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Despite Flaws, MITI Aayog's health index is helpful for the Socio-economic Progress of the country. Analyse.

Ans.

In 2017 MITI Aayog collaborated with ministry of health and family welfare and world bank for tracking annual health performance in India.

Recently they released health index 2019 - 'Healthy State Progressive India Report Round-IV-2019-20'.

What report says and Parameters :-

→ Report divide based on health outcomes, governance, input process. (Cumulative category)
In larger, →
Smaller state, →
Union territories, →
State state based on performance ← neonatal mortality, Under-5 mortality, sex ratio etc.
ex. Kerala (82.6) in larger state.

Why we need this :-

(1) Policy making :- State or center can make policy based on performance and improved their rank as well infrastructure.
ex. Uttar Pradesh was 79th in report but from past record it's impro

ved.

(2) competition :- It'll definitely create competition between state and encouraged them to perform better. which help state to work toward robust health system.

(3) help us in SDGs :- this'll help us to effort toward achievement of health related goal. sustainable development goal to Universal health coverage goals.

even we are performing better day by day there still some loop holes :-

(1) no data for covid -19- death, infection, didn't add infections diseases, NCD, mental health etc.

(2) data is inadequate or limited for ex. MMR, sex ratio data etc. available for larger state only. uneven data of private sector. and without verification.

(3) uneven spending central fund. ex. during covid crisis 23,000 crore provided for emergency use. only 17% used by states.

Conclusion :- Even though there is benefits as well some area for concern but despite that we can say that it's definitely changing state attitude which is helpful for people welfare.