

## 1. Rare Disease Care Gains Momentum (India)

- Andhra Pradesh's "**Project Punarvika**" continues to highlight the **huge cost burden of rare disease therapies (₹16 crore cases)**.
  - Focus:
    - Early diagnosis
    - Financial aid
    - Collaboration with global pharma

👉 **Clinical Insight:** Rare diseases are emerging as a **policy priority with need for affordable biologics**.
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## 2. Indigenous Innovation – Sickle Cell Screening

- Indian researchers developed a **low-cost diagnostic kit for sickle cell disease**, selected by Indian Council of Medical Research.
  - 👉 **Impact:**
    - Early newborn & antenatal detection
    - Better disease control in endemic regions
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## 3. Standardization of Hospital Costs

- Government directs states to **standardize hospital billing & treatment rates**.
  - Includes:
    - Digital claims (National Health Claims Exchange)
    - Uniform treatment guidelines

👉 **Clinical Impact:** Could reshape:

    - Insurance approvals
    - Hospital revenue models
    - Treatment protocols
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#### 4. Heatwave Intensifies Across India

- Temperatures rising **above 40°C** with **further increase expected** in North India.
    - 👉 **Expected OPD Trends:**
  - Heatstroke
  - Dehydration
  - Electrolyte imbalance
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#### 5. Early Blood Pressure Risks Identified

- Study shows even **mild BP elevation in 30s** increases **long-term cardiovascular risk by ~20%**.
    - 👉 **Takeaway:**
  - BP is a **continuous risk factor, not just a threshold disease**
  - Early intervention is critical
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#### 6. Rising Liver Disease Burden (India)

- Insurance data shows:
    - **Liver disease claims doubled in 3 years**
    - Treatment costs significantly increased
  - 👉 **Clinical Insight:**
  - Growing burden of **NAFLD, alcohol-related liver disease**
  - Need for early screening & lifestyle intervention
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#### 7. Increasing Cardiac Risk in Younger Population

- Reports indicate **higher incidence of heart disease in younger adults**, leading to:
  - Higher insurance premiums
  - Increased claim rejections
- 👉 **Trend:** Shift towards **early-onset cardiovascular disease**

