

(ii) Need to Provide financial Assistance to the Government of Andhra Pradesh for Improving the Facilities at King George Hospital, Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh

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(Anakapalli): Sir, there is an immediate need for the improvement of medical facilities at King George Hospital (K.G.H.) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, which is one of the oldest referral hospitals in the State, established in the year 1923, attached to the Andhra Medical College, the second oldest in the State.

As is well-known that Visakhapatnam is one of the fastest growing and developing industrial cities in India, having eastern naval command headquarters, Vizag Port, Hindustan Ship Building Yard, Visakha Steel Plant, Hindustan Zinc Smelter Unit, Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels, N.S.T.L., Andhra University and many other institutions. Apart from the above background, K.G.H. is the only hospital for north Andhra and it is centrally located between Hyderabad (A.P Capital) and Bhubaneswar (Orissa Capital) It caters the medical facilities too the people of coastal Andhra and the adjoining Orissa and Madhya Pradesh.

K.G.H. has all the minimum facilities for the on-going specialities and specialities like Cardiology, Neurology, Nephrology, Gastro Entrology, Urology, Endocrinology, Radiology etc, and Cardio-thorasic surgery, Neuro-surgery, Nephro-uro surgery, Gynic, ENT Ophthalmic surgery etc. All the above faculties are functioning with fully qualified and efficient personnel but with out dated equipment and instruments in meagre quantities.

So, I request the Central Government to provide financial assistance to the tune of Rs 10 crores to the State Government for

procuring equipments and improving facilities at K.G.H. and A.M.C.

(iii) Need to Fill up Vacancies in the North Eastern Regional Centre of National Institute of small Extension Training Guwahati

SHRI PROBIN DEKA (Mangaldoi): Sir, the North Eastern Regional Centre of National Institute of Small Industry Extension Training (NISJET) was set up at Guwahati in 1979. This is the only centre of NISJET in the whole country. The main objective of setting up the centre was to cater to the need of growing training, consultancy and research facilities to all the seven states of North Eastern Region. The Government of India showed special concern for Industrial development in the region. It is a matter of regret that since the inception of the Institute, several posts such as those of Vice-Principal and Director as also some posts in other categories are laying vacant. As a result, the Institute has failed to achieve its desired goal. Therefore, I urge on the Central Government to take necessary steps to fill up the vacant posts immediately.

(iv) Need to ensure that cold drinks containing B.V.O are not sold throughout the country

[Translation]

SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI (Kota): Mr. Speaker, Sir, in most of the cold drinks that are sold throughout the country, the banned borominated vegetable oil (B.V.O.) is being used openly which has proved to be harmful for human beings, and it has been proved that it can cause dreadful diseases like paralysis.

The production of such cold drinks falls into the category of crime. The fact that the it is being used in cold drinks, came to light when a food inspector in Delhi took samples