



PM Virtually Lays Foundation of Health Projects in Jharkhand | Jharkhand | 26 Feb 2024

Why in News?

Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi virtually laid the foundation of various **health projects worth around Rs 177 crore** in Jharkhand.

Key Points

- Under [PM-ABHIM \(Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission\)](#), the projects include two Nursing Colleges, four Critical Care Blocks (CCBs) and three Block Public Health Units (BPHU).
 - The **nursing colleges** will be constructed at Koderma Medical College and Phulo Jhano Medical College **at Dumka**.
 - The four CCBs will be set up in four different districts, including one at **Rajendra Institute of Medical College (RIMS), Ranchi**.
 - The three **BPHU** will be set up in **Deoghar district**.

PM-ABHIM (Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission)

- Launched in **2021**, it is one of the **largest pan-India schemes** for strengthening healthcare infrastructure across the country.
- **Its objective includes:**
 - To ensure a robust **public health infrastructure** in both **urban and rural** areas, capable of responding to public health emergencies or disease outbreaks.
 - To establish an **IT-enabled disease surveillance system** through a network of surveillance laboratories at block, district, regional and national levels.