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- So far, approvals, for around 60,000 Ayushman Bharat – Health & Wellness Centres have been accorded. Out of these, as reported by the States/UTs on the HWC Portal, 22920 Health & Wellness Centres have been operationalized till 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2019.
- The 13<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Central Council of Health & Family Welfare (CCHFW) was held on 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare with Hon'ble Minister of State for Health & Family Welfare as Vice-Chairman. The Conference was attended by 15 State Ministers from 14 States, 4 Members of Parliament, 10 Eminent Persons, among others. The Council adopted 34 Resolutions to improve public health delivery and for better health outcomes.
- A new initiative, '*Surakshit Matritva Aashwasan (SUMAN)*', its website and the grievance redressal portal was launched during the 13<sup>th</sup> Conference of the CCHFW for Zero Preventable Maternal and Newborn Deaths.
- On the occasion of National Voluntary Blood Donation Day on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019, Hon'ble Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare inaugurated the Blood Donation Camp at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi and donated blood at AIIMS, New Delhi. Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Ministry of Health & Family Welfare also appealed to everyone to donate blood.
- The TB seal was released by Hon'ble President of India in President House on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019.
- Medical Advisory Council of the National Medical Commission has been notified. Search Committee, as per Section 5 of National Medical Commission Act, 2019, for the selection of Chairperson and other members on National Medical Commission has been constituted.
- Representatives of States/UTs/ Medical Councils have been elected as part-time members of the National Medical Commission and Autonomous Boards through draw of lots in the presence of Hon'ble Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare on 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.
- Notification recognising 54 PG courses has been issued.
- The committee constituted for creating framework and implementation plan for National Digital Health Blueprint (NDHB) has submitted its final recommendation report to Hon'ble Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare on 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.

- Hon'ble Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare chaired the 27<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Central Supervisory Board [constituted under section 7 of the Pre-conception & Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994 (PC&PNDT Act, 1994)] on 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 to monitor the implementation of the PC&PNDT Act.
- The Central Government Hospitals/ Institutions were awarded by Hon'ble Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare under "Kayakalp Scheme" for maintaining high level of hygiene and sanitation at a function held on 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. Kayakalp Certificates were also given to 635 private healthcare facilities by Quality Council of India (QCI).
- The World Food Day celebrated on 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 on the theme "Health Diets for Zero Hunger". Hon'ble Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare launched various FSSAI initiatives viz. (i) Food Safety Mitra Scheme; (ii) a jacket with smart design to hold tech devices for enforcement staff; (iii) training course for domestic workers and homemakers across the country; and (iv) a reusable cloth bag "Eat Right Jhola" to replace plastic bags.
- Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment Regulations, 2019 w.r.t. standards for Decaffeinated Coffee and revision in Standards for Packaged Drinking Water notified on 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.
- FSSAI and Customs Officials at 150 locations [Airports/ Sea ports/ Inland Container Depot (ICD)/ Land Customs Stations (LCS)/ Special Economic Zone (SEZ)] have been notified as Authorized Officers under Section 25 read with Section 47(5) of Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 and Regulation 13(1) of Food Safety and Standards (Import) Regulation, 2017.

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