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Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri K. Chandrashekar Rao said that besides supply of KCR Kits, several innovative measures taken by the government, there is a large surge in the patients at the government hospitals, there is an increase in trust and faith in the government hospitals and the doctors' prestige has also enhanced among the people. He has urged the government doctors to actively work and live up to the faith and trust the people had in them. The CM announced that the government would extend all the needed support to the Medical and Health department and wanted the officials concerned to prepare a Health Map for the future of the Telangana State. The CM has also signed on a file pertaining to the cash incentives to be given to doctors who were taking an extra burden and care due to the increase in patients. The CM held a review meeting on Medical and Health department at Pragathi Bhavan here on Saturday. Minister Sri Laxmareddy, MLA Sri Venkat Rao, Government Chief Advisor Sri Rajiv Sharma, Principal Secretary (Medical and Health) Sri Rajesh Tiwari, Commissioner Ms Vakati Karuna, Principal Secretary (Finance) Sri Ramakrishna Rao, NIMS Director Sri Manohar, Medical Education Director Dr Ramesh Reddy, Health and Family Welfare Director Dr Lalitha Kumari, Medical Services MD Dr Venugopala Rao and others participated.

“There is an increase in the workload due to the KCR Kits. There is an increase in patients from the PHCs to the Teaching Hospitals. Though the in-patients are outnumbering the beds, the doctors and other staff are rendering services and often working overtime. Their services are to be appreciated. People are hailing the doctors services. We should congratulate the doctors and other staff,” the CM said.

“KCR Kits is giving multi uses. Since the patients are coming to the hospitals the unnecessary operations are avoided. Since there are regular checkups, both mother and child are being healthy. Hence it is leading to another generation of healthy people. The poor people are able to avoid the expenses for the delivery and more over the government is giving them an additional Rs. 15,000. The poor are blessing the government. Due to regular investigations and tests, there is a fall in mother and infant deaths. The increase in patients due to KCR Kits should be commensurated with the facilities. Appoint the adequate doctors and other staff. The finance department should release the funds necessary for the Medical and Health department” the CM said.

“In agency areas like Adilabad and other places, people used to die due to viral fevers during the Monsoon. But this time due to the programme launched by the medical and health department, the incidents of deaths and viral fevers have come down. People are healthy now. Though there is an outbreak of diseases elsewhere in the country, it is under control in Telangana state. This is the result of the good work done by the doctors. The Telangana doctors have registered such victories, “the CM hailed the doctors.

The following are the decisions taken by the CM with regard to Medical and Health department:

- The CM signed on file giving incentives to the doctors who are working overtime for the health of the poor
- To examine increasing the retirement age for Assistant and Associate and Professors posts to 65 years
- The CM has also positively responded to the suggestion to increase the retirement age from 58 to 65 years for those teaching in semi autonomous Medical colleges in Nalgonda, Suryapet along with those in Adilabad, Mahaboobnagar and Siddipet
- The CM wanted all arrangements should be made for the setting up of medical colleges in Nalgonda and Suryapet and to create facilities as per the Medical Council guidelines in all the medical colleges in the state
- Give promotions to all those eligible doctors without any delay
- To relax the restriction on the Doctors working in remote areas and agency areas should stay there locally and allow them to stay in the nearby town
- Proposals should be sent to the government on the new buildings to come up in the place of the dilapidated buildings of the hospitals
- Besides new buildings for the hospitals quarters should be constructed for the Doctors and other staff
- Create shelters for those accompanying the patients and arrange facilities at the big hospitals
- Keeping in view the increasing population in the city, floating population, two major hospitals like the NIMS should come up along the ORR but not on the Warangal highway where there is AIMS at Bibinagar. Maternity hospitals should also come up here
- Prepare comprehensive information on government hospitals, buildings, lands and other assets
- Study the Centre sponsored health schemes and find out how to utilize them totally

