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Title: Regarding Development of IIT and IISER in Tirupati into Centres of Excellence

SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY (TIRUPATI): The bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh has adversely affected the State as it lost many Central Government Institutions. As a compensatory measure, development of Central Institutions for Higher education was promised in the AP Reorganization Act, 2014.

In this regard, it is to be brought to the notice of the Union Government that two prominent institutes, Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) and Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) in Tirupati are still functioning from temporary campuses. Even eight years after bifurcation of the State, lack of a permanent campus and infrastructure facilities hinder the development of these institutes. The development of IISER and IIT would immensely benefit the Tirupati region as it will pave the way for a unique synergy of two premier educational institutes.

The development of these institutions into centres of excellence in higher education and research will need continuous support and cooperation of the Union government. I request the Honorable Minister of Education to provide all necessary financial and non-financial support required to facilitate the accelerated development of IIT and IISER in Tirupati.