

PM Atmanirbhar Swasth Bharat Yojana (PM-ABHIM)

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Largest Ever Scheme to Scale-up Health Infrastructure



Prime Minister Narendra Modi

has ensured a transformation in healthcare in the past seven years

Ayushman Bharat PMJAY & Ayushman Bharat Health & Wellness Centers

brought scale while
Ayushman Bharat - Digital Mission
brings technology to healthcare

“Every Indian deserves accessible, affordable and high-quality healthcare. We have worked to ensure this through multi-dimensional interventions.”

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi



Rs 64,000 crore
to be invested in building healthcare infrastructure

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Multi-dimensional and Multi-modal Interventions

- Focus on critical and primary care
- Network of 29,000 Health and Wellness Centers
- Specialized Critical Care Hospital Blocks in all districts with 37,000 beds with ICUs, ventilators and oxygen support
- Over 4,000 Block & District level Public Health Units & Labs
- Full range of diagnostic services in all districts
- IT-enabled disease surveillance system

Institutional Approach to Holistic Healthcare

- National Institution for One Health
- 4 New National Institutes for Virology
- Regional Research Platform for WHO South East Asia Region
- 15 Biosafety Level 3 Labs
- 5 New Regional National Centre for Disease Control
- Public health units at 50 international entry points preventing public health emergencies and disease outbreaks

A HEALTHY FUTURE BECKONS!



Ministry of Health
and Family Welfare



Know about PM Modi's transformative vision for healthcare in his own words by scanning this QR code

What's in today's article?

- **Why in News?**
- **What is PM-ABHIM?**
- **What is PHSPP and EHSDP?**
- **News Summary Regarding WB Lending**

Why in News?

- The World Bank (WB) is lending up to \$1 billion (divided into two complementary loans of \$500 million under PHSPP and EHSDP each) **to help India with preparedness for future pandemics** as well as to strengthen its health infrastructure.
- Through this combined financing, the bank will support India's flagship Pradhan Mantri-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (**PM-ABHIM**).

What is PM-ABHIM?

- The PM Atmanirbhar Swasth Bharat Yojana (PMASBY), which has now been renamed as PM-ABHIM, was announced in the **Union Budget 2021-22** with an outlay of ₹64,180 crore.
- The PM-ABHIM scheme was launched in October 2021 by the Union **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare**, and will run in addition to the National Health Mission (NHM).
- It is one of the largest Pan-India health schemes **for strengthening healthcare infrastructure** to accomplish the vision of comprehensive healthcare across the country.
- **Objectives:**
 - To strengthen grass root public health institutions.
 - To expand and build an IT enabled disease surveillance system.
 - To expand research on COVID-19 and other infectious diseases and to develop the core capacity to deliver the **One Health Approach**.
- **Components:** It consists of Centrally Sponsored Scheme Components [like Ayushman Bharat – Health & Wellness Centres (**AB-HWCs**) in rural and urban areas] and some Central Sector Components (like Critical Care Hospital Blocks).

What is PHSPP and EHSDP?

- The \$500-million **Public Health Systems for Pandemic Preparedness Program** (PHSPP) will support the government's efforts to prepare India's surveillance system to detect and report epidemics of potential international concern.

- Another \$500 million **Enhanced Health Service Delivery Program** (EHSDP) will support government's efforts to strengthen service delivery through a redesigned primary healthcare model, which includes –
 - Improved household access to primary healthcare facilities,
 - Stronger links between each household and its primary care facility through regular household visits and
 - **Risk assessment of noncommunicable diseases.**
- Both the PHSP and the EHSDP utilise the **Program-for-Results financing instrument** that focuses on achievement of results rather than inputs.
- Both the PHSP and EHSDP loans from the **International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)** of WB have a final maturity of 18.5 years including a grace period of five years.
- **The PHSP and EHSDP will leverage** the unique strengths of both the Center and the States to support the development of more accessible, high-quality, and affordable health services.
- This strengthening of health systems, combined with attention to strong disease response, will **improve preparedness and response to future disease outbreaks.**

News Summary Regarding WB Lending

- **India's performance in health has improved over time.**
 - According to WB, India's life expectancy has increased from 58 in 1990 to 69.8 in 2020.
 - The under-five mortality rate (36 per 1,000 live births), infant mortality rate (30 per 1,000 live births), and maternal mortality ratio (103 per 100,000 live births) are all close to the average for India's income level.
- This reflects significant achievements in **access to skilled birth attendance**, immunisations, and other priority services.
- Despite these advances in the health of the Indian population, **COVID-19 brought to the fore the urgent need** for pandemic preparedness (a **global public good**) and health system strengthening around the world .
- The current WB loans **loans will prioritise health service delivery in seven States** including Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Meghalaya, Odisha, Punjab, TN and UP.

Q1) What are the components of PM-ABHIM?

The Pradhan Mantri-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM) was launched in 2021 for strengthening healthcare infrastructure. It consists of Centrally Sponsored Scheme Components [like AB-HWCs in rural and urban areas] and some Central Sector Components (like Critical Care Hospital Blocks).

Q2) How will PHSP and EHSDP loans help India?

Both the loans from the IBRD of WB have a final maturity of 18.5 years including a grace period of five years. These will leverage the unique strengths of both the Center and the States to support the development of more accessible, high-quality, and affordable health services.

Source: [World Bank to lend \\$1 billion to support India's health sector](#) | [NHP.gov.in](#) | [Worldbank.org](#)

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