

Three National Mental Health Institutes to Collaborate on Capacity Building

NIMHANS Bengaluru to host workshop and mentor CIP Ranchi and LGBRIMH Tezpur in quality management, patient safety and clinical governance



The tripartite virtual meeting of NIMHANS, CIP Ranchi and LGBRIMH Tezpur, 22 August 2026.

TEZPUR, 22 AUGUST 2026 — The National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Bengaluru; the Central Institute of Psychiatry (CIP), Ranchi; and the Lokopriya Gopinath Bordoloi Regional Institute of Mental Health (LGBRIMH), Tezpur have agreed to enter into a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for a capacity building workshop and institutional handholding in mental health care.

The framework was deliberated in a virtual meeting of the three institutes held on 22 August 2026.

Under the MoU, NIMHANS will organise and host a workshop at its Bengaluru campus for identified administrators, faculty and staff of CIP and LGBRIMH, covering hospital administration, quality management, patient safety, clinical governance and operational efficiency. NIMHANS will thereafter extend technical guidance and institutional handholding to both institutes in mutually identified areas.

The meeting was chaired from NIMHANS, Bengaluru by Dr. Prabha S. Chandra, Director, who was joined by Shri Harsha A. H., Registrar; Dr. A. Nalini, Dean, Neurosciences; Dr. T. N. Sathyaprabha, Associate Dean, Basic Sciences; Dr.

Seema Mehrotra, Associate Dean, Behavioural Sciences; and Dr. Nand Kumar, Immediate Co-ordinator. CIP, Ranchi was represented by Dr. Varun S. Mehta, Professor of Psychiatry, and Dr. Sunil, Administrative Officer.

From LGBRIMH, Tezpur, Dr. Jyoti Hazarika, Director, and Dr. Hemanta Dutta, OSD and Deputy Director, participated in the deliberations along with Mr. Mrinal Kr. Sarma, In-charge Chief Administrative Officer, and Mrs. Prabha Boro, In-charge Administrative Officer.

The collaboration further provides for Training of Trainers programmes, joint development of training modules and guidelines, expert lectures and webinars, tele-mentoring through digital platforms, and collaborative research and outcome evaluation. Dates and the detailed programme schedule are to be finalised mutually by the three institutes.

LGBRIMH, Tezpur is the apex tertiary care mental health institute serving all eight States of the North Eastern Region. The Institute expects the collaboration to strengthen its systems for quality management and patient safety, to the direct benefit of patients and families reaching Tezpur from across the region.