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Your reference:

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12 November 2010

Dear Dr Viswanathan,

Subject: Redesignation of the Diabetes Research Centre and M.V. Hospital for Diabetes, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, as a WHO Collaborating Centre for Research, Education and Training in Diabetes. (WHO CC NO IND-85)

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that the Diabetes Research Centre and M.V. Hospital for Diabetes, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, as a WHO Collaborating Centre for Research, Education and Training in Diabetes has been approved for a period of four years, as from the date of this letter.

The terms of reference of the WHO Collaborating Centre would be:

1. To conduct epidemiological research on prevention and identification of predictors of diabetes and its complications
2. To strengthen education and training in diabetes research, prevention and management;
3. To evaluate the socio-economic impact of diabetes and its complications and contribute the data to the policy makers;
4. To develop methods for reducing diabetes risk factors at the community level

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cc: The Secretary, Department of Health, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

cc: The Joint Secretary (IH Division), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

cc and through: The WHO Representative to India, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

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As previously indicated in the redesignation form, you will be the head of the WHO Collaborating Centre.

The redesignation of the Diabetes Research Centre and M.V. Hospital for Diabetes, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, as a WHO Collaborating Centre for Research, Education and Training in Diabetes will automatically lapse at the end of the stipulated period. Should you desire redesignation of this institute as a WHO Collaborating Centre beyond the current stipulated period, it is recommended that you convey your intention to the WHO technical unit with which you usually collaborate, at least six months prior to the expiry of the current period.

I would also like to inform you that as per WHO regulations, either party may revoke the redesignation in any year by giving notice of its intention of revocation three months before the end of that year.

I look forward to our continuing successful collaboration.

Yours sincerely,



✓ Dr Samlee Plianbangchang
Regional Director