

PM lays foundation stone for AIIMS at Rajkot

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Prime Minister, Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone of AIIMS Rajkot through a video conference on 31 December. Dr Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister, MoH&FW, Acharaya Devvrat, Governor, Gujarat, Vijay Rupani, Chief Minister, Gujarat were present on the occasion.

The Prime Minister said AIIMS Rajkot will boost health infrastructure, medical education and provide employment opportunities in Gujarat. He said that about 5 thousand direct jobs and many indirect jobs would be created.

Modi said if 2020 was the year of health challenges, 2021 is going to become the year of health solutions. The world will move towards health solutions with better awareness. He said India's contribution for the health solutions of 2021 will be critical for the scaling of the solutions. Given the competence of Indian medical professionals and service motivation, along with expertise like mass immunisation experience India will provide smart and affordable solutions to the world.

The Prime Minister said that as the diseases are becoming globalised, it is time for coordinated global response for global health solutions. India is emerging as the nerve centre of global health, in 2021 we need to further strengthen this role of India.