

**Title: Reg: Establishment of an AIIMS in Raichur.**

**SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK (RAICHUR):** The Government announced an AIIMS in Karnataka. The Raichur and Yadgiri districts are considered most backward districts and got Special Status under Article 371 J. They are Aspirational Districts declared by NITI Aayog as 70% population is SC/ST and backward classes and literacy rate is 59%.

Raichur Constituency is having most of the population with SC/ ST and OBC group who are financially backward. Even they were unable to give good education, health facilities to their children. Starting of AIIMS in this area will improve educational and health facilities of the public in this area and it will also create employment opportunities to the most unemployed youth of the area.

The Dr. D.M. Nanjundappa Committee on Regional Imbalance in Karnataka recommended establishment of IIT at Raichur but IIT went to Dharwad in place of Raichur. Kalyana Karnataka region is lacking in health facilities and people are dependent on Bengaluru/Pune/Hyderabad for Medical treatment.

Raichur has the highest number of cases of infectious diseases and 56-73% of pregnant women/children are suffering from malnutrition. People are forced to spend more than 76% of their income on medical treatment. Therefore, I demand to set up an AIIMS in Raichur to enhance medical infrastructure in the region.