

## National Health Authority, MoHFW enters into MoU with Government of NCT, Delhi

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**Delhi government would be giving an additional top-up of Rs 5 lakh over and above the Rs 5-lakh cover provided by Central Government: Rekha Gupta**



In a historic event, Delhi became the 35<sup>th</sup> State/UT to implement the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY) after the National Health Authority (NHA) of the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of NCT, Delhi.

The agreement was signed between L.S Changsan, Addl Secretary, MoHFW & Chief Executive Officer, National Health Authority (NHA), and Dr S.B. Deepak Kumar, Secretary (Health & Family Welfare), Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of NCT Delhi.

Addressing the gathering, J P Nadda, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare & Chemicals and Fertilizers stated, "It is a moment of pride that the world's largest health coverage scheme which has been in place across 34 states and UTs in the country is finally getting implemented in the national capital as well."

Citing a recent LANCET study, Nadda underlined that timely cancer treatment initiation has improved significantly because of the Ayushman Bharat Jan Arogya Yojna. "Patients enrolled under AB-PMJAY saw 90% rise in access to cancer treatment within 30 days", he stated.

Rekha Gupta, Chief Minister, Government of NCT Delhi highlighted that beneficiaries will now gain access to 1,961 health benefit packages from 27 medical specialties, featuring updated procedures and better rates for hospitals. She also informed that card distribution for the scheme will be initiated from 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025 onwards.