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to the affluence but it is always a great loss to the inmates who are below the poverty line.

The financial assistance given by the State or Central Government as a emergency help which conextned upto Rs. 1,500/- for a completely burnt house, is insufficient to procure the household articles and provisions, leaving the burnt house and the residents exposed to rain and sun. Crores of rupees are being spent for social welfare measures, which are often not long lasting. Instead of spending the entire amount on short term benefits, I suggest that Government must earmark some amount under a uniform scheme to cover the entire country so that any house belongig to the economically, weaker section of all communities is given just sufficient amount equal to that usually given to a weaker section housing colony through insurance.

This year in Srikakulam in Andhra Pradesh two villages- Kapsoguddu and Vanturu-belonging to fisherman community were destroyed by fire. So far no help was given. They could not cover their houses even with straw or palm leaves because of increase in cost. So, I request the Central Government to extend much needed assistance to the victims of these villages in the form of loan or subsidy for the purchase of fire proof roofing material.

**(ii) Need to provide financial assistance to Arogyaram Medical centre of Madanapalli, Andhra Pradesh**

SHRI AMPRATAP SAI (Rampet): The Arogyaram Medical Centre of Madanpalli in my constituency, a 340 bed hospital, formerly known as the Union Mission Tuberculosis Sanatorium, was declared open in 1915.

It established reputation as one of the foremost centres for the care, treatment, rehabilitation, teaching and research in tuberculosis and produced many specialists.

This was the first institution in India to start a Post Graduate course in tuberculosis and chest disease. It also pioneered in BCG vaccination programme in India. Tropical Cosinoplin was first discovered and described in detail here besides tuberculosis other medical facilities such as general medicine, surgery, gynae and obstetrics, paediatrics orthopaedic ophthalmology, community oriented eye care fairly planning etc, are available here. This hospital has also undertaken many special programmes.

The intitution is now facing enormous difficulties due to the financial deficit. The government is paying only Rs. 7/- per day per patient towards diet charges and Rs. 4,000/- per patient per annum, for drugs, nursing and staff.

I view of the great potentials for various kind of development in this area it can be converted into a full-fledged general hospital.

I request the Central Government to sanction Financial assistance of Rs. one crore to the Sanatorium.

**(iii) Need for suffering up on electronic telephone exchange at Nellore, Andhra Pradesh**

KUMARI PADAMASREE KUDUMULA (Nollore): Sir, Nellore district is prominent and famous for production of paddy and commecial crop growth. The Nellore city is centrally located and connected with rural population and business centre also. It is located very near to the coast of bay of Bengal and often marred by cyclones. The Union Government is going to construct a sea port at Muthukar nearby called " Krishnapatnam Sea port". There is another proposal to instal one Super thermal Station at same location i.e. Muthukur village.. As such it requires a stable communication network which can work under any adverse conditions.

Therefore, to avoid any tampering or manipulation by anybody by a secret code exclusively thrown to the subscriber it is