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## India FETP - MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH (Epidemiology and Health Systems)



**ICMR School of Public Health  
2025**



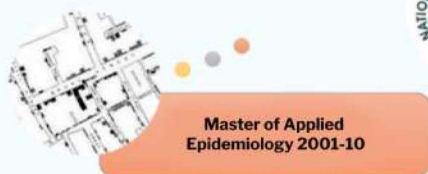
## About Us

**ICMR-National Institute of Epidemiology (ICMR-NIE), Chennai** is one of the permanent institutions of the ICMR and a flagship organization for epidemiology, public health and biostatistics in India.

ICMR-NIE houses the ICMR School of Public Health to conduct public health capacity building programmes and public health research.

The Institute has been conducting Field Epidemiology Training Programmes (FETPs) meant to strengthen public health workforce in India since 2001.

**FETP** is aimed at strengthening health services through training of middle level medical officers in government health departments with a 'learning-by-doing' approach to build a cadre of trained epidemiologists who are able to respond to priority public health events in the country.



## Affiliation

Two-year MPH degree by **Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum** (An institute of National Importance under Govt. of India)



## Member of TEPHINET



**TEPHINET**

Training Programs in Epidemiology and Public Health Interventions Network  
TEPHINET is the global network of Field Epidemiology Training Programs (FETPs) building a workforce to protect all people from public health threats.

14,000+ outbreaks investigated

20,000+ disease detectives

76 training programs

## Course Description

### Duration and course organization

Contact Sessions:



35 weeks

Field Postings:



69 weeks

### Year 1

Jul

Principles & Practice of Public Health  
Health Systems I  
Epidemiology I  
Biostatistics I  
Surveillance  
Outbreak Investigation  
Social & Behavioural Sciences  
Epi Info

Aug

Sep

Oct

Health Situation Analysis  
Secondary Data Analysis  
Outbreak Investigation

Nov

Dec

Webinars

Oral Scientific Communication  
Demography  
Epidemiology of Non-Communicable Diseases  
Infectious Disease Epidemiology

Jan

Feb

Mar

Epidemiology II  
Biostatistics II  
Health District Management  
Program Evaluation  
Surveillance Evaluation  
Reproductive Health  
**Protocol for program/surveillance evaluation**

Apr

May

Program/Surveillance Evaluation  
Outbreak Investigation

Jun

Webinars  
Health Economics

### Year 2

Jul

Program/Surveillance Evaluation  
Outbreak Investigation

Aug

Webinars  
Public Health Nutrition  
Occupational & Environmental Health

Sep

Oct

Manuscript Writing  
Media & Health Communication  
Protocol for Dissertation

Nov

Dec

Dissertation – data collection, analysis, writing  
Outbreak Investigation

Jan

Feb

Mar

Apr

May

Submission of field project report & Dissertation  
Viva-voce exam

Jun

Research Methods [ Basic Course in Biomedical ] Research Ethics [ Niecer 102 ]

Scientific Writing [ Niecer 103 ]

## Course credits

Total Credits:

60

Contact Sessions:

22

Field Projects:

38

## Five field projects

During the field postings, the scholars are placed in their districts/workplace.

- Public health situation analysis
- Secondary data analysis
- Outbreak investigation
- Evaluation of health programme/surveillance system
- Disertation-Epidemiological study

## Grading system

Grade	Performance	Score	Numerical Equivalent
A <sup>+</sup> (A plus)	Excellent	95 & above	5.0
A (A only)	Very good	90 - 94.9	4.5
A <sup>-</sup> (A minus)	Good	80 - 89.9	4.0
B <sup>+</sup> (B plus)	Fair	70 - 79.9	3.5
B (B only)	Satisfactory	60 - 69.9	3.0
B <sup>-</sup> (B minus)	Minimum Pass	50 - 59.9	2.5
F (F only)	Fail	50 & below	0.0

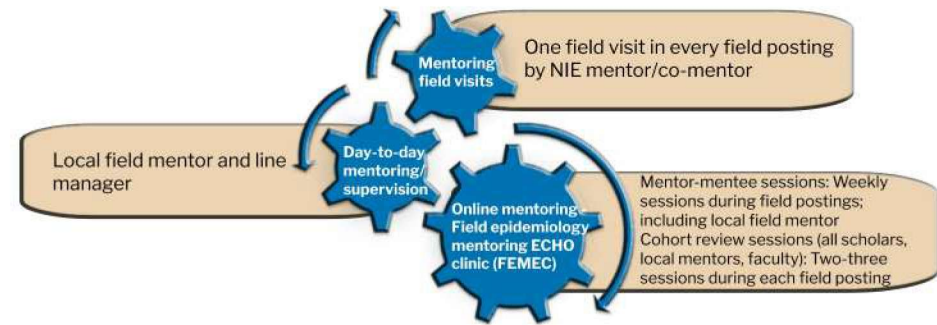
Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) calculated as the weighted average of numerical values of grades with credits as weights.

## Criteria for award of MPH degree

A minimum of grade B minus in all the courses and field projects with a minimum CGPA of 2 in total.



## 3-tier mentoring



## Internal Evaluation

### End-course evaluations for each course/module

- Written exam/in-class or take-home assignment/seminar/presentation - Course/module in-charge
- 85% attendance in each contact session
- 2nd attempt in subsequent year

### Evaluation of field projects

- Oral presentations - 2 NIE faculty
- Field project report with at-least 1 manuscript
- Additional 10% marks for submission in scientific journals/presentation in scientific conferences during the course period
- Eligibility for appearing in dissertation viva-voce

## External Evaluation

### Evaluation of dissertation at the end of academic year

- Dissertation manuscript graded by external examiner
- Oral presentation followed by viva-voce graded by external examiners
- 2nd attempt with subsequent cohort



## ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAMME

Admission is open to government and private candidates. Preference to the candidates sponsored by the Central / State Governments / Union Territories and Armed Forces.

### Eligibility Criteria

- ✔ M.B.B.S. degree recognized by National Medical Council
- ✔ (a) Working in public health, preferably regularized and permanent employees of State or Central Government Department or Medical institutions;
- ✔ (b) Private (Non-Government) candidates worked / working in public health
- ✔ Three years experience in public health related activities
- ✔ Age up to 45 years as on 1.7.2025. Departmental candidates from ICMR institutions granted age relaxation of 5 years. SC/ST/OBC/PH candidates eligible for age relaxation as per Government of India rules

### Sponsorship

- ✔ The sponsoring authority (Central/State Government / Non-Governmental Organizations / Private Institutions) should nominate and depute the candidates for 2 years on a full time basis.
- ✔ No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the employer along with application or produce the same before joining the course.

### Terms and Conditions of Selection

- ✔ Candidates selected for the course should be available for the entire duration of the course, i.e., 2 years on full time basis
- ✔ Candidates selected for the course should not do private practice or engage in any other employment, etc., during the Contact Sessions and Field Postings
- ✔ If a candidate is found to be engaged in a work other than course work, his/her admission to the course will be cancelled



### Fees

- ✔ **No course fee for deputed candidates** from the State/Central Government Departments/Armed forces.
- ✔ One time **Administrative Services fee Rs. 30,000/-** to be paid at the time of admission to SCTIMST by both the deputed and non-deputed candidates.
- ✔ For the **non-deputed government/private candidates** and the deputed candidates from private institutions, the course fee is **Rs. 1,00,000/-** (Rupees One lakh only) (non-refundable), payable at the beginning of the course.

### Method of selection

A Selection Committee constituted by SCTIMST and NIE will select the candidates based on the following:

- ✔ **Written test**
- ✔ **Personal interview**

Reservation of seats as per Government of India norms being followed by SCTIMST. Mere possession of the eligibility criteria will not entail selection for the course. The decision of the Director, SCTIMST, shall be final for selection of the candidates.

### Application Form

The prescribed application form can be downloaded or filled online through the link: <https://icmrnie.in/redcap/surveys/index.php?s=P9KTH3HKHH>

The prescribed application form given in the website alone should be used. Application in any other form will not be considered.

### Application Fee

Application fee for Rs. 600/- (Rupees Six hundred only) payable through online. The detail is given below.

**Name: Director, NIE**

**Account Number: 0936201002864**

**Bank Name: Canara Bank**

**IFSC Code: CNRB0000936**

(Applications without details of application fee payment will not be considered)



