

KAYAKALP initiative

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Ministry of Health And Family Welfare, Government of India, has launched a national initiative in May 2015 **to promote cleanliness and enhance the quality of public health facilities**. The purpose of this initiative is to appreciate and recognize their effort to create a healthy environment. The name of this initiative is "KAYAKALP". **Swachhta guidelines for health facilities along with this initiative have also been issued.**

The objectives of the 'Kayakalp' Scheme are

- **To promote cleanliness, hygiene and infection control practices in public healthcare facilities**, through incentivizing and recognizing such public healthcare facilities that show exemplary performance in adhering to standard protocols of cleanliness and infection control
- **To inculcate a culture of ongoing assessment and peer review of performance** related to hygiene, cleanliness, and sanitation
- **To create and share sustainable practices related to improved cleanliness in public health facilities** linked to positive health outcomes

About the guidelines

Guidelines for Implementing Kayakalp" have been developed as an implementation tool and enabler document to find solutions to the identified problems, These guidelines are meant for secondary care public hospitals meeting the Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) guidelines, though with some discretion they may be used for primary healthcare facilities and as well tertiary care hospitals

These guidelines are divided into six thematic areas as per the “Kayakalp” Scheme



Awards to public Health Facilities KAYAKALP

Categories:

The awards would be categorized as follow:

- Best two District Hospitals in each state (Best District hospital in small states).
- Best two Community Health Centres/Sub District Hospitals (limited to one in small states).
- One Primary Health Centre in every district.
- Best Health & Wellness Centre

Parameters:

The parameters on which the performance of the facility would be judged are as follows:

1. Hospital/Facility Upkeep
2. Sanitation and hygiene
3. Waste Management
4. Infection control
5. Support Services
6. Hygiene Promotion
7. Cleanliness beyond Hospital/facility Boundary wall