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Introduction

India achieved significant gains and improvements in access to health care over the last three decades. Health sector is amongst the fastest growing sectors and is expected to reach US\$ 280 billion by 2020. However, our health sector faces large challenges. It continues to be characterized by high OOP, low health insurance and low financial protection coverage amongst both urban and rural population. It is a matter of concern that we incur a high OOP expenditure on medical and health costs. 62.58% of our population has to shell out their own money for their own health and hospitalization expenses and they aren't covered through any form of health insurance. Besides using their savings and income, people borrow money or sell their assets to meet their healthcare needs, thereby pushing 4.6% of the population below the poverty line. The Government is committed to ensuring that its population has "universal access to good quality health care services without anyone having to face financial hardship as a consequence".

Under the umbrella of Ayushman Bharat, a **Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana** (**PM-JAY**) was conceived. PM-JAY seeks to enhance India's progress towards achieving of Universal Health Coverage (UHC) and reaching the Sustainable Development Goal 3 (SDG3).

Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY) provides for financial protection to 10.74 crore poor, identified occupational categories of urban workers' families and deprived rural families as per the latest SECC data (approximately 50 crore beneficiaries). It will offer a benefit cover of Rs. 500,000 per family per year.

PM-JAY covers medical and hospitalisation expenses for almost all secondary care and most of the tertiary care procedures. PM-JAY defines 1,350 medical packages covering medical and day care treatments, surgery, including medicines, diagnostics and transport.

To confirm that nobody is left out, there is no cap on family size and age in the Mission. The scheme is paperless & cashless at public hospitals and empaneled private hospitals. The beneficiaries don't have to pay any charges for the hospitalisation expenses. The benefit includes pre- and post-hospitalisation expenses. The scheme is entitlement based, and the beneficiary is decided on the basis of family figuring in SECC database. PM-JAY is the world's largest government funded health protection mission.

Benefits of PM-JAY

"Beneficiary Level

- Government provides health insurance cover of up to Rs. 5,00,000 per family per year.
- More than 10.74 crore poor and vulnerable families (approximately 50 crore beneficiaries) covered across the country.
- All families listed in the SECC database as per defined criteria will be covered.
 No cap on family size and age of members.
- Priority to girl child, women and and senior citizens.
- Free treatment available at all public and empaneled private hospitals in times of need.
- Covers secondary and tertiary care hospitalization.
- 1,350 medical packages covering surgery, medical and day care treatments, cost of medicines and diagnostics.

- All pre-existing diseases covered. Hospitals cannot deny treatment.
- Cashless and paperless access to quality health care services.
- Hospitals will not be allowed to charge any additional money from beneficiaries for the treatment.
- Eligible beneficiaries can avail services across India, offering benefit of national portability. Can reach out for information, assistance, complaints, and grievances to a 24X7 helpline number 14555

Health System

- Help India progressively achieve Universal Health Coverage (UHC) and Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).
- Ensure improved access and affordability, of quality secondary and tertiary care services through a combination of public hospitals and well measured strategic purchasing of services in health care deficit areas, from private care providers, especially the not-for profit providers.
- Significantly reduce out of pocket expenditure for hospitalization. Mitigate financial risk arising out of catastrophic health episodes and consequent impoverishment for poor and vulnerable families.
- Acting as a steward, align the growth of private sector with public health goals.
- Enhanced used to of evidence-based health care and cost control for improved health outcomes.
- Strengthen public health care systems through infusion of insurance revenues.
- Enable creation of new health infrastructure in rural, remote and under-served areas.

- Increase health expenditure by Government as a percentage of GDP.
- Enhanced patient satisfaction.
- Improved health outcomes.
- Improvement in population-level productivity and efficiency
- Improved quality of life for the population"

Literature Review

1- Angell BJ, et. al (2019) Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY and the path to universal health coverage in India: Overcoming the challenges of stewardship and governance. PLoS Med 16(3): e1002759. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pmed.1002759

Public spending on healthcare in India is amongst the lowest in the world at just over 1% of gross domestic product (GDP), and the Indian health system is characterised by substantial shortcomings relating to workforce, infrastructure, and the quality and availability of services.

The Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), approved by the Indian government in March 2018, is an ambitious reform to the Indian health system that seeks to provide financial health protection for 500 million of the most vulnerable Indians and halt the slide of the 50–60 million Indians who fall into poverty annually as a result of medical-related expenditure.

There is a need for wide reforms across public and private providers of care if India is to meet its stated aims of providing universal health coverage (UHC) for its population. The success of the program will rely on a reformed and adequately resourced public sector to lead implementation, delivery, and monitoring of the scheme.

While there are significant challenges facing the program, by providing the impetus for system-wide reform, AB-PMJAY presents the nation with a chance to tackle long-term and embedded shortcomings in governance, quality control, and stewardship and to accelerate India's progress towards the stated goal of UHC provision.

Implementation and ongoing operation of the program need to be carefully monitored to ensure that it is meeting its aims in a sustainable manner and that negative unintended consequences are avoided.

2- Mita Choudhury Pritam Datta. Private Hospitals in Health Insurance Network in India: A Reflection for Implementation of Ayushman Bharat.

Private hospitals will be expected to play a key role in the implementation of health insurance schemes in India. The paper examined the availability and spread of private hospitals in the country. It provided an insight on the potential access to insured health services. The analysis suggested that, in poor states of the country, there is low empanelment of private hospitals by insurance companies and is concentrated in small pockets. Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu have some of the largest GSHIS schemes in the country. In these states, there is a strong communication between private hospitals empaneled by insurance companies and private hospitals empaneled in Govt schemes. In these States, the degree of empanelment of private hospitals in Govt schemes is also significantly lesser than the empanelment of private hospitals by insurance companies. This indicates differences in entry conditions or low readiness of private hospitals to partake in GSHIS schemes.

Objective/ Key Research Question:

- To study the Process of Empanelment of Private Hospitals under Ayushman Bharat
 Scheme in Distt Navsari, Gujrat.
- 2. To assess the level of satisfaction with the empanelment process among the Private Hospitals of Navsari Distt.

Methodology:

Study Design: - Descriptive Cross Sectional Study

Study Area. Navsari District, Gujarat

Study Duration. 01 Feb - 30 April 19

Inclusion Criteria. All willing to participate private hospitals of Navsari Distt

Exclusion Criteria. Hospitals who do not wish to be empaneled in Ayushman Bharat

Survey Dates. The survey was conducted from 01 March to 30 April.

Sampling and Sample Size. 10 samples of empaneled hospitals of Ayushman Bharat scheme in Navsari district were taken. Informed consent was taken from all.

Study Tool. Review of secondary data.

Results

I. Overview of Hospital Empanelment Hospital

Empanelment is one of the central modules of Ayushman Bharat is National Health Protection Mission. Any health care provider or hospital which is interested in empanelment under AB-NHPM can express their interest by filling the online empanelment application form for AB-NHPM. The Hospital Empanelment module comprises of the application form which is a detailed repository of hospital information with details such as Infrastructure, Equipment and Expertise captured and verified through a defined process. This module will help authorities to understand the capacity of a hospital in terms of specialties catered and capacity. The module captures comprehensive details about the hospital such as hospital information (including ownership), infrastructure details, equipment expertise, specialties catered, staff details and so on, which helps to ascertain the eligibility of the hospital and the same shall be verified during field inspection.

The purpose of this document is to outline the steps for Hospital User for Hospital Empanelment module of under AB-NHPM. This document provides detailed information on how the hospital can apply and track their application for empanelment under AB-NHPM.

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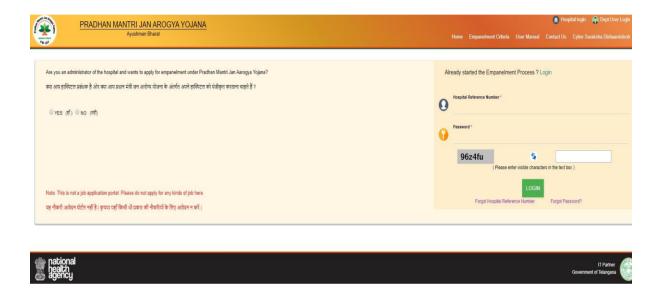
- a. Hospitals fulfilling the empanelment criteria shall apply online (check criteria at https://hospitals.abnhpm.gov.in/). No other system of application is accepted.
- b. The hospital authorities have to study the guidelines and instructions wisely.
- c. The hospital has to click on "Empanel your Hospital" for new registration.
- d. The online module comprises of various functionalities as mentioned.

HOSPITAL EMPANELMENT APPLICATION FORM This section comprises of the online application form for empanelment of hospitals and online submission of requisite hospital information. Hospital empanelment application form is divided into 9 sections which are:

- Hospital Basic Information
- Financial Details
- Licenses and Certification
- Specialties Offered
- Civil Infrastructure
- Medical Infrastructure
- General Services
- Details of Manpower
- Attachments

Step1: Go to https://hospitals.abnhpm.gov.in address bar of the browser.

View of AYUSHMAN BHARAT National Health Protection Mission Home page as shown in Screen shot 1.



- Step 2: In case a hospital is an already active hospital under RSBY, it need not "Create an Account" as in Step 3.
- 2.1 Hospitals Empaneled under RSBY may 'Login' using Hospital Reference Number as RSBY Hospital Code as printed on their MHC and Password as Hospital's PIN Code

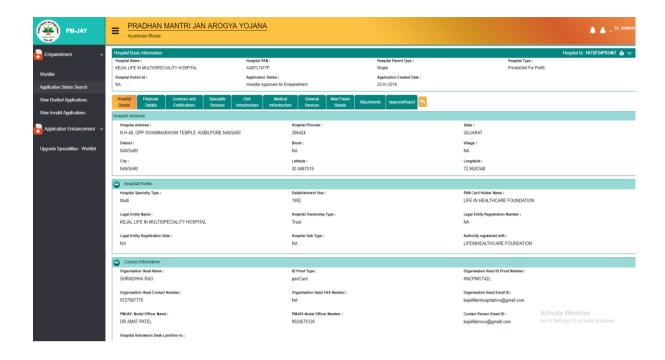
Step 3: Now fill all the mandatory details for creation of an account and Click on "CREATE ACCOUNT" button

Step 4: After clicking on "Create Account" button an alert will be displayed, click on "OK" button to proceed further

Step 5: After Clicking on "OK" now one more alert will be displayed with Generated Hospital Id and Password. Again, we need to click on "Ok" button to proceed further (as shown in screenshot 5)

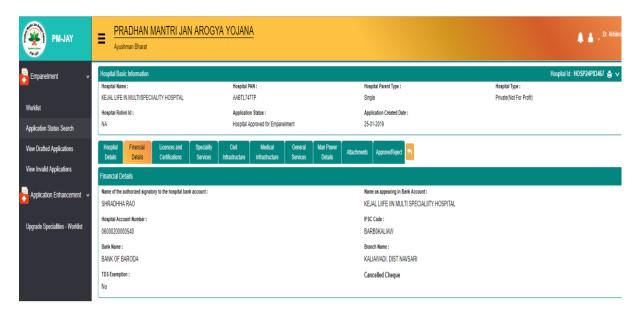
NOTE: You should note down Hospital Id and Password to proceed further

Step 6: Now provide Hospital Id (received earlier) as Hospital Reference Number, Password (received earlier) as Password, Captcha and click on "login" Button. All field are mandatory here (as shown in screenshot 2)



- Step 7: Hospital Basic Information Tab- Now fill all the mandatory details in this section
- Step 8: Financial Details Tab- After filling Hospital basic information next we need to fill financial details of hospital (as shown in screenshot 14).

Note: TDS exemption drop down will not be available if Hospital type is "Public"



Step 9: Licenses and Certification Tab- After filling financial details of hospital, we need to fill information about Licenses and certification of Hospital. Under this we need to fill all the mandatory details with attachment (as shown in screenshot 4).

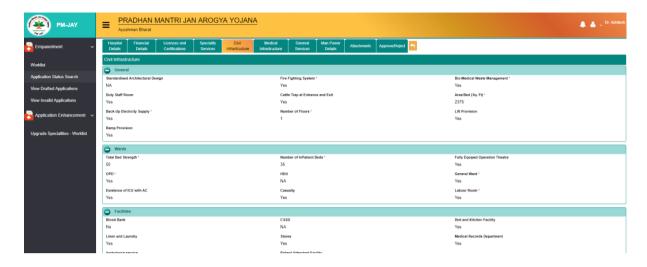


Screenshot 4

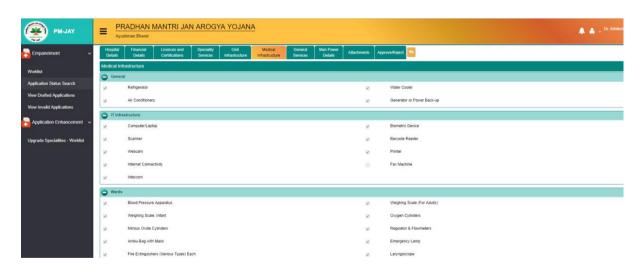
Step 10: Specialties offered Tab -Next section of hospital empanelment form is Specialties Offered. It may be single or multi-specialty (as shown in screenshot 5).



Step 11: Civil Infrastructure Tab-After completing specialties offered next section for Hospital empanelment form is Civil Infrastructure (as shown in screenshot 6).



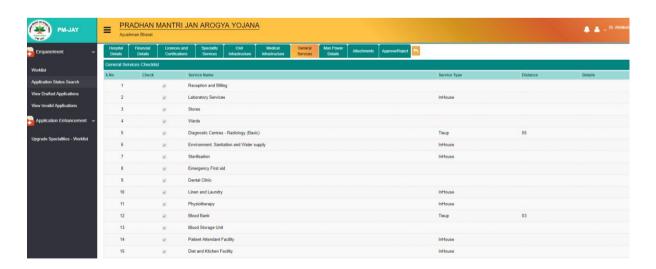
Step 12: Medical infrastructure Tab-Fill all mandatory details under Medical infrastructure tab (as shown in screenshot 7).



Step 13: General services Tab-After completing medical infrastructure details of hospital next step is to fill details of General services of hospital. (As shown in screenshot 8).



Step 14: After completing General services next step for hospital empanelment is Manpower details. In this we need to Add Required Manpower based on the Specialty selected in the 'Specialties Offered' Tab (as shown in screenshot 9).



Step 15: Attachments Tab: Shows the Attachment details required to add. (As shown in screenshot 10).



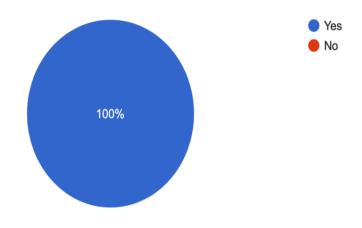
Step 16:: Check Eligibility Tab – Shows Eligibility Criteria Details of all the Menu's – If eligibility criteria is not met for all the menu's as per the requirement then Tab will come in red mark, then remarks and submit will not be displayed.

Results of survey

100% of the sampled hospitals confirmed having applied for registration under Ayushman Bharat Yojna

Have you applied for registration under Ayushman Bharat Yojna?

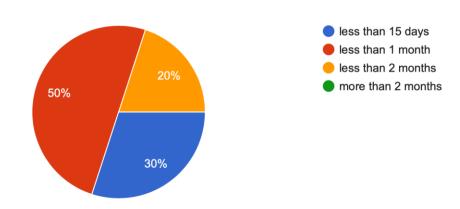
10 responses



Approximately

half of the respondents said that it took them less than 1 month to get the registration done whereas 20% felt it was less than 2 months and 30 % felt that it was less than 15 days.

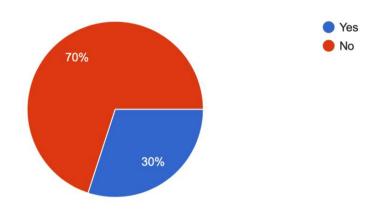
How much time did it take you to get the empanelment done?



70% of the respondents felt that the registration process was simple.

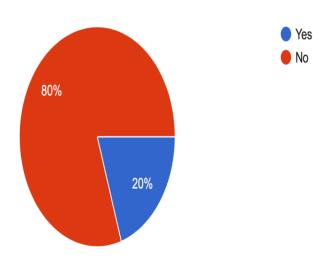
Is the registration process simple?

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80 % of the respondents felt that there was no duplication of information asked in the various stages of registration process.

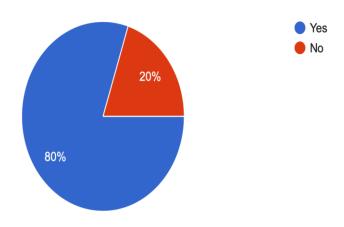
Is there a duplication of information asked in the registration process?



80% felt that there were too many compulsory fields in the form.

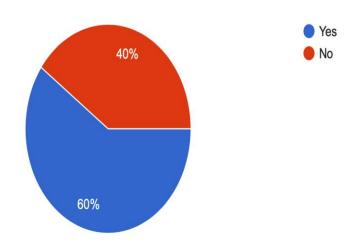
Do you feel that there are too many compulsory fields in the form?

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Opinion was divide on a ratio of 60:40 on whether the exceptions are supported by the software or not.

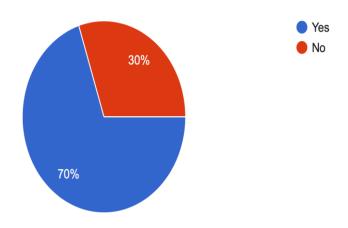
Are the exceptions supported by the software?



70% felt that thr process can be further simplified and made faster.

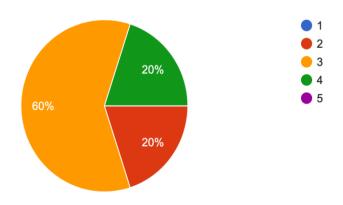
Do you feel the process of registration can be simplified and made faster?

10 responses



60% of the respondents rated the process of registration as 3 on a scale of 1-5 with 1 being worst and 5 being the best.

How will you rate the process of registration on a scale of 1-5?



Conclusion

Facilities under the Ayushman Bharat Yojna can be availed at all public hospitals and empaneled private health care facilities. The simple empanelment criteria allow empanelment of a hospital with a minimum of 10 beds. The states retain the flexibility to further relax this norm if required. Hospitals empanelment is being conducted through an online portal by the state government. Information about empaneled hospitals is available through various means such as government websites and mobile apps. Helpline number at 14555 can be called by the beneficiaries.

To regulate costs, the payments for treatment are done on a package rate. Hospitals with NABH/NQAS accreditation are incentivized for enhanced package rates subject to costing and procedure guidelines.

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