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Robust policy framework to back healthcare innovations

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Speaking at the 2nd Health Tech India, 2019, Dr. Indu Bhushan, CEO, AB-PMJAY and NHA informed that technology has become the backbone for Ayushman Bharat by making the entire system cashless and paperless. With over 50 crore population coming under the purview of healthcare, technology is going to become an even bigger market in healthcare. However, Dr. Bhushan also cautioned that technology would cost money and therefore, both healthcare providers and other stakeholders should be prepared to balance this high cost as financial allocation would be needed. “Technological Innovations in Healthcare need to be backed by a Robust Policy Framework”, he emphasized.

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Lav Agarwal, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, speaking at Health Tech India, highlighted that the focus of Indian healthcare over the years has changed from being curative to slowly becoming preventive which has also led to an increase in scope for innovation. “The beneficial aspects of technology in India, lie in the fact that, in a country like India, it can overcome geographical and financial barriers to reach those who actually need it” he added.

Kenji Hiramatsu, Ambassador of Japan to India, speaking at the inaugural session, brought to light some of the factors on which high life expectancy in Japan (women=86 years and men=81years) is dependent upon; they are efficient management of skills and logistics in the medical device sector, well-trained doctors and nurses and the commitment of the government to Universal Health Coverage. Japan is the partner country for the second consecutive edition of the event. Hiramatsu expressed full support of his country in collaborating with India to take the agenda of health technology forward.

Shobana Kamineni, Immediate Past President, CII & Executive Vice Chairperson, Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Limited emphasized on the importance of frugal health technology that is going to make high quality healthcare services both affordable and accessible.