

Karnataka Government & Novo Nordisk Education Foundation unveil 'Changing Diabetes Barometer' programme

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Improving awareness, advocacy, capacity building and treatment of diabetes in the state



Government of Karnataka has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Novo Nordisk Education Foundation (NNEF), a non-profit organisation set up by Novo Nordisk India, to launch the Changing Diabetes Barometer (CDB) programme.

As part of this MoU, Community Diabetes Centres (CDCs) shall be developed in various district hospitals, sub-district hospitals, community health centres and primary health centres across the state. These will assist to introduce a holistic approach for focused diabetes care, as a part of the Outpatient Department (OPD) consultations.

The pilot projects will be launched in three districts of Karnataka – Bengaluru Urban, Dakshina Karnataka and Yadgiri. The programme aims at mapping diabetes impact on real-time basis and promote early diagnosis and treatment options along with lifestyle modifications.

The objectives of this partnership are to improve the overall diabetes care ecosystem in the state of Karnataka by means of several interventions: creating awareness and advocacy for non communicable diseases (NCDs) like diabetes among the masses, a 360-degree upskilling and training model for doctors and healthcare workers at primary and secondary healthcare facilities, improved infrastructural support, digitisation support and education and counselling for lifestyle modification via Information, Education and Communication (IEC) material.