

## SpiceHealth signs MoU with Uttarakhand Govt to intensify COVID-19 testing

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SpiceHealth's mobile testing laboratory to conduct RT-PCR tests of pilgrims visiting Haridwar for Kumbh Mela



SpiceHealth has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Government of Uttarakhand to conduct real-time polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) and rapid antigen tests for pilgrims visiting the state for the Kumbh Mela festival.

SpiceHealth's mobile lab, accredited by National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL) and Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), has been set-up in Haridwar. In addition to the mobile lab, SpiceHealth has also set up testing facilities at five locations on the state border where pilgrims visiting Uttarakhand for Kumbh will undergo rapid antigen tests. The testing facilities will be functional from February 26, 2021.

Avani Singh, CEO, SpiceHealth said, "Ensuring the safety of the attendees of the mela is of utmost importance, and we at SpiceHealth are proud to assist the Uttarakhand Government in testing and serving those travelling to the holy city of Haridwar."

In view of the current pandemic, authorities at the Kumbh Mela have introduced strict guidelines and made passes mandatory for all pilgrims. Passes will be issued only after the submission of a negative RT-PCR test report, medical certificate and identification proof.