

PM- Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM)

For the COVID-19 public health challenge, the GOI's response has been pre-emptive, proactive and characterized by a 'whole of government' approach. The on-going COVID 19 pandemic has demonstrated that health is a public good and India's health systems need to be better equipped to address public health needs across primary, secondary, and tertiary care levels.

To strengthen the Public Health Infrastructure effectively manage and respond towards any future pandemics and outbreaks, PM-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM) is announced in Budget 21-22 on 1st February 2021. The PM-ABHIM is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme with some Central Sector Components, for implementation of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Package for health sector as announced by Hon'ble Finance Minister in May 2020. The objective of the scheme is to fill critical gaps in health infrastructure, surveillance and health research – spanning both the urban and rural areas so that the communities are Atmanirbhar in managing such pandemic/ health crises. It is the largest Pan-India scheme for public health infrastructure since 2005.

Under the scheme the total financial outlay for the scheme period (2021-22 to 2025-26) is **Rs 64180 Crore** including ME and PMU cost out of which amount of **Rs 54204.78 Crore** is for implementation of **Centrally Sponsored Scheme Components** and amount of **Rs 9339.78 Crores** for implementation of **Central Sector components**.

The components of the PM-ABHIM scheme are:

Centrally Sponsored Components:

1. Support for 17,788 rural Health and Wellness Centres in 10 High Focus States.
2. Establishing 11,024 urban Health and Wellness Centres in all the States.
3. 3382 Block Public Health Units in 11 High Focus states. Support for other States/UTs under XV Finance Commission Health Sector Grants and NHM.
4. Setting up of Integrated Public Health Labs in all districts.
5. Establishing Critical Care Hospital Blocks in all districts with population more than 5 lakhs.

The Operational Guidelines on the CSS components of the scheme and the Technical Guidelines on the components of District Integrated Public Health laboratory and Critical Care Hospital Blocks under PM-ABHIM have been disseminated to States/UTs for the implementation of the PM-ABHIM.

Central Sector Components

1. 12 Central Institutions as training and mentoring sites with 150 bedded Critical Care Hospital Blocks;
2. Strengthening of the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), 5 New Regional NCDCs and 20 metropolitan health surveillance units;
3. Expansion of the Integrated Health Information Portal to all States/UTs to connect all public health labs;
4. Operationalisation of 17 new Public Health Units and strengthening of 33 existing Public Health Units at Points of Entry, that is at 32 Airports, 11 Seaports and 7 land crossings;
5. Setting up of 15 Health Emergency Operation Centres and 2 container based mobile hospitals; and
6. Setting up of a national institution for One Health, 4 New National Institutes for Virology, a Regional Research Platform for WHO South East Asia Region and 9 Bio-Safety Level III laboratories.

Financial requirement under PM-ABHIM during FY 2021-22 to FY 2025-26

(Amount in Rs Crore)

S.N	Component	Central Share	State Share	XV-FC Share	Grand Total
Centrally Sponsored Scheme components					
1	AB-HWCs in rural areas Ten States* - Infrastructure of 17788 rural AB-HWCs	2608.89	1479.80	5783.97	9872.66
2	AB-HWCs in urban areas (11,024 urban HWCs)	4863.41	2945.55	12146.25	19955.20
3	Block Public Health Units (BPHUs) in 11 High Focus States/UTs** – 3382 BPHUs	1712.27	775.04	1342.21	3829.52
4	Integrated Public Health Labs (IPHLs) in all the Districts – 730 IPHLs	990.40	492.20	0	1482.60
5	Critical Care Hospital in 602 districts	11952.43	7112.37	0	19064.80
Sub-total of CSS components		22127.39	12804.95	19272.43	54204.78
Central Sector Components					
1	Critical Care Hospital Blocks in 12 Central Hospitals	2220.00	0.00	0	2220.00
2	Strengthening Surveillance of Infectious Diseases and Outbreak Response	3060.30	0.00	0	3060.30
3	Strengthening surveillance capacity of Points of Entry	294.11	0.00	0	294.11
4	Strengthening Disaster and Epidemic Preparedness	330.37	0.00	0	330.37
5	Bio-security preparedness and strengthening Pandemic Research and Multi-Sector, National Institutions and Platforms for One Health	1347.00	0.00	0	1347.00
6	Additional needs for Emergency COVID-19 Response	2088	0	0	2088
Sub-Total – Central Sector Components		9339.78	0.00	0.00	9339.78
Grand Total of CSS and CS components		31467.17	12804.95	19272.43	63544.56
Total with 1% ME and PMU cost		32102.61			64180

* Ten States covered under *Infrastructure support to Building-less SHCs* are Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal and three NE States viz. Assam, Manipur and Meghalaya

** 11 High Focus States/UTs covered under *BPHUs* are Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, UT-Jammu and Kashmir, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.
