



## Telemedicine Facility for Pilgrims

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The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has joined hands with Jammu and Kashmir's Directorate of Health Services-Kashmir (DHS-K) to set up a telemedicine centre at an altitude of 12,700 feet, to cater to pilgrims en route to the Amarnath shrine.

- It will provide **real-time treatment for high-altitude** and other ailments that pilgrims frequently face in the region. An Intensive Care Unit will handle critically ill patients.
- The telemedicine facility will enable the doctors posted at the hospital to connect in real time to the tertiary care institutions of the country. Expert opinion on super-specialities like cardiology, neurology and respiratory medicine can be sought for timely intervention.
- The Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research, (PGIMER), Chandigarh; the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi; the Sher-i-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences (SKIMS), Srinagar, etc. will be among the country's top hospitals available through the telemedicine facility.

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