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Cabinet approves setting up of 20 AIIMS across India

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The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently approved a plan to set up 20 All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) across the country, six of which have already been established, and to upgrade 73 medical colleges.

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The construction of new AIIMS will be fully funded by the Central government. It will also bear the operations and maintenance expenses of these facilities.

The upgradation programme broadly envisages improving health infrastructure through construction of super specialty blocks, trauma centres and others.

The procurement of medical equipment for existing as well as new facilities will be done on sharing basis by both Central and state governments.