New Delhi, Sep 28: The Department of Biotechnology’s Regional Centre for Biotechnology (DBT-RCB) has signed memoranda of agreements with Patanjali Research Institute, Haridwar, and Defence Institute of Advanced Technology, Pune to identify the scope of services for the Antiviral activity testing against SARS-CoV-2.

Under the MoA, DBT-RCB will provide antiviral activity testing against SARS CoV-2 in cell culture models at a non-cytotoxic concentration of the test substance to meet the growing need for in vitro antiviral assays for the new drug candidate/test substances. Patanjali Research Institute, Haridwar, and Defence Institute of Advanced Technology, Pune shall reimburse the cost of services. Earlier, a similar MoA was signed with Almoner Biotech, New Delhi, Zealous Health Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad, Government Medical College, Thrissur, Kerala, and Satej Global Science, Ahmedabad.

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