

AMRIT pharmacies to Reach Every Medical College and District Hospital : JP Nadda

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New Delhi: AMRIT Pharmacy marked its 10th anniversary with Union Health Minister J P Nadda announcing a major nationwide expansion that will take the affordable medicines network to every

medical college and district hospital in India. The network, which has already provided discounted medicines to over 6.85 crore patients, will soon scale up from 255 to 500 outlets.

Inaugurating the 10th anniversary celebrations of AMRIT (Affordable Medicines and Reliable Implants for Treatment) Pharmacy at Bharat Mandapam, the Union Health Minister JP Nadda noted that while every AIIMS currently has an AMRIT outlet, the next milestone is ensuring availability in all medical colleges and district hospitals.

He commended HLL Lifecare Ltd., the implementing agency, for its sustained commitment and stressed the need to raise public awareness about AMRIT services.

Launched in 2015, AMRIT outlets offer life-saving and essential medicines at 50%–90% discounts, with medicines worth ₹17,000 crore (MRP) dispensed so far—resulting in ₹8,500 crore in patient savings.

HLL has pledged to double the network to 500 outlets. Union Health Secretary Punya Salila Srivastava said the initiative reflects Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of accessible, affordable and equitable access to quality medicines, praising the network for operating with "Josh, Junoon and Jazbaat."

To mark the occasion, the Minister inaugurated 10 new outlets and launched AMRIT ITes – Eco Green Version 2.0, an upgraded digital platform designed to enhance transparency and operational efficiency. A Customized My Stamp, a Coffee Table Book showcasing AMRIT's decade-long milestones, a Mobile Pharmacy Van for rural NCR outreach, and a 24x7 National Contact Centre were also unveiled.

HLL Lifecare Ltd., a Mini Ratna PSU under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, manages AMRIT alongside its wider portfolio spanning medical devices, diagnostics (Hindlabs), retail pharmacy services, infrastructure development and consultancy.

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