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Health Care Sector as a Mammoth Challenge - A Comparative study of two fastest moving Economies of Asia

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ABSTRACT

The present study focuses on the prevailing health care system in India and China taking into account some leading health indicators of both the Asian Giants, who are facing turbulent in dealing with the health care issues and challenges. The study has referred a large number of websites and publications dealing with Management of health data relevant to the health status of both the nations and finally selected six leading indicators like - Demographic, Socioeconomic, Health Status, Health Finance, Health Infrastructure and Human Resource in Health Sector. This study has also referred special reports of WHO, World Bank, UNICEF and National Health Profile (Govt. of India) for evaluating the status of both the nations with respect to the health parameters. The study attempted to highlight the key issues like shortage of Medical Personnel, facilities along with bulkier challenges like medical services not reaching all segments of people, thus creating a social imbalance. The comparison has been made with global average standards of selected parameters and the results would certainly help in policy and decision making in the improvement of health care sector in the country.

KEYWORDS: Leading health indicator, GDP, Health expenditure.

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