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SHRIMATI TEJASWINI SEERAMESH (KANAKAPURA): Sir, through you, I am requesting this House to grant A-1 status to Bangalore city. Everyone knew that Bangalore was founded by Nada Prabhu Kempe Gowda with its planned lakes and with its planned streets to each one of the artisan communities. Bangalore has a glorious history; it is known as economic hub today; it is also the IT hub of India which attracts very famous dignitaries from the world. With its 70 lakh-population, today Bangalore is having world class infrastructure and industries and it is also having world famous public sector companies like HAL, HMT, ISRO, etc. It brought dignity to the country.

Bangalore is also known as the garden city which attracts many people from all over the country. Many elderly citizens want to settle down in Bangalore because of its pleasant weather. With its international airport and with its very good roads, Bangalore deserves to have the A-I city status.

I do not know why the Government of India – while granting A-I city status to cities like Chennai, Kolkata, etc. – left out Bangalore city from granting that status. It is the Capital of Karnataka now, which was in Mysore State earlier. With all humility, I request the Government to grant A-I city status to the Capital City of Bangalore.

MR. SPEAKER: Once you make it A-I city, it will be spoiled!