Regarding establishment of an AIIMS in Raichur-laid

SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK (RAICHUR): Government had announced an AIIMS in Karnataka. Raichur, Yadgiri Districts are most backward Districts which got special status under Article-371]. These are included into Transformation of Aspirational Districts programme as it is having 70% population of SC/ST/OBCs and 59% literacy rate. In Raichur Constituency most of SC/ST/OBCs are financially poor and even unable to give good Education and Health facilities to their children. If AIIMS is set up in this area, Educational and Health facilities will improve for public and employment opportunities for unemployed youths will be created. Dr. D.M. Nanjundappa committee on regional imbalance in Karnataka recommended establishment of a Central University in Kalaburgi and IIT at Raichur. Kalaburgi got Central University in 2011 but IIT went to Dharwad. Kalyana Karnataka region is lacking in health facilities and people are dependent on Bengaluru/Pune/Hyderabad for Medical treatment. Raichur has highest number of infectious diseases case and 56-73% of pregnant women/children are malnourished. People are spending more than 76% of income on medical treatment. The Chief Ministers of Karnataka have also assured the infrastructure support for AIIMS in Raichur.