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Title: Regarding setting up of medical college at Dhenkanal in Odisha.

SHRI MAHESH SAHOO (DHENKANAL): Hon. Speaker, Sir, I am really grateful and very much thankful to you for giving me an opportunity to speak on the problems arising out of industries in Talcher.

Talcher is an important place; you know it better. That place gives maximum revenue to the Government in comparison to all other constituencies. The maximum revenue of Rs. 1 lakh crore is given to the Government of India. Due to industries, several diseases have been prevalent there. The Government of India decided to set up one Medical College in Talcher. Accordingly, the then Minister of Coal laid the foundation stone. The infrastructure was completed in Talcher. One of the Ministers inaugurated that building also. As of today, the Medical College in Talcher is not functioning. I would request the Government, through you, that it should be started immediately.

Also, the concerned Parliamentary segment is a worker-dominated area. An ESI hospital should come up there. The Government of India has decided to set up another Medical College at Dhenkanal. As of today, the Government of India is silent over this. Keeping in view the potentiality and importance of the locality, that should be done immediately. I would request the Government, through you, that the matter should be sorted out as soon as possible.

Thank you, Sir.