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MeitY signs MoU with Siemens Healthineers for creating deeptech healthcare R&D ecosystem

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A milestone in creating a deeptech healthcare R&D and Supply Chain ecosystem



SAMEER, India's premier R&D Institute of Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY), has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Siemens Healthineers that will contribute towards the development of new, improved and innovative technologies for advancing healthcare and diagnostic access in India.

Welcoming the strategic agreement, Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Union Minister of State for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship and Electronics & IT, said it will make available low-cost MRIs as part of PM's vision of providing quality, and affordable healthcare and diagnostic access for every Indian.

SAMEER, which is the acronym for Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering & Research, specialises in RF Microwaves Radar and Communication Systems, E3 testing and Medical Electronics.

The Minister expressed hope that the partnership while synergising the expertise of SAMEER and Siemens Healthineers in healthcare technologies particularly in Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) and Linear Accelerators (LINAC), will pursue joint activities that will improve access to MRI in India.

Speaking on the occasion, Peter Schardt, Chief Technology Officer, Siemens Healthineers, said, "India is a strategic market for Siemens Healthineers and it plays an important role in global innovation and technology expansion to achieve the future of healthcare." He added, "The partnership will build on our focus towards fighting the most life threatening diseases to expanding access to patient care."

Dr P. Hanumantha Rao, Director General of SAMEER, said "SAMEER has been pursuing R&D in the advanced Linear accelerators for Cancer Therapy and Magnetic Resonance Imaging systems for diagnostics."