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Foundation for Neglected Disease Research and Blockchain For Impact collaborate to accelerate biomedical innovation

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To expedite advancements in Indian biomedical research



Foundation for Neglected Disease Research (FNDR) in Bengaluru and Blockchain For Impact (BFI) have announced an impact driven partnership under the BFI-Biome Virtual Network Programme, aimed at advancing healthcare in India.

BFI aims to allocate $300,000 to FNDR over three years, to support projects aimed at translating research into tangible healthcare solutions. FNDR, a not-for-profit R&D organisation known for its innovative and affordable solutions, is dedicated to discovering and developing drugs, diagnostics, and devices to combat infectious diseases with a high socio-economic impact, including tuberculosis, non-tuberculous mycobacterial diseases, malaria, neglected tropical diseases (Dengue, Leishmania, Rabies), serious bacterial infections, fungal infections, viral infections (Influenza, COVID-19), and antimicrobial resistance (AMR).

This collaboration leverages the strengths of both the organisations. By combining FNDR's research expertise with BFI's network, BFI aims to make a tangible difference in the Indian healthcare ecosystem.

Sandeep Nailwal, founder and visionary behind BFI, expressed his delight on the announcement of FNDR as one of the infectious disease partners in the BFI-Biome Virtual Network. This collaboration integrates both upstream and deep science, creating an environment that drives innovation leading to transformative health solutions in India and the global south.

Image caption (L-R)- Dr Pooja Agrawal, Programme Director, BFI, exchanging the MoU with Dr Shridhar Narayanan, Chief Executive Officer of FNDR, and Dr R K Shandil, Chief Scientific Officer of FNDR