

Ayushman Bharat: Strengthening Healthcare Ecosystem in Madhya Pradesh

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Over 3.63 crore Ayushman Cards created in Madhya Pradesh

Over 4.07 crore Ayushman Bharat Health Accounts (ABHAs) created in Madhya Pradesh

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India's commitment towards achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC) is clearly reflected in its policies and institutional mechanisms, which are directed towards increasing coverage and access to health services. In 2018, India launched 'Ayushman Bharat' - one of the most ambitious health missions ever to expand universal health coverage, especially in rural and vulnerable populations. This initiative has been designed to meet Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and its underlying commitment, which is to "leave no one behind."¹

The aim is to provide essential health services throughout the country, through the **four pillars of this programme**:



1. Ayushman Bharat – Health and Wellness Centre (AB-HWCs)
2. Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY)
3. Ayushman Bharat – Digital Mission (ABDM)
4. Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM)

Ayushman Bharat: Progress in Madhya Pradesh

Ayushman Bharat is providing high-quality health and medical services to the people of Madhya Pradesh for ensuring Universal Health Coverage and achieving Sustainable

¹ https://static.pib.gov.in/WriteReadData/specificdocs/documents/2022/apr/doc20224305190_1_.pdf

Development Goals (SDGs). Prominent achievements made by the State under Ayushman Bharat evidently showcase the dedication of the Government for strengthening the healthcare ecosystem.²

1. Ayushman Bharat – Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs)

11,325 Health & Wellness Centers

The existing Sub- Health Centres (SHCs), Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Urban Primary Health Centres (UPHCs) are transformed into AB-HWCs to deliver Comprehensive Primary Health Care (CPHC) that includes preventive, promotive, curative, palliative and rehabilitative services which are universal, free, and closer to the community.

A total of **11,325 HWCs are operational** in Madhya Pradesh (as on July 24, 2023). The achievements in FY 2022-23 are as follows:³

- A total of **1.85 crore persons** have availed **free health benefits**, out of which **free medicines** have been distributed to over **1.65 crore patients**.
- A total of **2.92 lakh people** were screened for TB through these centres under TB free campaign.
- A total of **93.25 lakh persons** were tested for hypertension, out of which 6.77 lakh persons are under treatment.
- A total of **92.5 lakh persons** have been tested for diabetes, out of which 3.74 lakh persons are under treatment.
- Under the hub and spoke model, 324 hubs and 1610 spokes (related to diagnostic service) have been identified. In this hub and spoke model, **62.82 lakh free tests have been done for 15.76 lakh persons** from February to December 2022.

2. Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY)⁴

AB PM-JAY is the largest publicly funded health assurance scheme in the world which aims to provide health cover of Rs. 5 lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization to eligible beneficiaries. Further, under AB PM-JAY, there is no cap on family size, age or gender. Therefore, all members of a family are eligible for health coverage under AB PM-JAY.

The progress made under this prominent health assurance scheme in the state of Madhya Pradesh is as follows (as on August 16, 2023):

- **Over 3.63 crore beneficiaries** in the state have been provided Ayushman Cards

² https://www.health.mp.gov.in/sites/default/files/2023-04/Annual%20Report-2022-2023_0.pdf

³ https://mpplanningcommission.gov.in/MPES%202022-23_English.pdf

⁴ https://mpplanningcommission.gov.in/MPES%202022-23_English.pdf

- **1,017 hospitals** (494 Public & 523 Private) have been empanelled in the State

3.6 crore Ayushman Cards Issued

- More than **30.34 lakh people** have availed free health treatment worth **Rs. 4,735 Crore**
- In July 2023, Prime Minister launched the distribution of about 3.57 crore digital cards to AB-PMJAY beneficiaries, with 1 crore cards being distributed physically to the beneficiaries in Madhya Pradesh ⁵
- ‘**Ayushman Kiosks**’ have been set up in all government and private hospitals in the State, where the public can get information related to the scheme by contacting ‘Ayushmaan Mitra’

Over 30 lakh People Availed Free Treatment

Free treatment worth **Rs. 4,735 crore** provided

3. Ayushman Bharat – Digital Mission (ABDM)⁶

The Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) aims to develop the backbone necessary to support the integrated digital health infrastructure of the country. The Mission seeks to promote the digitalization of healthcare and create an interoperable digital health ecosystem for the country so that healthcare becomes more accessible and affordable.

In Madhya Pradesh, the mission has successfully bridged the existing gap amongst different stakeholders of the healthcare ecosystem through digital highways, with **more than 4.07 crore Ayushman Bharat Health Accounts (ABHA IDs) created** (as on August 16, 2023). ABHA IDs enables uniquely identifying persons, authenticating them, and threading their health records across multiple systems and stakeholders.

Over 4 crore ABHA IDs Created

⁵ <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1936735>

⁶ https://mpplanningcommission.gov.in/MPES%202022-23_English.pdf

4. Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM)⁷

PM-ABHIM focusses on developing capacities of health systems and institutions across the continuum of care at all levels viz. primary, secondary and tertiary level and on preparing health systems in responding effectively to current and future pandemics/disasters. The objective of the scheme is to fill critical gaps in health infrastructure, surveillance and health research – spanning both urban and rural areas.

The progress made by the State of Madhya Pradesh under this scheme is as follows:

- Government of India has approved 35 Block in Public Health Units, 17 Integrated Public Health Labs, 50 bedded critical care blocks in 11 District Hospitals and 50 bedded critical care blocks in 5 Medical Colleges in the State
- In the FY 2022-23, the Central Government released a total of **Rs. 98.70 crore** under the scheme

The Government of India is adopting a holistic approach to strengthen the overall healthcare ecosystem in India. From assuring inexpensive treatment, employing various ways to reach out to beneficiaries to digitizing health infrastructure to building healthcare Centres, Government has left no stone unturned in creating ‘**Swastha Madhya Pradesh**’.

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