



Institutional Animal Ethical Committee (IAEC) Policy Document

- The Institutional Animal Ethical Committee (IAEC) ensures that the use of laboratory animals for teaching and research follows ethical standards and the guidelines of the CCSEA, Government of India.
- The committee provides a framework for the ethical review, approval, and monitoring of research involving animals, ensuring humane practices and regulatory compliance.
- IAEC promotes the responsible and humane use of animals in research and education while safeguarding their welfare.
- The committee reviews and approves research proposals involving animals and ensures adherence to the 3Rs principle – Replacement, Reduction, and Refinement.
- It oversees the proper housing, feeding, care, and welfare of laboratory animals and monitors ongoing experiments to ensure humane treatment.
- IAEC ensures compliance with CCSEA guidelines, conducts inspections of animal facilities, and verifies adherence to ethical standards.
- The committee evaluates the scientific validity and ethical justification of animal-based research.
- Training and awareness programs are organized for faculty, researchers, and staff involved in animal handling and experimentation.
- Research proposals must be submitted by the Principal Investigator for ethical review and approval by the IAEC.
- The committee meets at least twice a year and monitors research through inspections and review of records.
- IAEC maintains proper documentation and reports, including protocol records, health records, and meeting minutes, and submits required reports to CCSEA.
- Implementation of this policy ensures ethical treatment of animals, regulatory compliance, improved research quality, and effective animal facility management.



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