Budget 2019: 7 things to expect in health sector from upcoming interim budget

The government will unveil its budget for the 2019-20 fiscal year on Friday. People in the country have high hopes from the upcoming budget, and the health sector is no exception. Here are some key expectations from the health sector.

1. Health insurance

In 2018, the government launched the Ayushman Bharat scheme, which provides health insurance to people below poverty line. It is expected that the government will increase the budget for health insurance and introduce new schemes for all.

2. Health services

The government will still have to focus on providing better health services to the country's rural areas. The Ayushman Bharat scheme has already covered 50 million people in the country.

3. Health and Wellness Centres

The government has approved 11,000 health and wellness centres across the country. These centres will provide a comprehensive healthcare service and also provide free essential drugs.

4. Ayush missions

The government has allocated funds for Ayush missions, which aim to promote Indian traditional medicine systems. The missions will work towards improving the quality and accessibility of Ayush services.

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NATHEALTH to support NHA to implement Ayushman Bharat

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NEW DELHI: NATHEALTH- Healthcare Federation of India to Support the National Health Authority (NHA) to Implement the Ayushman Bharat scheme to provide health insurance to 10 crore poor families in the country.

Dialjit Singh, President, NATHEALTH

Under the agreement NATHEALTH will extend full support and set up a mechanism to provide technical experts and inputs as and when sought by NHA and the State Governments, said a senior government official aware of the development.

"With the well-being of the last mile beneficiary as our focus, we look forward to active and sustained contributions of NATHEALTH towards improvement of quality of healthcare and increasing private investment in health infrastructure in the country," said Dr. Indu Bhushan, CEO, NHA.

Dr. Dinesh Arora, Deputy CEO, NHA, said, "We welcome active participation from NATHEALTH members in our costing exercises and technical support requests. I also encourage all its members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to the scheme by empaneling their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care."

"The exercise of calibrating package rates and the development of standard treatment protocols is expected to begin soon and is a very important step towards a meaningful and sustainable collaboration," said Dialjit Singh, President, NATHEALTH.

The scheme aims to provide up to Rs 5 lakh health cover for 10 crore below-poverty line families identified using Socio-Economic Caste Census data.

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National Health Authority- Ayushman Bharat (PMJAY) & Healthcare Federation of India (NATHEALTH)

Mumbai, February 19th, 2019: Highlighting the critical role of both public and private sector providers for Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY), its implementing agency National Health Authority (NHA) is set to collaborate with NATHEALTH - Healthcare Federation of India.

NATHEALTH & NHA officials met in New Delhi today to discuss collaboration on a comprehensive range of ideas to scale up the impact of the scheme. During the meeting, it was decided that NATHEALTH will extend full support and set up a mechanism to provide technical experts and inputs as and when sought by NHA and the state governments. The development of quality and accessible health service packages is an important step towards the goal of PMJAY.

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“Government officials and industry leaders are of the common view that to achieve set goals under the Ayushman Bharat, all stakeholders need to move forward in a collaborative spirit. Building a strong delivery network, with wide participation by the private sector, is very critical for successful implementation of the scheme and NATHEALTH will work in this spirit with NHA towards fulfillment of Ayushman Bharat goals,” added Mr. Daltje Singh.

Shivendra Bhatia, Secretary General, NATHEALTH said, “For a larger and meaningful impact of Ayushman Bharat, it is critical to adopt a partnership approach between Ayushman Bharat and the private sector. Focus needs to be on the point that health services delivered to the beneficiaries are safe, sustainable and of appropriate quality to ensure people-centric care. All efforts should be made to strengthen and reinforce the primacy of an effective and viable delivery ecosystem. This collaboration is an important step to work out a robust mechanism that draws upon expertise available across the healthcare sector to achieve universal health coverage in India.”

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“We are happy to collaborate with NATHEALTH and welcome active participation from its members in our cost exercises and technical support requests. I also encourage all its members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat PMJAY by enrolling their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care,” said Dr. Dinesh Arora, Deputy CEO, NHA.

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"I also encourage all its members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY by expanding their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care," Dr Dinesh Agar, Deputy CEO said.

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The Union government on September 21 had launched the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana, which aims to provide a cover of Rs 5 lakh per family per year and is likely to benefit more than 10 crore poor families across the country.

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NHA To Collaborate With Healthcare Federation For Better Implementation Of Ayushman Bharat

The National Health Authority (NHA) has decided to collaborate with the National Health Federation of India (NHF) for better implementation of the Ayushman Bharat scheme. The collaboration aims to provide quality and accessible health services to the beneficiaries.

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The collaboration comes at a time when NHAI is undertaking the exercise of calibrating package rates and development of tendering, treatment protocols to ensure quality healthcare across India. The NHAI, which has the mandate to undertake calibrating exercise and revaluation of package rates, has also been working on developing standard treatment protocols and seeking inputs from the private sector.

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Siddhartha Bhattacharya, Secretary General, NATHALTH said, “For a larger and meaningful impact of Ayushman Bharat, it is critical to adopt a partnership approach between Ayushman Bharat and the private sector. Focus needs to be on the point that health services delivered to the beneficiaries are safe, sustainable and of high quality to ensure people-centric care. All efforts should be made to strengthen and reinforce the primacy of an effective and viable delivery ecosystem. This collaboration is an important step to work out a robust mechanism that draws upon expertise available across the healthcare sector to achieve universal healthcare coverage in India.”
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Ayushman Bharat: Govt to join hands with healthcare body

The National Health Authority is all set to collaborate with a public healthcare body, NATHEALTH, to improve the health care system in India. The collaboration aims to achieve better implementation of the government’s flagship programme, Ayushman Bharat, and enhance the delivery of health care services.

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The collaboration comes at a time when NHA will be undertaking the exercise of calibrating package rates and development of standard treatment protocols to ensure quality healthcare across India. The NHA, which has the mandate to undertake cost exercise and revision of package rates, has committed to establishing a transparent process based on established methodology and global best practices and is seeking inputs and full involvement of the private sector in the costing process.

"This collaboration is part of our practice of mutual learning from the industry to improve design and implementation of PM-JAY. With the well-being of the last mile beneficiary as our focus, we look forward to active and sustained contributions of NATHEALTH towards the improvement of the quality of health care and increasing private investment in health infrastructure in the country," Dr Indu Bhushan, CEO, Ayushman Bharat said.

"I also encourage all its members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY by equipping their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care," Dr Binita Aneria, Deputy CEO said.

"We had a very meaningful meeting with NHA. NATHEALTH, in its endeavour to increase access and quality of healthcare across India, will extend full support to the NHA. "We will provide technical experts and inputs, whenever required by the Authority. The exercise of calibrating package rates and the development of standard treatment protocols is expected to begin soon and is a very important step towards a meaningful and sustainable collaboration," said Daljit Singh, President of NATHEALTH said.

Government officials and industry leaders are of the common view that to achieve set goals under the Ayushman Bharat, all stakeholders need to move forward in a collaborative spirit. Building a strong delivery network, with wide participation by the private sector, is very critical for successful implementation of the scheme and NATHEALTH will work in this spirit with NHA towards the fulfilment of Ayushman Bharat goals," added Singh.

The Union government on September 23 had launched the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana, which aims to provide a coverage of Rs 5 lakh per family per year and is likely to benefit more than 10 crore poor families across the country. So far, more than 10 lakh people have availed free treatment under the scheme and this has resulted in savings of approximately Rs 3,000 crores to the nation.
NHA to collaborate with Healthcare Federation for better implementation of Ayushman Bharat

The National Health Authority is all set to collaborate with apex health care body NATHHEALTH and Healthcare Federation of India for better implementation of Ayushman Bharat and get more private hospitals on board. The NHA and NATHHEALTH officials recently met in Delhi to discuss collaboration to scale up the impact of the scheme.

During the meeting, it was decided that NATHHEALTH will extend full support and set up a mechanism to provide technical experts and inputs, as and when sought by NHA and the state governments. “The development of quality and accessible health service packages as an important step towards the goal of PHAMs is an initiative that is known how,” NHA said.

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“This collaboration is part of our practice of mutual learning from the industry to improve design and implementation of PHAMs. With the well-being of our sick and vulnerable populations on our mind, we look forward to active and sustained contributions of NATHHEALTH towards improvement in quality of health care and increasing private investment in health infrastructure in the country,” Dr. Indu Bhushan, CEO, Ayushman Bharat, said.

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NHA To Collaborate With Healthcare Federation For Better Implementation Of Ayushman Bharat

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“During the meeting, it was decided that NATH/HEALTHCARE will extend full support and set up a mechanism to provide technical experts and inputs, as and when sought by NHA and the state governments. The development of quality and accessible health service packages is an important step towards the goal of PM-JAY,” an official is known to have said.

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“This collaboration is part of our practice of mutual learning from the industry to improve design and implementation of PM-JAY. With the well-being of the last mile beneficiary as our focus, we look forward to active and sustained contributions of NATH/HEALTHCARE towards improvement of quality of health care and increasing private investment in health infrastructure in the country,” Dr Indu Bhushan, CEO, Ayushman Bharat said.

“I also encourage all its members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY by encouraging their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care,” Dr Dinesh Agarwala, Deputy CEO said. “We had a very meaningful meeting with NHA. NATH/HEALTHCARE, in its efforts to increase access and quality of healthcare across India, will extend full support to the NHA.

“We will provide technical experts and inputs, whenever required by the Authority. The exercise of collating package rates and development of standard treatment protocols is expected to begin soon and it is a very important step towards a meaningful and sustainable collaboration,” said Daljit Singh, President of NATH/HEALTHCARE said.

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Ayushman Bharat seems agreeable to Private Hospitals’ stance regarding Packages’ rates

Officials of Ayushman Bharat Implementing Agency and NATHHEALTH, at a meeting of Private Health Providers, met to remove bottlenecks

NATIONAL & S. INDIA officials met in New Delhi on Tuesday (February 12) to discuss collaboration on a comprehensive range of ideas to scale up the impact of the scheme. During the meeting, NATHHEALTH expressed willingness to extend full support and set up a mechanism to provide technical experts and inputs, as and when sought by the NHA and the State Governments. They agreed that the development of quality and accessible healthcare services is an important step towards the goal of PM-JAY.

The government hospitals alone are astronomically unable to make an impact, and NATHHEALTH, a federation of private healthcare providers, is keen on scaling up its efforts to ensure the quality of healthcare across India.

The NHA, which has the mandate to undertake costing exercise and revision of package rates, has committed to establish a transparent process based on established methodology and global best practices and is seeking inputs and full involvement of private sector in the costing process.

Dr. Indu Bhushan, FEI, NHA, said: “This collaboration is based on our practice of mutual learning from the industry to improve design and implementation of PM-JAY. With the well-being of the last mile beneficiary as our focus, we look forward to active and sustained contributions of NATHHEALTH towards improving quality of health care and increasing private investment in health infrastructure in the country.”

“We are happy to collaborate with NATHHEALTH and welcome active participation from its members in our seeking experts and technical support requests. I also encourage all the members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat PHJAY by acquainting their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care,” said Dr. Dinesh Arora, Deputy CEO, NHA.

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Siddhartha Bhattaraiya, Secretary General, NATHHEALTH said: “For a larger and meaningful impact of Ayushman Bharat, it is critical to adopt a partnership approach between Ayushman Bharat and the private sector. Focus needs to be on prioritizing health services delivered to the beneficiaries are safe, sustainable and of appropriate quality to ensure people-centric care.”

Ayushman Bharat — Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojna (PMJAY) (AB PM-JAY) is the world’s largest government-supported healthcare scheme that aims to provide health cover to more than 10 crore poor and vulnerable families (or 50 crore individuals) with a health cover of Rs. 5 lakh per family (or Rs. 2.5 lakh per individual). PM-JAY ensures that individuals have access to quality care — from preventive care, diagnostics, medical treatment, hospitalization, surgery and critical care, to rehabilitation.

A platform for the medical and healthcare community, NATHHEALTH is a federation of healthcare providers, with a Vision of being the premier voice of the private healthcare sector, and a Mission of reinforcing the strategic role of the private sector to augment India’s healthcare delivery system.
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"I also encourage all its members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY by roping in their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care,” Dr Dinesh Arora, Deputy CEO said.

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इस संदर्भ में, एनएचए और एनएचएवीएलएली-हेल्थकेयर (NATHEALTH) के अधिकारियों ने हाल ही में निल्ली में गोरखा के ए्यूमन को बढ़ाने के मदद-कर बढ़ाने के लिए अपनी धारण आखिरी गुट की थी। इसकी जानकारी रखने वाले एक आयोजक ने कहा कि, 'बेडक के ऑस्ट्रियान, वह ठुंड किया गया कि एनएचएवीएलएली-हेल्थकेयर के प्रभाव वाले और उठती विशेषताओं के इर्द-गिर्द बनाने के लिए एक तंत्र स्थापित करेगा, जैसा कि एनएचए और राज्य सरकारों द्वारा गमन की गई है।' इसके साथ ही उल्लेख कि, 'गुरुवार और सुखद स्वास्थ्य सेवा के निरिक्षण पीएम-नेताओं के उल्लेख का विस्तार नेफिट-लीकेज के लक्ष्य की विदेश में एक महत्वपूर्ण कदम है।'

क्या है आयुष्मान भारत योजना?

बेडक राज्यों ने 23 नवंबर को आयुष्मान भारत प्रधानमंत्री जन आपोज्य योजना सुरु की थी, जिसका उद्देश्य प्रति परिवार पांच लाख रुपये का स्वास्थ्य बीमा प्रदान करना है। इसके भीतर 19 प्रति परिवार परिवारों को जान होने की संभावना है। अब तक 10 लाख से अधिक लोगों ने इस योजना के तात्कालिक इतिहास किया है और इसके परिपातस्वरूप राष्ट्र को समग्र 3,000 करोड़ रुपये की बचत हुई है।
NHA to collaborate with NATHEALTH to scale up Ayushman Bharat

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Highlighting the critical role of both public and private sector providers for Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojna (PMJAY), its implementing agency National Health Authority (NHA) is set to collaborate with NATHEALTH - Healthcare Federation of India.

NATHEALTH and NHA officials met to discuss collaboration on a comprehensive range of ideas to scale up the impact of the scheme. During the meeting, it was decided that NATI.CAI.LTI will extend full support and set up a mechanism to provide technical experts and inputs, as and when sought by NHA and the state governments. The development of quality and accessible health service packages is an important step towards the goal of PM-JAY.

The collaboration comes at a critical time as NHA will be undertaking the exercise of calibrating package rates and development of standard treatment protocols to ensure quality healthcare across India. The NHA, which has the mandate to undertake costing exercise and revision of package rates, has committed to establish a transparent process based on established methodology and global best practices and is seeking inputs and full involvement of private sector in the costing process.

"This collaboration is part of our practice of mutual learning from the industry to improve design and implementation of PM-JAY. With the well-being of the last mile beneficiary as our focus, we look forward to active and sustained contributions of NATHEALTH towards improvement of quality of health care and increasing private investment in health infrastructure in the country," said Dr. Indu Bhushan, CEO, NHA.

"We are happy to collaborate with NATHEALTH and welcome active participation from its members in our costing exercises and technical support requests. I also encourage all its members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY by empaneling their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care," said Dr. Dinesh Arora, deputy CEO, NHA.

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"Government officials and industry leaders are of the common view that to achieve set goals under the Ayushman Bharat, all stakeholders need to move forward in a collaborative spirit. Building a strong delivery network, with wide participation by the private sector, is very critical for successful implementation of the scheme and NATHEALTH will work in this spirit with NHA towards fulfillment of Ayushman Bharat goals, added Daljit Singh.

Sudhartha Bhattacharya, secretary general, NATHEALTH said, "For a larger and meaningful impact of Ayushman Bharat, it is critical to adopt a partnership approach between Ayushman Bharat and the private sector. Focus needs to be on the point that health services delivered to the beneficiaries are safe, sustainable and of appropriate quality to ensure people-centric care. All efforts should be made to strengthen and reinforce the primacy of an effective and viable delivery ecosystem. This collaboration is an important step to work out a robust mechanism that draws upon expertise available across the healthcare sector to achieve universal health coverage in India."

Ayushman Bharat - PMJAY is the world’s largest government-supported healthcare scheme that aims to provide more than 10 crore poor and vulnerable families (or 50 crore individuals) with a health cover of ₹5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary care for a range of serious illnesses. So far, more than 10 lakh people have availed free treatment under the scheme and this has resulted in savings of approximately ₹3,000 crore to the nation.
NHA, NATHEALTH to Tie Up for Ayushman Bharat Rollout

The National Health Authority is all set to collaborate with apex healthcare body NATHEALTH—Healthcare Federation of India for better implementation of the Ayushman Bharat scheme and get more private hospitals on board. The NHA and NATHEALTH officials recently met in Delhi to discuss tieup to scale up the scheme’s impact. “It was decided that NATHEALTH will extend full support and set up a mecha-

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“The development of quality and accessible health service packages is an important step towards the goal of PM-JAY,” as enshrined in the future few years.

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“We will provide technical experts and inputs, wherever required by the Authority. The exercise of calibrating package rates and the development of standard treatment protocols is expected to begin soon and is a very important step towards a meaningful and sustainable collaboration,” said Deepak Singh, President of NAIHEALTH said.

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Budget 2019: 7 things to expect in health sector from upcoming interim budget

The government will unveil its budget for the 2019-20 fiscal year on February 1. People in the country have high hopes from the upcoming budget. However, people will be keeping their eye on health budget. Recently Modi government launches Ayushman Bharat scheme which provides health insurance to people below poverty line. So it is expected that government can increase the budget of its health schemes or introduce new schemes for all.

So here are the things which we can expect in 2019-2020 Health budget.

### 1. Total health budget

Health budget in 2018 was Rs 52,800 thousand crore which is 2.16 per cent of total budget.

**Expectation from the interim budget 2019:** The healthcare budget allocation may rise by 3 percent this year.

### 2. Health Insurance

Currently, health insurance falls under the 18% GST slab. According to MoneyControl, only 20 percent of Indians have health insurance.

**Expectation from the interim budget 2019:** Can lower GST rate to 12 percent from 18 percent on health insurance premium, so if its rate is less than people can opt for health insurance.

### 3. OPD/Products

18% GST rate is applicable on products providing outpatient coverage, which increases the treatment cost, according to MoneyControl.

**Expectation from the interim budget 2019:** Can bring GST rate on products providing outpatient coverage to 5% and make it more convenient for people to seek medical treatment.

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Comprehensive Wellness for Healthy India needs bigger collaborations

Dr. Aadish Choudhary, MD, Aakash Healthcare

The Union Budget 2019, presented in the Lok Sabha today, reiterates the government’s commitment to improve healthcare systems in the country, said Dr. Aadish Choudhary, Managing Director, Aakash Healthcare.

According to the Union Budget announcements, he said, “The government has presented a positive Union Budget 2019 in place, the government is expected to provide a new momentum to bigger collaboration among stakeholders.”

2020 reactions

Focus on ‘Healthy India’ in the key takeaway: NATEALTH

New Delhi, February 2, 2019

As India aspires to become USD 25 trillion economy by 2029, inclusion of ‘Healthy India’ in the government’s 2020 priorities under “Vision 2029” is one of the key takeaways from today’s Budget and emphasis on Health Assurance with necessary infrastructure, sanitation, pollution control for comprehensive wellness of people would go long way to achieve the goal of sustainable and inclusive development, according to NATEALTH.

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Ayushman Bharat: Govt to join hands with healthcare body

The National Health Authority is all set to collaborate with a superior healthcare body NATEALTH—Healthcare Federation of India for better implementation of the government’s flagship programme Ayushman Bharat and get more private hospitals on board. The NHA and NATEALTH officials recently met in Delhi to discuss collaboration to scale up the impact of the scheme.

“During the meeting, it was decided that NATEALTH will extend full support and set up a mechanism to provide technical experts and inputs, as and when sought by NHA and the state governments. The development of quality and accessible health service packages is an important step towards the goal of PM-JAY,” an official is the knowhow said.

The collaboration comes at a time when NHA will be undertaking the exercise of calibrating package rates and development of standard treatment protocols to ensure quality healthcare across India. The NHA, which has the mandate to undertake cost-effective and revision of package rates, has committed to establishing a transparent process based on established methodology and global best practices and is seeking inputs and full involvement of private sector in the costing process.

“This collaboration is part of our practice of mutual learning from the ministry to improve design and implementation of PM-JAY. With the well-being of the last mile beneficiary as our focus, we look forward to active and sustained contributions of NATEALTH towards the improvement of the quality of healthcare and increasing private investment in healthcare infrastructure in the country,” Dr Indu Bhushan, CEO, Ayushman Bharat said. “I also encourage all its members to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY by expanding their hospitals and hence expanding the provider network and quality of care,” Dr Rakesh Jain, Deputy CEO said.

“We had a very meaningful meeting with NHA. NATEALTH, in its endeavor to increase access and quality of healthcare accessible across India, will extend full support to the NHA. We will provide technical experts and inputs whenever required by the Authority. The exercise of calibrating package rates and the development of standard treatment protocols is expected to begin soon and is a very important step towards a meaningful and sustainable collaboration,” said Daljit Singh, President of NATEALTH said.

Government officials and industry leaders are of the common view that to achieve set goals under the Ayushman Bharat, all stakeholders need to move forward in a collaborative spirit. Building a strong delivery network, with wide participation by the private sector, is very critical for successful implementation of the scheme and NATEALTH will work in this spirit with NHA towards the fulfillment of Ayushman Bharat goals, added Singh.

The Union government on September 23 had launched the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana, which aims to provide a coverage of Rs 5 lakh per family per year and is likely to benefit more than 10 crore poor families across the country. So far, more than 10 lakh people have availed free treatment under the scheme and this has resulted in savings of approximately Rs 3,000 crores to the nation.
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However, the government needs to execute an action agenda on reducing the status to healthcare, it added.

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Speaking at the increasing highlights in the interim Budget is the closer meeting under the ‘Ayushman Bharat programme’, the government has outlined in its budget. India’s Healthcare Sector Chairperson and MD of Apollo Hospitals Sangita Reddy said: “We expect the Budget 2020 to make substantial improvement to healthcare.”

However, the Budget 2020-21 stipulates out the central government’s take up healthcare initiatives over the last few years. This is encouraging as the healthcare is a vital component of the overall health and wellbeing criterion across India,” Apollo Hospitals MD and Chairperson Sangita Reddy said.

While the announcements of ambitious projects like Ayushman Bharat last year, explanations were given in the interim budget recommendations on healthcare, some investments on outpatient are and diagnostic would have been great,” he added.

Kailash Hospital Chairman Sanjiv Harlow said, Ayushman Bharat will empower the needy care of the country. A movement that can potentially change the healthcare in India’s remote areas of the magnitude would be very challenging, not only a financial but also a human task to implement.

“The main problem is in implementing this, would be the need to build an indigenous, affordable, healthcare personnel and technology. The government have allocated some additional funds for this, but will require a much greater allocation in the future,” he added.

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New Delhi: Union acting Finance Minister, Piyush Goyal announced Friday to hike the union budgetary allocation for the health sector for the 2019-2020 fiscal, with Rs. 6,514 crore earmarked for the country’s ambitious ARYAN health insurance scheme.

The health cut for the upcoming financial year is the highest in the last two financial years and a 16 per cent increase over the 2018-2019 allocation which was Rs. 5,430.30 crore.

It must be noted here that a major portion of the allocation will go to the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PAY) which was launched September 23 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The scheme aims at providing a cover of Rs. 10,000 lakh per family annually and is aimed at benefiting more than 10 crore poor families across the country.

Meanwhile, the healthcare industry welcomed the government’s move to include ‘Healthy India’ as one of its 10 key priorities under the vision for the next decade as highlighted by Goyal in his budget speech. The industry, however, said it expected higher budget allocation for healthcare.

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“NAILH welcomes the rolling-up plans for the Ayushman Bharat Mission and the governments focus on universal health coverage that improve India’s march towards a Swasthya Shiksha. However, we believe it has to be done collaboratively through value linked scientific mindset driving sustainable pricing supported by improved ecosystem efficieny gates,” its secretary general Sankaran Sathendrappa said.

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India Inc Welcomes Inclusion Of Healthy India As Part Of Vision 2030

New Delhi: India Inc on Friday welcomed the government’s move to include healthy India as one of 11 key priorities under the vision for the next decade as highlighted by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in her Budget speech for 2019-20.

The industry, however, said it expected higher budget allocations for healthcare. Speaking to the media, APJ Abdul Kalam VBA President Nirmal Kaur said, “The year’s budget acknowledges that the government is interested in a healthy India and addressed the issue of healthcare in the country.”

The Budget highlighted the government’s aim to bridge the urban-rural divide and provide benefits that people in all corners of the country can benefit from, with a particular focus on the rural poor, said the industry.

“The Budget and the Vision 2030 document envisages making India a healthy nation. We welcome the move towards achieving this goal. The budget allocations for healthcare have to be substantially increased from the current levels,” said Nirmal Kaur.

The health sector is one of the key areas for growth in the Vision 2030 document, which aims to make India a global powerhouse by 2030.

“The government has taken a positive step by including healthy India as one of its key priorities in the Vision 2030 document. However, there is a need for substantial increases in budgetary allocations for healthcare,” said a senior official from a leading hospital.

The Vision 2030 document highlights the importance of healthcare in achieving the country’s economic goals. The budgetary allocations for healthcare must be increased to ensure that the vision is achieved, the official added.

India Inc, which has been a vocal advocate for increased healthcare spending, welcomed the move and said it was a step in the right direction. The industry urged the government to increase the budgetary allocations for healthcare in the coming years to enable the country to achieve its Vision 2030 goals.
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The Indian budget has given a big boost to health insurance by setting aside a whopping 45,000 crores under the health insurance scheme. This is the first time the government has set aside such a huge amount under the scheme. The move is expected to boost the health sector and help achieve the goal of a health-for-all India.

The budget has also set aside funds for the Ayushman Bharat scheme, which aims to provide health insurance coverage to 500 million Indians. The scheme will be implemented in a phased manner over the next few years.

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Medical fraternity give mixed reaction

The Budget 2019-20 drew mixed reactions from the medical fraternity on Friday while some considered it to be beneficial in the long run, for some, it was a wishy-washy affair as it failed to include medical education.

According to NAFHEALTH, the inclusion of ‘Healthy India’ in the Government’s 10 key priorities under ‘Vision 2030’ is one of the key takeaways from Friday’s Budget, however, some medical associations called it disappointing.

Baljit Singh, President, NAFHEALTH said, “The Vision 2030 announced would be a critical step to stem the tide now. Creating a robust health delivery system for comprehensive wellness of the people would be game changer.”

Indias Non Communicable Diseases (NCD) burden is rising alarmingly and it is estimated to cost 10 trillion by 2030, he informed. We need to declare war on NCDs and address the critical need for strengthening the Primary Care framework focussed on prevention, he said further.

Reeling on Ayushman Bharat Siddhartha Bhattacharya, Secretary General, NAFHEALTH said, “We welcome the scaling up plans for the Ayushman Bharat Mission and the government’s focus on universal health coverage that improves India’s march towards a Swasthya Bharat.

However, we believe it has to be done collaboratively through value based scientific costing driving sustainable pricing supported by improved ecosystem efficiency gains.”

On the other hand, Dr. Ravi Wankhedkar, Ex-National President of Indian Medical Association (IMA) selling it disappointing said, “No increase in outlay for Health has been there as it remains meager 1 per cent of GDP. IMI has persistently has demanded to increase it to minimum 2.5 per cent of GDP.”

We added by saying that no announcement on reducing drug prices by adopting the long standing demand of IMA of One Company-One Drug-One Price Policy has been made.

Similarly, Dr. G S Grover of Delhi Medical Association (DMA) said, “Setting up of 22nd AIMs in Haryana is a gimmick and the budget does not include anything concrete for the medical education.”

The budget also invited mixed reactions from the private healthcare providers.

Dr. D.S. Rana, Chairman (Board of Management), Sir Ganga Ram Hospital said, “Increase in funds of Ayushman Bharat is a welcome step but I feel allocation could have more due to the sheer size and magnitude of this scheme.”

Government should involve private sector for training and development of manpower for rural hospitals where availability of trained manpower has always been challenging.”

Dr. Akshiti Choudhry, MD, Aakash Healthcare Super Specialty Hospital also said that the interim budget 2019 reaffirms the government’s commitment to improve healthcare systems in the country. With Vision 2030 in place, the government is expected to provide a new momentum to bigger collaboration among stakeholders, he added.

Earlier in the day, while presenting the budget, Finance Minister Piyush Goyal said that through Ayushman Bharat, around 10 lakh patients have already been benefited through which would have otherwise cost them Rs 3,000 crore.

Lakhs of poor and middle class people are also benefiting from reduction in the prices of essential medicines, cardiac stents and knee implants, and availability of medicines at affordable prices through Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadi Kendras, the finance minister added.

The minister also said that 14 of the 21 AIMs operating or being established in the country presently have been announced since 2016. He also announced setting up of a new – the 22nd AIMs in Haryana.
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Budget 2019: Healthcare Industry: India Inc welcomes the government’s move to include ‘Healthy India’ as one of its 10 key goals under the vision for the next decade as highlighted by Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan in his Budget speech for 2019-20. The industry, however, said it awaited higher budgetary allocation for healthcare.

According to the latest BCG report, India Inc expected a strong focus on the government’s vision for a ‘Healthy India’ under Vision 2030. The Vision Budget 2019-20 is expected to be comprehensive, wide-ranging and balanced, to bring health and nutrition to the forefront. However, the government needs to put in place a plan to address the healthcare sector’s challenges.

Healthy India is a key plank of India Inc’s vision for 2030 and the government’s inclusivity of universal healthcare coverage under Vision 2030 is one of the key highlights of today’s Budget. The Vision Budget 2019-20 is expected to be comprehensive, wide-ranging and balanced. The industry is awaiting higher budgetary allocation for healthcare.

Stating that the industry was happy with the inclusion of Healthy India in the Vision Statement, the industry was looking forward to the government’s initiatives to improve healthcare infrastructure and reduce the health gap between urban and rural areas.

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Healthcare allocations up by 16 per cent in interim budget

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It must be shared here that the major portion of the allocation will be spent on Ayushman Bharat, which was launched in September 2018 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The scheme is aimed at providing a cover of Rs 5,00,000 lakh per family annually and is aimed at benefiting more than 10 crore poor families across the country.

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MORE FUNDING AND INNOVATION REQUIRED TO COMBATE CANCER THROUGH EARLY DIAGNOSIS

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Cancer is India's second biggest killer after heart disease and Non Communicable Diseases (NCDs) burden is rising alarmingly. On World Cancer Day, Action Healthcare body NATHEALTH called for declaring a war against cancer and said that the country needs more funding and innovations to combat NCDs through early diagnosis.

NATHEALTH said, “Let us win the war on cancer by strengthening the Primary Care framework focused on prevention.”

As the world observes Cancer Day on February 4, NATHEALTH strongly recommended higher spending by both public and private sector in cancer research, innovation and treatment.

A significant increase in healthcare spending ($1 trillion cumulatively) is needed to bridge the gaps in Indian healthcare. PPPs will play a key role in encouraging private investment in delivery, medical education and R&O, it said.

Over 110 countries have committed to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) which aim at reducing disease and death burden due to non-communicable diseases (NCDs) such as cancer by one-third by 2030 (and 25% by 2025).

“India’s NCDs burden is rising alarmingly and it is estimated to cost $6 trillion by 2030. We need to declare and win the war on NCDs. Pro-active steps by a forward-thinking government can help establish healthcare to win the war against the disease burden in our country,” said Mr Daljit Singh, President, NATHEALTH.

According to WHO estimates, cancer burden rose to 18.1 million new cases and it claimed 9.6 million lives in 2018. India’s share in it was a worrying 6.17 percent.

“India needs to scale-up and expand current programmes to overcome the growing cancer burden in the country. Scaling-up need to control cancer with care offerings that integrate screening, prevention, treatment and follow-up, enabled by partnerships—both private-private and public-private, and across the delivery, insurance, technology and pharmaceutical sectors,” said Mr Siddhartha Bhattacharya, Secretary General, NATHEALTH.

Every year, the world observes World Cancer Day on February 4th to create awareness. The theme for this year too is ‘I can and I will’, emphasizing the need for collaborative action to fight cancer.

“We urgently need to declare war on NCDs. Population-level NCD screening efforts are required among high-risk groups, followed by enrolment of diagnosed populations in holistic care plans, including education and counseling on healthy living,” he added.

According to NATHEALTH, structural shifts towards specialisation, protocol-based and integrated care are needed and continuing the trend towards specialisation will improve patient outcomes and lead to greater differentiation among service providers.

“Moving towards protocol-based care will improve the quality of care, and care integration will help manage costs and improve overall outcomes. Moreover, we need to focus on innovations which will enable low-cost solutions and improved outcomes. Innovation in delivery formats is needed to ensure that affordable care can be delivered to the mass market and beyond major cities,” the Secretary General said.
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National Health Authority - Ayushman Bharat (PMJAY) & Healthcare Federation of India (NATHALTH)

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Highlighting the critical role of both public and private sector providers for Ayushman Bharat, National Health Authority (NHA) officials met with leaders of the Federation of India Healthcare today to discuss collaboration on a comprehensive range of ideas to scale up the impact of the scheme. The meeting, which was hosted by NHA, will be followed by a mission-level field visit to provide technical inputs and insights, as and when sought by NHA and the State Governments. The development of quality and accessible health service packages is an important step towards the goal of PMJAY.

The collaboration framework at a critical time as NHA will be undertaking the exercise of calibrating package rates and development of standard treatment protocols to ensure quality health care across India. The NHA, which has the mandate to undertake costing exercise and revision of package rates, has committed to collaboration and streamlined process based on established methodology and global best practices and is seeking inputs and full involvement of private sector in the costing process.

"This collaborative part of our practice of drawing lessons from the industry to improve design and implementation of health policy is the basis of the focus of our work and the role of the private sector as our partners is our focus. We look forward to active and sustained contributions of NATHALTH towards improvement of quality of health care and increasing private investment in health infrastructure in the country," said Dr. Vinod Kumar, CEO, NHA.

"We are happy to collaborate with NATHALTH and welcome active participation from its members in our costing exercise and technical support requirements. We encourage all the stakeholders to take advantage of this collaboration and consider contributing to Ayushman Bharat by empowering hospitals and hence expanding the universal network and quality of care," said Dr. Vinod Kumar, CEO, NHA.

"We had a very meaningful meeting with NATHALTH. In its endeavor to increase access and quality of healthcare across India, we will provide technical inputs and input to the cost of various package rates and the development of standard treatment protocols. We are confident that this collaboration and the development of standard treatment protocols is expected to begin soon and is a very important step towards meaningful and sustainable collaboration," said Mr. Sujit Jain, President, NATHALTH.

"We are excited about the productive discussions that we had with representatives of NATHALTH on the role of the private sector in delivering quality care under Ayushman Bharat. We look forward to continuing our dialogue with NATHALTH on this important topic," said Mr. Sujit Jain, President, NATHALTH.

"Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) is the world’s largest government supported healthcare scheme that aims to provide more than 13 crores poor and vulnerable families on a mission level to ensure health services at a reasonable and affordable level. This collaboration is an important step towards building a robust, universal, health care delivery system across the healthcare sector to achieve universal health coverage in India," said Mr. Sujit Jain, President, NATHALTH.