

Public Health & Disease Control

- **India steps up containment of Nipah virus cases**

Health authorities intensified surveillance and home quarantine measures after *five confirmed Nipah virus cases*. Nearly 100 contacts were placed under observation, with strict infection-control protocols activated.

- **Rabies death highlights vaccination gaps**

A *13-year-old boy died of rabies* months after a dog bite due to missed anti-rabies vaccination, raising concerns about awareness and timely post-exposure prophylaxis.

Emergency & Critical Care

- **India becomes 2nd country to integrate Mobile Stroke Units with EMS**

ICMR handed over *two Mobile Stroke Units (MSUs) to Assam*, enabling rapid stroke diagnosis and treatment during the “golden hour,” especially in remote areas.

Maternal & Child Health

- **One in two pregnancies in India classified as high-risk**

A major analysis flagged that nearly *50% of pregnancies* face high-risk factors, contributing to maternal complications and preventable deaths. Experts urged early screening and strengthened antenatal care.

Healthcare Infrastructure & Industry

- **Hospital sector to sustain 11–12% growth**

CareEdge Ratings projected continued growth in India’s hospital sector, driven by *insurance penetration, medical tourism, and rising healthcare demand*.

- **NCLT approves Aster DM–Quality Care amalgamation**

The tribunal cleared the merger, strengthening Aster DM Healthcare's hospital network and operational scale across India.

- **UP plans US-FDA-accredited medical device testing lab**

Uttar Pradesh announced plans for an *FDA-compliant testing facility* to boost medical device exports and quality standards.

Medical Tourism & Global Health

- **India emerging as a global medical travel destination**

Government data highlighted India's rise in *Medical Value Travel*, supported by affordable care, skilled professionals, and AYUSH-based wellness services.

Medical Education & Research

- **AIIMS Delhi hosts international pediatric surgery conference**

Over *300 global experts* attended the January 21–23 conference, where India unveiled its *first mobile robotic training platform* for pediatric surgery.

- **Remote command centre launched to monitor medical exams**

A centralized digital control centre was inaugurated to improve *transparency and prevent malpractice* in medical examinations.

AYUSH & Traditional Medicine

- **50-bed AYUSH hospital approved in Tenali**

The Centre sanctioned a *₹26-crore AYUSH hospital* in Tenali as part of broader efforts to expand traditional healthcare services.