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Title: Need to set up dialysis units in Uddanam area, Andhra Pradesh in view of high prevalence of chronic kidney diseases in this area.

SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU (SRIKAKULAM): Madam, I would like to bring to your kind notice one of the problems that people in my constituency are facing. In Uddanam area, around 120 villages across six Mandals, namely, Itchapuram, Kanchili, Kaviti, Mandasa, Sompeta and Vajrapukotthuru, there are people who are affected by chronic kidney diseases. Madam, I know health is a State subject.

HON. SPEAKER: All States subjects are being raised here.

SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU : I would like the Central Government to provide some kind of research. We have the Indian Council of Medical Research. Even though in the last decade over 1500 deaths have occurred because of kidney related problem, we still cannot find out why it is happening. Therefore, I would request the Central Government to provide some kind of research in this area.

Secondly, the patients have to travel long distances to avail dialysis facility which is in Visakhapatnam. So, I would request the Ministry of Railways in this regard. There is a railway station in Sompeta and if they can halt two expresses, namely, the DMV Express and Yashwantpur Expresses there, it would be good for the people.