

RESEARCH 101

Climate Change & Public Health in India



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Why It Matters?

Climate change is already affecting health

- Rising heatwaves across India
- Poor air quality in cities and towns
- Floods, droughts, and cyclones disrupting lives

These climate risks are directly linked to illness, injury, and deaths.



Who Is Most Affected?

Some groups face higher health risks

- Outdoor workers & farmers
- Children and older adults
- Urban poor & informal settlements
- People with existing health conditions

Climate change deepens health inequalities

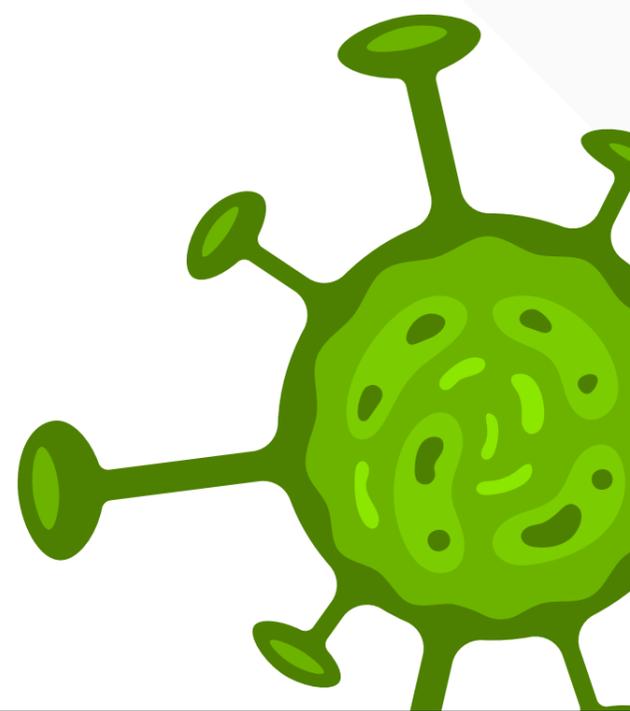


Changing Disease Patterns

Climate change is reshaping diseases

- Dengue & malaria spreading to new areas
- Longer disease seasons due to warmer temperatures
- Floods increasing water- and vector-borne diseases

Health risks are no longer predictable.



Why Public Health Research Matters

Research helps protect lives

Public health research supports:

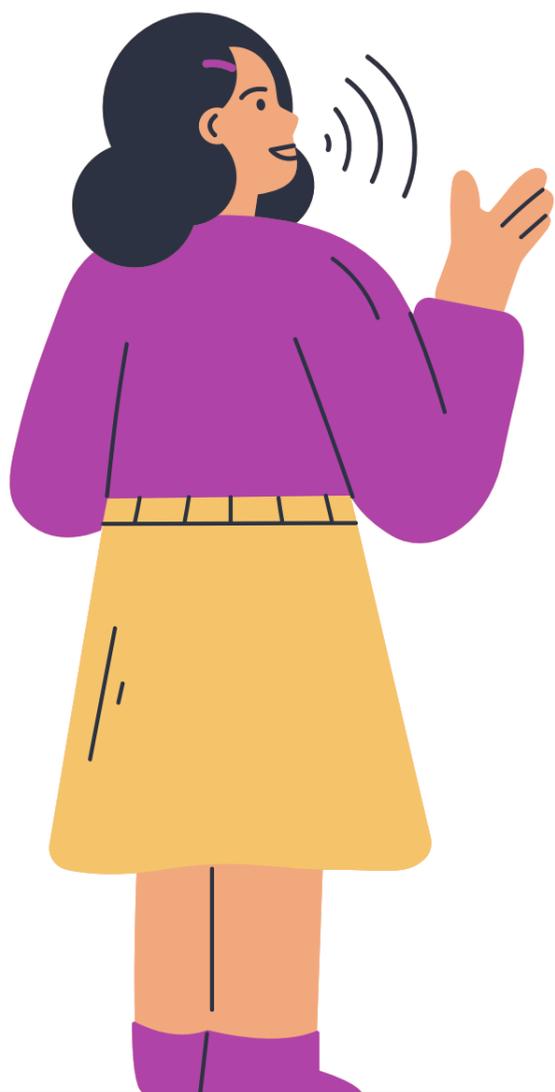
- Early warning systems for heatwaves & outbreaks
- Better preparedness of health systems
- Climate-resilient hospitals and services
- Evidence-based climate and health policies

Data helps us act before crises occur.



Climate action is health action

- Put health at the heart of climate policy
- Invest in climate-informed public health research
- Build resilient and equitable health systems



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