



National Institutes of Pharmaceutical Education and Research

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Why in News

A large number of multi-faceted research proposals have been submitted by various **National Institutes of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPERs)**, towards the containment, identification and treatment of **Covid-19** to relevant agencies for approval.

Also, these institutes are working on several projects. For example, NIPER Guwahati has come up with a **“hands-free object”** for touch-less opening of doors, drawers & elevators.

Key Points

- National Institutes of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPERs) are the **institutes of national importance** under the aegis of the Department of Pharmaceutical, **Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers**.
- The seven institutes are functional at Ahmedabad (Gujarat), Hyderabad (Telangana), Hajipur (Bihar), Kolkata (West Bengal), Guwahati (Assam), Mohali (Punjab), and Raebareli (Uttar Pradesh).
- The Institute is conceived to provide **leadership in pharmaceutical sciences** and related areas not only within the country, but also to the countries in **SouthEast Asia, South Asia and Africa**.
- NIPER, Mohali is a member of Association of Indian Universities and Association of Commonwealth Universities.
 - **Association of Indian Universities (AIU)**, formed in 1925 as Inter-University Board (IUB), is an association of all universities in India. It is actively engaged in the growth and development of higher education.
 - The **Association of Commonwealth Universities** is an international organisation dedicated to building a better world through higher education in over 50 countries across the **Commonwealth**.

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