Details of beneficiaries of Specialty Clinics of Flu-like Illnesses

Sl.	Institutes / Units			Old	Cases	Total
No.		M	F	M	F	100
1.	SCRI, Chennai	30	29	02	02	63
2.	SRRI, Puducherry	16	09	19	20	64
Grand Total		46	38	21	22	127

3.7.5. Varmam Specialty OPD

Varmam and Thokkanam are unique and special therapeutic entities in Siddha, which are useful in treating several neurological and musculo – skeletal diseases mostly without the intervention of internal drugs.

Patients who attended Varmam special OPD at SCRI, Chennai SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram, during the reporting period are tabulated below:

Table-24: Census of Varmam special OPD

Sl. No.	Institute	М	F	Total
1.	SRRI, Thiruvananthapuram	231	114	345
2.	SCRI,Chennai	2151	2275	4426
Grand Total		2382	2389	4771



3.7.6. Pharmacy

Pharmacy of Siddha Central Research Institute was established to fulfill the needs of Clinical research activities of all the peripheral Institutes/Units of CCRS. Since inception the pharmacy had been functioning in the main building and later it was shifted to the new pharmacy block constructed during the year 1986 and it is currently functioning in the same building. The drugs are being prepared for OPD/IPD purposes. The drugs are also prepared as per SOPs for clinical research activities and supplied to all the CCRS peripheral Institutes/Units. Apart from this some of the medicines are prepared for activities related to Siddha Pharmacopoeia scheme.

Table-25: Details of Medicines prepared in the pharmacy

S. No	Name of Trial / General Medicines	Quantity prepared (in Kg)
1.	Amukkara chooranam combination	136.854
	(Siddha Formulary of India)	
2.	Amukkara chooranam(plain)	253.700
3.	Annabedhi chenduram	24.400
4.	Arathai chooranam	177.700

5.	Arathai kudineer chooranam	57.000
6.	Arugan Thylam	806 liters
7.	Asta chooranam	41.500
8.	D5 chooranam (Trial Drug)	513.000
9.	Dhasana Podi	11
10.	Elathy chooranam	277.450
11.	G1 chooranam	55.500
12.	Gowri chinthamani Chenduram	8.450
13.	K.P.E oil	10 liters
14.	Karpoorathi Thylam	665 liters
15.	Kazharchi chooranam	4.250
16.	Kazharchi chooranam (ext)	5.850
17.	Kukkil Parpam	48.000
18.	Kukkil Thylam No II	1539 liters
19.	Linga Chenduram	6.800
20.	Mathan Thylam with Thurusu	288 liters
	(Research)	
21.	Muthuchippi Parpam	43.000
22.	Nagapoochu marundhu	13
23.	Neerkovai Mathirai	25.600
24.	Neermulli kudineer chooranam	15.900
25.	Nilavaagai chooranam	92.900
26.	Nilavembu kudineer chooranam	37.000
27.	Padiga panneer	3.500 liters
28.	Palagarai Parpam	93.000
29.	Parangipattai chooranam	265.550
30.	Poovarasampattai kudineer	49.000
	chooronam	
31.	Sangu Parpam	24.500
32.	Silasathu Parpam	31.000
33.	Sivanar amirtham	23.000
34.	TAT chooranam	266.900
35.	Thalisathi chooranam	115.500
36.	Thirikadugu chooranam	100.500
37.	Thripala chooranam	463.000
38.	Vangavirana kalimbu	152
39.	Vengarapodi	12
40.	777 Oil	197.3 liters

3.8. LITERARY RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION

- ➤ Siddha Central Research Institute holds nearly 1500 Manuscripts
- Calligraphy, annotation, cataloguing and digitization of the manuscripts are periodically done
- Rare books are published periodically from the Manuscripts

Literary research lays the platform for any research in Siddha System as they are scientific reflections of the intuition of Siddhars. Palm leaves and paper manuscripts still hold with them many unfolded scientific details which are to be unearthed.

A Literary Research Unit was started by the Government of India, at Saraswathi Mahal Library, Thanjavur in the year 1964 for the enlightment of the Siddha system. In 1971, one more Literary Research Unit of evstwhile CCRIMH was started at Govt. Siddha Medical College, Palayamkottai. They have made wonderful collections of traditional manuscripts and very old Siddha printed books dealing with treatment of ailments by the traditional physicians all over Tamilnadu. In 1979, the units were merged to form LITERARY RESEARCH & DOCUMENTATION DEPARTMENT as a separate unit under Central Research Institute of Siddha, Chennai. In April 2007 the LR&DD was merged with CRIS, Chennai-106. The mandate of this department is to carry out literary research.

The wealth of traditional medicines is available both as coded and non-coded documents. Answers to many unsolved questions have been properly culled out via extensive literary research. This traditional knowledge should be properly documented, digitalized, preserved and published in the public domain. Both virtual and real manuscripts are made available as a ready reckoner for students, research scholars and the public. Literary Research and Documentation Department under the umbrella of Siddha central research institute is carrying out the above said activities in a systematic manner.

MAJOR RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- Collection of Manuscripts and other old rare printed books and hand written copies.
- Cleaning and preservation of collected materials.
- Preparing, cataloguing and classification.

- Transcription of palm leaf Manuscripts.
- Annotation of poems.
- Typing of transcribed poems along with annotations.
- Correction of typed copies.
- Comparison with original
- Submission for approval.
- Publication.
- Translation of Siddha books published in Tamil into English & Hindi.
- Publication of translated Siddha text in English and Hindi.
- Sale of publications.
- Preparation of IEC Materials for AYUSH and CCRS.
- Periodical training for students.

Table-26: Activities in the current year

S.No.	Title of the Books in Tamil	version	Status	Remarks
1.	A Hand book of Common remedies in Siddha system of	English	Published	-
1.	medicine	211611011	T ublished	
2.	Cancer Research Reviews in Siddha System of Medicine	English	Published	-
	CCRS e-Book			
3.	Research in Siddha system of medicine	English	Published	-
	(The science of holistic health)			
4.	A to Z Know your alphabet through Siddha medicinal	English	Published	_
	Plants		1 ublished	_
5.	உயிர் மெய் மூலிகைகள்	Tamil	Published	
	தமிழ்எழுத்துக்களும்சித்தமருத்துவமூலிகைகளும்		rublisheu	-
6.	Kal Nandu Soothiram (Multi lingual book- Tamil,	Multi		Will be
	Malayalam, Kannadam, Telugu, Hindi, Malaya, Singalam	lingual	in print	published
	and English)	book		shortly
7.	Preparation of CD-ROM of The Siddha Formulary of India	Tamil	Software	Will be
	part II First edition		testing and	published
			proof	shortly
			correction	
			of Content	
			is in	
			progress	

8.	Preparation of CD-ROM of The Siddha Pharmacopoeia of	English	Software	Will be
	India part I, Volume II First edition	211811011	testing and	published
			proof	shortly
			correction	
			of Content	
			is in	
			progress	
9.	Yakobu Vaithiya	English	Proof	Will be
	Chinthamani-700		correction	published
			is being	shortly
			carried out	-
10	Siddhar Kaya Karpam	English	Proof	Will be
			correction	published
			is being	shortly
			carried out	
11	Theraiyar Kudineer	Hindi	Ready for	Will be
			printing	published
				shortly
12	Collection of digitized books and pdf for launching the e-	-	Collection	Will be
	library		process in	launched in
			progress	due course
13	Materials collected for launching the Museum	-	Collection	Will be
			process in	launched in
			progress	due course
14	Planning for digitization of manuscripts and rare books	-	Purchased	Purchase
			Camera	of
			Canon EOS	Digitization
			7D for	Unit will be
			Digitization	done
			through	
			purchase	
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15	Library Management Software	-	Preliminary	Order
			discussion	placed for
			had with	purchasing
			Software	the same
			developers	
			Purchase of Software	
			and	
			hardware	
			through	
			Purchase	
			committee	

			after codal	
			formalities	
16	Materials collected and given during the Workshop on	-	AYUSH GCP	provided to
	Good Clinical Practice Training for various stake holders		Guidelines,	all the
	in AYUSH		GCP in	delegates
			Tamil	as
			Language	workshop
			and articles	materials

3.8.1. AYUSH Research Portal

Periodically Research papers/articles on Literary, Drug and Clinical Research have been uploaded by CCRS Officials during the reporting period.

3.8.2. Siddha Dossier

Siddha dossier will be published by the Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India and the preparation work has been allotted to the Central Council for Research in Siddha. The draft was revised by many Siddha experts by conducting various review meetings held at SCRI, Chennai and National Institute of Siddha, Chennai.

The review meetings on Siddha Dossier organized by the CCRS were conducted at National Institute of Siddha on 13th and 14th May, 2014 and the meetings were chaired by the Joint Secretary (BP). The subsequent meetings were held on 30th and 31st July 2014 and 11th and 12th August 2014 at CCRS, Chennai for drafting the dossier and designing the cover page in which the members of the working group and other experts participated. The contents of the Siddha dossier were again reviewed by Dr. R. S. Ramaswamy, DG, CCRS and Dr. G. Ganapathy, Former Joint Director, Directorate of Indian medicine and Homeopathy and the senior member of the working group.

SCRI officials who participated in various meetings are as follows:

- **1.** Dr. P. Sathiyarajeswaran
- 2. Dr. Shyamala Rajkumar
- **3.** Dr. M. Kannan

3.9. Research articles

Table-27: Publication of research papers/articles

S. No.	Name of the Author	Title of paper	Name of Journal/ Bulletin	Year of Publi- cation
1.	Akila B, Manickavasakam K, Shakila R	Chemical Analysis of Gomutra Silasathu Parpam	International Journal of Drug Delivery	2014; 6(1): 88- 93
2.	Sunilkumar KN, Shakila R , Amerjothy S	Physicochemical evaluation, nutraceutical composition and HPLC.UV fingerprint of Helicanthus elastica (Desr.) Danser (Indian Mango Mistletoe)	International Journal of Green Pharmacy	2014; 8(3): 175- 179
3.	E.Rajabudeen, A.Saravana Gandhi, M.Padma Sorna Subramanian and K.Natarajan	"GC-MS Analysis of the methanol extract of <i>Tephrosia spinosa</i> (L.f.) Pers ^t	International Research Journal of Chemistry	2014; April (IRJC) ISSN 2321 - 2845 (on line), 2321 - 3299 (Print). Page no. 09 to 15
4.	E.Rajabudeen, A.Saravana gandhi and M.Padma Sorna Subramanian	Pharmacognostical studies on Indigofera aspalathoides Vahl ex.DC (Fabaceae)"	Journal of Pharmacognosy and Phytochemistry	2014; 3 (3) 86- 91 ISSN 2278- 41736

5.	Saravanan Subramanian and M.Padma Sorna Subramanian	Merremia emarginata (Burm.f.) Hall. F.: A substituted market source for Centella asiatica (L.) Urban: An observation from Salem district, Tamilnadu."	Journal of Ancient science of Life /Oct-Dec.2013/Vol.33/ Issue 2.	2014
6.	Akila B, Manickavasakam K, Shakila R	Analytical study on Siddha herbomineral formulation: Chandrakanthi chooranam.	International Journal of Pharm Bio Science	2014; Oct 5(4): (P) 175 – 185
7.	Shakila R, MeeradeviSri P, Arul Antony S, Gopakumar K	Antimicrobial Studies on Desmostachyabipinnata Rootstock	Journal of Pharmaceutical, Chemical and Biological Sciences	2014; 2(3): 197- 201
8.	Shakila R, Arul Antony S, Gopakumar K	Lipid Composition of <i>Desmostachya</i> bipinnata rootstock	Der Chemica Sinica	2014; 5(5): 47- 51
9.	Akila B, Manickavasakam K, Shakila R	Pharmacognostical and physicochemical studies on <i>Adhatoda</i> vasica Nees seed	International Journal Pharmaceut Sci Res	2014; 5(12): 1000-1009
10.	S. Selvarajan, V. Gayathri Devi, Anitha John, J. Jeyakannan, D. Balakrishnan and N. Raaman	Pharmacognostical identification of Asparagus racemosus willd. (root) with the help of hptlc method	World Journal of Pharmaceutical Research (WJPR) (International Journal)	2014; Volume 3, Issue 6, 486-498
11.	Lavanya A, Ramaswamy RS, Shakila R	Pharmacognostical studies on the leaves of <i>Canavalia virosa</i> (Roxb.) Wight & Arn.	Asian Journal of Traditional Medicine	2014; 9(1): 20- 29

12.	Aarthi V, Shakila R, Sasikala E , Pitchiahkumar M	Pharmacognostical studies on <i>Ehretia microphylla</i> Lamk.	Asian Journal of Traditional Medicine	2014; 9(5): 118- 129.
13.	Lavanya Alagusolaiyan, Shakila Ramachandran, Sasikala Ethirajulu , Ayyasamy Sengan	Pharmacognostical studies on the leaves of Canavalia virosa (Roxb.) Wight & Arn	Asian Journal of Traditional Medicines	2014; 9(1), 8-17
14.	R.Ganesan, Mathuram Venkatanarasimhan, G. Aadinaath Reddy , Sharad Pawar, Jega Jothi Pandian, Premagurumuthy	Hepatoprotective Effect of Methanolic Extract of Coldenia Procumbens Linn against D-Galactosamine Induced Acute Liver Damage in Rats	Pharma Science Monitor	2014; 5(3), Jul- Sep: 13-18
15.	Aruna R, Sasikala Ethirajulu and Jega Jothi Pandian	Pharmacognostical studies on Siddha Medicinal Plant Boerhaavia diffusa L	Research Journal of Pharmacognosy and phytochemistry	2014; 6(4) October – December; 156- 159
16.	Dr.H.Mubarak (Co author)	Evaluation of phytochemical and in vitro anti-oxidant, anti-proliferative activity of a polyherbal Siddha formulation <i>Vallarai nei</i>	International Journal of Current Microbiology and Applied Sciences	2014
17.	Dr.H.Mubarak (Co author)	Anti ulcer efficacy and Safety of Anda leghyam a polyherbal Siddha formulation	International journal of Pharmaceutical sciences and Research	2014
18.	Dr.H.Mubarak (Co author)	In vitro α-amylase inhibitory assay and anti-oxidant, phytochemical screening of polyherbal Siddha formulation Madhumega chooranam	Indo American journal of Pharmaceutical Research	2014

19.	Dr.H.Mubarak (Co author)	In vitro anti proliferative, anti oxidant and phytochemical screening of a Siddha Drug Chittiramoola Kuligai(CMK)	World Journal of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences	2014
20.	Shakila R, Arul Antony S, Gopakumar K	Phytochemical studies on Desmostachyabipinnata rootstock	International Journal Pharm Bio Sci	2015; Jan 6(1): (P) 305-310
21.	Chitra B, ShakilaR , SasikalaE , Ayyasamy S	Characterization of a Siddha drug (<i>Pũrṇa</i> Cantirotaya Centũram): an approach to standardization	International Journal Pharm Bio Sci	2015; Jan 6(1): (P) 566-576
22.	S. Selvarajan, V. Gayathri Devi, Anitha John, J. Jeyakannan, D. Balakrishnan, N. Raaman	"Pharmacognostical studies of Tinospora cordifolia (Miers.) Hk. F & Th. (stem)"	International Journal of Pharmacy and Technology (IJPT) (International Journal)	2015; Vol. 6, Issue No.3, Jan, 7065-7077
23.	V. Gayathri Devi , Anitha John and S. Selvarajan	"Physico-chemical standardisation and review on <i>Capparis zeylanica</i> Linn., a common siddha herbal drug"	World Journal of Pharmaceutical Research (WJPR) (International Journal)	2015; Vol 4, Issue 05
24.	Sariga CD, Shakila R , Kothai S	Isolation Characterization and Quantification of bergenin from Syzygium cumini stem bark	International Research Journal of Pharmacy	2015; 6(2): 108- 110
25.	Jayasree D, Shakila R , Meeradevi Sri P	Evaluation of antibacterial activity of ethanolic extract of <i>Butea monosperma</i> (Lam.) Kuntz pod	Journal of Pharmaceutical, Chemical and Biological Sciences	2015; 3(1): 1-5

26.	D. Vasanthraja, V.	Oral toxic exposure of titanium	Nano Medicine Journal	2015; Vol 2 (1),
	Ramalingam, G. Aadinaath	dioxide nanoparticles on serum		46 – 53
	Reddy	biochemical changes in adult male		
		wistar rats		
27.	A. Kalaiselvi, G. Aadinaath	Ameliorating Effect of Ginger Extract	International Journal of	2015; 7(1): 52-
	Reddy , V. Ramalingam	(Zingiber officinale Roscoe) on Liver	Pharmaceutical Sciences	58
		Marker Enzymes, Lipid Profile in	and Drug Research	
		Aluminium chloride Induced Male		
		Rats		

Table-28: Publication of books

S.No.	Name	Title	Publication	Year
1.	Dr. M. Kannan	A Hand book of Common remedies in Siddha	LRDD, SCRI (CCRS)	Feb. 2015
	Dr. P. Sathiyarajeswaran	system of medicine		
	Dr. S. Natarajan			
2.	Dr. M. Kannan	உயிர்மெய் மூலிகைகள் தமிழ் எழுத்துக்களும்	LRDD, SCRI (CCRS)	March 2015
	Dr. P.	சித்தமருத்துவ மூலிகைகளும்		
	Sathiyarajeswaran			
	Dr.Shyamala			
	Rajkumar Dr. S. Natarajan			
	DI. S. Natarajan			
3.	Dr. R. S.	Cancer Research Reviews in Siddha System of Medicine	CCRS Publication	March 2015
	Ramaswamy			
	Dr. P.			
	Sathiyarajeswaran			
	Dr. M. Kannan			
	Dr.S. Natarajan			
	Mr. D. Radha			

	Krishna Reddy			
4.	Dr. R. S.	CCRS e-Book	CCRS Publication	March 2015
	Ramaswamy			
	Dr. P.	Research in Siddha system of medicine		
	Sathiyarajeswaran			
	Dr.Shyamala	(The science of holistic health)		
	Rajkumar			
	Dr. M. Kannan			
	Dr.S. Natarajan			
	Mr. D. Radha			
	Krishna Reddy			
5.	Dr. P.	Kal Nandu Soothiram (Multi lingual book- Tamil, Malayalam,	LRDD,SCRI (CCRS)	March 2015
	Sathiyarajeswaran	Kannadam, Telugu, Hindi, Malaya, Singalam and English)		
	Dr. M. Kannan			(Inprint)
	Dr.S. Natarajan			
	Mr. D. Radha			
	Krishna Reddy			
	Mr. Anwar Babu	an nove	1 D D D G G D 1 (G G D G)	1.004
6.	Dr. R. S.	CD-ROM	LRDD,SCRI (CCRS)	March 2015
	Ramaswamy			(7
	Dr. P.	The Siddha Formulary of India Part I, First Edition, Tamil		(Inprint)
	Sathiyarajeswaran	Version		
	Dr. M. Kannan			
-	Dr.S. Natarajan Dr. R. S.	CD-ROM	I DDD CCDI (CCDC)	Manah 2015
7.		CD-ROM	LRDD,SCRI (CCRS)	March 2015
	Ramaswamy Dr. P.	The Siddha Pharmacopoeia of India Part I, Volume II, First		(Inprint)
	Sathiyarajeswaran	•		(mpinit)
	Dr. M. Kannan	Edition, English Version		
	Dr. M. Kannan Dr.S. Natarajan			
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Table-29: Publications research papers/articles in the conference/ workshop/ Seminar proceedings only

	Name of the Author	Title of paper	Name of Journal/ Bulletin	Year of Publi- cation
1.	Ganesan R.Mathuram Venkatanarasimhan,Aadinaath Reddy G, Sharad Pawar,Jega Jothi Pandian, Pre magurumuthy	Hepatoprotective effect of methanolic extract of Coldenia procumbens Linn. against D-galactosamine induced acute liver damage in rats,	International Journal of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences	2014, Jul-Sep 0976-7908 ; 5(3): 13-18
2.	Shyamala Rajkumar, J.Annathai,S.Natarajan	Medicinal plants mentioned in the Holy Bible and in Siddha system and their ethanomedicinal studies	International Journal Of Reviews, Surveys and Research	2014;3(2):69-85
3.	Shyamala Rajkumar, V.Vijayakumar, C.Pommuthu Rani, K.Gopakumar, R.S. Ramaswamy	Management of Fibroid Uterus with a Traditional Siddha Formulation - A Review	International Journal of Multidisciplinary Health Sciences	2014, July-Sep; 1(1):1-15
4.	E.Rajabudeen, A.Saravana gandhi and M.Padma Sorna Subramanian	Phytochemical and Antibacterial analysis of <i>Tephrosia spinosa</i> (L.f.) Pers.	Proceedings of the International Conference on Bioprospecting of Natural Rsources for Human Health (2014) ISBN978*93- 80394-44-2.	(September 2014)
5.	M.Padma Sorna Subramanian	Phytochemical and Antibacterial analysis of	International conference on Bioprospecting of Natural	10 th Sep. 2014

6.	N. Raaman, S. Selvarajan , D. Balakrishnan, V. Gayathri Devi , Anitha John, J. Jeyakannan	""Pharmacognostical studies of curculigo orchioides (gaerten)"	Resources for Human Health at Dr.Zakir Husain College, Ilayangudi, Sivagangai dt. Tamil nadu. International Conference on "Medicinal plants and Herbal drugs for Human Welfare (International Seminar)	28-30 January 2015, Proceedings: ICMP-2015
7.	M.Padma Sorna Subramanian	Vegetation of Point calimere	Abstract of "National Level Seminar on "Coastal and Marine Eco systems -challenges and opportunities" sponsored by Ministry of Earth sciences, Govt. Of India, organized by the Dept. of Botany, Rani anna Govt. College for women, Tirunelveli - 627 008, Tamilnadu	March 12-13 2015
8.	E.Rajabudeen, K.Subramonian and M.Padma Sorna Subramanian	Phytochemical and Antibacterial analysis of Indigofera aspalathoides Vahl. Ex DC.	Abstract of "National Level Seminar on "Coastal and Marine Eco systems-challenges and opportunities" sponsored by Ministry of Earth sciences, Govt. Of India, organized by the Dept. of Botany, Rani anna Govt. College for women, Tirunelveli- 627 008, Tamilnadu.	March 12-13 2015

9.	M.Padma Sorna Subramanian	Presented a lead article	National Level Seminar on	March 12-13
	Baranah acciona Baran	entitled "Vegetation analysis	"Coastal and Marine Eco systems	2015
	Research officer – Botany	of Point Calimere wildlife	-challenges and opportunities"	
		and bird sanctuary".	sponsored by Ministry of Earth	
			sciences, Govt. Of India, organized	
			by the Dept. of Botany, Rani anna	
			Govt. College for Women,	
			Tirunelveli-627 008, Tamilnadu.	

4. Information, Education and Communication

4.1. IEC Materials / Pamphlets

10 Brochures revised and reprinted / 11 Translites reprinted/remade and were distributed/displayed in the AROGYA health melas and other campaigns.

4.2. Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

Table-30: Participation in Workshops, Training programmes, Conferences by scientists of CCRS

S. No.	Name of the participant	Name of Seminar/ conference / workshop / Training	Name of the Organiser	Date of Participation
1.	Dr. M. Kannan	31st Workshop on Research methodology & Bio-statistics	The Tamil Nadu Dr.M. G. R. Medical University	28 April 2014 to 02 May 2014
2.	Mrs. R. Shakila & Mrs.Anitha John	Training on HPTLC	HPTLC at Anchrom, Mumbai	26-27 May 2014
3.	Mr.R. Ganesan	Training programme on NPS	NSDL, Mumbai,	20 th , June 2014
4.	Dr. V. Gayathri Devi	Ph. D. Pre-submission seminar of Mr. Janeesh.P.A, entitled "Polymeric Nanocapsules Mediated Therapeutic Strategies in Atherosclerosis"	Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram	19 th July, 2014
5.	Dr. M. Kannan	NABH On-site assessment training- As a trainee assessor Final Assessment of Kokila Siddha Hospital & Research Centre	Nomination given by the NABH, Quality Council of India, Govt. of India	23 rd to 24 th July 2014

6.	Mrs. R.Shakila	Deminor of TLC-MS	TLC-MS at Shimadsu, Mumbai	26 th Aug.2014
7.	Dr. P. Elankani	Workshop on "Prevention and Conservation of Manuscripts"	Saraswathi Mahal Library and Research Centre,Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu.	5 th to 9 th September 2014
8.	Dr.M.Padma Sorna Subramanian, Research officer – Botany	International conference on Bioprospecting of Natural Resources for Human Health	Dr.Zakir Husain College, Ilayangudi, Sivagangai dt., Tamil nadu.	10 th September 2014
9.	Dr. V. Gayathri Devi	Ph. D open defence viva of the thesis entitled "Aagillterations in lens by the leaves of <i>Moringa oleifera</i> Lam. in selenite cataract" by Ms. Sasikala V	Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram	19 th September 2014
10.	Dr.S.Selvarajan, Dr.V.Gayathri Devi Dr.S.Saravanan	National Seminar on 'Intellectual Property Rights and Bio-diversity'	Kerala State Biodiversity Board and Confederation of Indian Industry	30 th September 2014
11.	Dr. G. Aadinaath Reddy Mr.R. Ganesan	(C.A.P.S) "Communication And Presentation Skills"	Organized by DST and conducted by the IMTR at Goa	13 th to 17 th October, 2014 (5 days)
12.	Dr. V. Gayathri Devi	One day seminar – Agilent Technologies'Optimize your Lab Productivity Seminar- held at	Agilent Technologies	15 th October, 2014

		Vivanta, Taj Hotel, Thycaudu, Thiruvananthapuram		
13.	Dr. M. Kannan	Training on Results Framework Documentation (RFD) and Research Framework Management System (RFMS) – a web based training programme	Performance Management Division Cabinet Secretariat Government of India	27 th & 28 th October 2014
14.	Dr. P. Elankani	Workshop on "Research Methodology and Bio-Statistics"	T.N. Dr. M.G.R Medical University, Chennai – 32	17 th to 21 st November 2014
15.	Dr. M. Kannan Dr. S. Natarajan	Workshop on Subtle Energy Diagnostics through latest technologies GDV/EPI, Acugraph & Nadi Tarangini	SVYASA, deemed University, Prashanti Kutiram Jigani Bengaluru	23 rd to 27 th November 2014
16.	Dr. Shyamala Rajkumar R. Shakila	Training on Communication and Presentation Skill (C.A.P.S)	IMTR, Goa	8 th to 12 th December 2014
17.	Dr. P. Elankani	WHO In - Country Fellowship Training Programme	St. George's Medical University, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	1 st to 21 st December 2014
18.	Dr. V. Gayathri Devi	'Nelli Fest – Thiruvananthapuram'	National Amla Mission New Delhi	28 th January, 2015

			&State Medicinal Plant Board, Kerala	
19.	Dr.S.Selvarajan	ICMP-2015	CAS in Botany, University of Madras, Chennai.	28 th to 30 th January 2015
20.	Dr.M.S. Shree Devi	9th International Conference – Seminar on Tamil Studies	Lecture Hall – BS 15, University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur	29 th January – 1 st February 2015
21.	Dr.M.Padma Sorna Subramanian, Research officer – Botany	National Level Seminar on "Coastal and Marine Eco systems -challenges and opportunities" sponsored by Ministry of Earth sciences, Govt. of India	Dept. of Botany, Rani anna Govt. College for women, Tirunelveli -627 008, Tamilnadu.	12 th to 13 th March 2015
22.	Mr.R. Ganesan	GCLP workshop on International Standard	YRG care centre, Chennai	12 th to 14 th March 2015
23.	Dr.A.Rajendra Kumar	National Workshop on Educational Reforms on Ayurveda, Siddha & Unani System	CCIM held at AYUSH Auditorium, Janakpuri, New Delhi.	18 th & 19 th March 2015
24.	Dr. P. Sathiyarajeswaran			

Dr. P. Elankani			
Dr. Shyamala Rajkumar			
Dr.M. Kannan			
Dr. G. Aadinaath Reddy			
Mr.R. Ganesan			
Dr.A. Kanaga Rajan			
Dr.A. Rajendra Kumar			
Dr.S.Selvarajan	Good Clinical Practice (GCP)	SCRI	30 th and 31 st
Dr.I.Chelladurai	training for various stake holders in AYUSH		March 2015
Dr. S. Natarajan			
Dr.M.S. Shree Devi			
Dr. R. Vasudevan			
Dr. S. Bhavani			
Dr.K. Kalaiselvi			
Dr.G. Lekha			
Dr.R. Meena			
Dr. Muralidoss			

Dr.J. Jayakannan		

4.3. Special Lectures

Table-31: Lectures delivered in Training programmes/Workshops/Colleges

S. No	Name of the Author(s)	Name of the paper/ abstract published	Conference/ Seminar	Date
1.	Dr. V. Gayathri Devi	An introduction to Phytochemical techniques"	Academic staff college, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram conducted by UGC	18.07.2014
2.	Mr.R. Ganesan	Nephroprotective Effect of Poonai Meesai Kashayam in Carbon Tetrachloride (CCl4) induced Nephrotoxicity in rats.	6 th World Ayurveda Congress & Arogya Expo. Ayurveda and Health Challenges	6 th to 9 th November, 2014 at Hall No. 18, Pragati Maidan, and New Delhi.
3.	Dr.S.Selvarajan	Graduates' Day – Felicitation address	Santhigiri Siddha Medical college, Pothencode, Thiruvananthapuram.	27.11.2014
4.	Dr.S.Selvarajan	Geriatric diseases and its management through Siddha medicine	Yuvajana samajam Grandasala, Poojappura, Thiruvananthapuram	30.11.2014
5.	Dr.M.S. Shree Devi	Siddha Medicine – A History	9 th International Conference on Tamil Studies, Kuala lumpur, Malaysia	29 th January – 1 st February 2015
6.	Dr. G. Aadinaath Reddy, R. Ganesan, N.Priyadarshini, Dr. P. Satyarajeswaran and Dr.	Evaluation of Immunomodulatory Activity of Mahaveera Mezhugu (A Siddha	National Symposium on Animals in Research and Testing: A Cross-link between Relevance & Ethics" CDRI,	13th & 14th Mar, 2015.

K.Gopakumar	Formulation) on Albino	Lucknow.	
	rats		

Table-32: Organized Arogya / Mela / Exhibition / Camp / others

S.	Name of Mela/	Name of the	Activities	Duration
No	Exhibition / Camp	Officers		& place
1.	Women's Day Celebration, an awareness programme	Dr.Shyamala Rajkumar, Dr.S.Bhavani Dr. K.Kalaiselvi	"Food to be followed by women in day-to-day life from Menarche to Menopause"	SCRI O.P.D.

Table-33: Participation in Arogya/Mela/Exhibition/Camp/Others by the Officers

S. No	Name of Mela/ Exhibition / Camp	Participation	Duration & place	Activities
1.	6 th World Ayurveda Congress & Arogya Expo. Ayurveda and Health Challenge	Dr.K.Gopakumar Dr.A.Rajendra Kumar Dr. Shyamala Rajjkumar Mr.R. Ganesan	6 th to 9 th November, 2014 at Hall No. 18, Pragati Maidan, and New Delhi.	Conducted Special OPD and issued free Siddha medicines Publications of CCRS were sold. Charts were exhibited. Lectures given to the public.

2.	Arogya Fair	Dr.S.Selvarajan	07-13 Jan 2015, Ahemadabad, Gujarat	Pamphlets about the Siddha system of medicine and
3.	National Level Arogya	Dr. P. Elankani Dr.R. Vasudevan	21 st to 24 th January 2015 Ulsoor, Bengaluru,Karnataka	remedy for different diseases were distributed. Created awraeness about
4.	National Level Arogya Fair	Dr. M. Kannan Dr.A.Kanaga Rajan	30 Jan 2015 to 02 Feb 2015 Sonaram High School Ground, Bharalumukh, Guwahati, Assam	Siddha System of medicine
5.	National Level Arogya	Dr.A.Rajendra Kumar Dr.R. Vasudevan Dr.S.Saravanan	6 th to 9 th February, 2015 Raipur, Chattisgarh	
6.	Arogya Mela	Dr. P. Elankani Dr. V. Vijaya Kumar	13 th to 16 th February 2015 SMS Investment Ground, Jaipur, Rajasthan	
7.	National level Arogya	Mr.R. Ganesan Dr.M.S. Shree Devi	22 nd to 25 th February, 2015. Janata Maidan, Nandan Kanan rad Bhubaneswar, Odisha	

Table-34:Lectures delivered in Arogya Mela/Camp/Others by the Officers

S.	Name of Mela/	Name of the	Organizer	Topic of the Lecture	Duration
No	Exhibition /	Officers			& place
	Camp				

1.	National AROGYA Mela	Dr. P. Elankani Dr.R. Vasudevan	Ministry of AYUSH	Common Respiratory Disorders and its Management in the Siddha System of Medicine	21 st to 24 th January 2015 Ulsoor, Bengaluru, Karnataka
2.	National Level Arogya Fair	Dr. M. Kannan Dr. A. Kanagarajan	Ministry of AYUSH Govt. of India, New Delhi	Role of Siddha in NCD Management Basics of Siddha Science	30 Jan 2015 to02 Feb 2015, Auditorium Sonaram High School Ground, Bharalumukh, Guwahati, Assam
3.	National level Arogya	Dr.A.Rajendra Kumar Dr.R. Vasudevan	Ministry of AYUSH Govt. of India, New Delhi	Medicinal plants in skin care "Bird's eye view on Siddha"	6 th to 9 th February, 2015, Raipur, Chattisgarh
4.	AROGYA Mela	Dr.S.Saravanan	Ministry of AYUSH	Kayakalpa medicinal plants	08-02-2015 Raipur, Chattisgarh.
5.	National AROGYA	Dr.V.Vijayakumar	Ministry of AYUSH	Siddha perspectives and its role in the management of Anaemia (Veluppu Noi)	13 th to 16 th February 2015 at Jaipur, Rajasthan
6.	National Arogya Fair	Dr.M.S. Shree Devi	Ministry of AYUSH Govt. of India, New Delhi	Perspectives of Siddha Medicine in gynecological disorders	22 nd – 25 th February 2015 Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

Table-35: Workshops/Conferences /Seminars organized by CCRS

S.No	Name of workshop	Organizing Institute	Date
1.	Good Clinical Practice (GCP) training for various stakeholders in AYUSH	Siddha Central Research Institute, Chennai	30 th March – 31 st March 2015

5. Objectives and achievements of Siddha Pharmacopoeia Committee (SPC)

The Secretariat of SPC is functioning at SCRI, Chennai under the supervision of CCRS. The main objective of Siddha Pharmacopoeia Committee (SPC) is to develop the Pharmacopoeial Standards for Siddha Medicines with a focus on the following areas:

- 1. To prepare Siddha Pharmacopoeia of India of Single and Compound drugs.
- 2. To prepare Siddha Formulary of India.
- 3. To prepare Pharmacopoeial Standards for single drugs mentioned in the Siddha Formulary of India.
- 4. To prepare standards of compound formulations mentioned in The Siddha Formulary of India.
- 5. Development and standardization of methods of preparation, quality parameters for compound formulations including tests for identity, purity, strength and quality to ensure uniformity of the finished products.
- 6. Data generation on heavy metals, microbial load and pesticide residues present in the Siddha compound formulations.
- 7. To develop SOPs for maintaining the Pharmacopoeial Standards and Shelf-life of compound formulations.
- 8. Translation of Pharmacopoeias / Formularies into Hindi / Tamil / English.

Work done during the year 2014-2015

- ✓ The Siddha Formulary of India Part I(Tamil) Revision which is approved by the SPC. To be sent for printing.
- ✓ The Siddha Pharmacopoeia of India Part I, Volume III. To be approved by the SPC.

Table-36: Siddha Pharmacopoeia Committee (SPC)

Sl. No.	Name	Position
1.	Dr.G.Veluchamy,	Chairman
	No.24, Chokkanathar Street, Karthikeyan Nagar, Maduravoyal,	
	Chennai- 600 095	
2.	Dr.K.Ravi,	Member (Ex-
	Joint Advisor (Siddha), Ministry of AYUSH, AYUSH Bhawan, B-	officio)
	Block, GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi - 110023	
3.	Dr.Rajeev Kr. Sharma	Member (Ex-
	Director, PLIM, Kamla Nehru Nagar, Ghaziabad- 201 002	officio)
4.	Dr.A.Kumaravel	Member
	Rtd. Professor of GSMC, Palayamkottai,	
	No/25, II Street Ram Nagar, North Extension Vijayanagar,	
	Velacherry, Chennai	
5.	Prof. P. Jayprakash Narayanan	Member
	Former Vice-Principal, GSMC, Chennai,	
	Old No.55, New No.70, Panchaliamman Koil Street,	
	Arumbakkam, Chennai- 600 106	
6.	Dr.P.Jayaraman	Member
	Retd. Prof. Of Botany, Plant Anatomy Research Center (PARK),	
	No.4, Second Street, Sakthi Nagar, West Tambaram, Chennai- 45	
7.	Dr.(Prof.) I. Sornamariammal	Member
	Joint Director (Retd) of ISM, Government of Tamil Nadu ,A-3,	
	Hemasadtham apartments, 19th cross street,	
	3rd Main street, Lenin nagar, Ambattur, Chennai - 53	
8.	Dr. T. Anandan	Member
	Rtd. Assistant Director In-charge SCRI, No.75,O-Block,Ganapathy	
	Colony,Anna Nagar (E), Chennai	

9.	Dr.G.Thiyagarajan	Member
	Joint Director (Retd) of ISM, Government of Tamil Nadu,	
	No.19/5,Arunachalapuram Street, Sandrorpalayam,Aminjikarai,	
	Chennai	
10.	Dr.Sharada Vasanth	Member
	Rtd. Research Officer (Chem), CSMDRIAS, No.6,Sowbakkiya	
	Apartments, 60,Moosa Street, T.Nagar, Chennai-17	
11.	Dr. K.Balakrishan	Member
	Rtd. Research Officer (Chem), CSMDRIAS, No.4/930, Near Priya	
	Mat.School, Block No.4, Door No.930, Mogappair West, Chennai-	
	37	
12.	Dr.Sasikala Ethirajulu,	Member
	Rtd.Research Officer (P'cognosy) Scientist –II, SCRI, No.18, 10 th	
	Cross Street, Indira Nagar, Adyar, Chennai-20	
13.	Prof. V. Gopal, Principal	Member
	Govt College of Pharmacy, Mother Teresa, PG Research Institute	
	of Health Sciences, Puducherry- 605 006	
14	Dr.P. Kumar,	Member
	Drug License Issuing Authority for ISM, Arumbakkam, Chennai-	
	106	
15	Dr.V.Kalidass	Member
	Proprietor, Raja Siddha Marunthagam, 1/3, Dhermathupatty,	
	Madurai- 625 008	
16.	Dr.K.Vasanthira	Member
	Prof. of Pharmacology, Stanley Medical College, Chennai	
17.	Prof. Dr. R. S. Ramaswamy, Director General, CCRS	Member
	Chennai -600 106	Secreatary
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6. Extra Mural Research (EMR) - Siddha

Background

The Ministry of AYUSH has introduced the scheme of Extra-mural Research in addition to the Intra-mural Research works undertaken by the Research Councils of Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani, Homoeopathy, Yoga and Naturopathy. The purpose of this scheme is to encourage academic and research organizations to pursue research activities in their respective field along with related sciences like Botany, Chemistry, Pharmacy, and Pharmacology to enrich scientific data and develop innovations having IPR value.

In the present era of globalization and development of a world market for traditional and herbal medicine, research and development are essential to promote the production and export of quality products in the form of drugs, neutraceuticals, cosmetics etc. There is a keen competition among other countries in the trade of herbal products. The Extra-mural Research scheme has been designed to encourage Research and Development in priority areas through financial assistance so that the research findings lead to validation of the AYUSH approaches and drugs. CCRS is coordinating the research projects related to Siddha under the Extra- mural Research Scheme of Department of AYUSH since 2011. Central Council for Research in Siddha was established and started functioning since 1st September 2010 (Ref. CCRAS office order No. 1634/2010 vide Lr. 12-38/2009-CCRAS/Estt. dated 01.09.2010) and all the projects related to Siddha have been transferred to Central Council for Research in Siddha.

Aims and Objectives

- To produce Research and Development (R & D) based AYUSH drugs for prioritized diseases
- To generate data on safety, standardization and quality control for AYUSH products and practices
- To develop evidence based support on the efficacy of AYUSH drugs and therapies
- To encourage research on classical texts and investigate fundamental principles of AYUSH Systems

- To generate data on heavy metals, pesticide residues, microbial load,
 Safety/Toxicity etc. in the raw drugs and finished products
- To develop AYUSH products having intellectual property Rights (IPR) and potential for increasing AYUSH exports
- To develop potential Human Resource in AYUSH systems, especially to develop scientific aptitude and expertise related to AYUSH systems
- To develop joint research venture among AYUSH Departments and other Organizations / Institutes

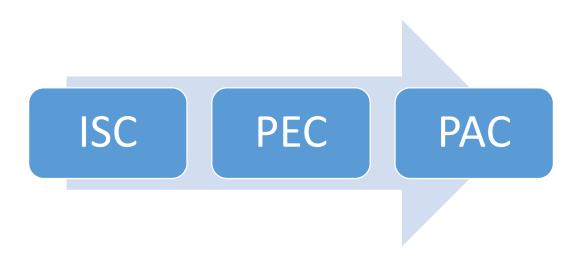


Diagram 7: Extra Mural Research Process Snap Shot

Role of Internal Scrutiny Committee in EMR

- Application by A stake holder (University, Researcher, College, NGO)
- Thorough examination by ISC(Internal Scrutiny committee)
- If found fit, EMR projects are recommended to PEC by DG, CCRS, Chairman of ISC.
- If not sent back to the PI for necessary modification/correction or rejection.

Role of PEC in EMR

- Applicant recommended by ISC is called for presentation.
- Thorough examination by PEC(Project evaluation committee)
- If found fit, EMR projects are recommended to PAC by JS, AYUSH, Chairman of PEC.

Role of PAC in EMR

- Thoroughly examines the project referred by PEC.
- If approved, recommends for grants by Secretary AYUSH, Chairman of PAC

Table-37: Status of EMR Projects

S.No	No of projects received	No of projects recommended to PEC	Sent for modification	No of projects granted by PAC
1	10	4	2	4

Current Status

The EMR projects tabulated here were initiated before bifurcation of Siddha Council from CCRAS and now being pursued by CCRS:

Table-38: Ongoing Projects of EMR - Siddha

Sl. No.	Title of the Project	Principal Investigators / Participating Institutes	Main Objectives	Status
1.	Documentation and Clinical	Dr.S.Sridhar , BSMS,M.Sc,Ph.D(SID	The main objective of the proposal is to revalidate one of the external	First year completed.
	validation of efficacy of	DHA), Ashram	therapies "Suttigai" in Siddha	completed.
	traditional medical practice	Siddha Yoga	medicine .The aim of the present	
	Suttigai in Siddha medicine	Research Institute,	proposal is	
	for Azal	3/33.Iyer line,	To collect the methods of	
	keelvaayu	Swarnapuri, Salem-636 004, contact no;	suttigai found in ancient Siddha literature	
		09443244664	To document the methods of	
			suttigai followed by traditional	
			vaidya	
			To study the efficacy of Suttigai	

				therapy in the treatment of	
				azal keelvaayu in humans.	
2.	Biochemical and	Dr.J.Venkatesh	•	Phytochemical analysis and	I st Phase
	Molecular	Sri Ramachandra		fingerprinting analysis,	completed and
	investigations	University, Chennai.		chemical standardizations of	has been
	on the role of			Thiraatchathi Chooranam and	recommended
	Thiratchathi			Thamaraga Kudineer for their	for second
	Choornam and			active principle(s) and heavy	phase.
	Thamaraga			metals contents as per the	
	Kudineer in			AYUSH guidelines.	
	experimental		•	To ascertain the effect of	
	model of			Thiraatchathi Chooranam and	
	myocardial			Thamaraga Kudineer on	
	infarction in			cardiac myocytes viability by	
	rats.			MTT assay.	
			•	To investigate the effects of	
				Thiraatchathi Chooranam and	
				Thamaraga Kudineer on	
				cardiac myocytes viability in	
				vitro model of ischemia / re-	
				perfusion.	
3.	Documentation	Dr. V. Ganapathy	•	To collect the addresses of	Report to be
	of Visha Vaidya	Vivekananda		Visha Vaidyas and encourage	modified and
	Practices	Kendra-NARDEEP		them for their practices.	submitted.
	(Treatment for	Kanyakumari.	•	To document the methods of	
	poison intake			Visha Vaidya Practices	
	and poisonous			including the local	
	bites) and			practitioners and traditional	
	related Local			practitioners.	
	Health		•	To document the uses of local	

	Traditional			Visha Vaidya Practices /	
	Practices in the			Medicines.	
	Southern parts		•	To develop the Visha Vaidya	
	of Tamilnadu.			herbal garden in selective	
				regions.	
4.	In vitro and in	Dr. Sujatha Sunil	•	To establish and validate	Project
	vivo evaluation	International Centre		mouse model for CHIKV	Approved.
	of therapeutic	for Genetic		induced arthritis.	
	potential of	Engineering and	•	To establish in vitro test	
	various drugs	Biotechnology, New		system of primary mouse	
	upon	Delhi.		embryonic fibroblast cell	
	Chikungunya			culture for testing the	
	virus infection			medicines.	
			•	To study efficacy of Siddha	
				drugs currently in use for	
				chikungunya management in	
				vitro and mouse model.	
5.	Scientific	Dr. D.	•	Literature search of the plant	Project
	validation of a	Chamundeeswari,		constituents present in Iedi	Approved.
	Siddha -	Principal, Faculty		Vallathi (Mezhugu).	
	formulation,	of Pharmacy, Sri	•	Standardization of Iedi	
	Iedi	Ramachandra		Vallathi (Mezhugu)	
	Vallathi(Mezhug	University, Porur,		formulation as per	
	u) for arthritis	Chennai - 600 116.		Pharmacopoeial methods.	
	and to derive its		•	To perform the in-vitro anti	
	underlying			inflammatory activity by HRBC	
	mechanisms			membrane stablization and	
				TPA induced inflammation in	
				PMNL cells.	
			•	To assess the safety profile of	

				Iedi Vallathi (Mezhugu) by	
				performing acute, sub-acute	
				toxicity studies to arrive at the	
				dosage for oral administration.	
			•	Studying anti inflammatory	
				activity using carrageenan	
				induced model.	
			•	Determination of the	
				mechanism of anti arthritic	
				activity of the Iedi Vallathi	
				(Mezhugu) using complete	
				freunds adjuvant induced	
				model besides studying its	
				chronic toxicity.	
6.	Therapeutic	Dr.C.Balachandran,	•	To study the toxicity of	Project
	efficacy of	Madras Veterinary		Rasaganthi Mezhugu in rats.	Approved.
	Rasaganthi	College, Chennai	•	To study the therapeutic and	
	Mezhugu (RGM)	600 007		chemopreventive effect of	
	in 7-12			Rasaganthi mezhugu on 7,12-	
	dimethyl			dimethylbenzanthracene(DMB	
	benzanthracene			A) induced mammary tumours	
	(DMBA)			in rats	
	induced				
	mammary				
	tumors in rats				

Table-39: Members of Internal Scrutiny Committee

S.No.	Name	Designation	Capacity
1	Dr. R. S. Ramaswamy	Director General, Central Council for	Chairman
		Research in Siddha	
2	Dr.S.Thirunavukkarasu	Asst.Director (Siddha)-Retd, CCRAS	External Member
3.	Prof. P. Jayabal	Biostatistician (Retd), NIS.	External Member
4.	Dr.E. Meenakshinathan	Biomedicine	Member
5.	Dr. Sasikala Ethirajulu	Pharmacognosy	Member
6.	Dr. G. Aadinaath reddy	Pharmacology	Member
7.	Dr. P. Elankani	Pharmacy	Member
8	Dr. M. Kannan	LRⅅ	Member
9	Mr.R.Ganesan	Biochemistry	Member
10	Mrs. R. Shakila	Chemistry	Member
11.	Dr.P.Sathiyarajeswaran	Clinical Trial/Coordinator-EMR.	Member

Table-40: Members of Project Evaluation Committee

S.No.	Name	Designation/Institute	Capacity
1	Dr.R.S.Ramaswamy	Director General, Central Council for Research in Siddha	Member
2	Dr.K.Manickavasagam	Director, NIS.	Siddha expert
3.	Dr.A.Kumaravel	Retd. Professor/Principal	Siddha expert

7. Miscellaneous Activities

7.1. SCIENCE CLUB

Science Club focuses its activities on dissemination of Scientific and updated Research information to Students and Research scholars. Following were the lectures delivered by the invited speakers in the science club:

Table-41: Special Invited Lectures in Science Club

S.NO	DATE	SPEAKER NAME	TOPIC
1.	30th-July 2014, 1 2.00 Noon	Dr.P.Hemraj,M.S.(Gen.Surg),Mch (Urology)Consultant Urologist, City Tower Hospitals, Chennai	Overview of Urolithiasis"
2.	20 th -August 2014, 12.00 Noon	Dr.G.KARTHIKEYAN,M.D.,D.M(Card), Senior Consultant-Cardiology(Tamilnadu Government Super specialities Hospital), Professor of Cardiology (Retd.), Madras Medical College	Overview of Ischemic Heart Disease
3.	14 th October 2014	Dr.A. R. RAGHURAM, M.B.B.S., M.S., M.Ch. Cardio Thoracic Surgeon, S.R.M Institute for Medical Sciences, Chennai.	Overview of Coronary Artery Diseases and Role of Bypass Surgery
4.	07 th January 2015 (Wednesday), 12.00 Noon	Dr. R.Jagadeeswaran, B.S.M.S., M.Sc., Ph.D., Research Assistant Professor, College of Medicine, University of Illinois at Chicago	Identification and Development of Novel Anticancer Compounds
5.	11 th February 2015 (Wednesday), 2.00 pm	Prof.Dr. R.S.Ramaswamy Director General, Central Council for Research in Siddha(CCRS),Chennai	YOGAM IN SIDDHA SYSTEM

7.2. Hindi Week

Hindi Week was celebrated in the Institute from 14th to 21st of September 2014. Various competitions were conducted for the employees. They actively participated and won prizes.

7.3. Vigilance Awareness Week

Vigilance Awareness Week was celebrated in the institute, SCRI from 27^{th} October 2014 to 1^{st} November 2014.

7.4. NABH

Being an Assesor in NABH, Quality Council of India, Dr.A.Rajendra Kumar, R.O(S) took up an assignment to assess Kokila Siddha Hospital & Research Centre, Madurai on 23rd& 24th July 2014.

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