



Cashless Health Facility

Why in News?

On the occasion of the new year, the Haryana government has brought in a cashless health facility **for government employees and their dependents**.

Key Points

- The Governor, Bandaru Dattatreya in the presence of Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, inaugurated the **cashless health facility under Ayushman Yojana**.
- The scheme was started on a pilot basis, initially covering employees from the **Fisheries and Horticulture departments**, offering cashless healthcare facilities starting November 1, 2023.
 - The coverage has expanded to include **all regular government employees**. Furthermore, the scheme is being **extended on a pilot basis** to encompass employees of the department of horticulture and fisheries, as well as IAS, IPS, and IFoS, along with their dependents.
- Implementation of this scheme is carried out through the **Ayushman Bharat Haryana health protection authority** (state health authority).
- **Procedures under the scheme are completely cashless** and the hospitals will get their claims approved from a single platform within a specified time frame.
 - The scheme will provide more efficient, seamless, hassle free and time bound services to the beneficiaries and other stakeholders
- Apart from **six life-threatening emergencies** which are, cardiac emergency, cerebral hemorrhage, coma, electric shock, third and fourth stage cancer patients, and any kind of accidents as per the existing provisions; **the scheme covers all types of indoor treatments, day care procedures** catering to the health care needs.
- Services will be available to the beneficiaries in all the **hospitals empaneled with Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS)** under this scheme.
 - **E-card/CCHF** card will be issued to all the beneficiaries to avail benefits. The entire expenditure under the scheme will be borne by the state government.