



1. Supreme Court Seeks Compliance on Allied Healthcare Regulation

- The Supreme Court has directed the **National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions (NCAHP)** and State Governments to submit compliance details regarding:
 - Framing of regulations
 - Establishment of State Allied and Healthcare Councils
 - Implementation of the NCAHP Act



Healthcare Policy Insight: Effective implementation of the NCAHP Act is expected to strengthen the regulation and professional standards of allied healthcare services in India.



2. Rajnath Singh Launches India's First Military Medicine Centre

- India has inaugurated its first dedicated **Military Medicine Centre** to enhance preparedness against:
 - Emerging infectious diseases
 - CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radiological & Nuclear) threats
 - Battlefield medical emergencies
 - Disaster response



Healthcare Impact: The facility is expected to strengthen defence medical research, trauma care, and emergency medical preparedness.



3. India Continues Enhanced Ebola Surveillance

- The Government informed Parliament that nearly **11,000 international travellers** from Ebola-affected regions have been screened.
- Key measures include:
 - Airport surveillance
 - Thermal screening
 - Preparedness of designated hospitals
 - Infection prevention and control protocols



Public Health Alert: No Ebola case has been detected in India, but surveillance continues as a precautionary measure.

4. ICMR Calls for Stronger Measures to Address Childhood Obesity

- Health experts have highlighted the growing burden of childhood obesity in India.
- Recommended interventions include:
 - Healthier school food environments
 - Reduced consumption of ultra-processed foods
 - Increased physical activity
 - Nutrition education

 **Clinical Insight:** Early lifestyle interventions are essential to reduce the future burden of diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and other non-communicable diseases.

5. WHO Renews Call for Stronger Breastfeeding Support

- Ahead of **World Breastfeeding Week (1–7 August)**, the WHO urged countries to:
 - Strengthen maternal health services
 - Expand breastfeeding counselling
 - Support Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiatives
 - Protect breastfeeding through supportive public policies

 **Public Health Impact:** Exclusive breastfeeding during the first six months remains one of the most effective interventions for improving infant survival and long-term health.

6. Investigation Ordered into Alleged Medical PG Examination Paper Leak in Odisha

- Odisha University of Health Sciences has initiated an inquiry after photographs of a postgraduate medical examination paper were allegedly circulated on social media during the examination.
- Authorities have constituted a committee to investigate the incident.

 **Medical Education Update:** Ensuring the integrity of postgraduate medical examinations is essential for maintaining public trust and academic standards.