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Apollo Tyres flags off Mobile Medical Unit for health check of truckers

A unit each would be active in Delhi and Tamil Nadu

Leading tyre maker, Apollo Tyres today inaugurated its **Mobile Medical Unit**, christened as '**Apollo Tyres Healthcare Express**' for the health check of the truckers and the allied population. One such unit was flagged off by Onkar S Kanwar, Chairman, Apollo Tyres Ltd, Neeraj Kanwar, Vice Chairman & MD, Apollo Tyres Ltd, and Kultaran Singh Atwal, Chairman, All India Motor Transport Congress in the presence of senior members of the company and the Transport Association.

This mobile medical unit will provide basic health check services, in addition to the treatment of Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI), Vision Screening and providing Spectacles at subsidised cost, Blood Group and Blood Sugar tests and screening for HIV. The first Apollo Tyres Healthcare Express, based out of Delhi, would be staffed with an MBBS doctor, Pharmacist, Lab Technician and three outreach workers, and will cover various entry-exit routes of Delhi NCR where there is a trucking halt. The second unit would operate from Namakkal in Tamil Nadu.

Commenting on the occasion, **Onkar S Kanwar, Chairman, Apollo Tyres Ltd** said, "Caring for society has always been a core value at Apollo Tyres. Being the leaders in the commercial vehicle space in India, we have always strived towards providing health services to our target audience, the trucking community. With our static healthcare centres in the transshipment hubs getting good footfall from the truckers, there was a demand for such a mobile medical unit to cater to the target population not entering these transshipment hubs."

Since the launch of its healthcare initiative, the team from Apollo Tyres, in the last 15 odd years, has reached out to more than 37 lakh people with its HIV-AIDS Awareness and Prevention Programme, Vision Care, TB and other health services. Out of this, nearly 6 lakh have availed the health services and 1.2 lakh people have undergone testing for HIV. Since the launch of Vision Care programme two years back, over 45,000 people have been screened for vision. The company has been implementing its health programme amongst truckers and the allied population at the transshipment hubs across the country and has 26 healthcare centres.

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