

Need to establish one medical college in every district of India: FICCI-EY healthcare report

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FICCI-EY new report on 'Decoding India's Healthcare Landscape'

Apurva Chandra, Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Government of India released the FICCI-EY report - 'Decoding India's Healthcare Landscape'.

The report highlights India's remarkable strides in the healthcare sector over the past decades, emphasising the concerted efforts to enhance accessibility, quality, and innovation, thus paving the path towards a healthier and more prosperous future for all.

As per the key imperatives to achieving India's healthcare vision 2047, there is a need to increase the number of qualified doctors to more than 50 lakhs, to achieve double the current global average of 16 doctors per 10,000 population and closer to average of the developed countries. One medical college needs to be established in every district of India.

The number of nurses are to be increased to more than 1.25 to 1.5 crores, to achieve closer to the average of developed countries. 30 lakh more hospital beds are to be added, to achieve closer to the average of developed countries

The report also suggests the need to accelerate digitally enabled healthcare access, by achieving 100% registration of healthcare professionals onto ABDM healthcare professional's registry.

In terms of key achievements, India has witnessed a significant increase in the number of medical colleges and MBBS seats, addressing the growing demand for healthcare professionals. Moreover, there has been a surge in the utilization of public health facilities, accompanied by an increase in the count of registered nurses. The number of registered allopathic doctors witnessed substantial growth, rising from 6,60,801 in 2005 to 13,08,009 in 2022.

As per the latest report by FICCI, the total market size of Indian pharmaceutical industry is expected to reach \$130 billion by 2030. India accounts for 60% of global vaccine production & Pharmaceutical exports standing at 3 times the import.