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Title: Need to expedite the setting up of a Medical College-cum-Hospital at Karnal on the lines of AIIMS, New Delhi.

DR. ARVIND SHARMA (KARNAL): There has been inordinate in setting up of the Kalpna Chawla Medical College cum hospital on the lines of AIIMS, New Delhi.

Sir, the people of my constituency have been waiting for work to start on the project.

Apart from honouring the memory of Kalpna Chawla, the facility would provide healthcare to millions of people in the area. The people of my area presently have to travel either to Delhi, Rohtak or Chandigarh for major ailments and the setting up of this facility would provide much-needed relief to the people of the area.

Sir, though more than a year has passed, there has been little or no movement on the issue.

I urge upon the concerned department of the Union and the State government to acquire land at the earliest so that work on the project could be started at the earliest.

* Treated as laid on the Table.