# National Health Policy 2017

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### INTRODUCTION

- National Health Policy 1983 & the National Health Policy 2002 have served well In guiding the approach for the health sector in five year Plans.
- Now 18 years after the last health policy, the context has changed in four major ways.
- a) Health Priorities are changing
- b) Important Change in emergence of a Robust(Strong) health industry.
- c) Growing incidences of catastrophic expenditure due to health care costs
- d) A rising economic growth enables enhanced fiscal capacity(ability of state to provide goods or services)

### Aim & Objective

□Aim:

To inform, clarify, strengthen & prioritize the role of govt. in shaping health systems in all its dimensions.

#### **□**Objectives:

- Health Status and Programme Impact
- Health Systems Performance
- Health Systems strengthening

# Objectives

#### ☐ Health Status and Programme Impact:

- Life Expectancy and healthy life
  - Increase Life Expectancy at birth from 67.5 to 70 by 2025.
  - Establish regular tracking of Disability Adjusted Life Years (DALY) Index as a measure of burden of disease and its trends by major categories by 2022.
  - Reduction of TFR to 2.1 at national and sub-national level by 2025.

#### Mortality by Age and/ or cause

- Reduce Under Five Mortality to 23 by 2025 and MMR from current levels to 100 by 2020.
- Reduce infant mortality rate to 28 by 2019.
- Reduce neo-natal mortality to 16 and still birth rate to "single digit" by 2025.

### Reduction of disease prevalence/incidence

- Achieve global target of 2020 which is also termed as target of 90:90:90, for HIV/AIDS i.e, - 90% of all people living with HIV know their HIV status, - 90% of all people diagnosed with HIV infection receive sustained antiretroviral therapy and 90% of all people receiving antiretroviral therapy will have viral suppression.
- Achieve and maintain elimination status of Leprosy by 2018, Kala-Azar by 2017 and Lymphatic Filariasis in endemic pockets by 2017.
- To achieve and maintain a cure rate of >85% in new sputum positive patients for TB and reduce incidence of new cases, to reach elimination status by 2025.
- To reduce the prevalence of blindness to 0.25/ 1000 by 2025 and disease burden by one third from current levels.
- To reduce premature mortality from cardiovascular diseases, cancer, diabetes or chronic respiratory diseases by 25% by 2025.

#### **□**Health Systems Performance:

- Coverage of Health Services
  - Increase utilization of public health facilities by 50% from current levels by 2025.
  - Antenatal care coverage to be sustained above 90% and skilled attendance at birth above 90% by 2025.
  - More than 90% of the newborn are fully immunized by one year of age by 2025.
  - Meet need of family planning above 90% at national and sub national level by 2025.
  - 80% of known hypertensive and diabetic individuals at household level maintain "controlled disease status" by 2025.

- Cross Sectoral goals related to health
  - Relative reduction in prevalence of current tobacco use by 15% by 2020 and 30% by 2025.
  - Reduction of 40% in prevalence of stunting of under-five children by 2025.
  - Access to safe water and sanitation to all by 2020 (Swachh Bharat Mission).
  - Reduction of occupational injury by half from current levels of 334 per lakh agricultural workers by 2020.
  - National/ State level tracking of selected health behaviour.

#### ☐ Health Systems strengthening:

#### Health finance

- Increase health expenditure by Government as a percentage of GDP(Gross Domestic Product) from the existing 1.1 5 % to 2.5 % by 2025.
- Increase State sector health spending to > 8% of their budget by 2020.
- Decrease in proportion of households facing catastrophic health expenditure from the current levels by 25%, by 2025.

#### Health Infrastructure and Human Resource

- Ensure availability of paramedics and doctors as per Indian Public Health Standard (IPHS) norm in high priority districts by 2020.
- Increase community health volunteers to population ratio as per IPHS norm, in high priority districts by 2025.
- Establish primary and secondary care facility as per norm s in high priority districts (population as well as time to reach norms) by 2025.

#### Health Management Information

- Ensure district level electronic database of information on health system components by 2020.
- Strengthen the health surveillance system and establish registries for diseases of public health importance by 2020.
- Establish federated integrated health information architecture, Health Information Exchanges and National Health Information Network by 2025.

### Assignment

- Compare National Health Policy 2017 with NHP 1983 & 2002.
- Write Short Note On NHP 2017.

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