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As this incremental cost is ultimately borne by patients, it defeats the intention of the government to provide affordable healthcare services, the CII said in a letter to the government.

"Government may consider zero rating of health care services and health care insurance premiums, which will not only ensure that the credit chain is intact but also ensure that the input taxes are not loaded into the cost of healthcare services. Input tax credit will also be available as a refund for the healthcare service providers," the confederation said, adding that the option will help ease the cost of healthcare for consumers and align with the objective of ensuring affordable healthcare to all.

"Many developed countries have adopted a similar position of providing ‘zero rating’ benefit to health care. This option will help in reducing the cost burden for healthcare providers, and give them the ability to pass on the benefit directly to the consumers," it said.

The CII has also recommended introducing a 5% GST rate for healthcare services delivery. "As an alternative, the government may consider levying a concessional GST of 5% on healthcare services delivery and health insurance premiums, if it is unable to normalize the rates of tax for the goods and services consumed by the health care service providers at 5%," CII said.

"Through this, healthcare service providers could ensure a ‘pass through’ of benefits and correspondingly re-adjust the pricing for healthcare services to patients since credit could henceforth be availed in respect of all input taxes paid on goods and services consumed. This option would result in unlocking of the differential input credit, and will ease costs for all healthcare providers including nursing homes, clinics and hospitals. This saving will be passed on to the end consumers, and will lower the cost of care," the CII said.
NATHEALTH, healthcare federation of India, has also recommended a similar model for GST. “The government needs to provide tax incentives for both existing and new projects. To spur investment in the health sector, the government could consider a tax holiday period of 15 years for hospitals. The length of the period of exemption needs to be longer, as new hospitals take at least 5–7 years to start earning returns, after recovering interest and depreciation. For existing projects incentives can be given for 10 years, to support re-investment in capacity and technology upgrades,” Sudarshan Ballal, President, NATHEALTH said in a joint pre-budget memorandum.
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NATHEALTH has been created with the Vision to “Be the credible and unified voice in improving access and quality of healthcare”. Leading Healthcare Service Providers, Medical Technology Providers (Devices, Equipment & IT), Diagnostic Service Providers, Health Insurance companies, Health Education Institutions, Medical Journalism companies, Biotech/Lifesciences related companies, Healthcare Publishers, Healthcare Consultants, Home Healthcare companies, PE & VC companies and other stakeholders have come together to build NATHEALTH as a common platform to create the next level of momentum in Indian Healthcare. NATHEALTH is an inclusive institution that has representation of small & medium hospitals and nursing homes as well as Healthcare Start-up companies. NATHEALTH is committed to work on its Mission to encourage innovation, help bridge the skill and capacity gap, help shape policy & regulations and enable the environment to fund long-term growth. NATHEALTH aims to help build a better and healthier future for both rural and urban India.
Taking forward the spirit of cohesive collaborations and partnerships to achieve the goals of Universal Health Coverage with quality care, NATHEALTH has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Association of Healthcare Providers of India (AHPI).

The partnership aims to share knowledge and resources in the healthcare sector. This partnership will leverage the benefits of efforts on creating and implementing policies that help build trust, share knowledge and resource in the healthcare sector.

Under the agreement, NATHEALTH and AHPI have identified major areas of collaboration, which would promote information sharing, advocacy with governments, Private-Public Partnerships, rational cost structure & pricing, and formulation of Patient Charter.

The healthcare industry bodies have also agreed to work together in recommending price and cost models for key components of healthcare delivery. The joint initiative will collectively act as an interface between the industry and government on various policy and regulatory topics to improve the regulatory environment in India.

In 2019, NATHEALTH had announced its partnerships with National Health Authority (NHA), NASSCOM, Wellness and Roche Diagnostic. AHPI similarly has formal association with key healthcare bodies including Indian Medical Association, Association of National Board Accredited Institutions and Consortium of Accredited Healthcare Organizations etc. The partnership between NATHEALTH and AHPI therefore will promote more effective use of each other’s resources, memberships and provide a wider representation of the healthcare industry to key stakeholders in areas of policy making and creating a suitable environment to benefit all stakeholders.
“We agreed to form a partnership with AHPI to work together in formulating a model arrangement for active participation of private hospitals in programs launched by the government. This would include creating a reference document for the public-private partnership. Collectively we will take up regulatory/taxation issues with authorities such as State and Central Government affecting patient care to improve quality of care or healthcare expenditure of patients,” said Dr H. Sudarshan Ballal, president, NATHEALTH.

Dr Alex Thomas, president, AHPI said; “This partnership would provide momentum to our ongoing efforts. With our combined resources, we hope to witness a significant contribution and development in the healthcare systems. We wish to network and share knowledge on various aspects of healthcare delivery systems and for the mutual benefits of members of two organisations to whom we are meant to serve.”
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**Weekly Roundup – India GST News & Updates you need to know**

Jan 3, 2020 | Divita S Gupta

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The Healthcare Federation of India urges Government for zero rating GST for healthcare services and other GST updates under #GSTThisWeek.

**Aadhaar to be made mandatory for GST**

The GST Network has decided to make Aadhaar authentication or physical verification mandatory for new dealers from January 1, 2020, to keep malpractice in check. This is because there are currently 66.79 lakh new dealers registered under the Goods and Service Tax who are contributing to just 15% of the total revenue under the tax regime.
CBIC issues Standard Operation Procedure to deal with non-filers
Non-filing of Goods & Services Tax returns may lead to attachment of bank accounts and even cancellation of registrations. This is part of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued by the Finance Ministry to be followed in case of non-filing of returns. The GST law makes it mandatory for a registered person to file returns either on a monthly or on a quarterly basis (supplier opting for composition scheme). An Input Service Distributor will have to file monthly returns showing details of credit distributed during the particular month.

Need zero rating GST on health services says NATHEALTH
As a part of the pre-recommendations for Budget 2020, the Healthcare Federation of India (NATHEALTH) has urged the Government for bringing in zero-rating GST for healthcare services and making it a priority sector to meet its long-term funding and financing requirements. In its pre-Budget recommendations, NATHEALTH has also called for building capacity in tier-II and III cities which will cater to the growing demands of quality healthcare in rural areas of India. The expectation is to focus on the incentives for medical value tourism, zero-rating GST on healthcare services and health insurance premiums.

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आम बजट 2020 - बजट पूर्व सिफारिशों में स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं के लिए जीरो-रेटिंग जीएसटी का सुझाव

जयपुर /नई दिल्ली | जैसा कि सरकार 1 फरवरी, 2020 को अपने केंद्रीय बजट 2020-21 को पेश करने की तैयारी कर रही है, प्रमुख हेल्थकेयर उद्योग निकाय नैटहेल्थ ने अपनी बजट पूर्व सिफारिशों में, टियर-II और III शहरों में निर्माण क्षमता का आह्वान किया है, जिससे ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में भी गुणवत्तापूर्ण स्वास्थ्य सेवा बढ़ती मांग को पूरा किया जाएगा।

कराधान के मुद्दों पर, इस प्रमुख स्वास्थ्य सेवा उद्योग निकाय ने गुड्स एंड सर्विसेज टैक्स (जीएसटी) पर दो विकल्पों की सिफारिश की है। सबसे पहले, नैटहेल्थ ने स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं के लिए जीरो-रेटिंग जीएसटी का सुझाव दिया।

नैटहेल्थ ने फिक्की के साथ एक संयुक्त जापान में कहा, "हेल्थकेयर इनपुट सेवाओं के लिए जीएसटी के युक्तिकरण से खास इनपुट क्रेडिट को अननत होगा और नस्सिंग होम, क्लीनिक, अस्पताल और नैदानिक केंद्रों सहित सभी
स्वास्थ्य सेवा प्रदाताओं के लिए लागत में कमी आएगी। यह बचत उपभोक्ताओं के काम आएगी और देखभाल की लागत कम होगी।

“चूकौंक जीएसटी स्वास्थ्य देखभाल सेवाओं पर देव नहीं है, इसलिए स्वास्थ्य देखभाल सेवा प्रदाता इसके द्वारा भुगतान किए गए इनपुट करों पर क्रेडिट प्राप्त करने के लिए पात्र नहीं हैं, जो अंततः सेवा प्रदाता के लिए लागत बन जाता है। यह तर्कम जीएसटी व्यवस्था के तहत, अस्पतालों द्वारा उपभोग किए जाने वाले इनपुट (माल और सेवाओं) पर संशोधित कर दरों का कुल प्रभाव बढ़ा गया है। जैसा कि इस बढ़ी हुई लागत को अंततः रोगी वहन करते हैं, यह किफायती स्वास्थ्य सेवा प्रदान करने के सरकार के इरादे को हरा देती है,” डॉ. सुदर्शन बल्लाल, अध्यक्ष, नैटेल्थे ने संयुक्त बजट पूर्व जापान में कहा।

उन्होंने आगे कहा, “सरकार को मौजूदा और नई दोनों परियोजनाओं के लिए कर प्रौद्योगिकी प्रदान करने की आवश्यकता है। हमारी बजट पूर्व सिफारिशों में भी, हमने संदर्भ देने वाले सिफारिश की है कि इस क्षेत्र में निवेश बढ़ाने के लिए, सरकार अस्पतालों के लिए 15 साल की कर अवधि अवधि पर विवाद कर सकती है। छुट की अवधि संबंधी होनी चाहिए, क्योंकि नए अस्पतालों को व्यापक और मूल्यवान की वसूली के बाद, रिटन वापस करना शुरू करने में कम से कम 5-7 साल लगेंगे। मौजूदा परियोजनाओं के लिए, क्षमता और तकनीकी उन्नयन में पुन: निवेश का समर्थन करने के लिए, 10 साल के लिए प्रौद्योगिकी दिया जा सकता है।”

क्षमता निर्माण के महत्व के बारे में बताते हुए, श्री सिद्धार्थ भट्टाचार्य, महासचिव, नैटेल्थे ने कहा, “प्राथमिक क्षेत्र की स्थिरता वित्तपोषण एजेंसियों से क्षेत्र के लिए धन को पैनलाइज करने के लिए एक उपाय के रूप में काम करती है। उच्च निवेश से टिकार और III शहरों और ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में गुरूवारपूर्ण बुलियादी थांबा मिलेगा। इस तरह के कदम से यह भी सुनिश्चित होगा कि सरकार के सामाजिक उद्देश्य पयाप्त रूप से पूरे हों।”

उन्होंने कहा, “भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक द्वारा 2012 में बुलियादी थांबा उप क्षेत्रों की सामर्थ्यपूर्ण मास्टर सूची में स्वास्थ्य सेवा विकास के लिए एक प्राथमिकता क्षेत्र के रूप में शामिल है। हालांकि, अक्सर ये परियोजनाएं दीर्घकालिक आधारित होती हैं और उन्हें फंडिंग के पर्याप्त विकल्पों की आवश्यकता होती है, जो अभी भी हेल्थकेयर प्रदाता स्तर पर उपलब्ध नहीं हैं। इस प्रकार स्पष्ट रूप से परिभाषित शुरुआती अवधि के साथ दीर्घकालिक वित्तपोषण विकल्प निश्चित रूप से सही दिशा में एक कदम होगा।”

शीर्ष स्वास्थ्य संस्था ने सरकार के सामने निम्न सिफारिशों और मुद्दों को रखा है:

1. पूंजीय तक पहुंच को आसान बनाने के लिए, नैटेल्थे ने हेल्थकेयर इनफ्रास्ट्रक्चर और इनवेशन के लिए एक समर्थित फंड की सिफारिश की, जो न केवल एंव विजेन्स मोडल के साथ उद्योगशीलता को प्रोत्साहित करे, बल्कि
ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों सहित टिउर 2 और 3 शहरों में पहुंच, उपलब्धता और गुणवत्ता में सुधार करे।

2. स्वास्थ्य बीमा की कम प्रसार की समस्या पर जोर देते हुए, जो कि भारत में स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं के लिए बढ़ते आउट-ओफ-पॉकेट खर्च के पीछे एक प्रमुख कारण है, नेटहेल्थ ने सरकार से साधी नागरिकों को अनिवार्य कवरेज देने के अतिरिक्त प्रयास करने की सिफारिश की है।

3. नेटहेल्थ का सुझाव है कि संगठित क्षेत्र के कर्मचारियों को अपने ईआरआई योगदान का भुगतान करने या किसी भी आईआईआरडी विनियमित बीमा कंपनी से बीमा खरीदने का विकल्प दिया जा सकता है। धीरे-धीरे, तब ध्यान को मध्यम और उच्च मध्यम वर्गों में स्थानांतरित किया जा सकता है ताकि पर्याप्त गुणवत्ता की निवारक और उपचारात्मक देखभाल तक पहुंच सुनिश्चित की जा सके और पूरे समुदाय को वित्तीय संकट से बचाया जा सके।

4. उद्योग को सही उम्मीद है कि केंद्रीय बजट 2020-21 की घोषणा चिकित्सा महत्व के रूपमें, स्वास्थ्य सेवाओं और स्वास्थ्य बीमा प्रीमियम पर जीरो रेटिंग जीएसटी के लिए प्रोत्साहन को ध्यान में रखते हुए की जाएगी।

5. जिन अन्य क्षेत्रों में प्रयासों की आवश्यकता है, उनमें निजी प्रदाताओं के लिए क्षमता निर्माण और प्रचार नीतियों को प्रोत्साहित करना शामिल है। ये सुझाव उद्योग लंबे समय से दे रहा है और यूनिवर्सल हेल्थकेयर के सपने को साकार करने के लिए विशेष रूप से टिउर 2 और 3 शहरों में क्षमता निर्माण में निवेश में तेजी लाने के लिए ये महत्वपूर्ण है।
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**NATHEALTH & ICC join forces for Healthcare Initiatives in East & North East**

*The business bodies sign MoU to act as a joint platform for advocacy*

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