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*Canadian Ministry of Innovation, Science, and Economic Development (ISED), Department of Science and Technology of India (DST), and IC-IMPACTS announce joint funding of ten new projects.*

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*“Since its humble beginnings in 2013, IC-IMPACTS is now recognized as a very successful model for international research collaborations, innovative HQP training, respectful community engagement and creation of technologies that promote international trade.”*

**- Dr. Nemy Banthia**  
CEO and Scientific Director, IC-IMPACTS

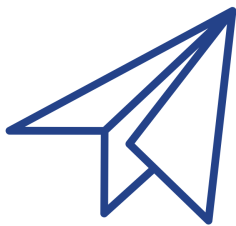


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# IC-IMPACTS HIGHLIGHTS

## PROJECTS



**38**

INDO-CANADIAN  
PROJECTS



**16**

TECHNOLOGY  
DEPLOYMENTS

## PUBLICATIONS



**584**

SCIENTIFIC  
PUBLICATIONS



**22**

PATENTS  
& LICENSES

## JOBS



630

INNOVATORS  
TRAINED



98%

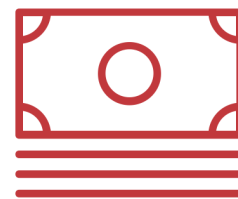
STUDENTS  
EMPLOYED

## PARTNERSHIPS



250

MULTI-SECTOR  
PARTNERSHIPS



\$11M

FUNDING  
LEVERAGED\*

*\* \$ to \$ match: Every Canadian research funding \$ matched by equal Indian contribution in joint projects*

# SAFE & SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE

## PROJECTS

### **Sustainable Infrastructure Using Smart FRPs**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Shamim Sheikh, University of Toronto

Indian Lead: Dr. Umesh Sharma, IIT Roorkee

### **Characterization And Use Of Industrial Fly Ash**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Daman Panesar, University of Toronto

Indian Lead: Dr. Bhupinder Singh, IIT Roorkee

### **Modelling And Assessment Of Deficient And Repaired Structures**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Frank Vecchio, University of Toronto

Indian Lead: Dr. Umesh Sharma, IIT Roorkee

### **Conservation Of Heritage Masonry Structures Within Cauvery Basin Waterworks**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Vivek Bindiganavile, University of Alberta

Indian Lead: Dr. Narayana Suresh, National Institute of Engineering

### **Full Field Non-Contact SHM Protocols For Long Span Railway Bridges And Heritage Structures**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Rishi Gupta, University of Victoria

Indian Lead: Dr. Esakki Balasubramanian, Vel Tech

### **Evaluating The Integrity Of Railway Infrastructure In India And Canada With An Emphasis On Bridges And Tracks**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Mustafa Gul, University of Alberta

Indian Lead: Dr. Pradipta Banerji, IIT, Roorkee

### **Application Of Precast Products Made Using Bottom Ash & Fly Ash For Rural Pavements & Other Infrastructure In India**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Rishi Gupta, University of Victoria

Indian Lead: Dr. Urmil Dave, IIT, Nirma University





### **Solar Energy Powered Net-Zero Energy Smart Buildings**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Bruno Lee, Concordia University

Indian Lead: Dr. Srinivas Reddy, IIT, Madras

### **India Canada Initiative for Resilient Global Urban Shelter**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Constantin Christopoulos, University of Toronto

Indian Lead: Dr. Ravi Sinha, IIT Bombay

### **Strengthening And Sustaining Civil Infrastructure In India And Canada**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Nemy Banthia, The University of British Columbia

Indian Academic Institutions: IIT-Hyderabad, IIT-Delhi, IIT-Mumbai, National Institute of Engineering (Mysore), VNIT (Nagpur)

### **Structural Health Monitoring Of Tall Buildings Using Vibration-Based Techniques**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Lucia Tirca, Concordia University

Indian Lead: Dr. Soraj Panigrahi, CSIR – Central Building Research Institute, Roorkee, India

### **Energy and Water Disaggregation for Non-Intrusive Load Monitoring in Buildings**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Ivan Bajic, Simon Fraser University

Indian Lead: Dr. Angshul Majumdar, IIT Delhi

### **Smart Sensor Deployment in Buildings: Evacuation Planning and Energy Management**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Mark Fox, University of Toronto

Indian Lead: Dr. Krithi Ramamritham, Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay

### **Urban Heat Island Effect and Building Energy Demand: Linkages Explained Using a Dense, Low Cost Sensor Network**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Raja Sengupta, McGill University

Indian Lead: Dr. Prasad Pathak, Shiv Nadar University





## RECYCLING TIRE FIBRES INTO PAVEMENTS

Dr. Nemy Banthia and Dr. Obinna Onuaguluchi (University of British Columbia) have developed a more resilient type of concrete using recycled tires that could be used for concrete structures like buildings, roads, dams and bridges while reducing landfill waste.

The team experimented with different proportions of recycled tire fibres and other materials used in concrete—cement, sand and water—before finding the ideal mix, which includes 0.35 per cent tire fibres.

“Most scrap tires are destined for landfill. Adding the fibre to concrete could shrink the tire industry’s carbon footprint and also reduce the construction industry’s

emissions, since cement is a major source of greenhouse gases,” said Dr. Banthia. “We use almost six billion cubic metres of concrete every year,” he added. “This fibre can be in every cubic metre of that concrete.”

The new concrete was used to resurface the steps in front of the McMillan building on UBC’s campus in May. Dr. Banthia’s team is tracking its performance using sensors embedded in the concrete, looking at development of strain, cracking and other factors. So far, the results support laboratory testing that showed it can significantly reduce cracking.

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# FEATURED INNOVATIONS

## TRANSFORMING WASTE INTO PAVER STONES

Dr. Rishi Gupta (University of Victoria) and his team have developed a new “super sustainable” building material entirely made from waste.

The innovative material uses fly ash waste produced from coal-based power plants. Although fly ash captured from the chimneys in these plants has been utilized before, Dr. Rishi’s IG-IMPACTS project is unique in that it incorporates bottom ash as well. Bottom ash is also found at coal-based power plants but is usually made into a slurry before being disposed of into ponds for storage (sometimes called “pond ash”).

“In traditional materials, cement is generally the most expensive component. By eliminating cement entirely, the cost savings would be significant,” said Dr. Gupta. He estimates that this new material could cost 50% less to produce than conventional materials, depending on the availability and source of the fly ash and bottom ash.

The research team used the ash to create a new geopolymer material. Indian researchers at Nirma University are analyzing different proportions of fly ash and bottom ash and have started working on optimizing the final mix. On the other side of the world, Canadian researchers are analyzing the material at a microscopic level.

The team have deployed pavements in both Canada and India and are currently measuring the performance of these new paver stones.



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*- Dr. Rishi Gupta*

# INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT

## PROJECTS

### **An Innovative Sustainable Biotechnology For Resource Recovery From Wastewater Streams Using Microwave Enhanced Advanced Oxidation With Algae**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Victor Lo, The University of British Columbia

Indian Lead: Dr. Pradeep Kumar, IIT, Roorkee

### **Development Of Capacitive Deionization Technology For Point-Of-Use Water Purification**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Madjid Mohseni, The University of British Columbia

Indian Lead: Dr. Sathish Kumar, Eureka Forbes Ltd.

### **Biomonitoring Of Water Quality In Relation To Human Health Using Biosensors And Improvements Through Nanoparticle Based Purification Systems**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Damase P. Khasa, Laval University

Indian Lead: Dr. Manzoor Shah, University of Kashmir

### **Microfabricated, Low-Cost, High-Sensitivity Chlorine And Ph Sensor Systems For Water Quality Monitoring**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Jamal Deen, McMaster University

Indian Lead: Dr. Soumyo Mukherji, IIT Bombay

### **A Study Of Technology & Financial Appropriateness Of Water & Wastewater Infrastructure In Selected Cities Of India**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Govind Gopakumar, Concordia University

Indian Lead: Dr. N.C. Narayanan, IIT Bombay

### **Development Of A Low-Cost Water Monitoring Kit For Multiplex Heavy Metal Detection Based On Aptamer Sensors**

Canadian Lead: Dr. David Juncker, McGill University

Indian Lead: Dr. Rohit Srivastava, IIT Bombay

### **An Innovative Green Technology For Treating Municipal And Industrial Wastewater Entering Rivers And Streams**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Shiv Prasher, McGill University

Indian Lead: Prof. Rameshwar Kanwar, Lovely Professional University





### **Handheld P-Laps Pathogen Detector**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Thomas Thundat, University of Alberta

Indian Lead: Dr. Bhaskaran Muralidharan, IIT Bombay

### **Development Of An ICT Platform For Water Quality Monitoring**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Clarence de Silva, The University of British Columbia

Indian Lead: Dr. Sandhya Shrivastava, Bhavan's Research Centre, Mumbai University

### **Quantum Dot Solar Panels For Water Treatment In Remote Settings**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Edward Sargent, University of Toronto

Indian Lead: Mr. Prashant Kamat, Brick and Byte Innovative Products Pvt. Ltd

### **Compact High-Rate Water Treatment Systems For Small Communities**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Ramin Farnood, University of Toronto

Indian Lead: Dr. Vivek Kumar, IIT Roorkee

### **Direct Cryptosporidium Detection For Developed And Developing Nations**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Mina Hoorfar, The University of British Columbia

Indian Lead: Dr. Krishna Khairnar, CSIR

### **High Quality Potable Water For Small/Remote Communities In Canada And India**

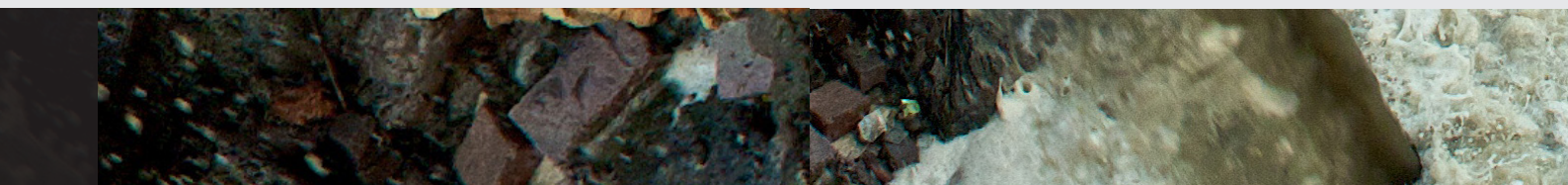
Canadian Lead: Dr. Pierre Bérubé, The University of British Columbia

Indian Lead: Dr. Anand Krishnamurthy, GE India

### **A Nanotechnology Enabled Device For The Detection Of Harmful Bacteria In Drinking Water**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Michael Serpe, University of Alberta

Indian Lead: Dr. Soumyo Mukherji, IIT Bombay



# FEATURED INNOVATIONS

## REMOVING WASTEWATER CONTAMINATION



Dr. Prasher and his team at McGill University have developed a unique method to remove heavy metals from wastewater using agricultural waste. The researchers use biochar, a carbon rich material produced by burning leftover rice husks and plantain peels. The end result is a material that is highly absorptive that can be used as a passive wastewater treatment solution.

Before being released into open water bodies, municipal wastewater is often treated to remove harmful suspended solids to lower the biological oxygen demand. However, many wastewater treatment plants were not designed to remove emerging contaminants and small amounts of these sources can lead to significant concerns.

Researchers in Canada are developing and refining the biochar mix and testing its application. Partner researchers in India are studying the microbial properties of the material. Their findings will provide insight into a second application of biochar – applying biochar filters to slow sand filters. Slow sand filters can be used by rural communities to remove water contaminants, the addition of biochar and the bacterial colonies present in these filters can help make the removal process more effective.

By using waste as a resource, Dr. Prasher and his research team are helping introduce a sustainable technology that is very effective and can be easily implemented in communities across Canada, India, and beyond.

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## USING BACTERIA TO PURIFY WATER

Dr. Bérubé (University of British Columbia) has developed a membrane treatment system that can remove over 99.99% of contaminants, making it ideal for creating clean drinking water.

Dr. Bérubé's system uses bacteria to turn non-potable water into drinking water. Tanks of fibre membranes catch and hold contaminants—dirt, organic particles, bacteria and viruses—while letting water filter through. A community of beneficial bacteria, or biofilm, functions as the second line of defence, working in concert to break down pollutants.

The newly developed system, has been designed to rely on gravity and hungry bacteria to get the job done.

"Our system is the first to use gravity to scour and remove captured contaminants, which otherwise accumulate and clog the membrane. It's low-maintenance and as efficient as conventional approaches that need chemicals and complex mechanical systems to keep the membranes clean," said Dr. Bérubé. "The biofilm also helps by essentially eating away at the captured contaminants. You just open and close a few valves every 24 hours in order to 'lift' the water and let gravity and biology do their thing. This means significant savings in time and money over the lifetime of the system."

Unlike most municipal systems, this innovative system is very easy to maintain. The new technology has been tested in West Vancouver and has potential to be installed in remote communities in Canada and India.

# PUBLIC HEALTH

## PROJECTS

### **Next Generation Molecular Diagnostics For Emerging Viral Diseases**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Francois Jean, The University of British Columbia

Indian Lead: Dr. Santanu Chattopadhyay, Nationwide the Family Doctors

### **Dialled In: Tapping Community Voice To Improve Child Immunization Services In India**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Mira Johri, University of Montreal

Indian Lead: Dr. Alok Kumar Mathur, Indian Institute of Health Management Research (IIHMR) University

### **Engaging Community Pharmacists In India To Enhance Early Detection Of Tuberculosis**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Madhukar Pai, McGill University

Indian Lead: Dr. Nita Jha, World Health Partners

### **A High Quality Serotype Discriminating Dengue Virus Diagnostic Test Adapted For Field Investigation**

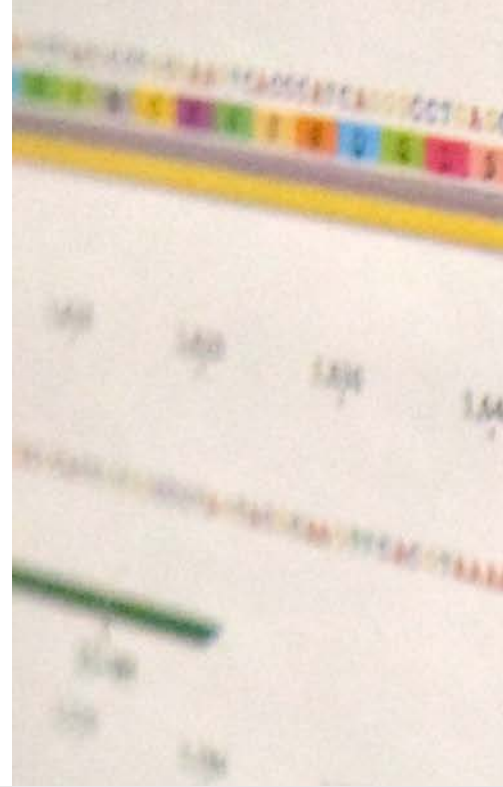
Canadian Lead: Dr. Sachdev Sidhu, University of Toronto

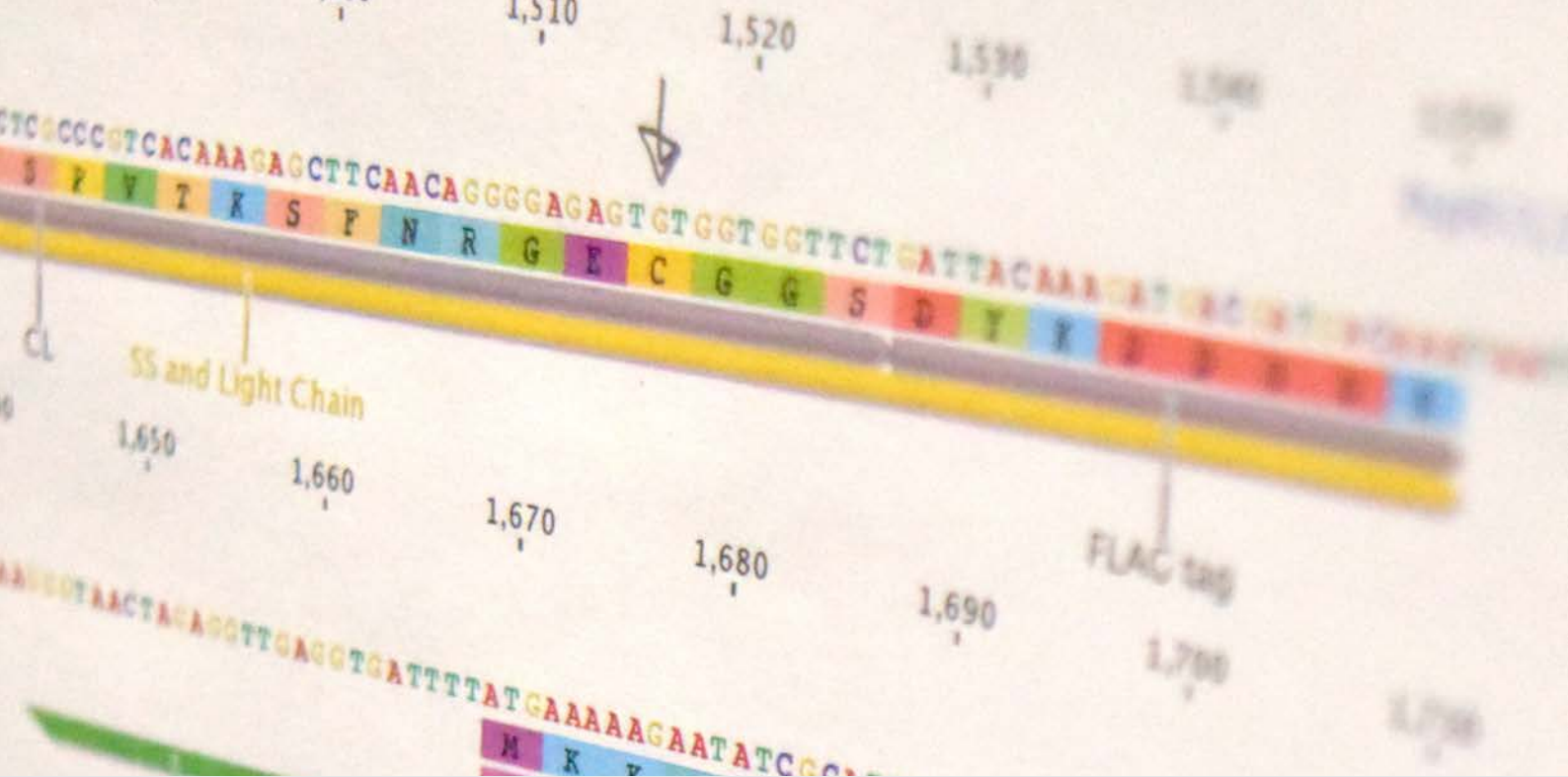
Indian Lead: Dr. Amitabha Chaudhuri, SciGenom Labs

### **Identification Of High Affinity Ligands Against Dengue Virus NS1 For The Development Of An Affordable Point-Of-Care Diagnostic Kit**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Tom Hobman, University of Alberta

Indian Lead: Dr. Easwaran Sreekumar, Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology





**A Portable Fever Kit For Dengue And Chikungunya**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Stewart Aitchison, University of Toronto  
 Indian Lead: Dr. Manoj Varma, Indian Institute of Science

**A Point-Of-Care Device For Malaria Diagnosis And Drug Resistance Genotyping**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Stephanie Yanow, University of Alberta  
 Indian Lead: Dr. Aparaj Das, National Institute of Malaria Research

**Development Of A Hand Held Molecular Point-Of-Care Test Device For Infectious Diseases**

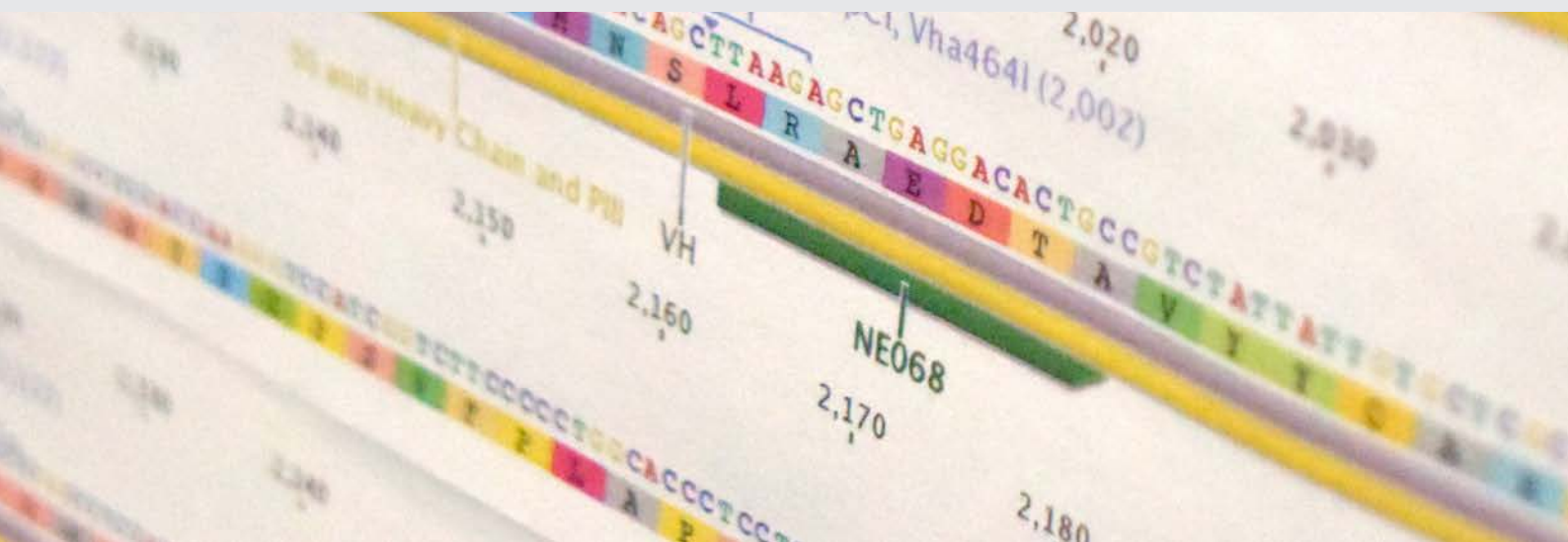
Canadian Lead: Dr. James Mahony, McMaster University  
 Indian Lead: Professor Daman Saluja, University of Delhi

**Development Of A Portable Device For Early Detection Of Eye Infection And Dry Eye Disease**

Canadian Lead: Dr. James Feng, The University of British Columbia  
 Indian Lead: Dr. Ashutosh Richhariya, L.V. Prasad Eye Institute

**Surface Modulation Of CUS Quantam Dots Using Biginelli Compounds For Construction of a Portable Fluorescence Sensor For Bacteria**

Canadian Lead: Dr. Jan J. Dubowski, Université de Sherbrooke  
 Indian Lead: Dr. Narinder Singh, Indian Institute of Technology Ropar



# FEATURED INNOVATIONS

## IMPROVING IMMUNIZATION COVERAGE

Preventing the occurrence of critical infectious diseases through vaccination is one of the most significant and cost-effective ways to improve child health and survival.

Dr. Mira Johri (University of Montreal) and her research team are working to improve vaccination and immunization in rural Indian communities where vaccination rates are extremely low.

Multiple factors contribute to incomplete child vaccination. Some relate to the knowledge and beliefs of parents and families, who may not understand the purpose of immunization or the vaccine schedule, or may succumb to rumours or misinformation about vaccination being harmful. Others relate to shortcomings in vaccine provision by the government, which require that high-quality vaccines be supplied and delivered on time by qualified health workers.

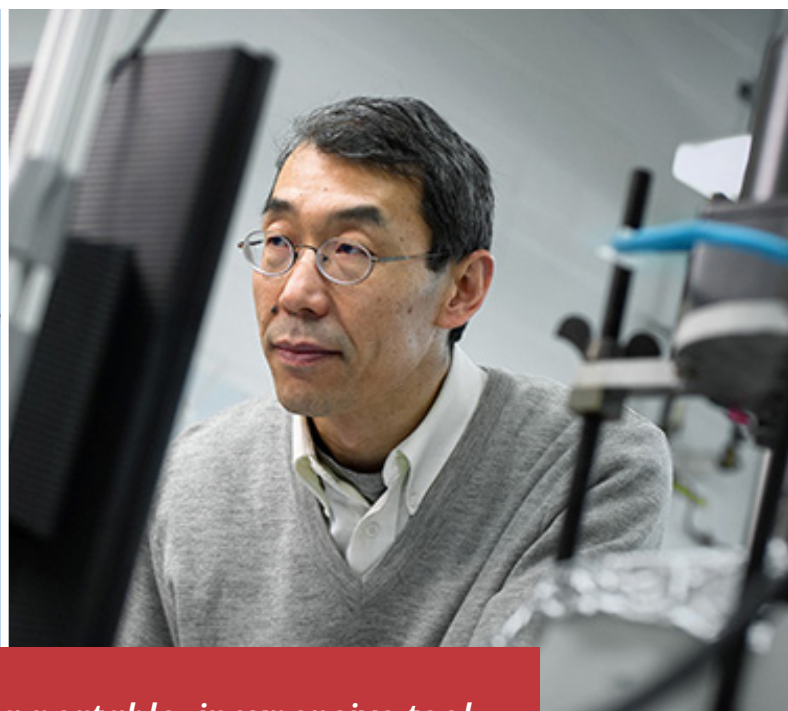
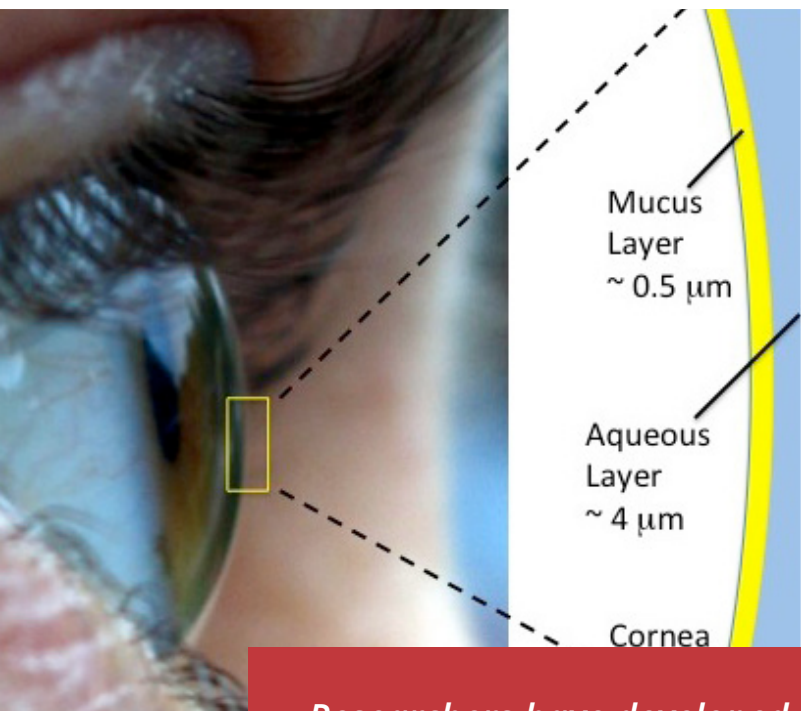
Dr. Johri and her team have developed a novel mobile and social media platform called “Tika Vaani” to better inform communities and receive feedback about critical health issues in rural communities.

The platform offers an anonymous mechanism to provide the general public information on immunization and establishes a channel to enable community voice to contribute to improvements in governance and delivery of immunization services.

The novel platform has been well received by community members and is growing very successfully. Over 4,500 people in 30 different villages have attended live demonstrations of the technology and service.

By using simple mobile phones and interactive voice response systems, Dr. Johri and her team have developed a new approach to reach and inform communities. This approach can also be applied to rural and First Nation communities in Canada and can help build healthier communities across both countries.





*Researchers have developed a portable, inexpensive tool for early detection of dry eye and potential eye infection.*

## PORTABLE DETECTION OF EYE INFECTIONS

Dr. James Feng (University of British Columbia) and his research team have developed a portable diagnostic tool that detects the premature breakup of the tear film and the loss of the mucous layer on the cornea as indicators of dry eye and impending eye infection.

Ocular surface infections such as microbial and fungal keratitis and the dry eye syndrome are among the leading causes of blindness in the world.

Traditional diagnostic methods require culturing tear samples up to 7 days in microbiology labs and early detection of infection is vital to the efficacy of clinical interventions.

Dr. Feng and his team first created theoretical models of tear film dynamics and studied various film rupture scenarios relevant to eye infection and dry eye disease. These studies helped form the foundation on which a diagnostic device is developed.

The team then engaged hospital nurses and health care end-users to better understand their user interface requirements to develop a physical diagnostic device.

Strong research collaborations are occurring between both Canadian and Indian research teams. Researchers in Canada are currently developing the designs for the final lenses while researchers in India are actively developing the handheld light system needed for the portable unit.

The efforts of this project will culminate into a robust, portable and inexpensive diagnostic tool that will benefit the health of underprivileged communities in India and Canada.



## DEVELOPING FUTURE WATER LEADERS

In partnership with Waterlution, IC-IMPACTS hosted Water Innovation Lab India (WIL India) - a 12-day program that took 40 students and professionals in the water sector on a journey from Mumbai to Udaipur.

While learning about pressing issues such as water scarcity, industrial impact, accessible technology, the program encouraged collaboration between young leaders, mentors, and facilitators to develop real-world solutions that could positively affect the communities visited.

WIL India spawned seven unique group projects that are actively working on unique and innovative water solutions that can be implemented into communities.

Students and professionals also left the program knowing how to adapt research to respond to emergent needs, how to look with an interdisciplinary lens at water issues, and how to creatively inspire action. These skills will help these future water leaders further accelerate knowledge in this sector and communicate effectively across different cultures.

*Without global knowledge sharing and awareness building, we will not meet our goals for safe water. WIL India and IC-IMPACTS is making this happen and their work is critical to everyone's future.*

*- Jerry Hanna*

*CEO and Founder of Clearflow Group Inc.*

# TRAINING PROGRAMS



## NANOTECHNOLOGY & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

IG-IMPACTS hosted its annual Summer Institute at the University of Alberta. The week-long program brought 50 graduate students from across Canada and India to learn about nanotechnology innovations in the infrastructure, water, and health sectors.

Over the course of the week-long program, students learned cutting-edge research techniques from leading experts in the nanotechnology field, viewed demonstrations to show how these research techniques are applied in community contexts, and presented their own scientific research. In addition, students were challenged to think about how their own research could directly benefit communities and society.

Through a rapid-fire presentation approach, students were each given 5 minutes to make oral presentations

about their own research and present it through 3 powerpoint slides. The students themselves evaluated the presentations of their peers, judging based on the complexity and value of the science, the clarity and visual communication, and overall innovation.

The Summer Institute also challenged students to think beyond research and to acquire the mind-set and skills to become successful entrepreneurs. In partnership with the Impact Centre at the University of Toronto, students explored how their technologies could grow beyond laboratory science and truly benefit society.

After an intense week, the participants came away with new research and communication skills, as well as an expanded network of students and professors across two nations.

# LOOKING FORWARD

*“History has a way of intruding upon the present...”*

*- Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee: An Indian History of the American West*

Book by author **Dee Brown**



**Safer Roads, Bridges,  
and Buildings in  
Canada and India**



**Access to Clean  
Drinking Water in  
Canada and India**



**Building Healthy  
Communities in  
Canada and India**

*“Canada and India have a lot in common. We are bound by family ties and personal friendships. And both countries have globally competitive strengths in sectors such as technology, manufacturing and agri-food. Together, we can create companies and business opportunities while equipping our people with the skills they need for the jobs of the future.”*

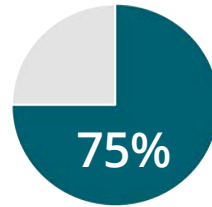
**- The Honourable Navdeep Bains**

Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development

# FOCUS: GROWING PARTNERSHIPS WITH COMMUNITIES & INDUSTRIES

## CANADA 150

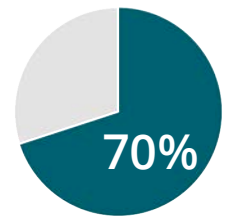
IC-IMPACTS is transferring research from Universities to remote communities, and First Nations by working in partnership, developing cultural understanding and delivering demonstration projects led by students and local residents.



*75% of First Nations drinking water systems are at high risk of contamination. Over 110 communities are on boil-water advisories.*

*Fire incidence rates for First Nations are 2.4 times higher than for the rest of Canada. First Nations residents are 10 times more likely to die in a house fire.*  
(Canadian Broadcast Corporation)

*In First Nation reserves, over 70% of schools need repairs.*



*“Through cutting-edge research IC-IMPACTS strives to develop meaningful solutions to community problems in both Canada and India and purports to scale it up with industrial involvement.”*

**- Dr. Nemy Banthia**  
CEO and Scientific Director, IC-IMPACTS



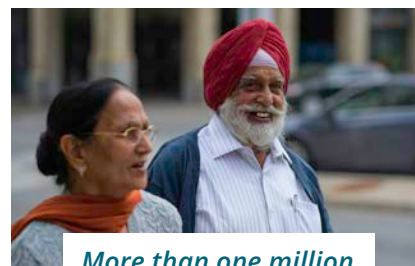
IC-IMPACTS students with youth from the Aq'am community in Cranbrook, BC.

Canadian Innovation and Technology Demonstration - IC-IMPACTS is building partnerships between Canadian and Indian Universities, as well as industries.

## INDIA

IC-IMPACTS Joint research proposal calls with Department of Science and Technology, and Department of Biotechnology have leveraged \$4 million (50:50 Canada:India) in critical research areas of infrastructure, water, and health.

In the next few years, IC-IMPACTS will promote more research innovations and technology demonstrations in India and Canada. Working in collaboration with local communities and industry, we will create a path for the commercialization of research to better the lives of people in both nations and promote India-Canada trade.



*More than one million Canadians trace their roots back to India*

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### To the Directors of IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence (the "Network"), which comprise the statements of financial position as at March 31, 2017 and the statements of operations and changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### *Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements*

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### *Auditor's Responsibility*

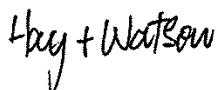
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### *Opinion*

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Network as at March 31, 2017 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.



Chartered Professional Accountants  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
June 8, 2017

## IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence

### Statements of Financial Position

As at March 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Restricted cash		
Uncommitted	\$ 4,292,190	\$ 5,005,787
Cash held at other institutions (Note 5)	240,238	283,045
Accounts receivable	18,833	44,166
Unspent research grants receivable (Note 4)	92,235	-
Contributions receivable	-	25,000
Prepaid expenses	31,399	23,178
Unspent research advances (Note 4)	2,324,466	1,918,391
	<b>6,999,361</b>	<b>7,299,567</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	28,735	62,409
Deferred contributions (Note 7)	6,970,626	7,237,158
	<b>6,999,361</b>	<b>7,299,567</b>
<b>Net assets</b>	\$ -	\$ -

## IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence

### Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets

Years ended March 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016
<b>Receipts</b>		
Contribution from Networks of Centres of Excellence (Note 5)	\$ 2,986,635	\$ 2,321,701
Contributions from co-hosting universities	744,447	484,074
Contributions from other partners	-	8,706
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>3,731,082</b>	<b>2,814,481</b>
<b>Disbursements</b>		
Research and training programs		
Highly qualified personnel support	292,796	268,105
Research networking	282,023	325,617
Research grants (Note 4)	2,309,242	1,526,120
Technology transfer	135,509	70,908
	<b>3,019,570</b>	<b>2,190,750</b>
Administrative operations		
Communications and promotion	10,600	19,988
Operating costs	176,923	146,312
Professional and consulting fees	30,169	16,705
Staff salaries	493,820	440,726
	<b>711,512</b>	<b>623,731</b>
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>3,731,082</b>	<b>2,814,481</b>
<b>Net assets, beginning and end of year</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

## IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence

### Statements of Cash Flows

Years ended March 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016
<b>Cash provided by (used in)</b>		
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Cash received from Networks of Centres of Excellence	\$ 2,830,050	\$ 2,830,050
Cash received from Canadian universities	659,500	637,000
Cash received from other contributions	-	8,706
Cash returned for unspent research grants	22,488	-
Cash disbursed for research grants	(2,844,170)	(2,350,310)
Cash disbursed for operations and networking	(1,424,272)	(1,405,228)
<b>Decrease in cash</b>	<b>(756,404)</b>	<b>(279,782)</b>
<b>Cash, beginning of year</b>	<b>5,288,832</b>	<b>5,568,614</b>
<b>Cash, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 4,532,428</b>	<b>\$ 5,288,832</b>
<b>Cash composed of</b>		
Uncommitted restricted cash	\$ 4,292,190	\$ 5,005,787
Cash held at other institutions	240,238	283,045
	<b>\$ 4,532,428</b>	<b>\$ 5,288,832</b>

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