



PM Atmanirbhar Swasth Bharat Scheme

Why in News

Recently, the Prime Minister talked about the **need to address health issues in a holistic manner** and to adopt a **four-pronged strategy** for a healthy India that includes implementing the **PM Atmanirbhar Swasth Bharat scheme**.

Key Points

- **Four-Pronged Strategy for a Healthy India:**
 - **Prevention of illness and promotion of wellness** including measures such as [Swachh Bharat Abhiyan](#), yoga and timely care and treatment of pregnant women and children,
 - Providing cheap and effective **treatment to the poorest of the poor**,
 - Increasing the **quality of health infrastructure** and healthcare professionals and
 - **Working on a mission mode** to overcome obstacles like [Mission Indradhanush](#) has been extended to the tribal and far-flung areas of the country.
- **PM Atmanirbhar Swasth Bharat Scheme:**

PM AatmaNirbhar Swasth Bharat Yojana

A new Centrally Sponsored Scheme with an outlay of about ₹ 64,180 crore, over 6 years

Main Interventions :

- Support for 17,788 rural and 11,024 urban Health and Wellness Centers

Setting up of :

- Integrated public health labs in all districts and 3382 block public health units in 11 states
- Critical care hospital blocks in 602 districts and 12 central institutions
- 15 Health Emergency Operation Centers and 2 mobile hospitals
- A national institution for One Health, a Regional Research Platform for WHO South East Asia Region, 9 Bio-Safety Level III laboratories and 4 regional National Institutes for Virology

- **About:**
 - Announced in the [Union Budget 2021-22](#).
 - Aims to **develop capacities of primary, secondary, and tertiary care health systems** even in the last miles of the nation.
 - **Developing a modern ecosystem** for research, testing and treatment in the

country itself.

- **Funding:**

- **Centrally Sponsored Scheme** with an outlay of about Rs. 64,180 crores.

- **Duration:** 6 years.

- **Objectives:**

- Supporting development of 17,788 **rural** and 11,024 **urban health and wellness centers** and setting up of **integrated public health labs** in all districts and 3,382 block public health units in 11 states.
- Help in establishing **critical care hospital** blocks in 602 districts and 12 central institutions. Strengthening of the **National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC)**, its 5 regional branches and 20 metropolitan health surveillance units.
- Expansion of the **Integrated Health Information Portal** to all States/UTs to connect all public health labs.
- Help in rolling out the **Covid-19 vaccination program** as well as strengthen the delivery system and build better capability and capacity to combat any future pandemics.

- **Other Initiatives in Health Sector:**

- **Ayushman Bharat Program.**
- **National Health Mission.**
- **Jan Aushadhi Yojana.**

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