

Tamil Nadu Health Systems Project – ABDM Tamil Nadu organized the District-Level Workshop on Emerging Digital Needs in Health and the Launch of the ABDM Microsite at the 8th Floor Conference Hall, Collectorate, Chennai on 16th April 2025. The event was graced by the presence of **Tmt. Rashmi Siddharth Zagade, I.A.S., District Collector, Chennai, Dr. S. Vineeth, I.A.S., Project Director of the Tamil Nadu Health System Reform Program, and Dr. M. Jagadeesan, City Health Officer, Public Health Department, Greater Chennai Corporation.** Their participation underscored the administration's strong commitment to

About the Scheme

The Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) is a Government of India initiative aimed at developing the essential backbone to support an integrated digital health infrastructure across the country. It empowers individuals by providing them with a unique ABHA ID (Ayushman Bharat Health Account), enabling secure storage and seamless sharing of their health records across healthcare providers with their consent.



Accelerating the Implementation of ABDM in Chennai District

The workshop aimed to bring together key stakeholders from across the healthcare sector to discuss, promote, and accelerate the implementation of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) within the Chennai district. With the healthcare sector rapidly moving towards digitization, the workshop emphasized the importance of components such as ABHA ID (Ayushman Bharat Health Account), HFR (Health Facility Registry), HPR (Healthcare Professional Registry), HMIS (Health Management Information Systems), and PHR (Personal Health Records). Participants gained valuable insights into how these elements work together to create a seamless digital health ecosystem.

Fostering Collaboration for Successful ABDM Implementation

A notable feature of the event was the emphasis on fostering collaboration between government departments, private medical colleges, empanelled hospitals, standalone clinics, interfacing agencies like Gramodaya, and digital health solution providers. Building a strong rapport with professional associations such as the Indian Medical Association (IMA), Indian Dental Association (IDA), and Pharmacy Association was also discussed, ensuring their active support in the ABDM Microsite activities.





What are Microsites?

- The "100 Microsites Project" is an initiative by the National Health Authority (NHA).
- It is designed to accelerate the adoption of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) among private healthcare providers.
- The project focuses on integrating private healthcare facilities—including clinics, hospitals, laboratories, and pharmacies—into the ABDM ecosystem.
- This integration aims to expand the digital health network across the country.
- In Tamil Nadu, the project is being implemented under the guidance of the State Mission Director, ABDM.
- M/s PATH serves as the Development Partner, and M/s Gramodaya acts as the Interfacing Agency.
- The project is currently active in key locations, including:
 1. Avadi (Tiruvallur District)
 2. Krishnagiri Taluk (Krishnagiri District)
 3. Hosur Taluk (Krishnagiri District)
 4. Chennai
 5. Tiruchirappalli
 6. Coimbatore
 7. Madurai
- The main aim is to foster a stronger digital health infrastructure by promoting seamless registration and onboarding of private healthcare establishments into the ABDM framework.

Showcasing Progress and Digital Tools

Field-level experiences from the ongoing ABDM Microsites Project in Chennai were shared to highlight progress and practical lessons. Live demonstrations of digital tools by HMIS solution providers such as Dataman, Spirals, and LetsDoc illustrated how digital health applications could significantly enhance patient care, streamline data management, and improve health outcomes. The workshop also witnessed the official release of Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) materials focused on ABHA, HFR, and HPR, and addressing common myths, aimed at strengthening outreach efforts at the grassroots level.

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