

## **President lays foundation stone for Bhagwan Mahavir Super Speciality Hospital in Delhi**

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### **The hospital would be ready by 2023**

The President of India, Ram Nath Kovind laid the foundation stone for Bhagwan Mahavir Super Speciality Hospital in Delhi on May 3, 2022.

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that priority has been given to service in the Jain tradition. He noted that the state-of-the-art Bhagwan Mahavir Super Speciality Hospital with 250 beds would be completed by the year 2023.

He said that in this super specialty hospital, high quality health services will be made available to all sections of the society at affordable rates, and free of cost to the poor.

Speaking about the importance of face masks, the President said that we know that the introduction of surgical masks into modern history dates back to the year 1897 when surgeons began using masks to protect themselves from bacteria during operations. But Jain saints understood the importance of masks centuries ago. By covering their mouth and nose, they were not only able to avoid killing living beings but they also able to prevent the entry of micro-organisms into their body.