

PET/CT scan service in the Department of Nuclear Medicine at AIIMS Bathinda was formally inaugurated by Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, Honourable Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare and Chemical & Fertilizers, Govt of India on 2nd June 2026. The inauguration highlighted the Government of India's commitment to strengthening healthcare infrastructure services across every part of the country and marked a significant milestone in advancing specialized diagnostic and therapeutic healthcare services to the cancer patients of Malwa region of Punjab and adjoining areas of states of Haryana and Rajasthan.

Under the dynamic leadership of Prof. (Dr.) Ratan Gupta, Executive Director & CEO of AIIMS Bathinda and guidance of Prof. (Dr.) Rajiv Gupta, Medical Superintendent of AIIMS Bathinda, the Department of Nuclear Medicine headed by Dr. Bhavay Sonik, will be providing advanced diagnostic imaging services to cancer patients supporting accurate diagnosis, staging, treatment planning, response evaluation and follow-up evaluation thereby augmenting patient care and also supporting cutting-edge medical research.

PET/CT scan also play an important role in the management of cardiac patients who come to hospital with delayed presentation after heart attacks to assess heart muscles viability. Furthermore; PET/CT scans are useful in the diagnosis and monitoring response to treatment for various Neuro-psychiatry disorders and Infection / Inflammatory conditions.