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Excellencies and Distinguished Delegates,
Namaste!

I bring to this august Assembly the greetings of the people of India. Guided by the principle of Health for All, India has consistently upheld the **inclusive and people-centric approach that shapes our health policies and programmes**. The theme of assembly, ***“Reshaping***

Global Health: A Shared Responsibility,” reflects our enduring commitment.

Excellencies,

Anchored in a 'whole-of-the-government' and 'whole-of-the-society' approach, India is accelerating towards Universal Health Coverage by expanding access to quality and affordable healthcare.

For this, we have established **185 thousand** health and wellness centres, namely **Ayushman Arogya Mandirs**. **In addition, we are committed to developing a robust and resilient public health infrastructure for pandemic preparedness and emergency responses.**

Complementing this, the **Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission** is strengthening India's national digital health ecosystem by creating **over 880 million unique digital**

health identities, which facilitate longitudinal health records and seamless continuum of care.

Also, India has the world's largest public health assurance scheme for the most vulnerable, covering 600 million beneficiaries.

Recognizing the transformative potential of Artificial Intelligence, India has recently launched the **Strategy for Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare for India**. The future of AI depends on our collective ability to build ethical and human-centric systems.

Excellencies

India is known as the “Pharmacy of the World” for its leadership in generic medicines. India's commitment to global health partnership and cooperation was demonstrated during the COVID-19 pandemic through

Vaccine Maitri initiative, under which India supplied 300 million vaccine doses to around 100 countries.

In the spirit of solidarity, let this Assembly move forward to **transform policy into impact and shared responsibility into a healthier future for all.**

Thank you very much!

Jai Hind!