National Tribal Health Conclave

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Disease burden among tribal communities' shows variation among communities and geographies, however there is a dis-proportionate burden of communicable diseases, malnutrition, haematological disorders including sickle cell anaemia and addiction among these people across the country. Further, mental health issues & stress, noncommunicable disease, cancer, rare diseases, geriatric problems etc also needs attention. Factors such as geographies, economic condition, socio-cultural factors, genetics etc play major role in the disease burden among tribal people along with other reasons. It was felt that there was an urgent need to have meaningful discussions among different stakeholders thereby bringing out different ideas/approaches to improve the health care delivery to tribal people and also to identify priority sectors/areas for immediate policy interventions, action oriented research and course correction initiatives. In this background, the Ministry had organized the National level tribal health conclave on 20th June 2025 at Bharat mandapam in Delhi. This was the first ever consolidated effort to discuss issues and challenges faced in the health care delivery specifically in relation to tribal people. The conclave brought together key policymakers, healthcare experts, and representatives from various ministries, anchor institutes, and international organizations to discuss innovative approaches to addressing the unique health challenges faced by tribal communities.