

1. PG Medical Counselling Updates

The Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) has activated a “reset registration” option for Round-1 of the 2025 postgraduate medical (PG) counselling. This gives eligible candidates a chance to revise their choices and registration details ahead of the deadline (5 Nov 2025 at 10:00 AM).

Also, today is the final opportunity for candidates to apply under the NRI quota for NEET-PG 2025; the award of NRI-category seats is pending release of the detailed round-wise schedule.

Why important: The PG counselling process shapes the next batch of specialist doctors — delays or changes can impact thousands of aspirants and state health-systems.

Tip for aspirants: Double-check your documents now. Use the reset registration window if you need to modify your details. Keep an eye on the official MCC website for the forthcoming schedule.

2. Transfer of Pregnant Women in Andhra Pradesh due to Cyclone Precautions

In the wake of a cyclone affecting several districts in Andhra Pradesh, the state’s health department relocated 787 pregnant women in their final trimester to hospitals in safer locations. Breakdown: 240 in Krishna, 171 in Eluru, 150 in Konaseema, 142 in East Godavari.

Additionally, 551 rehabilitation centres have been set up where medical camps are being held via PHCs, ANMs and ASHAs.

Why it matters: Pregnant women in disaster-hit zones are especially vulnerable; proactive evacuation reduces maternal & fetal risks.

3. Health Infrastructure and Funding in Kerala

The World Bank has approved a loan of about Rs 2,400 crore ($\approx$ US \$280 million) to support the “Health System Improvement Programme” in Kerala under a “Programme for Results” model.

The initiative aims to strengthen emergency care (24×7), digital health systems, and prepare for emerging non-communicable disease burdens and climate-change-related health threats.

Implication: Kerala, already ahead on many health indicators, will get a major boost in infrastructure & system-resilience, which could serve as a model for other states.

What to watch: How the funds are allocated and translated into upgraded services in district hospitals and rural areas.

4. Haryana Government Reserves Surgeries for Public Hospitals

In Haryana, the government has reserved 11 critical surgical procedures (e.g., hip/knee replacements, hernia repair, tonsillectomy) exclusively for public hospitals under health-schemes such as Ayushman Bharat and Chirayu Health Scheme.

The move comes amid a dispute with private hospitals over unpaid dues amounting to more than ₹600 crore and service suspensions by hundreds of private hospitals.

Significance: While this protects economically weaker patients and keeps surgeries going, it also tests the capacity of government hospitals to handle increased load and advanced surgical work.
