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eHealth Access recently conducted a medical camp in the Dang district of Gujarat. The medical camp was a pilot test which offered free consultations with doctors via the recently launched Medical Kiosk by eHealth Access. The two day pilot started with Gujarat Dang district where 128 consultations (65 percent females and 35 percent males) were conducted successfully.

Commenting on the event, Mr Suchindra, IFS officer from Dang district, Gujarat, said, "eHealth Access has developed a very useful model; The innovative Medical kiosk technology will help tribal villages to have effective primary and preventive healthcare and this has proved to be working."

The Medical Kiosk developed by eHealth Access is a portable plug and play device that enhances the doctor reach by enabling new paths for doctor consultations to support patient with their primary health needs. Doctors can now reach the patients regardless of geographical boundaries through the Medical Kiosk.

"This is a boon to rural India and can be a means to make Government of India's Universal Health Program a reality, where we can reduce the doctors to Patient gap and make "doctor-reach" a reality for the common and underserved population, thereby aiding in the process of making India Healthy." said, Mr Ram Prabhu, technology director, eHealth Access. "We started the pilot test in Gujarat and are planning replicate this activity PAN India."

The latest census of health sector shows that India is lagging behind in doctor-patient ratio. It is observed, at present, that there is only one doctor available for more than 1,900 patients. Experts believe that in-order to reach an ideal doctor-patient ratio a standard, India has to wait till 2050.

The technology built in the Kiosk, allowed assessing patient's profile on BP, Sugar, ECG, temperature and BMI to be transferred to the doctor instantaneously, at the health camp.

After the diagnosis, people got their respective prescriptions printed on the local printer. People also brought in their previous medical reports for second opinion and they were able to scan it in the Medical Kiosk to send it to the Doctor and could successfully get the doctor's response through video consultation.

"I'm pleased with the technology in the device; it is almost like real time experience and makes it possible to see all of the patient vitals, patient over web, and investigation in electronic form," said Dr Rikin Patel, a medical practitioner from Gujarat who participated in the health camp. The free medical camp was supported by Working Brains who are distributors of the Medical Kiosk.

ehealth Access is an innovative health care company, is focused on developing a new health care ecosystem through advanced telemedicine technology. The company through its website provides healthcare services over internet and through phone.