

Primus Report

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Primus Partners outlines plan for 25 MediCities to transform India's healthcare by 2047



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Primus Partners has unveiled its latest report, **Shaping India's Future: Healthcare and Social Equity for All by 2047**, detailing a roadmap to develop 25 integrated MediCities across India within the next two decades. Designed as public-private partnership (PPP) initiatives, these MediCities aim to bridge critical gaps in the country's healthcare infrastructure while promoting equitable access to quality care.

Beyond improving healthcare delivery, the MediCities plan seeks to generate employment and boost medical research, positioning India as a global hub for tertiary and affordable healthcare. This strategic vision aligns with India's long-term goals of social equity and sustainable economic growth in the healthcare sector.

Some key highlights of the report:

- ₹85,000 crore investment: ₹10,000 crore from the Central Government for common infrastructure; ₹75,000-80,000 crore expected from private companies for core medical facilities and education.
- Employment generation: A single 200-acre MediCity could generate 75,000 jobs (30,000 direct and 45,000 indirect); across 25 hubs, this translates to 4 lakh+ direct jobs.
- Universal healthcare: 25% of beds in each MediCity likely to be reserved for affordable treatment under Central Government Health Scheme.
- Medical tourism boost: With more than 6.3 lakh international medical tourists in 2023, MediCities near Tier-1 and Tier-2 airports could double this number by 2029.
- Sustainable urban planning: Built around 'Walk-to-Hospital' ecosystems, with residential, wellness, diagnostic and educational facilities integrated into a single zone.

Nilaya Varma, Group CEO, Primus Partners, said: "The MediCities concept offers a compelling case for transforming India's healthcare access and economic development. With more than ₹85,000 crore in potential investment and 4 lakh direct jobs, this initiative aligns with the Centre's vision for Viksit Bharat and the broader goals of Amritkaal, promoting affordable care, attracting patients from across the globe, and driving inclusive growth across sectors."



The MediCity proposal includes an SPV (Special Purpose Vehicle) jointly owned by the Government of India and State Governments (50:50 ratio).

Each MediCity will accommodate up to 5,000 beds, medical colleges, diagnostics and support infrastructure such as pharmacies, hostels and common utilities.

MediCities will also play a pivotal role in enhancing India's Medical Value Tourism. Valued at USD 7.69 billion in 2024, this segment is projected to reach USD 14.31 billion by FY2028–29.

Cities close to international airports will be strong candidates for development. Furthermore, by promoting universal healthcare access, MediCities will ensure 'Sabka Swasth' by 2047.