
National Pharmacovigilance Programme for ASU & H Drugs

Awareness Program Report For Peripheral Pharmacovigilance Centre (PPvC)

- ❖ **Name of the conducting PPvC :** North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda and Homoeopathy, Shillong (code – 016).
- ❖ **System of Medicine:** Ayurveda.
- ❖ **Conducting members:** Dr. Himangshu Baruah (Program coordinator)
Dr. Martilia Gashnga (JRF).
- ❖ **Date of conduction:** 22nd March 2024.
- ❖ **Venue:** NEIAH, Conference Hall, Homeopathy Hospital.
- ❖ **Total number of participants:** 42 Participants.
- ❖ **Chief Guest:** Dr. P N Chyne, Joint Director DHS (MI), Meghalaya.
- ❖ **Guest of Honour :** Dr Neeta Mahesekar, Director of NEIAH.
- ❖ **Other Dignitaries:**
 - Dr Vijay Kumar, Principal incharge of college of Ayurveda, NEIAH.
 - Dr. Bilash Pegu, Principal incharge of College of Homoeopathy, NEIAH.

❖ **Nature Of Participants:**

- 18 Medical Officers (Ayurveda) of the State of Meghalaya
- 22 Medical Officers (Homoeopathy) of the State of Meghalaya
- 1 State Nodal Officer (AYUSH) Meghalaya
- 1 Government Analyst cum Ayurvedic physician Meghalaya.

Sl No.	Topic of Lecture	Expert Speaker	Time
1	Pharmacovigilance: Roles and responsibilities of an Ayurvedic Physician.	Dr. Himangshu Baruah, Assistant Professor (Sr) Department of RSBK-Ayur, Program coordinator PPvC, NEIAH.	10:30 am-11:30 am
2	Pharmacovigilance for Homoeopathic drugs.	Dr. Tapan Nath, Assistant Professor (Sr), Department of Reporting- Homoeo, NEIAH.	11:40 am-12:20 pm.
3	Process of filling of ADR forms and Misleading Advertisement.	Dr. Martilia Gashnga, Junior Research Fellow, PPvC, NEIAH.	12:30 pm-01:10 pm

Brief Report of the Pharmacovigilance Programme:

- The program was held on the 22nd March 2024, at the conference hall of NEIAH Homoeopathy Hospital. The program kicked start with registration for the participants at 09:20 am-10 am. The session started at 10 am with lighting of lamp by the chief Guest Dr. P N Chyne, Joint Director DHS (MI), Guest of honour Dr. Neeta Mahesekar, Director of NEIAH, Dr. Vijay Kumar, Principal incharge of College of Ayurveda NEIAH, Dr. Bilash Pegu, Principal incharge of college of Homoeopathy, NEIAH.
- After seeking the blessings of Lord Dhanwantari by lamp lighting ceremony, Director Madam Dr. Neeta Mahesekar addressed and Welcomed all the participants to the much awaited program and in her speech she urge the participants to inculcate the practise of reporting the ADR that they as Medical Officers encounter in their daily practises.
- The Chief Guest Dr. P N Chyne, Joint Director DHS (MI) showed his appreciation to the institute for taking the initiative in conducting a workshop on the much needed topic of discussion that is ***“Pharmacovigilance in ASU&H drugs”***. He stress on the importance of Pharmacovigilance in the field of practise so as to help our patients and the system as a whole.
- The first Symposium was delivered by Dr. Himangshu Baruah Assistant Professor (Sr) dept. of RSBK who is also a Program coordinator for PPvC NEIAH. He discussed about ***“Pharmacovigilance”: Roles and responsibilities of an Ayurvedic Physician”***. He introduced the concept of Pharmacovigilance to the participants and talked about the Adverse Drug Reacttion, Adverse Drug Event and other factors to be observed while dealing with ADR. He presented the market products that are being promoted on different marketing websites, Social Media and even drugs over the counter. He urges all the participating Medical Officers to stay Vigilance on the medicines being presented to them at their clinical practises.
- The second Symposium was delivered by Dr. Tapan Nath Assistant Professor (Sr) dept of Reporting in Homoeopathy, NEIAH. He delivered a

lecture on “**Pharmacovigilance in Homoeopathy**”. In his justification to the topic he explained that we always believe that Homoeopathic Medicines are safe and has no Adverse Reaction but if we look into it carefully we would see the loophole of what is missing.

- The third and final Symposium was taken by Dr. Martilia Gashnga, Junior Research Fellow, PPvC NEIAH. She discussed on the topic of “**Process of filling of ADR forms and Misleading Advertisements**”. She talked about the hierarchy of Pharmacovigilance centres for ASU & H drugs. Prior to the program each participant was handled with a copy of ADR form and a copy of Misleading Advertisement form, in order to ease the discussion of the process of filling it. She then proceeds to explain about the form from taking of patient’s personal information to the scoring of the data accumulated. The second part of the discussion held was on the Misleading Advertisement and discussion on the Drug and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisement) Act 1954 and Rules 1955.
- Post formal discussion of various topics an open discussion was held with all the participants and the Resource persons. The participants showed active participation and ensures to keep in check of the possible ADRs and misleading advertisements they encounter in their clinical practises.
- The program ended with with Vote of Thanks from Dr. Himangshu Baruah, Programme Coordinator of PPvC NEIAH.

4. Pictures









