

## IIT Guwahati, Tata Medical & Diagnostics & NHM Assam partner to revolutionise healthcare delivery

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To establish a Digital Nerve Centre – Command Centre (Hub)

The Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (IIT-G) has joined hands with Tata Medical & Diagnostics (Tata MD) and National Health Mission, Assam, Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Assam, to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to implement the Tata MD's Healthcare Model for augmenting public healthcare delivery in the Kamrup district of Assam by establishing a Digital Nerve Centre.

The MoU was signed by Dr M.S. Lakshmi Priya, IAS, MD, NHM Assam, Girish Krishnamurthy, MD & CEO, TATA MD, and Prof. Parameswar K. Iyer, Dean PRBR, IIT Guwahati.

One major highlight of this project will be Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's involvement as the strategic partner to provide inputs and share learnings of adapting and implementing innovative models, as well as taking the learnings from the initiative to other states and globally to ensure more women and children have access to lifesaving care.

To implement this project, a Digital Nerve Centre – Command Centre (Hub) will be established at IIT Guwahati campus with technical, IT and physical infrastructure setup, and vendor coordination support from Tata MD. Another major initiative of this pilot project will be to setup Digital Nerve Centre (DiNC) components at Healthcare Centres in 30 District Hospital (DH), Community Health Centres (CHC), Primary Health Centres (PHC), and Sub-centre (SC) in Assam.

With the Digital Nerve Centre – Command Centre (hub) established at IIT Guwahati, NHM will be able to deploy systems and technologies to implement the Healthcare Model for augmenting public healthcare delivery.

The Tata MD's Healthcare Model for augmenting public healthcare delivery is a first-of-its-kind model in the North Guwahati block that will focus on enhancing government programmes, providing continuous, connected, proactive, patient-centric, and closer-to-patient care services.