

# **IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON HEALTHCARE SECTOR IN INDIA**

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### **Abstract**

An alarming health calamity- the novel coronavirus of 2019 hit the world and created havoc with its rapid spread. Several countries got impacted in terms of healthcare-sector, economic-sector and other losses and the extent of impact depended on the pre-existing financial arrangement of the country and various other factors. Due to this outbreak, healthcare sector was one of the sectors which is worstly affected. Also, it must needed investment and had to respond

rapidly and effectively to manage this crisis. Among the countries affected, India is a financial centre also it is significant worldwide connectivity was impacted directly, leading to an imminent breakdown of economical markets. This paper tries to understand the different aspects of sector specific challenges faced by the Indian healthcare system and devise the possible measures to overcome the effect of COVID-19 pandemic in India. It analyses the short term and possible long-term effect of this pandemic on health care sector of India in terms of efficiency equity & resources. The Indian Government had acted rapidly to allocate funds, resources and manpower to make sure or to reduce or mitigate the impact of virus. It announced relief packages for the marginalized & poor communities to cover their daily consumption costs. Research centres in our country need to work to quickly and qualitatively to mitigate any further damage.

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