

Fortis Bannerghatta opens cancer treatment unit

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Hospital to offer the latest techniques and treatment protocols based on global standards



To counter the growing scourge of cancer in the state of Karnataka and give patients access to world class treatment facilities the leading chain of healthcare services, **Fortis Hospitals**, launched a specialized **Cancer Institute** in Bangalore. **Honorable Home Minister of Karnataka, Basavaraj Bommai**, and the **MP, Bangalore South Constituency, L. Suryanarayana Tejasvi** inaugurated the institute which is equipped with **advanced technology** and the **latest equipment** at Fortis Hospital Bannerghatta Road unit to provide comprehensive cancer care in a holistic manner.

The cancer institute will have 200 beds dedicated for treating patients with an aim to provide 360 degree comprehensive cancer care under one roof. There are various services available at the centre which includes advanced surgical oncology, robotic cancer surgery, medical oncology, radiation oncology, haemato oncology, neuro oncology, uro oncology, nuclear medicine, psycho oncology, onco-pathology, interventional radiology, palliative and rehabilitative care, all made available to enhance patient experience while undergoing cancer treatment.

In line with this, **Dr Ashutosh Raghuvanshi, MD & CEO, Fortis Healthcare**, said, "With the rise in cancer cases and with the lack of specialised centres, having a dedicated institute for treating the disease is the need of the hour. We are happy to launch this oncology institute which will provide the citizens of this state and the country access to global oncology experts and other world class amenities under one roof. This is our first specialised cancer institute in Bangalore which adheres to our commitment of offering high quality clinical care with focus on outcome of care for our patients.

Chief Operating Officer (Rest Of India) Ashish Bhatia, reaffirmed the organization's commitment to fighting this disease and improving the lives of as many patients as possible at the Cancer institute.

Talking about the vision that the hospital has towards taking medical care to the last mile patient, **Dr Manish Mattoo, Zonal Director, Fortis Hospital Bangalore**, said, "Fortis Hospitals in Bangalore have served the people of the state for over 3 decades and feel privileged to be bringing the best in cancer care to the state now. The necessity of having a dedicated cancer facility is to provide highly specialized care to patients because this disease demands the best from the patient, the

family, the doctors and the hospital care givers. The institute will have the advantages of a modern dedicated cancer institute within the confines of multi-super specialty hospital so that our patients get a comprehensive and complete care. Through the institute, we aim to provide a complete array of treatment options available anywhere in the world to our cancer patients and help them and their families heal faster.”

According to the **WHO**, cancer is a leading cause of death worldwide and accounted for 7.6 million deaths. There are only 62 dedicated cancer care hospitals that cater to an estimated 2.25 million patients in India, according to the National Institute of Cancer Prevention and Research (NICPR).