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People Power

Ensuring a Healthy Future

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Strengths & Opportunities

Large skilled health manpower

Significant research capability

Growing hospital infrastructure

Mature pharmaceutical industry

Democratic system and public discourse

Increasing demand for health services

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Strengths & Opportunities

Willingness to pay for health

Break through on population front (TN, AP etc)

**Effective military style campaigns (small pox,
pulse polio)**

Wide network of RMPs

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Challenges of the Future

**Immunization coverage (TB: 68%, Measles: 50 %,
DPT: 70 %, overall : 33%)**

**Four major infectious diseases: Malaria, TB,
HIV/AIDS, RHD**

Preventable blindness

Population control – large northern states

Public health expenditure share

Sanitation (70 % households without toilets)

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Challenges of the Future

Accountability in public health care

High out-of pocket health expenditure

Alternative systems - integration

Unqualified PMPs

Mounting cost of hospital care

Decline in family care - overspecialization

Ideal vs Optimal care

Health manpower training - inadequacies

Regional inequalities

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Critical Issues

How to involve community in rural health care

How to provide effective and affordable family care to urban populations

How to promote public-private partnerships

How to extend tertiary care to poor

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Lessons of past experience

More expenditure need not mean better health

Risk pooling necessary for private care : but not feasible without compulsion and large organized labour

Consumer choice and producer competition vital to reduce costs and improve efficiency

Public health and private health are complementary

Future health care should address demographic transition

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Viable models

VHS Chennai

**TB control – Public-Private partnership- Mahavir
Hospital**

Quality eye care for all - LVPEI

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Governance and Health

Fiscal crisis

Redefining state's role

Electoral reform

Decentralization

Public-private convergence