🏥 Healthcare Systems & Policy

- **AI in Healthcare Focused by PGI Authorities:** Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences governing body emphasized advancing specialized healthcare and integrating artificial intelligence tools into clinical practice.
- **India-Afghanistan Health Group Talks:** India and Afghanistan discussed forming a *joint working group on health* to collaborate on healthcare development and facilities, including cancer care.
- **PIL to Classify Air Purifiers as Medical Devices:** A plea in the Delhi High Court argues air purifiers should be categorized as medical devices to reduce GST from 18% to 5%, citing health needs amid pollution concerns.
- **Court Blocks Medical Council Credit Withholding:** A Kolkata court restrained the West Bengal Medical Council from withholding continuing medical education credit points from doctors.
- **AHPI Partnership to Boost India's Medical Value Travel:** The apex hospital association (AHPI) partnered with Mulk Med Healthcare Group to strengthen India's position in medical value travel.

🩺 Healthcare Infrastructure & Innovation

- **Robotic Surgery Facility in Visakhapatnam:** Asian Institute of Nephrology and Urology opened a new *robotic surgery center* to enhance precision treatment for urology and kidney conditions.
- **Expansion of Emergency Care in Lucknow:** Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences will soon add a **45-bed emergency ward** to improve urgent care capacity.
- **Modernizing Radiology Systems:** Efforts led by two women innovators aim to modernize India's radiology systems to strengthen diagnostic services nationwide.

🌿 Traditional Medicine & Integration

- **WHO Codes for Traditional Systems:** The World Health Organization has begun global coding of **Ayurveda, Siddha, and Unani**, supporting integration of traditional systems into mainstream healthcare research and policy.

⚖️ Controversies & Public Safety

- **Ayurveda Doctors Allowed to Perform Surgeries in Andhra Pradesh:** The state government permitted qualified Ayurveda practitioners to conduct 58 types of surgeries, aiming to bridge traditional and modern systems.

📊 Broader Medical Context (Recent Developments)

Beyond *today's headlines*, here are **important ongoing trends and developments** shaping Indian health care:

- 🇮🇳 **Proposed New Medical Research Law:** The Indian government is considering legislation to create a comprehensive regulatory framework for health research, focusing on ethical standards, safety, and coordination.

- 👨‍⚕️ **Growth in Medical Education & Coverage:** India's medical college seats have increased sharply, and more than 62 crore people are now covered under the Ayushman Bharat health insurance scheme — part of major healthcare reforms over the last decade.
- 📡 **Traditional Medicine Goes Global:** Technical meetings between WHO and India aim to standardize and globally integrate Ayurveda, Siddha, and Unani systems into evidence-based healthcare practices.
- 💊 **Obesity Drug Market Race:** Big pharma companies such as Eli Lilly and Novo Nordisk are intensifying competition in India's obesity drug market with high growth prospects and the approach of generic launches.