

Sakeena calls for maximising accessibility of healthcare services in rural areas

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SRINAGAR: Minister for Health and Medical Education, Social Welfare and Education, Sakeena Itoo, on Saturday chaired a comprehensive review meeting at Civil Secretariat here regarding performance and functioning of Health and Medical Education (HME) department in Srinagar, Budgam, Ganderbal and Pulwama districts.

During the meeting, the Minister assessed medical infrastructure, human resources, medical supplies and equipments as well as emergency preparedness of each district. She also took detailed appraisal regarding functioning of PHCs, CHCs, SDHs and district hospitals of all these districts.

Addressing the officers in the meeting, Sakeena Itoo stressed upon them for maximising accessibility of healthcare services in rural areas especially during winters. She called upon them for posting of specialists and adequate staff in PHCs and CHCs so that people get best medical care in their vicinities without moving to tertiary care hospitals.

The Minister also stressed upon the officers for enhancing the existing mobile health services for reaching out to remote areas more effectively.

While reviewing progress on ongoing projects in these districts, Sakeena Itoo impressed upon the officers for timely completion of these projects as they are vital for filling the gaps of progressive health care services for people. She further encouraged the officers to prioritise establishment of more diagnostic centers and specialty services at district hospitals in order to cater to the increasing health needs of the people and reduce burden on tertiary care hospitals.

The Minister also called upon all Medical Superintendents to display rates of all diagnostic tests at designated places in their

respective hospitals for ease of common masses.

While reviewing the status of Human Resource in health institutions of these districts, the Minister called upon the officers for timely filling of

vacant posts to concerned recruiting agencies. She also directed for cancellation of attachments of all doctors and specialists for better health care services in these facilities.

The Minister also emphasised the importance of transparency, accountability and efficient management of resources in ensuring smooth operation of healthcare facilities in these districts.

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