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Centre calls upon States reporting surge in COVID cases to step up vigil; advises Caution, Alertness

The Centre has advised caution and continuous alertness to States reporting a surge in COVID cases during the past few weeks, and to step up vigil against COVID. Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Union Health Secretary reviewed the status of COVID situation through a video conference (VC) with 14 such States that are reporting a high number of cases on a week-to-week basis along with increased case positivity combined with low numbers of COVID tests and below-average COVID vaccination. Dr. Vinod Paul, Member (Health), NITI Aayog was also present at the review meeting.

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Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar chairs Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav - a 30 year celebration of National Institute of Biologicals

Union Minister of State, Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar chaired Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav - a 30 year celebration of The National Institute of Biologicals (NIB) at NIB, Noida. Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Union Health Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Dr. Balram Bhargava, DG, ICMR and Dr. Anup Anvikar, Director, National Institute of Biologicals were also present at the event.

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The Union Health Ministry takes various steps to make Amarnath Yatra a grand success

Under the directions of Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare and Chemicals and Fertilizers and as per the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, various initiatives have been taken to streamline Amarnathji Yatra for the devotees. Shri Amarnathji Yatra will commence on 30th June 2022 and conclude on 11th August 2022. State governments have been informed about the required arrangements along with medical preparation including services of Specialist doctors, as well as General Duty Medical Officers (GDMOs) to supplement the efforts of the Jammu & Kashmir Government, particularly by those States from where large numbers of pilgrims arrive.

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Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya chairs the Doctors' Day Celebrations at Lady Hardinge Medical College

Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya chaired the Doctors Day Celebration at Lady Hardinge Medical College (LHMC) in the presence of Dr. Bharti Pravin Pawar, Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare and Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Union Health Secretary.

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Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya chairs the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission Conference 2022 and releases the 9th edition of Indian Pharmacopoeia

Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare and Chemicals and Fertilisers, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya chaired IPC Conference 2022 and released the 9th edition of Indian Pharmacopoeia at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi in the august presence of Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar, Union Minister of State. The theme of this year's conference was 'Addressing Medicine Quality for Future.'

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National Health Authority (NHA) organised Western Region Review Meeting in Pune, Maharashtra to assess implementation progress and draw a future roadmap for Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY & Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) schemes across the region

The fifth edition of Regional Review Meeting – 'Ayushman Sangam' was organized by National Health Authority (NHA) in Pune, Maharashtra for the Western region on 30th June and 1st July 2022. The event saw a gathering of senior government officials, policymakers and experts associated with the two schemes of Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY) and Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) from the States/UT of Gujarat, Goa, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Dadra and Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu. The review meeting was chaired by Dr. R. S. Sharma, CEO, NHA. Addressing the event, Dr. Sharma lauded the efforts and contribution made by the Western Zone towards the successful implementation of AB PM-JAY.

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