

■ MoU Signed for Facilitating Free Health Benefits Including Cosmetic Surgery for Transgenders

Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment had signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with National Health Authority (NHA) for providing a Comprehensive Medical Package to Transgender Persons under Ayushman Bharat-PMJAY. Under this medical health package, a special "Ayushman Bharat TG Plus" card is being provided for the transgender persons for availing more than 50 health facilities free of cost. Other than general health services, the facilities include gender-realignment surgery, hormone therapy and cosmetic surgery as well. India will be the first country in the world to provide such facilities free of cost to transgender community under a government scheme. A person belonging to a transgender society from any state, any part of India will be able to avail benefits of this scheme in any hospital affiliated with Ayushman Bharat.