

NATHEALTH calls for re-building healthcare system in India

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NATHEALTH held its 8th Annual Summit on the theme 'Re-building, Re-structuring and Re-imagining resilient healthcare systems in India in a post-pandemic era on 28th & 29th March. The summit was designed to bring industry and the government together to discuss, deliberate and lay the roadmap for a stronger, resilient India which is future-ready for any uncertainties.

M Venkaiah Naidu, Vice President, Government of India inaugurated the summit.

"We have learnt from the pandemic that the deficiencies of healthcare infra, limited penetration of digital health, inadequacy in terms of last mile delivery of healthcare services – need to be addressed immediately. There is an immense need for increasing public expenditure in healthcare", said Naidu.

The summit saw several key agreements and reports launched to meet the burgeoning needs of a re-imagined resilient healthcare system:

- MoU with GAPIO for working in the area of skilling and upskilling, promoting innovation in healthcare financing, leveraging digital technologies
- Value-based Procurement paper by APACMED NATHEALTH PWC was released to execute a value-based procurement system in India
- Whitepaper on embedded taxes studies by NATHEALTH in collaboration with EY
- Vision paper on Digital Health by NATHEALTH and ADL was launched with a vision to reiterate the necessity for leveraging innovative technologies to expand the healthcare infrastructure
- Whitepaper on Homecare was launched
- A short report on "Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission Webinar Series" was launched to eliminate obstacles to the adoption of digital health in India and create a dialogue that speeds up a rapid scale-up and adoption of the digital health road map in India.