

Glimpses of the Summit



Hon'ble Health Minister of Mizoram Mr. Lal Thanzara along with Dr Sarkar, Mr Ranjit, Dr Sandra Albert, Mr N Ramachandran, Dr Sandeep Bhalla and PHFI Team members releasing the Capacity Building Brochure.



Hon'ble Health Minister of Mizoram Mr. Lal Thanzara along with Mr Ranjit, Mr N Ramachandran, Dr Sandeep Bhalla and PHFI Team members inaugurating the PHFI stall at the Exhibition.



Dr. Neil Bardoloi presenting his talk on CVD and Stroke in North-East (L-R): Dr. Siddharth Laskar; Dr. Neil Bardoloi; Dr. Daljeet Singh Sethi and Dr. Kailash S Sharma.



Hon'ble Health Minister of Mizoram Mr. Lal Thanzara speaking at the Inaugural session of the 1st North East Healthcare Summit



Dr Sandeep Bhalla speaking at the Summit in presence of Mr. N Ramachandran and Dr Sandra Albert.



Release of PHFI capacity building brochure (L-R) Dr. T.C. Hmingthangi (Mizoram), Dr. L. Watikala (PD, Nagaland), Mr. J.N. Chaudhary, Shri P.D. Rai (MP, Sikkim), Dr R Bhuyan (Assam) Dr Basu (Tripura).

Media Coverage of the Summit (over 30 print media coverages, 9 channel reports and above 80 national and international online coverages)

THE ASSAM TRIBUNE, DATE-10.07.2016, PG NO-07

Call for major investments in NE healthcare sector

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GUWAHATI, July 9: The two-day North East Health Care Summit organised by FICCI and Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) here, concluded today with a strong pitch for major public and private sector investments in the healthcare sector in the region to achieve inclusive development.

The summit, which laid major stress on making affordable and accessible world-class healthcare available across the region, also highlighted the need for taking a holistic approach to healthcare, giving equal importance to different alternative and complementary systems of medicine.

The initiative was inaugurated by Lalithanzara, Minister, Health and Family Welfare, Mizoram, along with Ranjit Barthakar, chairman, FICCI, NE Advisory Council, Dr K Srinath Reddy, president, PHFI (through video conferencing), and Jayanto

Narayan Choudhury, vice-president PHFI.

Lalithanzara, while lauding the organisers over the summit that highlighted key issues in today's evolving healthcare scenario pertinent to the northeastern region, lamented that due to lack of financial resources, skilled manpower, tough terrain and quality medical colleges, healthcare has taken a back seat in the region.

"Poor healthcare services in the North East and the need to enhance manpower, including setting up of more medical colleges in the region are the requirement of the day. There is an urgent need to review the progress of schemes sanctioned by the Centre or the NEC towards improvement of healthcare services in the region, especially infrastructure, in addition to finding out better ways and means to remove health problems and inaccessibility to quality healthcare, especially in rural areas of the region," he said.

He added that at present, only Assam, Tripura and Manipur have been able to set up their own medical colleges, while states like Mizoram, which have been grappling with cancer, are yet to get any medical college.

Speaking at an earlier session, PD Rai, Member of Parliament from Sikkim said that there is an urgent need to engage the corporate sector for enhancing public health and advancing technology in the region, ensuring better reach, quality and coverage of health services.

Dr K Srinath Reddy in his video address, observed that with so much technological and infrastructure advancements, it is time to being about rapid improvement in the public health indicators, especially in the light of the renewed commitment by the Central government towards speedy achievement of universal health coverage in the North East.

"With a view to complementing various state and national-level

health initiatives in this two-day summit, all stakeholders – be it policymakers, industry and health practitioners – will come up with a forward-looking plan to improve the health scenario in the entire region, so that it can become a major healthcare hub for the entire Southeast Asia," he added.

Ranjit Barthakar in his address, referred to the North East's potential to become the new growth driver for the Indian economy, "but this can happen only if the population can function to its full potential, unbridled by the burden of diseases."

"Globally, an average of 2.9 beds are available per 1,000 population. Therefore to even reach anywhere close to the global average, with a population of 45.45 million people, the North East would need over eight lakh additional hospital beds," he added.

Over 200 delegates, including doctors from the northeastern states, national and regional

speakers and stakeholders representing hospitals, pharmaceutical companies, medical devices companies and others participated in the deliberations.

The summit discussed various problems in the health sector in the North East, including shortage of trained medical manpower, providing access to sparsely populated, remote, far-flung areas, improvement of governance in the health sector, need for improved quality of health services, and making effective and full utilisation of existing resources.

The summit also highlighted the emerging opportunities for healthcare in areas like medical value tourism and alternative and complementary medicine, which aim at mainstreaming AYUSH (Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha, and Homeopathy) systems and revitalisation of local health traditions (LHT) within the policy on medical pluralism currently being implemented in the entire country.

THE HILLS TIMES, DATE-10.07.2016, PG NO-02

North East Healthcare Summit

More than 8 lakh additional hospital beds required in NE to equal world average

Guwahati, July 9 : "To achieve inclusive development, major public and private sector investments are required in Health care in the North East." This was the key message that emerged from the two day North East Health Care Summit organized in the city by FICCI and PHFI in Guwahati.

The initiative was inaugurated by Mr. Lalithanzara, Minister, Health and FW, Mizoram along with Mr. Ranjit Barthakar, Chairman, FICCI NE Advisory Council, Dr K Srinath Reddy, President Public Health Foundation of India (through VC), and Mr. Jayanto Narayan Choudhury, Vice president, PHFI.

Mr. Lalithanzara congratulated the organisers—FICCI and PHFI for organising this important summit that highlights key issues in today's evolving healthcare scenario pertinent to Northeastern parts of India. However, he lamented that due to lack of financial resources, skilled manpower in health, tough terrain and quality medical colleges, healthcare has taken a back seat in this re-



gion.

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ther. Mr. Ranjit Barthakar, Chairman, FICCI NE Advisory Council said, "The northeastern region has the potential to become the new growth driver for the Indian economy but this can happen only if the population can function to its full potential, unbridled by the burden of diseases".

"Globally, an average of 2.9 beds are available per 1000 population, therefore to even reach anywhere close to the global average, with a population of 45.45 million people, the North East would need over 8 lakh additional hospital beds" he added.

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maceutical companies, Medical devices companies and others participated in the deliberations.

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গুৱাহাটীৰ স্বাস্থ্য সেৱা সন্মিলনত মিজোৰামৰ স্বাস্থ্য মন্ত্ৰীৰ মন্তব্য

উত্তৰ-পূবৰ স্বাস্থ্য খণ্ডত বিনিয়োগৰ প্ৰয়োজন

গুৱাহাটী : ফিকি আৰু পাব্লিক হেল্থ ফাউণ্ডেচন অৱ ইণ্ডিয়া চমুকৈ পি এইচ এফ আইৰ উদ্যোগত গুৱাহাটীত দুদিনীয়াকৈ অনুষ্ঠিত হোৱা উত্তৰ-পূব স্বাস্থ্যসেৱা সন্মিলনত অঞ্চলটোৰ স্বাস্থ্য খণ্ডৰ ব্যাপক উন্নয়নৰ বাবে বৃহৎসংখ্যক ব্যৱস্থা তথা ব্যক্তিগত খণ্ডৰ বিনিয়োগৰ প্ৰয়োজন বুলি সৰ্বসন্মত মত প্ৰদান কৰা হয়। উক্ত সন্মিলনখন দুকলি কৰিছিল মিজোৰামৰ স্বাস্থ্য আৰু পৰিয়াল কল্যাণ বিভাগৰ মন্ত্ৰী লালখানজাৰৰ লগতে ফিকিৰ উত্তৰ-পূব উপদেষ্টা পৰিষদৰ অধ্যক্ষ ৰঞ্জিত বৰঠাকুৰ, পি এইচ এফ আইৰ অধ্যক্ষ ড° কে শ্ৰীনাথ ৰেড্ডী তথা উপাধ্যক্ষ জয়ন্ত নাৰায়ণ চৌধুৰীয়ে।

সন্মিলনখনত উত্তৰ-পূবৰ স্বাস্থ্যখণ্ডৰ উন্নতিৰ বাবে আঙুলিয়াই নিয়া বিভিন্ন প্ৰাসংগিক



দিশসমূহৰ বাবে মিজোৰাম স্বাস্থ্য আৰু পৰিয়াল কল্যাণ বিভাগৰ মন্ত্ৰী লালখানজাৰে ফিকি আৰু পি এইচ এফ আইক ধন্যবাদ জ্ঞাপন কৰে। তদুপৰি বিত্তীয় পৰিগঠনি, মানৱ সম্পদ, গুণমানসম্পন্ন চিকিৎসা মহাবিদ্যালয়ৰ অভাৱত অঞ্চলটো

বিশেষকৈ গ্ৰামাঞ্চলত গুণগত স্বাস্থ্যসেৱা প্ৰাপ্তি তথা স্বাস্থ্য খণ্ডৰ অভৱায়সমূহ নিৰ্মূল কৰিবলৈ খণ্ডটোৰ উন্নতিৰে আন্তঃগাঁথনিৰ ক্ষেত্ৰত সমাধানৰ পথ নিৰূপণ কৰি এই খণ্ডত গ্ৰহণ কৰা বিভিন্ন আঁচনিসমূহৰ বিস্তৰণৰ অতিশয় প্ৰয়োজন।

স্বাস্থ্যখণ্ডৰ উন্নতিৰ দিশত বহু পিচ পৰি গৈছে বুলিও তেওঁ মুখ প্ৰকাশ কৰে। ভাষণ প্ৰসংগত তেওঁ কয়— 'অঞ্চলটোৰ প্ৰত্যেকজনক স্বাস্থ্যসেৱাৰ উন্নতিৰ বাবে মানৱ সম্পদ তথা অধিকসংখ্যক চিকিৎসা মহাবিদ্যালয়ৰ প্ৰয়োজন।

ফিক্কী ৱ পীএচএফআই কা পূৰ্বোত্তৰ হেল্থ কেয়ৰ অধিবেশন সম্পন্ন



গুৱাহাটী : পূৰ্বোত্তৰ ম স্বাস্থ্য ক্ষেত্ৰ ম সামূহিক বিকাশ কে লিএ প্ৰমুখ সার্বজনিক এণ্ড নিজী ক্ষেত্ৰ কে নিবেশ কী জরুত হৈ। ফিক্কী এণ্ড পাব্লিক হেল্থ ফাউণ্ডেশ্যন অফ ইণ্ডিয়া (পীএচএফআই) কী অৱ সে দু

দিবসীয কাৰ্যক্ৰমো কে সাধ গুৱাহাটী নগৰ ম আযোজিত পূৰ্বোত্তৰ হেল্থ কেয়ৰ অধিবেশন ম বিভিন্ন বক্তাও কী মুখ্য মন্তব্য হৈ। ইস অধিবেশন কা মিজোৰম কে স্বাস্থ্য ৱ পৰিবাৰ কল্যাণ মন্ত্ৰী শ্ৰী লালখানজাৰ নে

ফিক্কী এনই সলাকাৰ পৰিষদ কে চেয়ৰমেন ৰঞ্জীত বৰঠাকুৰ, পীএচএফআই কে অধ্যক্ষ ডা. শ্ৰীনাথ ৰেড্ডী ৱ পীএচএফআই কে উপাধ্যক্ষ জয়ন্ত নাৰায়ণ চৌধুৰী কী উপস্থিতি ম উদ্ঘাটন কীয়া। ইস

অবসৰ পৰ লালখানজা নে অপনে संबोधन म कहा कि पूर्वोत्तर में स्वास्थ्य सेवा के दयनीय ढांचा है। यहां की स्वास्थ्य सेवा में मानव संसाधनों को बढ़ाने के साथ अधिक से अधिक चिकित्सा महाविद्यालयों की स्थापना की जरूरत है। वहीं पूर्वोत्तर के लिए आवंटित केंद्रीय योजनाओं के क्रियान्वयन पर तत्काल समीक्षा की आवश्यकता है। इस मौके पर सिक्किम के सांसद पीडी राय, फिक्की एनई सलाकार परिषद के चेयरमैन रंजीत बरठाकुर, पीएचएफआई के अध्यक्ष डॉ. के श्रीनाथ रेड्डी समेत कई विशिष्ट व्यक्तियों ने अपना विचार व्यक्त किया। (प्रसं)