

## Central Government Health Scheme wellness centres open in Chandigarh and Panchkula

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**With this launch, the coverage of CGHS cities has expanded from 25 cities in 2014 to 80 in 2023**

“Providing accessible and quality healthcare to every citizen of India is a priority of the government. To ensure this, expansion of Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) facilities has become a focus area for the government so people can access quality healthcare wherever they live in the country.” This was said by Dr Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare as he inaugurated the CGHS Wellness Centres in Chandigarh and Panchkula, on 09 June.

This makes Panchkula the 80<sup>th</sup> city with CGHS facilities fulfilling a long cherished demand of the employees and pensioners in the city.

Chandigarh already had a CGHS Wellness centre with 47000 registered beneficiaries. The opening of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wellness Centre gives a big relief to the beneficiaries as the workload will be divided between the two wellness centres and the waiting time will reduce ensuring ease of living for the citizens.