

Universal Health Organisation (UHO)

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The weekly newsletters bring the updates on the science, battered and bruised during the pandemic, legal updates and impact of activism for a just society, across the world. These are small steps to promote Transparency, Empowerment and Accountability – the ethos of the UHO.

Announcement: Membership & endorsements to the UHO invited: <https://uho.org.in/member.php>

Baba Ramdev faces the wrath of the Supreme Court: what is good (or bad) for the goose should be good (or bad) for the gander.

Baba Ramdev and his associate Balkrishna faced the [wrath of the Supreme Court](#) for their propaganda about their Ayurvedic products and belittling mainstream medicine. Baba Ramdev had to apologize in court. His apology was not accepted and he may face the contempt of court with harsher punishment. The Supreme Court acted on a public interest litigation (PIL) moved by the Indian Medical Association (IMA).

One of the ethos of the UHO is accountability and we welcome the strictures against Baba Ramdev for indulging in false propaganda. However, accountability should be applicable to all without favor or prejudice. The pandemic [unleashed all types of charlatans](#) promoting their remedies to curb the virus, some rustic, others suave. In a viral infection with [99.9% survival rate](#) till the age of 69 years it would be impossible to appraise which remedy or which intervention worked and which didn't. But some measures certainly caused much harm to humanity without any benefit and at huge economic cost.

Among them are “physical distancing” and “lockdowns.” Both these drastic draconian measures were implemented in almost all countries without any evidence of their efficacies. Even the great Anthony Fauci who once remarked that if [you criticize him, you criticize science](#), admitted that they just [arbitrarily “made up” the six feet distance](#) recommended for “physical distancing!” There was intense propaganda to maintain “physical distancing” and not to “step out of the house” including caller tunes and promotion by celebrities to observe these unscientific measures which ruined businesses and livelihoods.

The Covid-19 vaccines were also promoted as being effective and safe, the Drug Controller General of India, Dr V G Somani going to the extent of [saying that they are 110% safe!](#) It later turned out that at the population level vaccines had [little impact in checking transmission](#) and in fact in many countries both [cases and deaths from Covid-19 peaked](#) after rollout of mass vaccination. The safety concerns of the Covid-19 vaccines are also alarming with cumulative evidence ranging from [myocarditis](#) to [brain strokes](#). And the Covid-19 vaccines were promoted with much propaganda and “misinformation” by responsible authorities like the DCGI (who called them 110% safe), movie stars and other celebrities!

UHO feels that what is good (or bad) for the goose, should be good (or bad), for the gander. All these authorities and celebrities who promoted the unscientific and risky measures like lockdowns and mass vaccinations with experimental vaccines should also be held accountable and tried in a fair manner without fear, favor or prejudice.

Australian Parliament approached Indian origin UK cardiologist to submit evidence on excess deaths

The Australian parliament has [approached](#) Indian origin UK cardiologist Dr Aseem Malhotra to give evidence on excess deaths. Dr Malhotra, an eminent cardiologist, has been raising an [alarm](#) over myocarditis and other heart conditions associated with the Covid-19 vaccine for some time.

During a visit to India last year, Dr Malhotra also raised [concerns about the adverse effects](#) of the Covishield vaccine which was used extensively in the country's mass vaccination drive. He had cautioned that the Covishield vaccine had more frequent serious adverse events compared to the mRNA vaccines and for this reason its use in the UK and many other countries was restricted.

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Another Indian origin expert, Prof Jay Bhattacharya, Professor of Medicine and Health Economics at Stanford University [had advised the Indian policy makers in Jan 2021](#) before the mass vaccination rollout that our population had natural immunity and vaccinating them at mass scale will provide no benefit and some harm.

UHO recommends that we should also have an inquiry committee with international experts presenting evidence, like the Australian parliament to probe into the efficacy of measures, and harm, if any, and fix accountability for acts of omission and commission. The Supreme Court has been harsh on Baba Ramdev. Same injunctions should be passed on others who have breached medical ethics and indulged in propaganda for profit or politics.

Dr Sucharit Bhakdi presents the harmful effects and the profiteering from the Covid-19 vaccines to the German Parliament.

World renowned virologist, Dr Sucharit Bhakdi, gave a [presentation](#) to the German parliament a few months ago on the profiteering from the Covid-19 vaccines and the potential harms from them. According to him, "... the vaccines turned out to be the greatest blessing for the money and the world's elites, for the pharmaceutical industry and politics. They could pursue their own interests, under the slogan, "everything for public health," everything for the welfare of the general public. To achieve this goal, they took the help of the WHO. This is a non-democratically nominated group of people, a private association that is on a mission of power grab over 190 member countries by way of the WHO pandemic accord along with the amendments to the International Health Regulations (IHR).

Dr Bhakdi also presented the evidence associating the vaccines with sudden deaths and heart damage summing up with these strong words, "Anyone who claims that vaccination rarely causes serious side effects is either incredibly ignorant or infinitely evil."

Compared to such evil, if established by honest inquiry, Baba Ramdev's indiscretions may pale into insignificance. UHO would like the IMA to call for thorough investigations on all these concerns.

Will H5N1 drive the next pandemic which is going to be worse than Covid-19?

Alarm is being raised around the H5N1 virus as the [potential agent for a worse pandemic](#) than the Covid-19. The White House in the USA and the WHO are closely monitoring the situation.

H5N1 is an influenza virus which affects birds primarily and therefore is called avian influenza. In the USA, cattle have been found infected, [with one human case](#) contracted from a cow in Texas. The patient is recovering well. What is disturbing is that cattle have never been infected earlier with H5N1.

The UHO expresses serious misgivings about this development. While the picture is still hazy whether ["gain of function"](#) research was being conducted in the Wuhan lab on coronaviruses, it is a well known fact that the H5N1 virus was the subject of "gain-of-function" research some years ago. Scientists in the lab managed to infect ferrets with the virus. Due to serious concerns by some experts around the serious hazards around this kind of research, the "gain of function" research involving H5N1 was [paused for four years but again, inexplicably, resumed in 2019.](#)

The UHO does think that given the current high fatality rate of around 50%, H5N1 will pose a pandemic risk as high fatality limits transmissibility as most infections are dead end, with the virus perishing with the victim.

However, there should be complete ban of "gain-of-function" research. Unchecked, this type of research can lead to a biological weapons race like the nuclear race.

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