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ICMR's Respiratory Disease Research Center

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Why in News

Recently, the **Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)** has approved the setting up of a center for research on **critical respiratory diseases** at the **All India Institute of Medical Sciences Raipur**.

Key Points

- It will be one of 20 centers being set up in the country. These centers are designated as ICMR Network of Pulmonary Fibrosis.
- It will help in developing medical facilities by collecting detailed data regarding diseases affecting the respiratory system.
- **Dr. Ajoy Kumar Behera**, appointed as Principal Investigator of the centre, said that this is a five-year project.
- The Pulmonary Department of AIIMS, Raipur reports 250 patients daily. It would help play an important role in collecting data of post Covid-19 patients and extending them treatment.