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Dear.....*Colleague,*

As we all are aware that, in order to realize the vision of a new India wherein the fruits of development reach each and every citizen of the country, the Government of India has started a first of its kind programme wherein 117 identified Aspirational Districts (ADs) have been taken up for rapid transformation and inclusive growth.

Further, it is envisaged to provide the Comprehensive Primary Health Care (CPHC) at the doorsteps of the population through transforming SHCs, PHCs and UPHCs into 1.5 lakhs Ayushman Bharat - Health and Wellness Centre (AB-HWCs) by December 2022. Further, under AB-HWCs, special focus is given to Aspirational Districts and on proportionate allocation of national target to ADs, 23,473 HWCs are to be made operational in aspirational districts by December 2022 and the details of same is given at Annexure-1.

Ministry is committed to provide continuous support to States/UTs towards achieving the set target including those set for Aspirational Districts. As you are aware, Conversion of a SHC / PHC into HWCs requires multiplicity of coordinated actions by the State/UT such as

- Recruiting and training of required Human Resources (Community Health Officer -CHO or Medical Officer),
- Arranging the logistics for enhanced number of essential drugs and diagnostics,
- Capacity building of the primary healthcare team such as ASHAs, ANMs, CHOs and MOs,
- Infrastructure upgradation,
- Arranging trained Yoga instructor for regular conduct of wellness sessions,
- Enumeration of the population of the entire 30+ population using Community Based Assessment Checklist (CBAC) forms followed by population-based screening for common NCDs and three cancers, etc.

I request you to prioritize the above actions in aspirational districts. Further, for any query/clarification and any support towards achievement of targets in aspirational districts, pl feel free to contact Dr. N. Yuvaraj (n.yuvaraj36@ias.nic.in), Mr. Anil Kumar Gupta (anil.mohfw.1@gmail.com) and nrhmone@gmail.com.

Encl: as above

*warm regards*

Yours sincerely



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