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Annexure1

The *Journal of Traumatic Stress* published a special section titled "The ethics of disaster research" addressing ethical issues related to conducting research after disasters and terrorist attacks, based on a meeting organised by the New York Academy of Medicine and the US National Institute of Mental health. The guidance given below is based on their recommendations.⁷