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Campaign against outsourcing of diagnostic services in public hospitals of Chhattisgarh, India (2013)

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- Evidence building
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• Getting the message out

JSA to start campaign against privatisation of health services

■ Staff Reporter
RAIPUR, Jan 15

JAN Swasthya Abhiyan (JSA) Chhattisgarh, has decided to start a campaign against proposed privatisation of various health services in the public health system, which is being proposed by Chhattisgarh State Government. Campaign has demanded for universal and free healthcare services from Government.

The JSA is a movement to establish health and equitable development as top priorities through comprehensive primary health care and action on the social determinants of health. The JSA coalition consists of over 20 networks and 1000 organisations as well as a large number

detail issues of corruption, out of pocket expenditure of patients and irrational treatment in private hospitals, especially under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana. JSA is of opinion that then health situation of State will worsen.

JSA expressed alarm at the state government's plan to privatise primary health centers, laboratories in government hospitals, and operating of equipments in the hospitals and stated that if, instead of strengthening the public health system, the government privatises the health services, this will result in worsening of the health situation, especially of the tribal and poor people.

Past experience, both international and national, have shown that pri-

State proposes 'outsourcing' of health services

■ The 6th Common review Mission of NRHM states, "Laboratory services are delivered through PPP model which is not functioning properly. At most of the places below district hospital level, Outsourced Agency has setup only collection centres. This leads to prolonged turn-around time and reporting time."

■ By Raja Das
RAIPUR, Jan 14

CHHATTISGARH has had several infamous health related episodes that has cast a gloom over its shining credible image. The heathed less replacement camps and the vile fake hysterectomy camps have all not raised the name image of Government health benefits among its citizens. Pinned to the corner with repeated allegations, the Chhattisgarh Government in a desperate bid to save its face during the election year, has proposed a bold move. The move is Outsourcing of Diagnostic Services in Public Health Facilities.

Despite the fact that 'outsourcing' of anything in the current scenario may seem like the perfect solution, here the case is different. If a few common arguments that have begun to resurface through the inclusion of Public Health Sector itself are to be followed—the proposal is carving a huge constituency that could grow into a major card for the Congress party to play during the forthcoming Budget session.

"When the experimental idea of Outsourcing of Diagnostic Services in Public Health Facilities utterly failed in Bihar, then why to repeat a similar move in Chhattisgarh," quipped Sakshita Nandi, State Convenor of Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (JSA), in her continuous reaction while opposing the new move. JSA is Indian affiliate of the People's Health Movement, a worldwide movement to

establish health and equitable development as top priorities through comprehensive primary health care and action on the social determinants of health.

Nandi, who headed a state-of-the-art/then medical experts and health professionals in Chhattisgarh to explore the feasibility of the 'Outsourcing' initiative, pointed out: "Outsourcing of diagnostic services has been tried out in few states, Bihar being the largest model. The Report of the 6th Common Review Mission - Bihar, 2012, clearly states that this has been a complete failure. The absolute failure of the outsourcing of diagnostics in Bihar is something which the Government should have taken note of before launching on this initiative."

While sharing in-depth findings of her probing research exclusively with "The Staravada", Nandi categorically stated that they have already broached the issue with Governor Shrikrishna Dutt through various associations submitted to Collectors of 13 districts of state on the behalf of JSA, which has decided to take the issue to the streets wherein they have decided to raise a rally in Capital Raipur on January 31.

Replying to a query, Nandi revealed that Chhattisgarh Government has taken a Request for Proposal (RFP) for outsourcing diagnostic services in public health facilities in 250 facilities including 22 District Hospitals, newly created District

Irrelevant move, says Dr Neral

OPPOSING the move, Dr Arvind Neral, Head of Department (Microbiology), Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru Memorial Medical College, said first it was an unclear zone for the part of State Government. "It seems the Directorate of Health Services does not have faith in its own people in some other reasons has known to them," he observed.

It's privatisation, says Dr Jain

DR Yogen Jain from Jan Swasthya Abhiyan who is now a hospital for poor in Bilaspur district was of opinion that the move will dilapidate the public health facilities. "The Government is privatising the diagnostic services in the name of PPP. A state, which is unable to monitor its own employees, how will monitor the services provided by private sector," he stated.

A community health centre at Mandravada.

A primary health centre in Karkee district.

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Chhattisgarh to outsource diagnostic services in government hospitals

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Activists say these centres will end up serving outside patients at the cost of hospital patients

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NEWS

Chhattisgarh's proposal to outsource diagnostic services draws criticism

Meera Kay

Bangalore

- Submissions to government from district to provincial levels
- Building alliances with Trade Unions and others working on social justice, organisations engaged in struggles against issues that were an outcome of government's market-based policies
- When government did not move – started direct street action/protests

State level Rally and Press conference (31st January)



NGO campaigns against outsourcing of diagnostic centres

Government Mulls Privatization Of Labs In Hospitals

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Raipur: Jan Swasthya Abhiyan, a NGO, today started a campaign against the proposed move of the government to outsource diagnostic centres at 379 public health facilities in the state. A public meeting was also held to show discontent with the decision.

Talking to TOI, Sulakshana, member of JSA, said that instead of improving and expanding services in the existing system, the government is replacing it with private service providers. "What is disheartening is that the Raman Singh government has taken no lessons from other states where privatisation in this sector flopped," she added.

Some senior officials in the state also agree that the government seems to be in a haste to privatise the service. They admit that flaws do exist in the system, the biggest being that privatisation



Rally organized by Jan Swasth Abhiyaan Chhattisgarh against the privatization of diagnostic centers in the state

would not solve the problem of under-staffing. "How will the private sector get qualified staff in Basar when the government cannot get it on their own," one of them said. Experts say that un-

Debates on privatisation

The debate on such privatizations has been many, with experts criticizing the manner in which such proposals are implemented without a workable strategy. In a recent article, "No Sweetening this better pill", published in a national daily, even the Former Union health secretary, K Sujata Rao, was critical of the decision. "The policy of contracting out diagnostic services to private sector networks in 379 public facilities for 10 years, guaranteeing a minimum patient load and permitting paying patients in addition and prices pegged to those paid for under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS), now forced and managed by a third party, is fraught with adverse implications for the strengthening of the public sector and huge costs for the government, should it choose to pay for them," she said.

less and until checks and balances are put in place and they are implemented in letter and spirit, the move is bound to backfire. Moreover quality and not the quantity of the tests conducted should be the criteria and the same has to be monitored on day to day basis, difficult

proposition in the present scenario. A senior official commented that merely putting tough conditions on the contract paper will not resolve the problem. "What is required is monitoring, which is a difficult task," he said.

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JSA plays State Government over outsourcing of diagnostic services

JSA termed State Government's move of outsourcing diagnostic services in public health facilities as an act of marketing the right of people and a corruption in principle



JSA National Joint Convener Sulakshana Nandi (extreme right), Savita Rath and Dr Yogesh Jain addressing a press conference. (R) A view of public meeting addressed by JSA.



■ Staff Reporter
RAIPUR, Jan 31

JAN SWASTHYA ABHIYAN (JSA) opposed Chhattisgarh Government over outsourcing diagnostic services in public health facilities has observed that the move is an act of marketing the right of people and a corruption in principle. It is the duty of the Government to provide these services to the people and its role is not limited to just funding services. The Government should have taken people's opinion through 'Gram Sabhas' before taking such a decision, JSA said.

It may be mentioned that the State Health and Family Welfare Minister Amar Agrawal had said that the State Government aims at strengthening its health services in such a way that the government sector is able to compete with the private sector. The minister had cited the example that Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is a government organisation in providing telecommunication services. Existence of BSNL has in fact checked the private sector compa-

nies to charge exorbitant prices, he had said. Replying to 'The Hitavada' query, JSA said that the move of outsourcing diagnostic services is totally ironical to the statement. JSA convened a press conference at Raipur Press Club, organised a rally and also addressed a public meeting in the city.

It is a fundamental and social right of the people to have health care services from the Government. The move of outsourcing is an act of marketing this right of the people. The Government should have collected the opinion of the people through 'gram sabhas' before finalising the decision. Since several Primary Health Centres are situated in scheduled areas, opinion of Gram Sabhas should have been sought as per Panchayat (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, said Savita Rath, a social worker from Raigarh and JSA member. It is privatization and that diagnostic services, which comprise a major part of the basic health services, JSA said.

JSA also focused that such a move has totally failed in Bihar and the

Government staff in the public health facilities became redundant. It also came to notice that only a limited number of labs were established and in the remote areas, only sample collection centres were run. The diagnostic reports (fundamental for deciding line of medical treatment) were received five to six days late. JSA anticipates similar adverse consequences in Chhattisgarh and focused that the State Government is attempting to outsource diagnostic services in bulk of the hospitals in the State. People of the State should oppose the move, said JSA National Joint Convener Sulakshana Nandi, Dr Yogesh Jain and others. It may be mentioned that JSA is Indian circle of the People's Health Movement, a worldwide movement.

Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare, Pratap Singh said that views of JSA are not tenable. The State Government in making the Request for Proposal for outsourcing diagnostic services has in no way gone against the right of the people and it has not indulged in any kind of corruption in principle. Facing cri-

REACTIONS

CHHATTISGARH Pradesh Swasthya Karmachari Sangha (CPSKS) State President O P Sharma said that the association does not support the move and it agrees with the views of JSA. CPSKS is an association recognised by the State Government and it has 25,000 members who are employees of the State health department.

Chhattisgarh State Government Doctors' Association (CSGDA) State President Dr Gokul Chandra Sarkar said that the move will not be beneficial for the people of the State.

sis of doctors and other staff, the Government is stick to its duty towards people and aims to provide services to the people in the remote areas. Whatever services are being provided free of charges will be continued free, he added.

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Unless the government regulates the growth of the private sector and makes it accountable, the worn-down public health infrastructure cannot be revitalised

The absence of a well thought out policy framework for strengthening the health system is the most important issue facing the health sector in India. In the government, there is no clarity on what the nation's health system should be 10 years hence. Should it be a public sector dominated system like Brazil or China; or a regulated private-led like the U.S.; or one where both sectors function but have only one payer as in the U.K.? In Japan, delivery is private but the government sets the prices. Each option has its costs, benefits, tradeoffs and systems to ensure control on costs and quality.

District level events and signature campaign (February to April)

निजीकरण के विरोध में हस्ताक्षर अभियान

नाराजगी

स्वास्थ्य सुविधाओं का निजीकरण किए जाने के विरोध में धरना-प्रदर्शन कर कर्मचारियों ने आक्रोश जताया

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एक स्वास्थ्य विभाग द्वारा सरकारी अस्पतालों में जांच सेवाओं का निजीकरण करने योजना बनाई जा रही है। सरकार के द्वारा इसके लिए निजी संस्थानों से प्रस्ताव भी आमंत्रित किए जा रहे हैं। स्वास्थ्य सुविधाओं का निजीकरण किए जाने के विरोध में जन स्वास्थ्य अभियान चला कर राज्य भर में धरना प्रदर्शन के साथ ही हस्ताक्षर अभियान चलाया जा रहा है। इसी क्रम में सोमवार 22 अप्रैल को कांकेर कलेक्टोरेट मार्ग में एक दिवसीय धरना प्रदर्शन कर मुख्यमंत्री के नाम अपना ज्ञापन जिला प्रशासन को सौंपा।

धरना प्रदर्शन तथा हस्ताक्षर अभियान में शामिल सदस्यों ने बताया यह योजना लागू होने से सरकारी अस्पताल में आम लोगों को जांच



कांकेर। सरकारी अस्पतालों के निजीकरण के विरोध में चलाया हस्ताक्षर अभियान।

पैसे देने पड़ेंगे। निजीकरण करने के बाद पहले से सरकारी अस्पतालों में कार्यरत कर्मचारी तथा उपकरण का क्या होगा यह स्पष्ट नहीं है। सरकारी अस्पतालों में सुविधाएं जरूर कम हैं

दिया जाए। इसी तरह निजीकरण बिहार में किया गया है जहां का दुष्परिणाम सभी के सामने है।

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सरकारी अस्पतालों में जांच सेवाओं का प्रस्तावित निजीकरण रद्द हो। लैब टेक्नीशियन एवं रेडियोग्राफर के रिक्त पदों को तत्काल भरा जाए। वर्तमान में पदस्थ लैब टेक्नीशियन को आधुनिक तरीके से सभी तरह के जांच का प्रशिक्षण दिया जाए। जांच के लिए आवश्यक उपकरण उपलब्ध कराया जाए। 24 साल पुराने मध्यप्रदेश के भर्ती नियमों को छत्तीसगढ़ के संदर्भ में संशोधित किया जाए।

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नईदुनिया

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निजीकरण किया जायेगा। इसके लिए प्रस्ताव शासन द्वारा बनाया गया है जिसे लागू किया जाएगा। इसी के विरोध में जन स्वास्थ्य अभियान कमेरिया के कार्यकर्ताओं ने विरोध करना अभी से शुरू कर दिया है।

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State level Silent March (19th May)

JSA protests privatisation of health services



Silent march and signature campaign against the privatisation of diagnostic services by Jan Swastha Abhiyan workers.

■ Staff Reporter
RAIPUR, May 20

JAN SWASTHYA ABHIYAN (JSA) Chhattisgarh organised a State-level Silent March and signature Campaign against the State Government's plan to privatise diagnostic services in 379 Government hospitals. The March started from here at Budha Talab and ended at Bijli Chowk. The marchers tied a black band on their mouth signifying their protest in silence.

Organizations working on health issues, from 16 district of Chhattisgarh participat-

expenditure for the poor. While the state government is providing subsidized grain to 75 percent of families in the state, it is ironical that according to the diagnostics proposal, 60 percent of the families in the state will have to pay for diagnostic services out of their pocket at Delhi CGHS rates. If these families have been identified as deserving support for food, how can they not be deserving of free health services.

It is shocking that before planning for such a move that will negatively affect so many poor people in the state, the state government has not held any consultations either

in Mukhyamantri Swasthya Bima Yojana where the private sector held the government to ransom for its own profit and denied free health services to thousands of patients for many months.

Jan Swasthya Abhiyan demands that the state government cancels its plan for privatization of diagnostic services. Instead of relinquishing its responsibility to its people, the Government should strengthen the existing services through recruitment of lab technicians and radiographers, multi skill training of lab technicians and ensuring accountability of the public health system to the



THE TIMES OF INDIA, 21-05-2013 Silent march against privatization of diagnostic centres at state hosps

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Raipur: The ongoing campaign of the Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (JSA) to oppose the government move to privatise diagnostic facilities in 379 state run hospitals continued on Monday with a state level silent march and a signature campaign.

JSA, a network of NGOs working on the health front, started the march from Budha Talab and ended at Bijli Chowk. The protestors tied a black cloth on their mouth to register their silent protest. Nearly 3,000 villagers from all over Chhattisgarh have also

sent postcards to Chhattisgarh CM, opposing the privatization move.

JSA members demanded the cancellation of privatising of diagnostics services, as this, they claimed, would lead to increased expenditure for the poor. While the state government is providing subsidized grain to 75% of families in the state, it is ironical that according to the new proposal, 60% of the families in the state will have to pay for diagnostic services out of their pocket at Delhi CGHS rates, they claim.

"If these families have been identified as deserving support for food, how can they

not deserve free health services?" asked one of the members of JSA.

Sulakshana Nandi, JSA, Chhattisgarh said, "It is shocking that before planning such an adverse move the state government did not hold any consultations either with the public or with the district and block level administrators. The state government has also ignored criticism and cautions given by health experts."

Ironically, the government has also been filling up posts of various lab technicians, in places like Bastar and Kanker districts.

Other actions

- Representations made to Chief Secretary, Finance Secretary and other senior government officials
- Representations made to Government of India (GoI)
- Team from GoI comes to study this proposal and critiques it
- Central government refuses to fund this proposal



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'Chhattisgarh's PPP model for diagnostic services flawed'

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Team of experts deputed by Centre says state's plan could lead to denial of services to poor patients and filing of false claims



Chhattisgarh government's proposal to outsource diagnostic services do not appear to be tailored to meet the needs of people. A Central government team that visited the state to look into the matter has raised many questions about the state government's initiative.

The Centre sent a team on March 5 to Chhattisgarh to assess the model and give recommendations. The team found that there are many problems in implementing the plan and that outsourcing diagnostic facilities is not the best option.

The team members included Dinesh Baswal, official from maternal health department of Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Anand Bang, senior consultant (public health planning) with National Health Systems Resource Centre (NHSRC) of MoHFW and Jitendra Sharma, senior consultant (health care finance and technology) with NHSRC.

The team in its report about the public-private partnership (PPP) model adopted by Chhattisgarh government says the reasons for outsourcing diagnostic services are unclear. "This Government of Chattisgarh has a PPP policy with the approval of the Cabinet and has been published. Nevertheless, it is unclear as to at what levels there were discussions within the health department and the steps followed pertaining to the translation of such a Cabinet approved policy into a specific proposal for outsourcing diagnostics."

Government stalls project (June)

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Chhatisgarh stalls PPP project to outsource diagnostic facilities

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Chhatisgarh govt shelves privatization of diagnostic labs

Anuja Jaiswal, TNN Jun 20, 2013, 08:21 PM IST

RAIPUR: Under severe criticism from several quarters, including NGOs and experts deputed by the Centre, the Chhattisgarh government has shelved its controversial proposal to outsource diagnostic facilities in the state to private sector.

The move, which was put into action in February with the health department inviting applications from interested parties to take up the task, had led to a state-wide agitation by a network of NGOs in the health sector. Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (JSA) carried out a signature campaign against the move.

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Chhattisgarh diagnostic project on hold

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State government says the policy requires a "fresh look"

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केंद्र सरकार ने फंड देने से किया इंकार
प्रदेश भर के रेडियोलॉजी सेंटर को थी प्राइवेट करने की तैयारी

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सरकार को प्रदेश भर के अस्पतालों को बेचने की मंशा फिरहाल छद्म रूप में पट गई है। इससे जो जानकारी सामने आ रही है उसके अनुसार केंद्र ने इस योजना के लिए फंड देने से मना कर दिया है।

राज्य सरकार इस योजना के लिए केंद्र से पत्राचार प्रारम्भ के तहत फंड मांग रही थी। इसके पीछे यह बात सामने आ रही है कि केंद्र की टीम इस योजना के अन्वयण के लिए आई थी। ऐसे में इस टीम को और से भी जो रिपोर्ट दी गई वह राज्य सरकार के मंत्रों के खिलाफ थी।

मुझे से मिले जानकारी के अनुसार इस टीम की ओर से यह भी कहा गया है कि इस योजना से गरीबों को परेशानी होगी तथा ही वह स्वास्थ्य सुविधाओं से वंचित हो जायें। इसके अलावा इस योजना से शहरीय भी परेशान। इससे कुछेक मिल आदि पर आया।

विदित हो कि राज्य सरकार की ओर से पूरे प्रदेश के सरकारी अस्पतालों में रेडियोलॉजी सेंटरों को प्राइवेट हाथों में सौंपने की सूची तैयार कर रखी गई थी। ऐसे में पहले



काठर चोट

टेक्टर जनकपुरी मंड में बुलवाया गया था। इससे दूर-दूर तक के इलाकों के लिए केंद्रों टेक्टर अवैदित आया हो नहीं था।

इसके बाद इसे निस्तार कर दूसरा टेक्टर फारवरी माह में बुलाया गया। इस टेक्टर में यह शर्त रखी गई थी कि मधुपुर जिले वाले केंद्रों का वारंट लेना होगा तथा ही बिनामधुपुर लेने वाले को मधुपुरा लेना होगा। लक्ष्यगत सारी प्रक्रिया पूरी हो गई थी। मार्च माह में टेक्टर भी परामर्श कर लिया गया था।

इसके बाद केंद्र की ओर से फंड नहीं दिए जाने और इस योजना की जर्नियों को निलंबने के बाद इसे

रोक दिया गया है।

क्या थी योजना

इस योजना के तहत सरासरी के 67 रेडियोलॉजी और 67 लैब सेंटर, भारत के 79 रेडियोलॉजी और इन्फेरी ही लैब सेंटर इसके अन्वयण। मधुपुर के 144 रेडियोलॉजी सेंटर और इन्फेरी ही लैब सेंटर बिनामधुपुर के 89 रेडियोलॉजी सेंटर और इन्फेरी ही लैब को प्राइवेट कंपनियों को देने की तैयारी की गई थी।

खुब हुआ विरोध

सरकार को इस योजना का विरोध

क्या कहा था निदेशक ने

इसे झलके को जब लम्बे पहले फीज्ड थे उजाद हा ही फंडरही मंड में उजाद रहकरा संप्रदाय के उ गे च्यांरुकी बिदेशक के वी मिह भे च्यांरु हा कि धियायी हात जकी बकाटी मड मे ड ले उजाद टेक्टर रासपुर और बिलासपुर के लिए आ डी बकरा सरजुज के लिए टेक्टर देकी अपन हा। सत्तरक को केला कलम है या जकी इत कलम पर जकीमे केला हा कि वड ने ड जर्डी के बड वन धल अडपा। अउरते फिलेने कड विद्य कि कोई बकरा और सरजुज को लेने को तैयार रही है।

क्या थी दलील

इस योजना के लिए सरकारी को और से हात देनी ही जा रही थी

कि कि स्वास्थ्य क्षेत्र में व्यापक निवेश की आवश्यकता तथा सिंगल संसाधनों को देखते हुए स्वास्थ्य नीति सहभागीता आवश्यक हो गया है।

इसके साथ सरकार भी यह मान रही है कि निजी क्षेत्र में कार्यकुशलता सरकारी क्षेत्र से बढ़िया है। छठसगह परिकार कल्याण मंत्रालय की ओर से 9 जुलाई 2012 को जारी अधिसूचना में स्पष्ट कहा गया है कि प्रदेश में स्वास्थ्य के क्षेत्र में निजी क्षेत्र को प्राथमिकता देने का प्रस्ताव तैयार करने के लिए इस कदम को उठाया जा रहा है। राज्य सरकार की योजना में खास देखभाल केंद्र सरकार ने मना कर दिया।

लेखक का यह श्रेण लेखनी थी और है। ऐसे में सरकारी को संप्रदाय कथिए कि कोई योजना तय के उजाद पर निरत करें। केलाव ने जयिधत को जात लेनी तबको ले बड की जकी चियांरु। दफ्तरने में जे सत्तलन उपचाय है, उरी ही शिकल पर उरकल को एडन डेन चियांरु।

सुरक्षक जडी, लयी, कडोवनी हथरु

Need to stay vigilant

- In August 2018, state government issued a Request For Proposal for outsourcing diagnostic services at various government facilities

PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY

Chhattisgarh is outsourcing diagnostic services to the private sector despite having adequate staff

The state has more lab technicians than recommended by Indian Public Health Standards and most tests it wants to outsource are already done at public hospitals.



- State started improving diagnostics services – capacity building of lab techs, supply of equipment, reagents etc.

Resistance to the National Health Insurance scheme



HEALTH

In Chhattisgarh, Public Funds for Health Insurance Are Being Diverted to the Private Sector

There is no available reason to believe that a national level roll-out of insurance under the proposed NHPS will have any less of the issues that have plagued state schemes.



A woman, who underwent a chemotherapy surgery at a government cancer treatment centre, looks for child while sitting on a hospital bed for treatment in Bhanupur in Chhattisgarh, November 7



Sulakshana Nandi, Deepika Joshi and Sangesta Sahu

GOVERNMENT HEALTH 08/10/2018

The government's new National Health Protection Scheme (NHPS) is being rolled out rap NITI Aayog. It is essentially a massive insurance scheme, announced in this year's Budget government pushes ahead, a few lessons from states like Chhattisgarh could be instructive.

Chhattisgarh is considered a "well-performing" state under the *Rashtriya Swasthya Bima* (RSBY). It has one of the highest coverage of families under insurance (more than 80% of the state has combined the RSBY (for below poverty line or BPL) with the state government scheme for non-BPL, thus having 'Universal Health Insurance'). With seemingly high political commitment, one would expect that insured people in Chhattisgarh would be protected from hospitalisation expenditure.



PMJAY based on failed insurance model: Activists

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Health activist groups on Tuesday criticised the Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), saying it is based on the 'discredited insurance model despite massive evidence against the effectiveness of such insurance-based schemes involving major participation of the private sector in delivery.'

Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (Peoples Health Movement - India)

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PRESS RELEASE

Abandon the AB-PMJAY scheme based on the discredited insurance model

The recent announcement regarding the launch of the Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) scheme has raised expectations that the scheme will somehow address the extremely urgent needs regarding healthcare in the country. Expectations have also been raised because of the labeling of the scheme as the 'largest health protection scheme in the world' and the promise that beneficiaries will receive Rs.5 lakhs as cost of hospitalization.

The Jan Swasthya Abhiyan wishes to point out that the mere assertion that the AB-PMJAY is the largest health protection scheme in the world, does not make it so - in fact it is entirely misleading. The Government's own National Health Mission has an outlay of around Rs.35,000 crores, many times more than the Rs.2,000 crores allocated for the scheme in the 2018-19 budget.

The Jan Swasthya Abhiyan is deeply concerned about the haste with which the scheme has been conceived and announced, without regard for the negative experience with existing insurance schemes such as the RSBY. The AB-PMJAY is based on the discredited 'insurance model' despite massive evidence against the effectiveness

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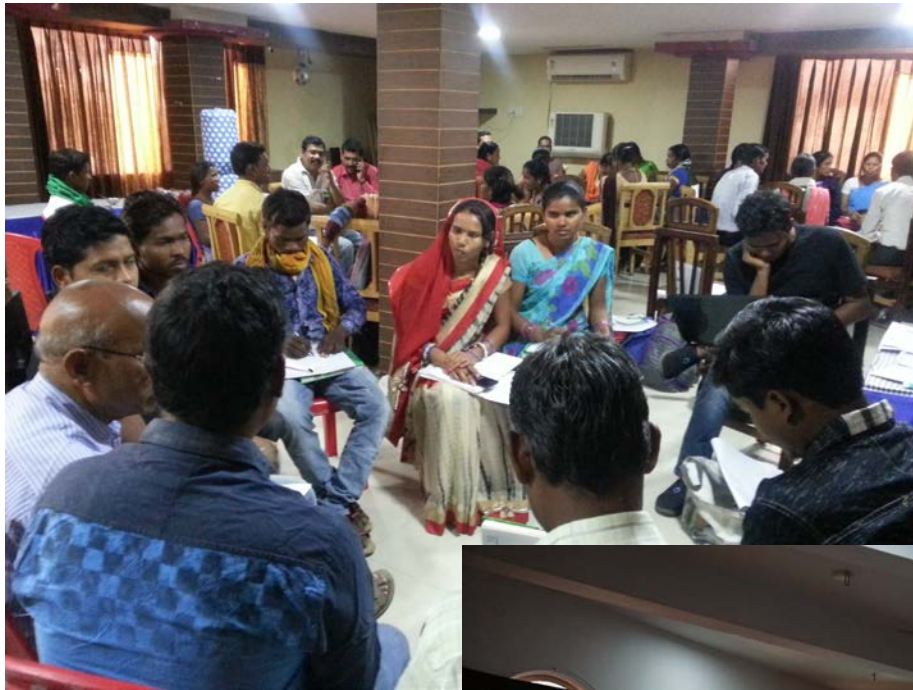
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Through
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Building perspectives...building a consensus



Numerous stories of private hospitals extracting huge amounts of money from patients admitted under **#RSBY**. People sold land, mortgaged house, sold jewellery. One case of suicide of wife as unable to pay. Poor families becoming more impoverished due to catastrophic expenditure.



2-Pvt hospital took out our uteruses. We paid thru our **#RSBY** insurance & sold our land to pay extra oope! @PHMglobal



Tija Sahu explains she played herself in the play, as the main protagonist. Tired of hospital's unending demands for money, she wanted to take son to another one. They refused to give her back **#RSBY** card. She fought till they discharged her son & gave back **#healthinsurance** card



Testimonials

Lessons for Health Activism/Campaigns

- Evidence-Based Critique
- Information as Power – issue of transparency
- Use of Multiple Strategies, in Degrees and a Sustained Campaign
- Privatisation and Neo-Liberal Policies as a Rallying Point – framing the discourse
- Posing the Issue in Terms of a Moral Argument
- Active role of Media – social media

Building collective knowledge

Examples from Philippines, Europe, India show similar strategies:

- Mobilised different groups
- Published reports, organised direct street action, insisted on advocacy, as well as media and legal recourse
- Built broad alliances with other social movements against neoliberal policies
- Activists have faced repression by governments
- As a global movement we need to provide global solidarity and support in such cases

Building a Movement for Health

BUILDING A MOVEMENT FOR HEALTH

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Health for All Campaign

Renewing the Health For All Campaign through Thematic Areas


PHM developed the Health For All Campaign as its central campaign and to serve as an umbrella for more specific activism around priority social determinants of health, called Thematic Areas. PHM's Thematic Areas and sub-themes have shifted over the years, depending on the focus of PHM activist interests, initiatives of global governance organisations, and the broader context of the struggle for health. In recent years, the Health For All Campaign has been used mainly as a platform for the thematic areas. Specific work within thematic areas is advanced through thematic circles, comprised of activists working in countries and regions as well as PHM's global programmes.

Currently PHM has six thematic circles. The respective thematic circle pages/links below review the thematic area, current work in the area, and long- and short-term goals.


If you wish to volunteer/have any questions regarding the Health for all Campaign or any of the six thematic groups please contact [deepika\[at\]phmovement\[dot\]org](mailto:deepika@phmovement.org) or the respective thematic coordinators.




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