Health Budget Govt. of NCT, Delhi 2018-2019

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- The Delhi Govt has proposed total outlay of Rs. 6729 crore on Health sector in 2018-19 which is 12% of total budget. This is the highest budget allocation for Health in the country. This includes revenue budget of Rs. 5741 crore and capital budget of Rs. 988 crore. An amount of Rs. 3259 crore is earmarked for implementation of various schemes, programmes and projects under Health sector. The proposed outlay of Rs. 3259 crore in 2018-19 is 51.44 percent higher than the Revised Estimates of Rs. 2152 crore in Health sector in 2017-18 and 24 percent higher than the Budget Estimates of Rs. 2627 crore
- Three tier health infrastructure having 2. Mohalla clinics, Polyclinics and Hospitals is being developed in Delhi. To provide health care services to the citizens of Delhi at their doorstep, 164 Aam Aadmi Mohalla Clinics have been established so far. About 80 lakh persons availed health services at have already Mohalla clinic. Land sites at 530 places have been identified to establish Mohalla clinics and the target is to construct 1000 Mohalla clinics. Similarly, 24 Polyclinics are in operation and 94 more dispensaries have been identified for starting polyclinics so as to reduce burden on the Government hospitals. An outlay of Rs. 403 crore is proposed for Mohalla clinics and Polyclinics in 2018-19.
- 3. Government is committed to **raise the total bed strength from 10000 beds to 20000 beds** in its hospitals for providing better health care services to citizens of Delhi. 600 bedded

Hospital at Ambedkar Nagar and 800 bedded Hospital at Burari will ready in 2018-19. The construction work of 1500 bedded Hospital at Dwara is at advance stage. 2546 new beds will be added in 7 existing Delhi Government Hospitals. Further, new Hospitals at Madipur, Jwalaheri, Hastsal, Sarita Vihar, Deendarpur, Keshavpuram, and Chattarpur are at planning stage. An outlay of Rs. 450 crore is porposed for the construction of new hospitals and remodeling of existing Delhi Govt. Hospitals.

- 4. Laboratory diagnostics services are being provided free of cost to all patients attending the Delhi Government Hospitals along with provision of radiological services such as MRI, CT, PETCT, Radio Nuclear Scan, Ultrasound, Colour Doppler, Echo, TMT, EEG and EMG in designated empanelled private centres after referral from Delhi Government Public Health Facilities. An outlay of Rs. 20 crore is proposed for this purpose in 2018-19.
- 5. Government has also decided to bear the **cost of medical care of road accident victims**, Acid attack victims and thermal burn injury etc. of incident occurred in Delhi, irrespective of the income or residence of the victims.
- 24 Delhi Government hospitals have been authorized to refer the patients to 48 empanelled Private Hospitals for free surgeries. An outlay of Rs. 50 crore is proposed in 2018-19 to bear this expenditure through Delhi Arogya Kosh.
- 7. A pilot project for "**First Responder Vehicle**" **(FRV)** with 16 Motorcycle, to be manned by

trained ambulance manpower, in East Delhi will be started to reduce the response time and also helpful to reach in narrow streets of congested areas within shortest possible time. Cabinet and Hon'ble Lt. Governor have already approved this scheme.

- 8. Rogi Kalyan Samitis will be set up in each Assembly Constituency having Jan Swasthaya Samiti as its sub-committee in each public health facility like Mohalla clinic, Polyclinic, Delhi Government Dispensaries and seed PUHCs so as to ensure better community participation in management of Healthcare services. An outlay of Rs. 50 crore is proposed in 2018-19. The proposal has been concurred by the Cabinet and approval of Hon'ble Lt. Governor is being sought.
- **9. Mobile Van Clinics** providing health care services specifically for Eye and Ear care will be

established. An outlay of Rs. 15 crore is proposed for the year 2018-19. The Cabinet and Hon'ble Lt. Governor have approved this scheme.

- 10. Government will launch **Universal Health Insurance scheme** to cover treatment of citizens of Delhi in empanelled private hospitals and Government hospitals. A Committee has been constituted to prepare detailed guidelines of the scheme. An outlay of Rs. 100 crore is proposed for this scheme in 2018-19.
- 11. Government will focus on improving **skills** of health professionals. The Doctors and paramedical staff will be send for trainings at reputed National and International Institutions for their professional development and capacity building. An outlay of Rs. 10 crore is proposed for this scheme in 2018-19.

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