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1. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) launched Food Project Identity Verification System (FPIVS) and “ePlatform for Comments”. FPIVS enables Food Business Operators (FBOs) to identify applicable food regulations for any product or whether such food requires product approval. The “ePlatform for Comments” will facilitate stakeholders for online submission of their views on upcoming food standards & regulations.
2. Under Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY), MoHFW signed an MoU on 1st November, 2018 with Kerala, the 33rd State. With that, the progress reported in November, 2018 is, Hospitals empanelled + in process: 326, Total applications received: 5,020, Amount authorized for admissions: Rs. 306.1 crore, Beneficiaries admitted in hospital: 2,42,000 and E-card issued: 7,76,541.
3. On the occasion of Children’s day, FSSAI announced the Eat Right Awards and Eat Right Creativity Challenge, giving the Eat Right Indian movement a further boost, following the Swasth Bharat Yatra.
4. The Ministry has requested Central Government Ministries/Departments and States/UTs to declare their premises/offices/building as “Tobacco Free Zone”.
5. To finance the construction of 7 new AIIMS and National Cancer Institute (NCI) at Jhajjar, Haryana, the Ministry has sought loan from the Higher Education Funding Agency (HEFA) which is a joint venture of Ministry of Human Resource Development and Canara Bank for financing of creation of capital assets in premier educational institutions in India. An amount of Rs. 525 crore has been sanctioned for each of the 7 new AIIMS and for NCI, Jhajjar. An amount of Rs. 100 crore has also been released to AIIMS, Gorakhpur.
6. An Expert Committee was constituted by the Ministry to examine the issues relating to faulty Articular Surface Replacement (ASR) hip implants. Based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee, the Government constituted a Central Expert Committee to determine the quantum of compensation. All the State/UT Governments have been requested to form State Level Committees to examine the effected patients within the respective States and to make the process less arduous for the patients. These State Level Committees would send their recommendations to the Central Expert Committee. All the State/UT Governments had also been requested to make people aware through newspaper advertisements so that they may approach either Central Expert Committee or State Level Committee.

The finalisation of the compensation formula paves the way for patients to secure compensation from M/s Johnson & Johnson Pvt Ltd. Compensation claims are to be processed in a time bound manner and payments made through bank accounts of affected persons by M/s Johnson & Johnson Pvt Ltd.

7. Approvals for over 21000 Health & Wellness Centres have been accorded till date. Out of those, as reported by the States/UTs, 3908 Health & Wellness Centres have reported to be operationalized till 30th November, 2018.
8. 7th meeting of Empowered Programme Committee (EPC) of National Health Mission (NHM) was held on 26th November, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Secretary (HFW) at New Delhi.
9. A meeting between Secretary (HFW) and H.E. Kosmosbek Cholponboev, Health Minister of Kyrgyz Republic was held on 15th November, 2018 at New Delhi.
10. A meeting was organized on 5th November 2018 at NACO, to discuss strengthening of reporting of private sector from where People Living with HIV are seeking HIV care to achieve 90-90-90 target by 2020.
11. Ministry recognised Aastha Kidney and Superspeciality Hospital, Ludhiana for treatment of Central Government employees under CS(MA) Rules, 1944.
12. Under National Programme for Control of Blindness, in the month of November, 2018, approximately 4.79 lakh cataract surgeries were performed, 34,971 free spectacles were distributed to school children and 5,540 donated eyes were collected.
