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SHRI TANGELLA UDAY SRINIVAS (KAKINADA): I bring to notice of Government an urgent plea to include the Government General Hospital (GGH), Kakinada, under the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY). GGH Kakinada has been a lifeline for five districts? East Godavari, West Godavari, Alluri Sitharam Raju, Anakapalle, and Kakinada? providing essential healthcare services. In the past year alone, it handled 8 lakh outpatients, 70,000 inpatients, 45,000 surgeries, and 7 lakh lab tests. It also serves as a teaching hospital for Rangaraya Medical College. However, despite its critical role, the hospital suffers from inadequate infrastructure, outdated equipment, and staff shortages. Key departments like Cardiology, Neurosurgery, and Oncology remain under-resourced, and cancer care facilities have deteriorated. The growing patient load and lack of modern resources put immense strain on both staff and patients. I urge the Government to include GGH Kakinada under PMSSY for urgent infrastructure upgrades and develop it into a Comprehensive Cancer Care Centre. This will enhance patient care and strengthen medical education in the region.