

Topic –  
Evidence-based healthcare policy initiatives –  
An Indian perspective  
**KALAM INSTITUTE OF HEALTH TECHNOLOGY**



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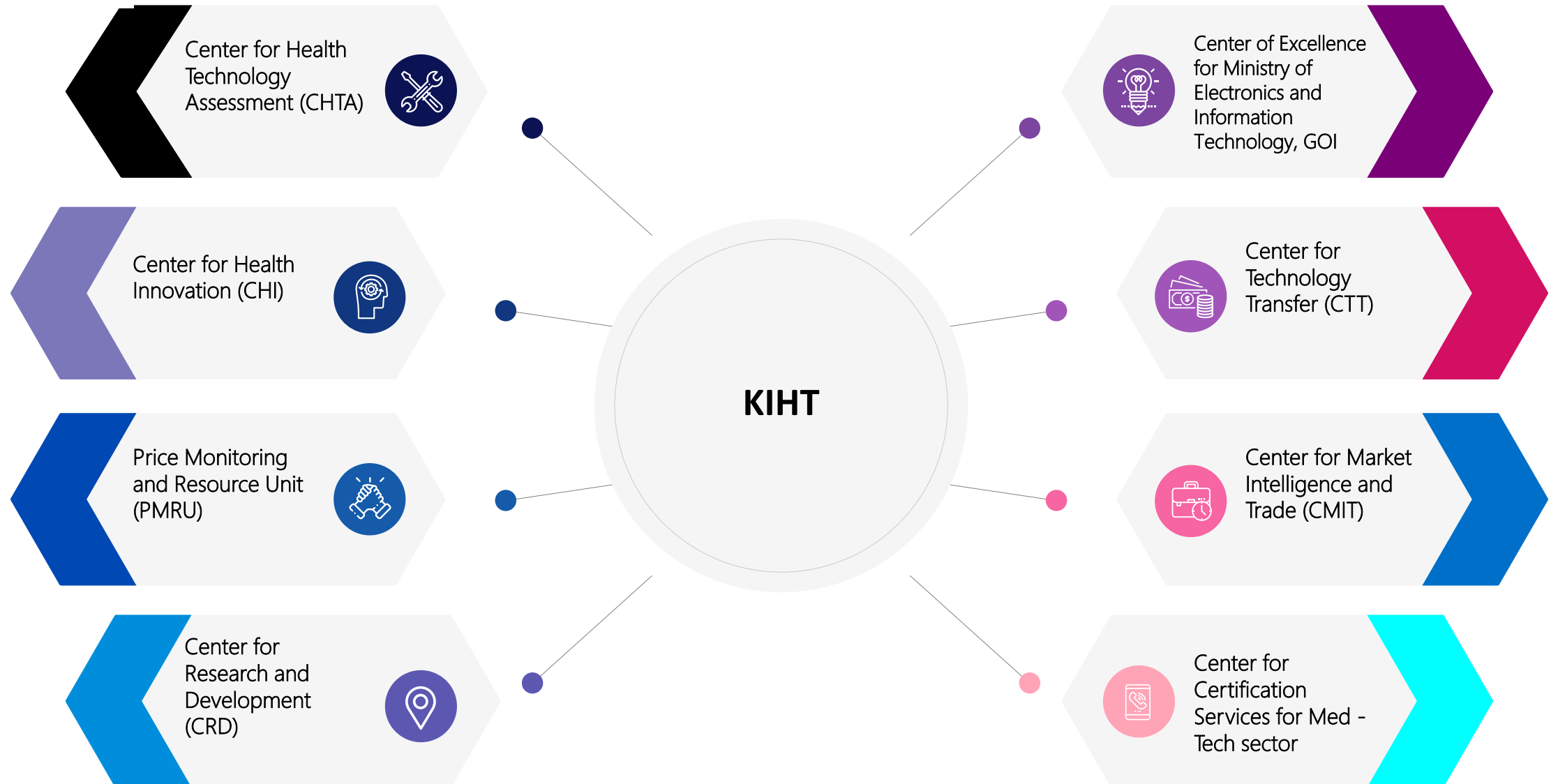
- Kalam Institute of Health Technology has been set up in the name and honour of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, is one of its kind globally.
- It is a Government of India Project supported by the Department of Biotechnology.
- It also draws its credibility from the fact that Kalam Institute itself is housed in AMTZ, Vizag which is world's largest medical device research, development and manufacturing cluster.





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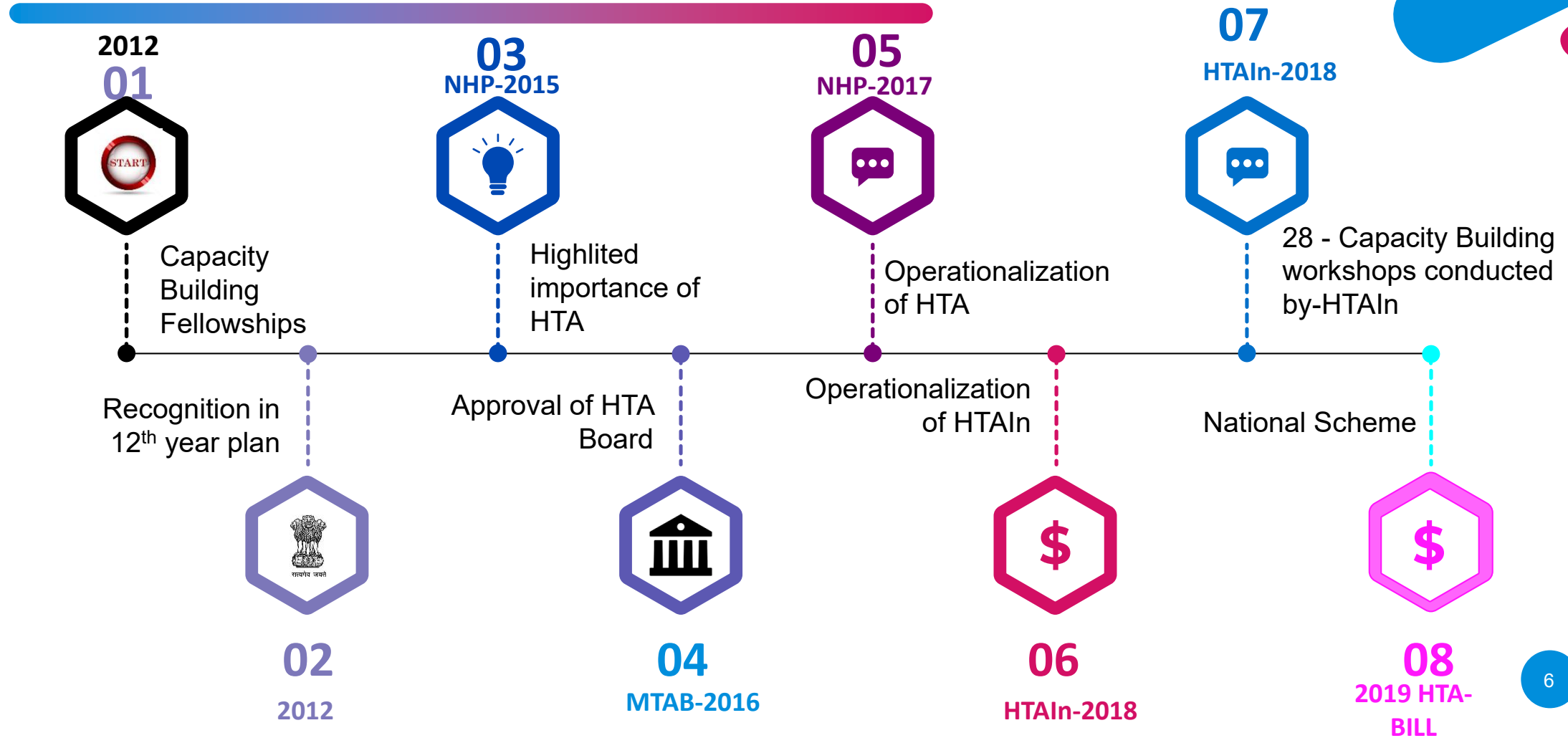


# Journey of Evidence-based healthcare policy initiatives in India

- India began building its Health Technology Assessment (HTA) capacity as part of its journey towards a global perspective in December 2012 under the leadership of Dr. Jitendra Sharma- Executive Director – Kalam Institute of Health Technology



# Evolution of HTA in India

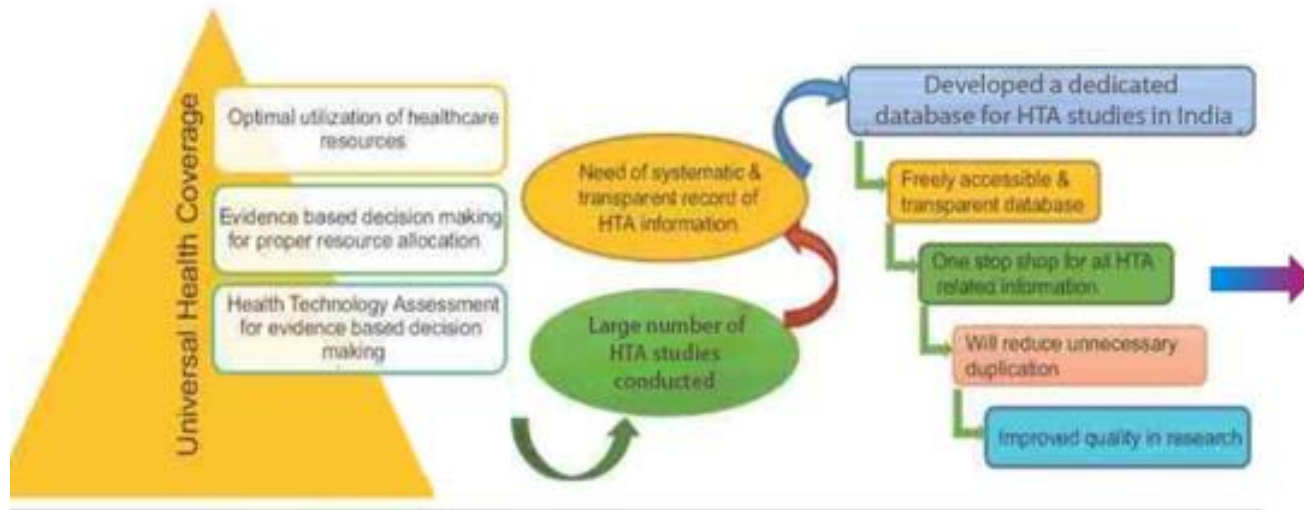


In 2014, the World Health Assembly adopted a resolution on use of HTA to ensure Universal Health Coverage.



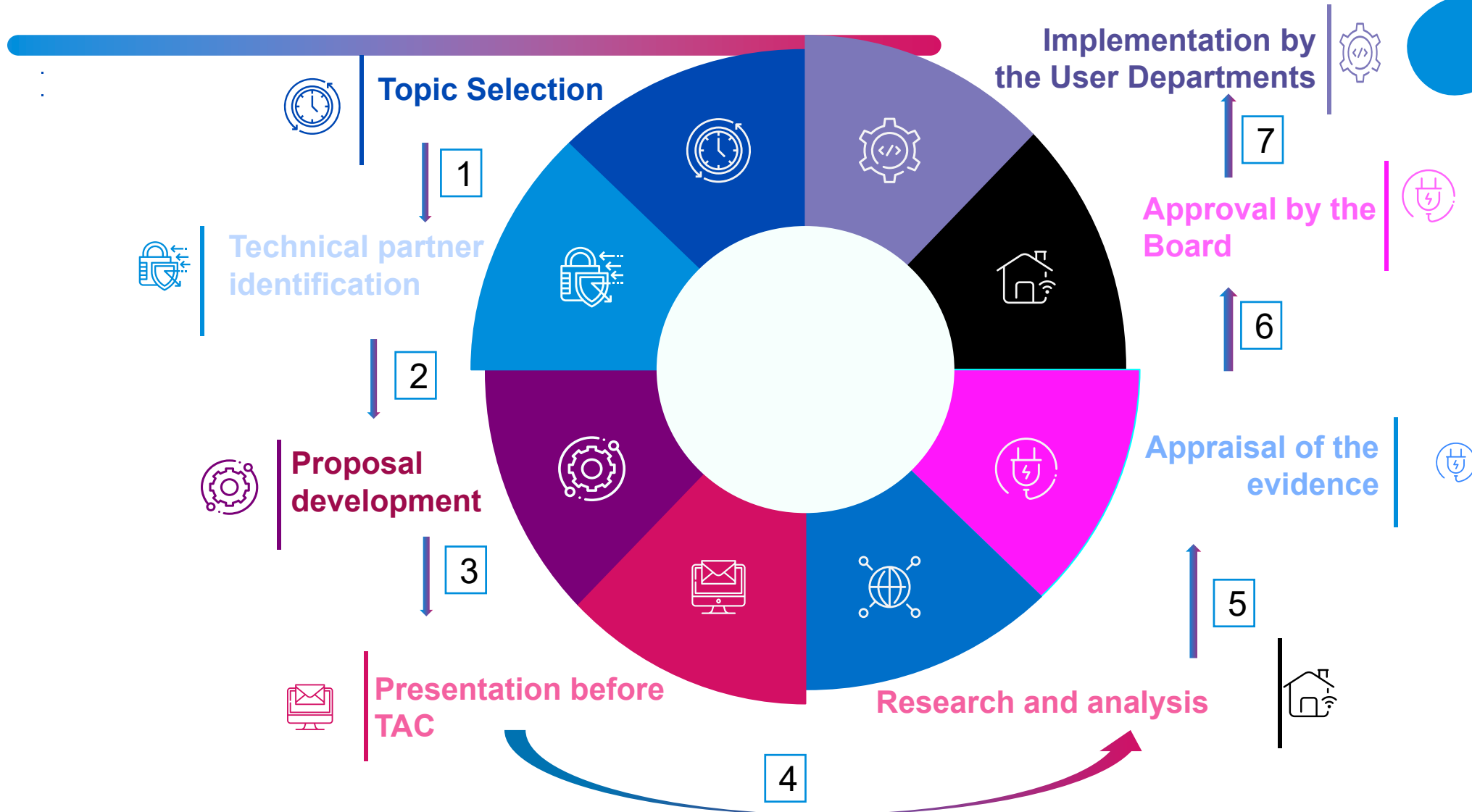


# Theme of this year's World Health Assembly is: "Saving Lives, driving health for all"





# Key Phases of the HTA Process



# Progress of HTA from 2017 to August 2023 in India:



**16 Resource Centres approved and functional**

**10 Technical Partners established.**

**32 Technical Appraisal Committee Meetings Conducted**

**67 HTA studies completed**

**Indian Costing data base established & EURO-QOL data generated for Quality of Life of Indian Population**

# Some of the Evidence based Policy Initiatives

## Scheme for Universal Health Coverage

Launched on 23<sup>rd</sup> September,  
2018



Health  
insurance  
cover of up to  
**₹5  
lakh/family/year**



Covers  
**secondary  
and tertiary care**  
hospitalisation

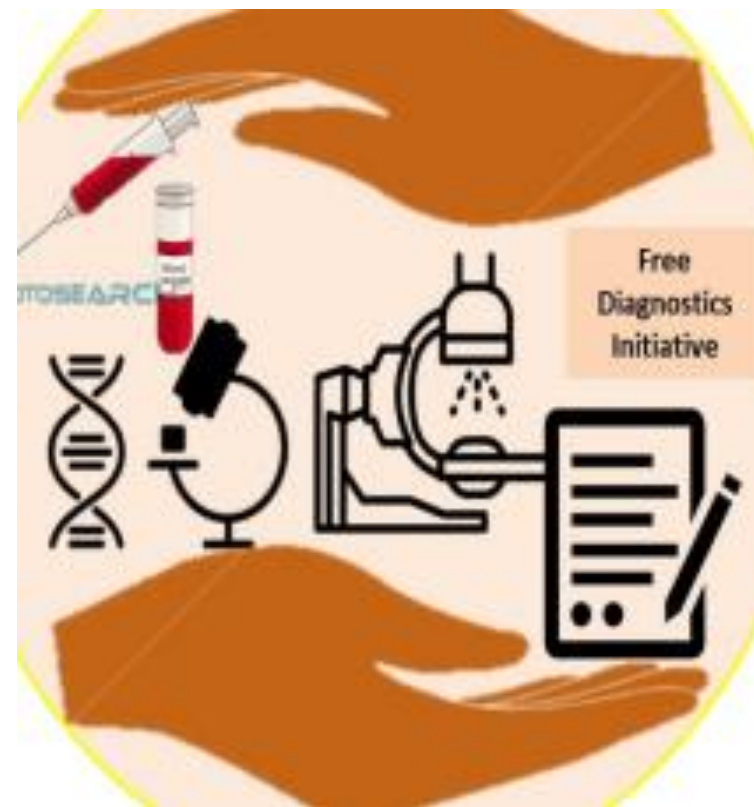


**Providing free  
treatment** in any  
public or over 16,000  
empanelled hospitals  
across the country



# National Free Diagnostic Initiative

- The Free Essential Diagnostics Initiative was launched by the Government of India under the National Health Mission in 2018.
- The program aims to provide free essential diagnostic services to patients at public health facilities.
- The objective of the initiative is to reduce the out of pocket expenditure incurred by patients on diagnostics and improve the quality of healthcare services.
- The program is a significant step towards achieving Universal Health Coverage in India and improving the overall health outcomes of the population.





# Quality and Affordable Healthcare service delivery



Provide free  
dialysis  
services to poor &  
subsidized  
services  
to all patients



About 2.5 lakh  
patients have  
availed the  
service

## National Dialysis Program



647 dialysis units  
and 3953 Dialysis  
machines made  
operational



Nearly 35 lakh  
dialysis session  
held so far



# Ensuring Affordable & Quality Healthcare



1084 essential medicines brought under Price Control regime giving consumer **total benefit of more than ₹15,000 crore**



Affordable medicines- More than **4,900 stores**, resulting in savings of over **50%-90%**



AMRIT pharmacies provide drugs for cancer & cardiovascular diseases at **a discount of 60% to 90%** Over **1.04 crore patients** have benefitted  
(as on 30 Nov.2018)

**Price of Cardiac Stents reduced by 85% resulted in annual saving of ₹46,000 crore**

**Price of Knee Implants reduced by 69% resulted in annual saving of ₹ 1,500 crore**



# Conclusion & Way Forward-

Evidence based Quality Healthcare services Reaching poorest fulfilling the WHA Mandate “Saving lives, driving health for all”

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