

Universal Health Organisation (UHO)

Weekly Newsletter – 23 Jun 2023



The weekly newsletters bring the updates on the science, battered and bruised during the pandemic, legal updates and impact of activism for a just society, across the world. These are small steps to promote Transparency, Empowerment and Accountability – the ethos of the UHO.

ICMR studying if Covid shots linked to deaths in young people

The Indian Council of Medical Research is conducting a [study](#) to check whether Covid-19 vaccination is linked with sudden deaths. The report quotes a health ministry official as saying that there is a lot of “disinformation” about the cause of sudden cardiac deaths...” The use of the term “disinformation” suggests bias which should be avoided in a scientific investigation. And moreover, this investigation is too little, too late. Patterns of increase of sudden deaths globally were [reported](#) by some members of UHO more than six months ago based on hard data. Instead of immediately halting vaccination and investigating, these red lights were jumped. As in a crime investigation, delay erases evidence. This is likely to happen as mass vaccination with an experimental vaccine was rolled out without a control group.

We are also concerned that ICMR is not free from conflict of interests. It has inked a [letter of intent](#) with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the promoter of Covid-19 vaccines, for Research Collaboration. The Gates Foundation allocates huge grants to Serum Institute of India, the manufacturer of Covidshield the vaccine most extensively used in India. It also has equal shares on [royalty](#) from Covaxin, the other vaccine used in the country. Covaxin has been jointly developed by ICMR and Bharat Biotech. By all standards of Research Ethics, these “conflict of interest” disqualifies ICMR to carry out an unbiased study.

If the Government is really keen to ascertain any association of sudden deaths with the vaccines it could do so with few clicks of a mouse. On 09 June 2023, our honourable health minister [tweeted](#) about “One World, One Health” where he mentioned about India’s transformative tools, which generated digital vaccine certificates. We have digital records of the vaccinated. Reporting of death is foolproof due to legal reasons. So tabulating sudden deaths in relation to vaccination status should not be a big deal. Where there is a will, there is a way. But our scientists prefer using mouse clicks to create mathematical models predicting doomsday from impending pandemics. We are waiting eagerly for ICMR to release their findings before commenting further.

Can we hope that our strong PM with his love for democracy and abhorrence of the “Emergency” will stop the Pandemic Treaty?

The PM on 18 June 2023 in his highly popular “Maan Ki Baat” [broadcast](#) called the “Emergency” promulgated in 1975, a “crime that put freedom in danger.” Strong words indeed worthy of praise. Does this give us hope that the Pandemic Treaty which threatens to endanger freedom and democracy globally on pretext of a pandemic real or imagined stands little chance in India? Time will tell and posterity will judge.

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Patient Zero Identified?

New [report](#) points to Wuhan Institute scientists as “Patient Zero” of Covid-19, giving more evidence for a lab leak theory. The initial cases were in three scientists working on “gain of function” research at the Wuhan Institute of Virology. It is believed that these scientists became ill in November 2019. While the identities of the scientists have not been disclosed, they are believed to be pupils of Shi Zengli, popularly known as “the bat woman.” The role of Wuhan Institute of Virology as the origin of the novel coronavirus is becoming clearer.

A study finds more frequent Covid-19 vaccination increasing chances of catching the infection

A [preprint](#) has reported that those taking more frequent jabs of Covid-19 vaccine are more vulnerable to get the infection. The study among 48344 Cleveland Clinic workers in the USA, that those with incomplete Covid-19 vaccination were at lower risk of Covid-19 than those with complete vaccination.

Politicians in UK and around the world were partying during the lockdown

The leading English newspaper The Telegraph published a [report](#) of British politicians partying and enjoying during the lockdown. You Tuber Dr John Campbell got emotional while [narrating](#) the double standards of politicians. During this period his family members could not meet his ailing father because of strict restrictive measures. He questions whether politicians around the world were mocking the common citizen. Similar breach of Covid-19 norms by politicians was [seen](#) in India as well. The past President of USA Barrack Obama had also [planned](#) a big birthday bash during the Delta wave. Dr John Campbell in his [video](#) asks whether the politicians the world over knew something about Covid-19 which they concealed from the common citizen. While citizens all over the world suffered and many elderly died a lonely death in isolation without getting a chance to say farewell to their near and dear ones, politicians were having a bash. A sad state of affairs indeed.