



## Budget Recommendations For The Healthcare Sector In India – 2014

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### Mr Health Minister, What you have in store for us?



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**HealthyDunia.com** speaks to experts

from Indian Healthcare industry about their expectations from the upcoming health budget by the Health Minister Dr Harshvardhan.

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initiatives to stop the deterioration of soil and the pollution of the water table being done by current agricultural practices. The injudicious use of chemical fertilisers provided by the govt. at below cost has lead to many serious agricultural issues besides dragging down the economy and inflating the import bill. Currently, India's total subsidy bill is around 2.2 lakhs crores and it is spending nearly USD 9 billion on importing around 30% of its urea requirement of around 32 million tonne. India imports nearly half of its complex fertilisers requirement of around 28 million tonne a year."

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## BUDGET 2014 WISHLIST FOR INDIAN HEALTHCARE SECTOR

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Healthcare in India is limited to some top cities. The penetration of better healthcare services are highly depended upon the mindshare of common people and Government's focus towards this sector. Moreover, the new government is in action and Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Minister of Health and Family Welfare has given priority to emphasize on preventive measures over cure in India's National Health Policy. The new government will also develop a national health insurance policy and National awareness program promoting healthy lifestyle.

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While discussing some of the key points which this sector would like to see in this year's Union Budget, Naikawadi stated, “In the current scenario health insurance and preventive health check-up are clubbed together under one category for tax benefit. This can be separated to create 2 different categories. This arrangement can help people get a precise and clear incentive to go for a preventive health check-up.”

The Healthcare Wishlist includes:

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