

DRDO sets up 500-bed covid care hospital in Haldwani

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A 500-bed covid care hospital set up by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) in Haldwani has been virtually inaugurated by Chief Minister of Uttarakhand Tirath Singh Rawat.

The facility comprises 375 oxygen beds and 125 ICU beds with ventilators. Pathology laboratory, pharmacy, X-ray and ECG etc. are an inherent part of the facility. The centre will become fully operational from June 3, 2021.

Doctors and nursing staff to run the facility would be provided by co-located Government Medical College, Haldwani. This hospital, which has been built in 21 days, is the result of the efforts of the workforce of 350 persons who worked relentlessly round the clock under adverse weather conditions.

The hospital has been dedicated and named after late General Bipin Chandra Joshi who belonged to Uttarakhand and was the 17th Chief of the Indian Army.