

Visit of Angolan Health Minister to India (5-10 July 2018)

A delegation led by HE. Dr. Sílvia Lutucuta, Angola's Minister of Health visited India from 5-10 July 2018 at the invitation of the Indian Minister of Health and Welfare - Dr. Jagat Prakash Nadda. The Angolan Health delegation included representatives from MINSA; the Angolan National Directorate of Medicines & Equipment; National Institute of Health Research; Bureau of Studies, Planning & Statistics, National Directorate of Hospitals; Provincial Health Office of Bié and Angolan Society of Cardiovascular Diseases.

Delegation level talks were held in New Delhi on 5 July, where discussions focused on identifying potential areas of cooperation between Angola and India in healthcare - including Training of Health professionals; Support for human resources development & healthcare services; Twinning of hospital units & research institutions; Regulation of pharmaceuticals, medical devices and cosmetics; Acquisition of medicines, medical equipment and materials; and Cooperation in area of Traditional Medicine. Both sides agreed to expedite the process of finalisation of the proposed Memorandum of Understanding that would cover these areas of cooperation.





Other engagements of Minister Dr. Sílvia Lutucuta and delegation in New Delhi included visits to the prestigious All Indian Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS); Fortis Hospital, Apollo Hospital, Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). In Mumbai, the delegation had interactions with senior officials of the Central Drugs Testing Laboratory (CDTL) and also visited to the pharma-drug factory Inventia. In Chennai, the delegation visited the Dr. Rai Memorial Medical Center; the SRM Institute of Medical Sciences (SIMS) and Prashanth Fertility Research Centre (PFRC). The MINSA delegation returned to Luanda on 10 July.

