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### **SCO's First International Conference & Expo on Traditional Medicine to be inaugurated in India by AYUSH Minister Shri Sarbananda Sonowal**

Union Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways and AYUSH, Shri Sarbananda Sonowal will inaugurate the first B2B Global Conference & Expo on Traditional Medicine under Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) at Guwahati. More than 150 delegates from 17 countries are likely to attend in this first of its kind four-day international summit.

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### **Ministry of AYUSH first 'Chintan Shivir' inaugurated by Union Minister of AYUSH Shri Sarbananda Sonowal**

Ministry of AYUSH first 'Chintan Shivir' was inaugurated by Union Minister of AYUSH Shri Sarbananda Sonowal today at Kaziranga National Park, Assam. Minister talked about tremendous potential of AYUSH sector and exhorted young researchers and scientist to work on evidence based scientific research and explain the benefits and research of AYUSH system of medicine in native languages so that it reaches larger masses.

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### **25 crore health records of individuals linked to their ABHA (Ayushman Bharat Health Account) for anytime access**

The National Health Authority (NHA) under its flagship scheme Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) has achieved another milestone in building a digitally connected healthcare ecosystem. Over 25 crore health records of individuals have been linked to their ABHA (Ayushman Bharat Health Account). These records can be easily accessed and managed by the individuals using any of the ABDM-enabled health apps. The digitally available health records will enable the ABHA

holders in availing paperless health services across the ABDM network.

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### **Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya unveils 'India's Vaccine Growth Story' at World Book Fair 2023, Pragati Maidan**

Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya released the book 'India's Vaccine Growth Story - From Cowpox to Vaccine Maitri' authored by Shri Sajjan Singh Yadav, Additional Secretary, Govt of India at the World Book Fair 2023, at Pragati Maidan. The book elaborates on India's impressive achievement in developing, producing, and distributing COVID-19 vaccines. Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Union Health Secretary, and other senior officers were also present on the occasion.

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### **Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya virtually attends the inauguration of Super Speciality Block at Government Medical College (GMC), Kozhikode, Kerala**

"Under the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister, Government of India has accorded special focus on holistic development of Kerala based on the mantra of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishvaas, Sabka Prayaas. The completion of this super specialty block set up under PHASE-III of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) at Government Medical College, Kozhikode is an excellent example of this vibrant cooperative federalism between Union Government and the state government." This was stated by Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya as he attended the inauguration of new surgical super specialty block at Government Medical College, Kozhikode, in the presence of Shri Pinarayi Vijayan, Chief Minister, Kerala.

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### **Big Boost for AYUSH market with trade interest of more than ₹590 crores generated at the '1st SCO B2B Conference & Expo on Traditional Medicine' in Guwahati**

The '1st SCO B2B Conference & Expo on Traditional Medicine' came to a successful end as it created a platform for buyers and sellers from different countries to explore trade potential to serve the needs of the people. An incremental trade interest of over ₹590 crores was generated during the two days of intense meetings among the buyers and sellers at the conference. This first-of-its-kind conference & Expo under the SCO initiative was inaugurated by the Union Minister of AYUSH and Ports, Shipping & Waterways Shri Sarbananda Sonowal on March 2, 2023, at Guwahati, Assam.

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