

Major Events & Achievements (September, 2017)

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1. The Cabinet has approved the proposal for introducing the Dentist (Amendment) Bill, 2017.
2. The Cabinet in its meeting held on 12th September, 2017, approved the proposal on signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and Morocco on cooperation in the field of Health.
3. A meeting between Hon'ble MOS (AP) and H.E. Dr. Valery Malashko, Health Minister of Belarus was held to discuss bilateral health issues at New Delhi, on 11th September, 2017.
4. Food Safety and Standard Authority of India(FSSAI) signed a MoU with NADA to focus on ensuring coordination within Government agencies to address the issue of doping substances and other adulterants/contamination in food supplements/nutritional products used in sports.
5. The 15th Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between National AIDS Control Organization, MoHFW and Department of Internal Security, MHA on 1st September, 2017 at New Delhi.
6. A delegation from India led by Secretary (HFW) participated in the 70th Session of the Regional Committee for the WHO – South East Asia and the Ministerial Roundtable on building health Systems Resilience to Climate Change during 6 - 10 September, 2017 at Maldives.
7. A meeting of the National Expert Committee on “Regulation of Newer Anti TB Drugs in India” was held under the Chairmanship of Secretary(DHR) on 21st September, 2017 for introduction of Delamanid, New Anti TB Drug in India.
8. Under the chairmanship of AS&DG(NACO), a meeting with various Professional Medical Associations like IMA, FOGSI, API, IAP, IADV, NIMA, ASI, ISBTI, Apollo, Fortis was held on 27th September 2017 in New Delhi.
9. A meeting on “Action Plan for Universal Coverage of Pregnant Woman for HIV and Syphilis” was convened at New Delhi on 25th September 2017 for 5 high priority States (Assam, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh).
10. A meeting between Additional Secretary (Health) and Taiwanese delegation led by Dr. Chi-Kung Ho, Deputy Health Minister of Taiwan, was held to discuss bilateral health issues at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi, on 21st September, 2017.
11. The 2nd India-U.S. Health Dialogue was held on 26-27 September, 2017 at New Delhi, covering the areas of NCDs, R&D, Communicable Diseases, Global Health Security, Traditional Medicine, Digital Health, Access to Medicines and Medical Innovations, Health Systems Strengthening, etc.
12. The Ministry issued an order regarding display of CGHS rates by private hospitals empanelled under CGHS.

13. The Ministry issued an order regarding Prescription of medicines by Generic names and educating CGHS beneficiaries about efficacy of Generic Medicine.
14. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India signed a Letter of Intent with the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Norway on 28th September 2018 at New Delhi to extend the cooperation within health sector through the Norway India Partnership Initiative (NIPI) for a period of three years starting from 2018.
15. Dental Council of India Masters of Dental Surgery Course Regulations, 2017 have been notified.
16. On the recommendation of MCI, Ministry has issued Letter of Permission (LOP) for starting/increase of 101 Seats in PG (Broad Speciality) for the Academic Session 2018-19.
17. To provide better consumer access, particularly towards quick & satisfactory resolution of grievances, FSSAI has established network integration with “Smart Consumer” app for a robust, effective and efficient system of redressing consumer complaints relating to food apart from providing information about smart buying tips and claim busters.
18. The Ministry has released the campaign to publicize its national helpline number through Lok Sabha TV in the “Healthy India Program” every Friday 5-6 pm. In addition to this, The Ministry has also launched the Second Phase of Communication Campaign for RCH related issues in which National Helpline of Jansankhya Sthirata Kosh(JSK) is being publicized through Radio, TV and Print Advertisements.
19. Under National Programme for Control of Blindness, in the month of September, 2017, approximately 3.96 lakh cataract surgeries were performed, about 13,519 free spectacles were distributed to school children and around 4,284 donated eyes were collected.
