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Title: Need to constitute a separate fund for extending financial help to poor patients in the Country.

SHRI P.C. THOMAS (MUVATTUPUZHA): Prime Minister's Relief Fund is of great solace and help to many poor Indians who need costly medical treatment. However, the number of applicants are so high that many deserving poor patients are being denied assistance possibly due to acute shortage of funds available. It is necessary that the Government constitutes a new fund for charity to help such needy patients to a larger extent. Citizens and corporates may be encouraged to donate into that fund, it will be befitting that such a fund be constituted in the name of India's pride, Mother Teresa', who is a global symbol of love, peace and charity. Global donors will also be enthused to help the poor in the name of mother.

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