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Title: Regarding status of three medical colleges being set up under the fund allocated from Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana to West Bengal.

**डॉ. सुभाष सरकार (बांकुरा):** मान्यवर, आपका बहुत-बहुत धन्यवाद ।... (व्यवधान) इस शीतकालीन सत्र में, शून्य काल में एक बार भी मौका न मिलने के बावजूद आपकी कृपा से आज मुझे शून्य काल में बोलने का अवसर मिला है ।... (व्यवधान)

\*Respected Speaker Sir, I take the floor to raise an urgent matter relating to my state West Bengal. In the year 2014 when the Health Minister was Dr. Harshavardhan, who is also the present Minister of Health, West Bengal has asked for three projects. For three medical colleges, 150 crore rupees have been allocated under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana by the Central Government. This amount was earmarked for improved kidney treatment, special orthopedics treatment, neuro surgery, cardiac surgery etc. The 3 medical colleges are Bankura Medical College, Malda Medical College and North-Bengal Medical College. However, 5 years have already passed, the work has not been completed so far. No medical equipment has been purchased, doctors have also not been appointed. Moreover, there is no doctor in all the super-specialty hospitals which have come up with the aid of National Health Mission. The hospital buildings have been constructed, equipment are in place, but there are no doctors or nurses. Patients are not getting proper treatment. This is the pathetic situation of the healthcare sector in West Bengal. The 150 crore rupees provided under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana have been squandered.

Buildings have not been constructed, medical equipment have not be procured, doctors have not been appointed. Thus I urge upon Hon. Minister of Health to issue a letter to the state government in this regard and seek explanation on this issue.