

Dr. Saurabh Kumar, Professor & HOD, Department of Community Medicine was nominated as a public health expert for 16<sup>th</sup> Common Review Mission (CRM) of National Health Mission (NHM). The objective of the CRM is to undertake a rapid assessment of the functional status of various health programmes running under NHM and to understand key drivers and challenges impacting their implementation. It also documents innovations and best practices of each state that can be replicated elsewhere for achieving better health outcomes.

Dr Saurabh Kumar was deputed as a public health expert to the CRM team Haryana. The State Lead for the Haryana team was Dr Sunny Swarnakar, DADG (NCD), DGHS, MoHFW. The team of 12-14 members comprised of experts belonging to Ministry of Health and family Welfare, Ayush Ministry, Academic Institutions, DGHS, IAPSM (Public Health Expert), NHSRC, SHSRC etc.

CRM Haryana team completed the rapid assessment of all the health programmes at the Primary and Secondary Level of Health Care in two districts of Haryana, Palwal and Panchkula respectively.

Dr Saurabh Kumar, was designated as the District Team Lead for the District Palwal. He and his team worked with worked with State Team Lead, and made the plan of action for Palwal on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at the National Briefing Workshop on the 16<sup>th</sup> CRM of NHM held at International Ambedkar Center,15, Janpath Road, New Delhi.

The team led by Dr Saurabh Kumar, had members from State Health System Resource Centre, (SHSRC), Kerala; National Health System Resource Centre(NHSRC), Ayush Ministry and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare(MoHFW). The team of 6 experts completed the rapid assessment of District Hospital, Sub District Hospital, Community Health Centre, Primary Health Centres (Ayushman Arogya Mandir), Sub health centres (Ayushman Arogya Mandir), Urban Primary Health Centre (Ayushman Arogya Mandir), Schools and Anganwadis. The team interviewed the frontline workers viz ASHA workers and Anganwadi Workers and also conducted a focussed group discussion on beneficiaries. This entire activity was done for a period of 4 days i.e. from 19<sup>th</sup> November to 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024. The findings of both the districts were compiled and presented to Directors of various health programmes under the chairmanship of Director General Health Services, Haryana on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2024 at Panchkula, Haryana