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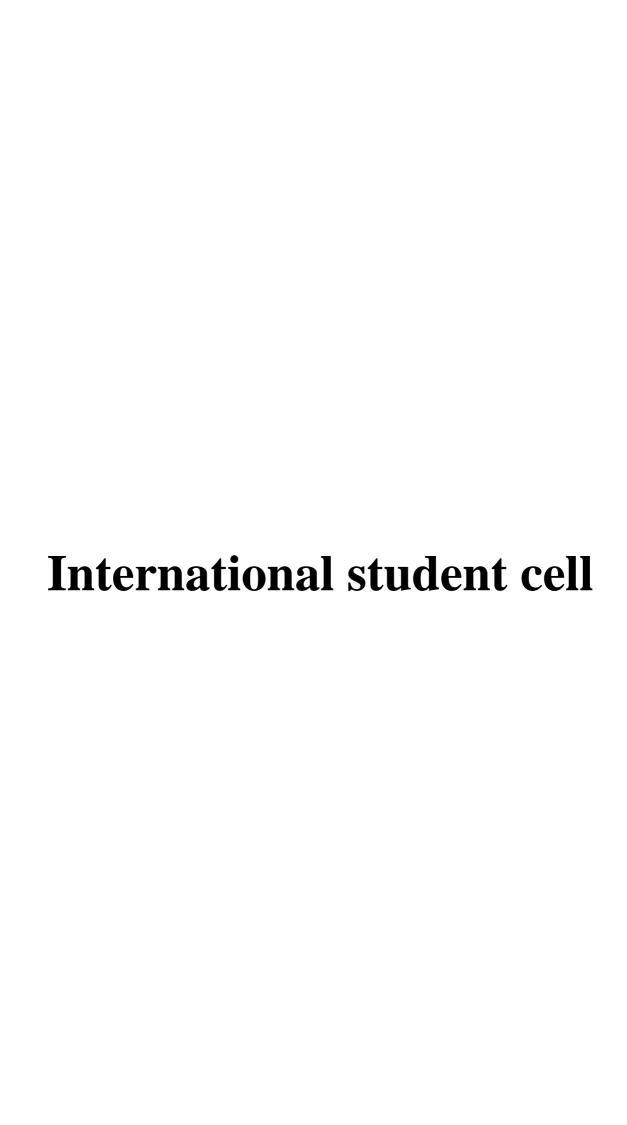
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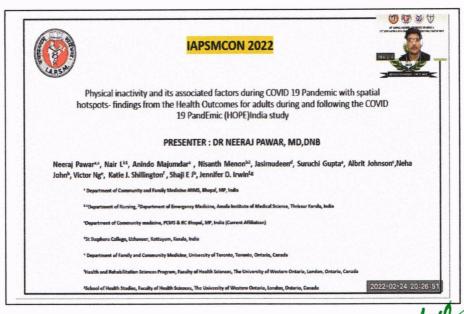


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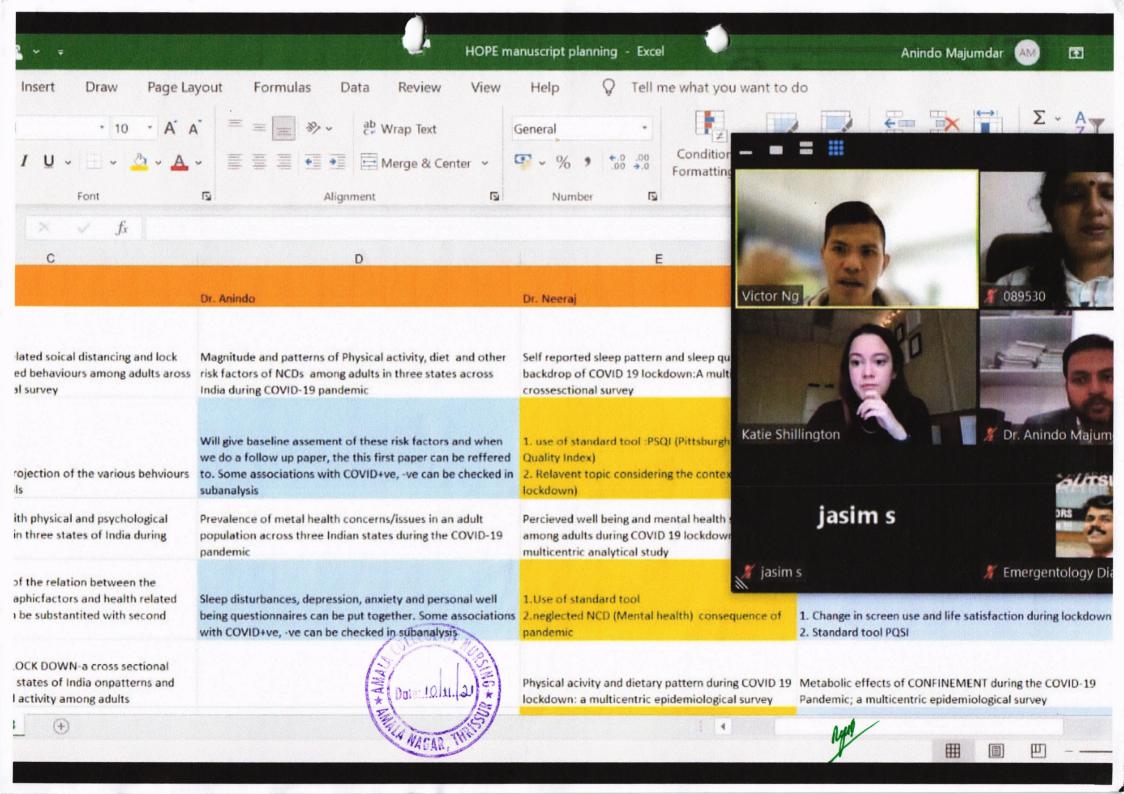
Report on International collaborative research

Faculty of Amala College of Nursing and Amala Medical College in collaboration with eminent faculty from various other universities at national and international level conducted a research on topic "Health outcome for adults during and following the COVID 19 Pandemic: THE HOPE India Study."The main purpose of the study were To explore lifestyle related behaviours, To explore lifestyle related behaviours (movement and diet), To assess the impact of stringent social distancing on lifestyle behaviours during and following pandemic. It was a longitudinal follow up repeated measures survey based study conducted at 3 levels -during COVID 19, release of lockdown and during post lockdown period .Study focused on Kerala, Madhya Pradesh and Delhi. Total sample size was 694 and were selected using snow ball sampling methods.30-59 year age group adult were selected. Tool prepared in 3 languages Hindi, English, Malayalam and validated by language /subject experts. Toolswere administered using Microsoft forms. Tools used for the purpose of Data collection were Demographic questionnaire, Questions related to food and beverage intake, Global physical activity questionnaire, Question on screen view time, Pittsburgh sleep quality Index, Personal Wellbeing Inventory Audit, Patient health questionnaire 2 and generalised anxiety disorder 2 item scale. Geographical correlates of physical inactivity and sleep was analysed used spatial hotspot mapping for the selected districts of targeted states. Data analysed using descriptive statistics and MANOVA, Post Hoc testing. The project started on 13/7/2020, Research data was presented in IAPSMCON 2022 international conference.





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Physical activity and its associated factors during COVID 19 Pandemic with spatial hotspots- findings from the Health Outcomes for adults during and following the COVID 19 PandEmic (HOPE)India study

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Abstract:

Introduction: During COVID 19 pandemic with mobility restrictions, like quarantine, isolation, and lockdown, it becomes difficult to stay physically active. Physical inactivity has proven detrimental effects on physical and mental health. We aimed to determine the prevalence and predictors of physical inactivity and identify spatial hotspots in the study area.

Methods: From October 2020 to April 2021, and as part of a larger longitudinal study, 694 residents (aged 30-59 years) of Kerala, Madhya Pradesh (MP), and Delhi completed an online survey. The questionnaire included socio-demographics, food habits, clinical details, and the Global Physical Activity Questionnaire (GPAQ). Individuals, with weekly, MET minutes (Metabolic Equivalents) values less than 600, were labeled as physically inactive, and respective hotspot districts were mapped.

Results: The proportion (P) of adults with physical inactivity in our study was 61.7% (428/694). Mean (SD) time spent sitting idle was 2.9(1.9) hours. The contribution of physical activity at work was 64.8 %, leisure time activity was 25.6%, travel time activity was 9.6%. Association, of physical inactivity with variables like gender, residence, screen time, and family income, were found statistically significant. (p value<0.05). Ten Hotspot districts (with P >75%), were identified and mapped. Two districts were from Delhi, three from Kerala and five were from MP.

Most study participants were physically inactive. Understanding the health implications of physical inactivity, the government should plan public health interventions with provisions on lifestyle changes and develop and disseminate home-based exercise regimens.

Keywords - COVID 19, Physical Activity, Adults, Lockdown, Pandemic

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COVID-somnia: Sleep disturbances during the pandemic with spatial Hot spots - findings from the HOPE India study conducted in three states

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ABSTRACT:

Introduction: Covid19 pandemic and, its associated control measures such as strict social distancing and lockdown had a multifaceted effect on psychosocial wellbeing. Sleep is a major determinant of one's physiological and psychological homeostasis. Therefore we aimed to document the sleep quality with its predictors during the pandemic across three states of India and geo-locate state and district-level findings on sleep quality.

Methods: We report here baseline analyses of ongoing longitudinal study: 'Health Outcomes for Adults During and Following the Covid-I9 Pandemic: The Hope India Study' conducted among 694 adults aged 30-59 years, residing in states of Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, and Delhi. An online survey was conducted from October 2020 till April 2021. Pittsburgh Sleep Quality Index (PSQI) was used to assess sleep quality. Average PSQI scores were Geomapped.

Results: Out of 694 participants, the mean (SD) global PSQI score was found to be 5.99±3.2. About 54 % of the participants had poor sleep quality (PSQI Score>5). A total of 8 hotspot districts, with severe sleep disturbances (Avg. PSQI>6.5), were identified and geolocated. Multivariable logistic regression analysis showed regional differences in sleep quality. Also, people with anxiety showed higher odds of disturbed sleep(aOR=2.4, P=0.006*)

Conclusion: Overall, sleep quality was poor during the pandemic. States should design their own programs for tackling anxiety and sleep issues based on the respective burden of these issues.

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