

CM INAUGURATES NEW OPERATION THEATRE AND LASER VEIN TREATMENT FACILITY

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Strengthening access to advanced and affordable healthcare, Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant inaugurated the Operation Theatre and Interventional Laser Vein Treatment Services at the Community Health Centre, Bicholim. The initiative marks a significant milestone in enhancing specialised healthcare services in the State by making advanced treatment more accessible through the public healthcare system.

Strengthening healthcare infrastructure at the Community Health Centre, the newly constructed Operation Theatre Complex will enhance surgical services and improve access to quality treatment for patients in the region. Further expanding specialised healthcare services, the CHC has introduced free Interventional Laser Vein Treatment for patients suffering from varicose veins. The minimally invasive procedure replaces conventional surgery and will now be available free of cost. This will benefit the patients from Pernem to Canacona through the public healthcare system.

Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant said, “The Government is committed to ensuring the quality and advanced healthcare remains accessible and affordable for every citizen of Goa.” He stated that the Interventional Laser Vein Treatment facility was introduced following discussions with Health Minister Shri Vishwajit Rane and medical officers, after which the required equipment was procured. He added that the initiative would enable people across Goa to access advanced treatment closer to home without the financial burden of expensive procedures.

Emphasizing preventive healthcare and financial protection, CM Dr. Sawant encouraged citizens to prioritise their health through regular yoga and healthy living. He highlighted that the Government continues to extend financial assistance for medical treatment through the Deendayal Swasthya Seva Yojana (DSSY), with nearly ₹70 crore being spent to support beneficiaries. He further informed that efforts are underway to bring more hospitals under the Prime Minister’s Relief Fund, which will provide additional support to patients requiring organ transplant procedures.

Reinforcing the Government’s vision of building a healthier Goa, the initiative reflects its continued focus on strengthening healthcare

infrastructure, expanding specialised medical services and ensuring equitable access to quality treatment. By integrating advanced technology with patient-centric care, the Government remains committed to delivering accessible, affordable and modern healthcare to every citizen.

The programme was attended by MLA of Bicholim Dr. Chandrakant Shetye, MLA of Mayem Shri Premendra Shet, Director of Health Services Dr. Rupa Naik, Chief Medical Officer Dr. Sandesh Madaikar, Consultant Radiologist and Interventional Laser Vein Specialist Dr. Rajaram Mahambrey, Health Officer Dr. Siddhi S. Kansar, doctors, healthcare professionals, nurses, health workers, members of the Panchayat and other distinguished guests.

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