

Weekly Newsletter
(10th February – 16th February 2020)

Dear Reader

As you remember, in January NATHEALTH had signed two MoUs with Indian Chambers of Commerce (ICC) in Kolkata and Association of Healthcare Providers India (AHPI) in Bengaluru to present a unified voice of the healthcare industry. To provide cohesive collaboration, in the sector, as per our vision and mission, this week we achieved a milestone by signing three MoUs for collaborations with three leading Industry bodies of the country. For partnership and collaboration, on February 12, we signed a MoU with FICCI and that was followed by Assocham and PHD Chambers.

The MoUs aimed at strengthening the healthcare systems through policy advocacy and public-private-partnerships. Through these collaborations, we would be able to present a unified voice for the healthcare industry in critical areas such as capacity building, quality and Patient Charter. We are also signing a MoU with Confederation of Indian Industry as well.

We are confident that with these strong partnerships, the healthcare industry would provide wider representations in areas of policymaking and creating a suitable environment to benefit all stakeholders.

NATHEALTH President Dr H Sudarshan Ballal is of the view that the industry has common interest and objectives. “We will establish channels of communication and co-operation that will promote and advance the objectives of the members through common dialogue and representation,” he says.

Cohesive collaboration would also lead to the successful implementation of the government's program under the National Health Mission and AB-PMJAY.

On the policy front, during the Budget Session of Parliament the government informed about its efforts towards checking and monitoring Novel Coronavirus, National Strategic Plan for TB Elimination, National Health Policy, measures to improve rural healthcare and also presented Annual Report of PMJAY

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[Healthcare Policy Updates](#)

[Health Secretary reviews action taken and preparedness with the concerned Ministries/Depts and States/UTs on Novel Coronavirus](#)

[Health Secretary Preeti Sudan informed that various precautionary measures have been undertaken in close coordination with the concerned ministries at the central level. She added that the situation is under control in the country and is being regularly monitored by Prime Minister's Office](#)

[India permits export of some medical gears to China to combat coronavirus](#)

[The decision came a day after Prime Minister Narendra Modi wrote a letter to President Xi Jinping offering solidarity and assistance to deal with the coronavirus outbreak in China](#)

[Bihar falling behind on Ayushman Bharat](#)

[Is the state of Bihar falling behind on the Centre's flagship health insurance scheme, Ayushman Bharat? It can be argued that this is the case based on recent reports.](#)

[Affordability a hindrance in ensuring healthcare](#)

[In today's time, both pollution and population are increasing at an alarming rate, which has lead to multiple health issues.](#)

[Healthcare Industry Overview](#)

[Healthcare Facilities Consulting Service Market – Global Industry Insights By Leading Companies And Emerging Growth Till 2026](#)

[The "Healthcare Facilities Consulting Service Market" report offers detailed coverage of Healthcare Facilities Consulting Service industry and presents main Market Drivers, Trends, Opportunities and Challenges.](#)

[Portable Ultrasound Imaging System Market 2020 | Industry overview, supply and demand analysis and forecast 2024 | GE Healthcare, Siemens Healthcare, Philips Healthcare, Esaote, Analogic](#)

["Portable Ultrasound Imaging System Market 2020" report share informative data figures as well as important insights regarding some of the market component which is considered to be future course architects for the market.](#)

[Virtual Reality in Medicine and Healthcare Market Expecting Huge Growth during 2020-2025 Focusing on Leading Players Google, Orca Health, Brain Power, Medsights Tech, AccuVein](#)

Virtual Reality (VR) technology is bringing a number of new services to the healthcare industry. The methods and therapy that healthcare professionals provide to patients has changed and will continue to do so with virtual reality technology.

Medtech Forum

Why medtech is a different beast than biotech in the life sciences pack

Biotech innovations dominate the life science news cycle — think CRISPR for gene editing or CAR-T for cancer immunotherapy. Medical technologies, encompassing the broad swath of devices and interventional technologies, diagnostics, imaging, and digital medicine, tend to make their marks out of the limelight, yet have an enormous impact on public health and offer significant investment opportunities.

Healthtech startup Gynoveda bets on Ayurveda to solve menstrual health problems

Of the multiple things that India has to offer to the rest of the world, what truly stands out are yoga and Ayurveda. While yoga has made a mark on the global stage, Ayurveda hasn't been able to reach that far. But Mumbai-based Gynoveda aims to democratise Ayurveda and its offerings.

HealthTech Startups Market Trends, Industry Analysis, Size, Share, Growth, Trends and Forecast 2027: TechCrunch, Sosiso Networks Inc, QxMD, eKinCare

Global HealthTech Startups Market statistical report provides a wide-ranging research on the key players and in-depth insights which includes the competitiveness of the trending players.

Insurance Forum

Bajaj Allianz launches new health insurance policy with unlimited sum insured

Bajaj Allianz General Insurance has launched a new health insurance policy that offers unlimited sum to the insured person.

IRDAI modifies rules for pre-existing diseases

The insurance regulator has eased up some norms for pre-existing diseases that would benefit policyholders. The changes made to the definition of pre-existing disease also clears the ambiguities that could have led to claim rejection and termination of policies.

Health insurance: Pre-existing diseases rules changed, to benefit policyholders

In a bid to make health insurance more simple and customer-friendly, the insurance regulator recently amended the definition of pre-existing diseases.

Star Health launches new policy that covers all outpatient consultation

The Union Finance Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman, presented the general budget for the FY 2020-21 in the Lok Sabha on February 1, 2020 allotting 2.27% share of the total budget (Rs 30.42 trillion) to the health sector.

Diagnosics Forum

No plan to replicate China's clinical diagnosis model: Govt

While China has started identifying novel coronavirus cases on the basis of clinical diagnosis, India has no such plans. Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan told the media on Thursday that China has merely "revised its strategy for combating the disease as precaution".

How an Indian state successfully fought and contained the deadly coronavirus

We also face a new threat. The next epidemic has a good chance of originating on a computer screen of a terrorist intent on using genetic engineering to create a synthetic version of the smallpox virus or a contagious and highly deadly strain of flu.

J-K to get its first H1N1 diagnostic laboratory

Jammu and Kashmir will soon get its first high-tech N1H1 laboratory for molecular diagnosis of swine flu and other diseases caused by viruses, an official said on Thursday.

Healthcare Events

India Health 2020

Brought to you by the organizers of Arab Health, India Health will take place from 14-16 April 2020 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, India. Healthcare has become one of India's largest sectors both in terms of revenue and employment. India Health presents an opportunity to all stakeholders in search of a platform that facilitates business interaction, learning and development, and access to the right healthcare entities, authorities and associations in a fast-emerging economy.

Conference on Healthcare in India

Conference on Healthcare in India aim is to highlight the emerging trends, identify the challenges, analyze the impact of key policy and regulatory changes and identify the upcoming opportunities in the healthcare sector.

International Conference on IACS-India section meeting

International Conference on IACS-India section meeting is organized by International Academy of Cardiovascular Sciences (IACS) and will be held from Feb 21 - 23, 2020 at Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University, New Delhi, Delhi, India.