

## Govt opens genome sequencing national reference lab for AMR

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### Union Health minister also opens new BSL 3 laboratory



Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Mansukh Mandaviya virtually inaugurated the Whole Genome Sequencing National Reference Laboratory for Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) and BSL 3 Laboratory along with a PG hostel and guest house. The L3 laboratory complex has five floors and houses 22 Biosafety level (BSL) II laboratories. Mandaviya presided over the 112th Annual Day celebrations of the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) along with Dr Bharati Pawar, MoS (HFW), in New Delhi.

The Division of Zoonotic Disease Programme at NCDC under the 'National One health Programme for prevention and Control of Zoonoses' has created IEC materials (Print, Audio & Video) on seven priority zoonotic diseases namely rabies, Scrub Typhus, Brucellosis, Anthrax, CCHF, Nipah, Kyasanur Forest Disease in India. The Union Health Minister along with MoS(HFW) also unveiled the IEC materials.

The Union Health Minister also launched the National Health Adaptation Plan on Air Pollution and National Health Adaptation Plan on Heat along with infographics and the first newsletter under the 'National Programme on Climate Change and Human Health' developed by Centre of Environmental and Occupational Health, Climate Change and Health at NCDC.