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HON'BLE DR. TANAJI SAWANT, THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH, LEADS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN MAHARASHTRA, ENSURING ITS EFFICIENT PERFORMANCE.

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DECISIONS AND KEY CONSIDERATIONS PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN HON'BLE FINANCE MINISTER'S BUDGET SPEECH FOR THE YEAR 2023-24



INCREASE IN REMUNERATION OF ASHA VOLUNTEERS

Starting from April 1st, 2023, the state government has implemented a remuneration increment for ASHA and Group Promoters. Consequently, ASHA will receive a total monthly stipend of Rs. 5000/-, while Group Promoters will receive a total monthly stipend of Rs. 6200/-.

'MATA SURAKSHIT TAR GHAR SURAKSHIT' CAMPAIGN

Under the auspices of the special campaign 'Mata Surakshit tar Ghar Surakshit,' the Public Health Departments in the state have diligently established preventive and curative health facilities, as well as counseling services, to ensure the well-being and safety of individuals. This comprehensive initiative specifically focuses on women, mothers, and pregnant women above the age of 18, offering them access to thorough check-ups. Notably, the campaign has successfully catered to an impressive count of 4,39,24,100 beneficiaries, including 27,97,394 pregnant mothers who received meticulous examinations. Additionally, 2,68,889 mothers underwent Sonography, and counseling services were extended to 74,08,117 beneficiaries concerning mental health, tobacco cessation, and related matters. In the second phase of this commendable campaign, an additional 313,965 pregnant mothers have received essential treatment, further bolstering their care and well-being. Similarly, the second phase has witnessed a notable total of 52,294 beneficiaries undergoing diverse surgeries, encompassing both minor and major interventions, thereby contributing to their improved health outcomes.





'MAHATMA JYOTIRAO PHULE JAN AROGYA YOJANA'



As part of the esteemed 'Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Jan Arogya Yojana,' a substantial enhancement has been made to the treatment limit, raising it from one and a half lakhs to five lakhs per annum. Furthermore, the scheme has been expanded to encompass new private hospitals, broadening the scope of its coverage. Notably, the financial provision for kidney transplant surgery per family per year has been raised to Rs. 2:50 lakhs, along with an augmented insurance coverage limit of Rs. 4:50 lakhs. This noteworthy announcement holds great significance for patients at large, benefitting a significant number of eligible beneficiaries.

NEW DE-ADDICTION AND MENTAL ILLNESS CENTRES COMMISSIONED

With the increasing concern surrounding mental illness and addiction, diligent efforts have been undertaken to address this issue effectively. Consequently, new de-addiction centers have been strategically established in Jalna, Bhiwandi, Pune, and Nagpur, with the necessary grants disbursed to respective districts for the construction of these facilities. Furthermore, in alignment with the exemplary standards set by NIMHANS Bangalore, the process of renovating the outdated and dilapidated building of the Regional Psychiatric Hospital in Thane has commenced. Simultaneously, a new state-of-the-art Psychiatric Hospital, encompassing 365 beds, is being established in Kolhapur, signifying a significant stride towards comprehensive mental healthcare provision.



STATE LEVEL LAUNCH OF 'ABHA' CARD



The Ayushman Bharat Digital Abhiyan (ABDM) was initiated under the visionary guidance of the Honorable Prime Minister, aiming to provide secure, comprehensive, and affordable basic healthcare services to all citizens in a digital format. Through the establishment of a robust health database using this digital platform, citizens will have seamless access to various healthcare facilities.

The ABHA Card will serve as a personalized health profile, allowing for a comprehensive understanding of individual health information and enabling patients to avail themselves of appropriate treatment and government schemes. In commemoration of this significant endeavor, a dedicated ceremony for ABHA was conducted on the 4th of October, 2022, at the Trimurti Precinct in Mantralaya, Mumbai. Distinguished attendees included the Honorable Chief Minister, Honorable Deputy Chief Minister, Honorable Health Minister, Honorable Union Minister of State for Health, and senior officials from the Health Department.

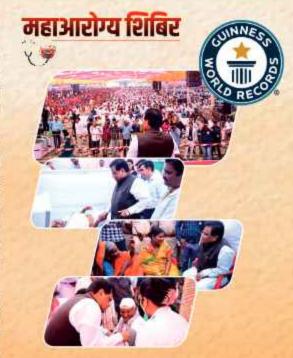
Remarkably, within a span of just two months, from the 20th of October, 2022, to the 10th of December, 2022, over 18 lakh individuals have successfully registered for the ABHA Card. To date, approximately 2.0 crore individuals in the state have been issued the ABHA Card, with Varanasi earning recognition as the top-performing state in this endeavor.

PARANDA 'MAHA-AROGYA SHIBIR'

With the objective of extending healthcare services to rural populations, the Maha Arogya Shibir was organized in Paranda, Dist. Dharashiv, in collaboration with the local community. This significant event took place on the 27th and 28th of November, 2022. Remarkably, over 2,48,855 beneficiaries were referred for further medical treatment following their participation in this camp.

During the course of the shibir, notable medical interventions were carried out. Specifically, 6 individuals were provided with eye aids, and 90 individuals received hearing aids. Furthermore, 172 dental treatments and 89 dental procedures were successfully performed. Additionally, 17 patients underwent thorough examination and biopsy procedures. Noteworthy referrals were made for 111 heart disease patients, with 17 patients undergoing angiography, 5 patients undergoing angioplasty, and 3 patients receiving SD surgery. Notably, 40 female patients were provided with surgical interventions, along with MRI scans, bone examinations, and comprehensive diagnostic and treatment services.

Transportation arrangements, including car services, as well as meals, were diligently provided to ensure the attendance of patients at the camp. The success of the shibir can be attributed to the collective efforts of both government and private doctors, alongside the technical staff of the health service. Consequently, this camp has been officially recognized and recorded in the prestigious Guinness Book of Records.



IMPLEMENTATION OF 'ONE PERSON - ONE POST' SCHEME



The "One person - One Post" scheme has been effectively enforced to enhance the implementation of health schemes in the state. Previously, individuals were burdened with multiple responsibilities, but now, a systematic approach has been adopted by dividing these roles and providing opportunities to different individuals. Under this scheme, each person is entrusted with a specific position, ensuring focused attention and dedicated efforts. As a result, the progress of work has gained significant momentum.

TRANSFER THROUGH THE ONLINE PORTAL OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT MEDICAL OFFICERS

The groundbreaking decision implemented by the Public Health Department, involving the utilization of an online platform for administrative transfers of officers, has yielded remarkable benefits for a majority of officials. This year marked the first instance of conducting transfers through this digital method, effectively placing officers in their anticipated roles and locations. This transformative process has ushered in a higher level of transparency and precision, significantly enhancing the transfer procedure.



"MAHA-RAKTDAAN" CAMP



The act of blood donation is widely regarded as the most valuable form of contribution. In Maharashtra, the voluntary blood donation movement has flourished due to the consistent collaboration between blood donors and organizers of blood donation camps. Notably, an astounding count of 18,00,019 units of blood were collected on the auspicious occasion of the Honorable Prime Minister Narendra Modi's birthday. Furthermore, during the MahaRaktadan Camp held on the birthday of the Honorable Chief Minister on February 9, a total of 538 blood centers actively participated in the Voluntary Blood Danation Camp across

February 9, a total of 538 blood centers actively participated in the Voluntary Blood Donation Camp across the state. A remarkable feat was achieved on this occasion, with 10,098 units of blood collected within a single day during the Blood Donation Mahayagya. Currently, Maharashtra boasts a robust infrastructure comprising 366 blood centers dedicated to delivering vital blood transfusion services. This extensive network positions Maharashtra as the sole state in the country to exhibit such a vast and well-established blood service framework.

In accordance with the criteria set forth by the World Health Organization, the recommended blood transfusion rate should account for 1 percent of the population. However, our state surpasses this benchmark with a rate of 1.5 percent, thereby securing the highest blood collection record in the country.

'MAHA AROGYA' CAMP

महाआरोग्य शिबिर

On the occasion of the Chief Minister's birthday on February 9, 2023, a momentous healthcare event known as the Maha Arogya camp was organized across the state at various healthcare facilities. This initiative aimed to deliver essential healthcare services, encompassing primary health check-ups, complimentary blood tests, ABHA card registration, and necessary referral services.

The remarkable success of this healthcare endeavor manifested through the seamless organization of 3005 Maha Aragya camps throughout the state. Notably, on a single day, a significant count of 3,70,911 patients received medical evaluations and care, attesting to the unwavering commitment and effectiveness of the healthcare system.



'HINDUHRUDAYSAMRAT BALASAHEB THACKERAY AAPLA DAWANKHANA'



The esteemed initiative known as 'Hinduhrudaysamrat Balasaheb Thackeray Aapla Dawankhana' is currently in progress with the objective of establishing clinics (Aapla Dawakhana) at 700 locations across the state. It is noteworthy that 317 of these clinics have already been successfully operationalized. Since May 1, 2023, this commendable healthcare service has significantly benefited a total of 1,57,148 patients and 3,519 expectant mothers. Furthermore, these clinics have conducted an impressive count of 22,392 laboratory tests, thereby amplifying the range and efficacy of their healthcare provisions.

CONSTRUCTION OF GOVERNMENT DISTRICT HOSPITALS AND VARIOUS HEALTH INSTITUTIONS

The commencement of construction for a new 900-bed building at the District General Hospital in Thane, as well as a 200-bed building at the District General Hospital in Palghar, marks a significant development. Additionally, it is noteworthy that the funds allocated by the National Health Mission have been approved for 171 construction projects across various healthcare institutions. These approved works are scheduled to commence in the near future, demonstrating a steadfast commitment to advancing healthcare infrastructure.



'JAGRUK PALAK, SUDRUDH BALAK' CAMPAIGN



The comprehensive campaign titled 'Jagruk Palak, Sudrudh Balak' is presently being implemented statewide by the Public Health Department to ensure holistic health check-ups for children aged between 0 to 18 years and adolescent boys and girls. This campaign encompasses various educational institutions, including Government and Semi-Government Schools, Junior Colleges, Ashram Schools, Anganwadis, children's homes, children's correctional homes, orphanages, social welfare and tribal department hostels for boys and girls, private nurseries, kindergartens, private schools, and private junior colleges.

The primary objective of this campaign is to provide health check-ups, treatment, and referral services for both enrolled and out-of-school children. As a testament to its extensive reach, a remarkable tally of 2,18,40,561 children has been successfully screened across 96,939 schools and 98,350 Anganwadis. This concerted effort underscores the commitment towards ensuring the well-being of the younger generation in our state.







'VANDANIYA BALASAHEB THACKERAY AROGYA RATNA AWARD'

This program was initiated by the Health Department, under the visionary guidance of the former Health Minister and current esteemed Chief Minister, Hon'ble Eknath Shinde. The proactive involvement of the Deputy Chief Minister, Hon'ble Devendra Fadnavis, and the Health Minister, Hon'ble Prof. Dr. Tanaji Sawant, has been instrumental in the successful implementation of this scheme.

As part of this scheme, notable recognition is bestowed upon 1 NGO, 3 doctors, 1 journalist, and 5 health workers for their exceptional contributions in the health sector. The recipients of this esteemed award are presented with a monetary prize of Rs. 1 lakh each, along with a citation and a memento, in recognition of their outstanding work.

The program concluded with great success on the 23rd of January, 2023, at the Rang Sharda Hall in Mumbai, graced by the presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Hon'ble Health Minister, and People's Representatives, further emphasizing the significance and prestige associated with this event.





LITHOTRIPSY TREATMENT

The provision of this treatment service will be initiated within the upcoming three years across all hospitals equipped with 200 beds, thereby ensuring access to advanced treatment for Kidney Stone disease for the patients within the state. As a significant development, approvals have been granted for the implementation of these services in six districts during the present year.

CANCER CHEMOTHERAPY - DAY CARE CENTRE

The state of Maharashtra is witnessing a substantial impact of cancer, affecting approximately 1.2 lakh individuals. However, due to the exorbitant expenses associated with cancer treatment, patients residing in economically disadvantaged and rural regions often refrain from seeking proper medical care or resort to incomplete treatment. To address this critical issue, specialized centers are being established at the Public Health Hospital level across all 34 districts of the state.



MAHARASHTRA - THE LEADER IN 'HEALTH CARE' SECTOR IN THE COUNTRY



Maharashtra stands as a frontrunner in healthcare within the nation, garnering significant recognition through multiple national-level accolades. Notably, the state has achieved commendable accomplishments, including the second award for remarkable reduction in Maternal Mortality, second award for exemplary target organization certification, second award for outstanding contributions by Asha Paracharika, and the first award for notable reduction in Anemia among adolescent out-of-school girls.

'CATARACT-FREE MAHARASHTRA MISSION'

Cataract, being the foremost cause of blindness, necessitates surgical intervention as the sole remedy. With the aim of addressing the existing backlog of cataract cases, a target of conducting 2.7 million cataract surgeries within a span of three years has been established. To accomplish this objective, specialized surgical facilities are accessible in 87 government institutions and 81 non-governmental organizations (NGOs). The comprehensive "Cataract Free Maharashtra" campaign will be executed in collaboration with these entities.



CARDIA CATH LAB FOR HEART DISEASE PATIENTS

Cardiovascular disease holds significant prominence as a leading cause of mortality. In light of this, the STEMI project is being actively undertaken across 12 districts of Maharashtra. Under the auspices of the Public Health Department, a comprehensive initiative has been launched to render affordable healthcare services to the public by establishing 15 Catheterization laboratories (Cathelas).

CANCER VAN

The Public Health Department of Maharashtra conducts routine surveys to identify individuals suspected of having cancer. In cases requiring confirmation, a biopsy becomes necessary. To facilitate this process, the provision of eight Mabile Cancer Diagnostic Vans will be established.





STATE-OF-THE-ART REGIONAL PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL AT THANE

A state-of-the-art Psychiatric Hospital is planned to be constructed, taking inspiration from the esteemed National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences. The hospital will encompass a comprehensive range of facilities, including a 3,100-bed Modern Surgery House, Intensive Care Unit, Research Department, Training Department, Sports Department, and Yoga and Meditation services. Furthermore, a regional Psychiatric Hospital will be established in Kolhapur.

MAHARASHTRA MEDICAL GOODS PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY

The establishment of the "Maharashtra Medical Goods Procurement Authority" signifies the creation of an independent entity tasked with the procurement of medicines, medicinal materials, machinery, and equipment essential for health institutions operating under the umbrella of the Public Health Department, Medical Education, and Research Department in the state. Additionally, this authority will extend its procurement services to other departments, autonomous organizations, municipal corporations, private establishments, and similar entities upon their registration of respective demands. Maharashtra takes great pride in being the pioneering state to institute the "Maharashtra Medical Goods Procurement Authority," setting a precedent for the entire country.



ESTABLISHMENT OF 30-BED AYUSH HOSPITALS IN 4 DISTRICTS



As part of the National AYUSH Abhiyan, the establishment of 30-bed AYUSH Hospitals in the state of Maharashtra has been proposed in four districts, namely Pune, Ahmednagar, Nandurbar, and Sindhudurg. Significant progress has been made in the construction of AYUSH Hospitals in Pune, Ahmednagar, and Nandurbar over the past year. The construction of the AYUSH Hospital in Sindhudurg is currently underway, with approximately 65% of the construction already completed. It is anticipated that all four hospitals will commence operations in the near future, providing valuable healthcare services to the community.

ASIA'S FIRST 'MOBILE MULTISPECIALTY HOSPITAL' AT DHARASHIV

In the district of Dharashiv, located in Marathwada, the inception of Asia's first Mobile Multispecialty Hospital has been achieved under the visionary efforts of Hon'ble Health Minister Prof. Dr. Tanaji Sawant, in collaboration with the NITI Aayog. This pioneering mobile hospital initiative aims to deliver comprehensive healthcare services to the public. Termed as the 'Arogya Rath', this mobile hospital represents a groundbreaking concept in the realm of healthcare, being the first of its kind in Asia. Spanning a length of 25 feet, the hospital expands on both sides and encompasses vital features such as air-conditioning, provisions for minor surgeries, and beds for advanced examinations. Designed to extend the capabilities of a multispecialty hospital, this mobile healthcare unit has been specifically tailored to address the healthcare needs of rural communities. Recognizing the demand for specialized medical facilities in these underserved regions, the Health Minister has undertaken the initiative to provide healthcare services through this innovative mobile hospital. With its compact dimensions of 25 feet in length and an area of 450 square feet, this mobile multispecialty hospital will prove invaluable to rural areas, delivering comprehensive and automated healthcare services.

The medical staff accompanying the mobile hospital will include a Doctor, Technician, Data Entry Operator, Nurse, Driver, Assistant Pharmacist, and Radiology Technician. Furthermore, the hospital will feature Telemedicine capabilities, facilitating consultations with expert doctors to ensure enhanced patient care. Additionally, patients can be referred to the nearest government hospital for further specialized treatments following examination. The mobile hospital will house expanded laboratories, automated testing facilities, and instant drug reporting provisions. A well-stocked pharmacy offering a range of 100 different medicines will also be available within the mobile hospital premises.





'SUNDAR MAJHA DAWAKHANA' CAMPAIGN



Under the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Public Health Minister, Prof. Dr. Tanaji Sawant, and with the guidance of Hon'ble Sanjay Khandare, Principal Secretary of the Health Department, as well as the proactive initiative undertaken by Hon'ble Dheeraj Kumar, Commissioner of Health Services, a significant directive has been issued to all health institutions across the state to observe 'Swachhata Diwas' on the first Saturday of each month. This call to action has garnered an encouraging response from healthcare facilities throughout the region.

Hon'ble Dheeraj Kumar, as the Commissioner of Health Services and Director of the National Health Mission, has mandated that all clinics and health centers under the Public Health Department undergo a comprehensive cleaning process on the first Saturday of every month. The inaugural campaign commenced on the 4th of February, 2023, marking the subsequent observance of 'Swachta Diwas' on the first Saturday of each month. Furthermore, on the occasion of World Health Day, the Health Department launched the 'Sundar Majha Dawakhana' campaign from the 7th to the 14th of April, 2023. The campaign focused on fostering cleanliness and aesthetic appeal within hospitals, which garnered a positive response from participants.



MISSION MELGHAT

The Health Minister, Honorable Professor Dr. Tanaji Sawant, conducted a visit to the Primary Health Centres in the Melghat Tribal area, wherein he issued directives aimed at implementing measures to combat malnutrition, reduce child mortality, and improve maternal healthcare. Furthermore, he provided instructions for the immediate filling of vacant positions at the health centre in Melghat. In an effort to enhance emergency medical services, 16 additional ambulances, including 2 neonatal ambulances, have been recently commissioned in Melghat. Moreover, the operationalization of 2 medical mobile teams and the introduction of a CT scan machine have significantly improved healthcare provisions in the region.



AYUSHMAN BHAV: NIROGI AAROGYA TARUNAICHE, VAIBHAV MAHARASHTRACHE (Healthy Youth, Glory of Maharashtra)

AYUSHMAN BHAV FREE HEALTH CHECKUP



निरोगी आरोग्य तरुणाईचे वैभव महाराष्ट्राचे

- In September 2023, Maharashtra's Public Health Department announced 'Nirogi Aarogy Tarunaiche, Vaibhav Maharashtrache' for the health of youth.
- Public Health Department commitment to youth health through free comprehensive health check-ups for all men above 18.
- With 62,94,599 citizens registered by November 18, 2023, the initiative has already screened 55,09,484 beneficiaries.
- Free surgery for patients as per requirement
- · 108 ambulances can be used to refer to emergency patients
- If major surgery is required, patients can undergo surgery through Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Jan Arogya Yojana and Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana approved hospitals.
- Patients will be provided with free referral services through all health institutions in the division.
- Specialist services will be made available to patients through e-Sanjeevani tele-consultation.

FREE TREATMENT POLICY A REVOLUTIONARY DECISION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, MAHARASHTRA

All citizens of Maharashtra will get free medical treatment from 15 August 2023

Free health care services available here,

- District Hospital
- General Hospital
- Super Specialty Hospital (Nashik, Amravati)
- Referral Service Hospital
- Women's Hospital
- Sub District Hospital
- Rural Hospital
- · Primary Health Centre
- Arogyavardhini Center



AAROGYACHI WARI PANDHRICHYA DAARI (HEALTH 'WARI')

On the occasion of Ashadhi Ekadashi, the pilgrims gathered at Pandharpur for health check-up and to provide health services to them. A 3-day Maha Arogya Camp was organized from 27th to 29th June 2023. This camp was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Minister Eknath Shinde. On this occasion, the State Health Minister Hon'ble Prof. Dr. Tanaji Sawant was present.

A remarkable performance by the Public Health Department, Maharashtra

AAROGYACHI WARI PANDHRICHYA DAARI

A total of 11,64,684 pilgrimists (Warkari) were provided free health care in Palkhi Road and Pandharpur Maha Arogya camps.



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'VANDANIYA BALASAHEB THACKERAY AROGYA RATNA AWARD' & 'JAGRUK PALAK, SUDRUDH BALAK' CAMPAIGN







'HINDUHRUDAYSAMRAT BALASAHEB THACKERAY AAPLA DAWAKHANA'







The esteemed Chief Minister, Eknath Shinde, and Deputy Chief Minister, Devendra Fadnavis, jointly inaugurated 100 Trunat machines for the tribal-majority districts of the state as part of the National Tuberculosis Eradication Programme.









The distribution of Ayushman Bharat Digital Health (ABHA) cards was carried out by the esteemed Chief Minister, Eknath Shinde, and Deputy Chief Minister, Devendra Fadnavis, as a concerted effort to fortify the healthcare system in the rural regions of the state.















In commemoration of Maharashtra Day on 1st May, 2023, a total of 317 "Hinduhrudayasamrat Balasaheb Thackeray Aapla Dawakhana" were ceremoniously revealed in a digital manner, under the esteemed presence of the Chief Minister, Eknath Shinde. These healthcare facilities were established in each taluka of the state, with the distinguished presence of Mr. Nawin Sona, Secretary-2 of the Public Health Department, and Mr. Dheeraj Kumar, Commissioner of Health Services.



On the auspicious occasion of 'Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Diwas' and 'International Women's Day', the digital inauguration of 'Janaushadhi Kendras' in rural areas was presided over by the esteemed presence of Hon'ble Ramesh Bais, the Governor of Maharashtra, who graciously engaged with the participants through an interactive audio-visual medium. This significant program was organized on March 8, 2023, at the prestigious venue of Yashwantrao Chavan Pratishthan, Auditorium in Mumbai.





The prize distribution ceremony of the 'Maha Arogya Film Festival 2022-23', organized by the Department of Public Health, was gracefully held at the prestigious venue of Balgandharva Rang Mandir in Pune. The distinguished winners were honored and felicitated by the esteemed presence of Hon'ble Minister of Health, Prof. Dr. Tanaji Sawant, who presented them with prizes, mementos, and cash rewards. The occasion was graced by the presence of Mr. Dheeraj Kumar, Commissioner of Health Services, Dr. Nitin Ambedkar, Director of Health Services, Pune,





