

Ayushman Bharat: UP bags 2 nat'l awards for robust effort

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Lucknow: The state health and family welfare department has bagged two national awards for effectively implementing the Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya (Ayushman Bharat) scheme. The award was presented to a team from the state at an official function on Tuesday.

An official spokesperson informed that UP was the top performer in the 'scan and

share token count' category. This facility enabled quick and seamless digital OPD registration for patients with the help of QR codes. As a result, this reduced the waiting time at the government facility from an average of 50 minutes to just about 5 minutes.

The state also ranked first in the health professionals' registry category. Over 42,741 health professionals' registries in UP were verified. "The number was maximum in the co-

untry and the exercise placed UP among the best performing states in India," they said.

Data from the union health and family welfare ministry indicated that Karnataka followed at the second place while Bihar, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Delhi and Punjab bagged the subsequent positions. Also, with over 38,000 registrations, UP ranked number two in the verified health facility category. Karnataka stood at the top place.