Dear Colleagues,

As you are aware, under the Ayushman Bharat Scheme, 40,000 AB-Health and Wellness Centres are to be operationalized in FY 2019-20 to achieve the target of 1.5 lakh functional AB-HWCs by 2022.

The approvals for transforming Sub-Health Centres, Primary Health Centres and Urban Primary Health Centres into HWCs have already been accorded to all States/UTs for FY 2019-20. However, it is requested to ensure that the approvals are sought for at-least 30% of total facilities (SHCs/PHCs/UPHCs) in your respective State/UT in this financial year, so as to conveniently achieve Operationalization of 25% total facilities.

It is further informed that under the conditionality framework, an incentive of 20% will be provided on achieving a target of operationalizing 25% AB-HWCs in your State/UT in this financial year (FY 19-20), in place of previously communicated target of 30%.

In this regard, it has been observed that the requisite number of approvals for AB-HWCs have not been sought by your State and the same is to be proposed in the supplementary PIP for the FY 2019-20.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Manoj Jhalani)

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